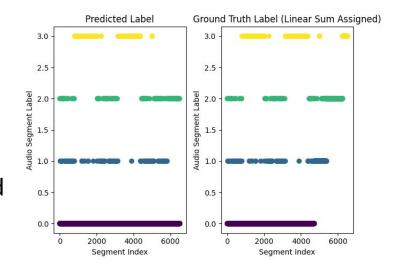
Singer Diarization in Multi Singer Audio

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What is Diarization?

In short, "Who Spoke When?". Does not concern itself with identifying speaker identity outside the scope of the audio.
Labelled as Speaker A, Speaker B, etc. instead of eg. John, Harry, and so on.



What is Singer Diarization?

Like speaker diarization but for singing voices, identifies who is singing and when in an audio recording. Has to deal with variation of pitch, backing tracks, high levels of audio distortion, etc.



1. Intro

Identifies count of singers in music

Reduce complexity in Diarization

- → Explore and Tackle Challenges
 Distinguishing vocal styles, separating
 vocals from instruments, etc
- → Techniques

 MFCCs, Spectral Clustering, Timbre and
 Chroma scores, Silhouette
- → Applications

Music analysis, recommendation Sys, understanding vocal contributions

Problem Statement

Automatic Singer Identification is Hard

- Demonstrate machine learning and deep learning efficacy in automatic singer diarization within music recordings.
- Compare system performance against a baseline to assess accuracy and effectiveness.
- Gather valuable data on technology's potential for precise singer diarization via singer count prediction.
- Lay groundwork for future research, enhancing robustness of singer identification systems.

Research Objectives

- High Accuracy Singer Identification
 - Lower Diarization Error Rate (DER) than baseline system.
 - Identify singers precisely in various music genres (evaluate on dataset).
- Accurate Singer Count Estimation
 - Pinpoint exact number of singers in a recording.
 - Compare predicted singer count to established ground truth.
- Ethical Considerations
 - Mitigate bias in training data to ensure fair identification.
 - Protect user privacy during the identification process.

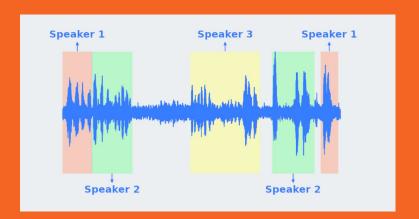
Project Scope

Inclusions

Dataset Curation
Vocal Separation
Feature Extraction
Singer Counting & Diarization
Evaluation

Exclusions

Real-time Singer Identification
Music Genre Classification
Music Recommendation Systems

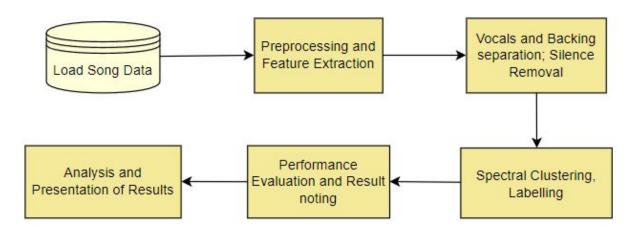




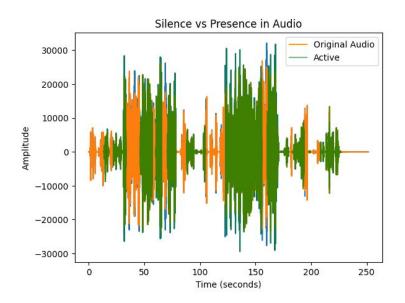
Proposed System

- Feature extraction captures vocal characteristics:
 MFCCs (timbre, pitch), chroma (vocal range),
 delta/delta-delta MFCCs (dynamics).
- Spectral clustering for singer count estimation:
 Groups similar vocal segments based on features.
- Silhouette score optimization:
 Identifies optimal number of clusters (singers) based on
 Silhouette and elbow method.

System Diagram



Feature Extraction



Prepares audio data for analysis:

Removes silence for cleaner audio (improves accuracy).

Isolates vocals using Spleeter (deep learning model).

Silence Removal:

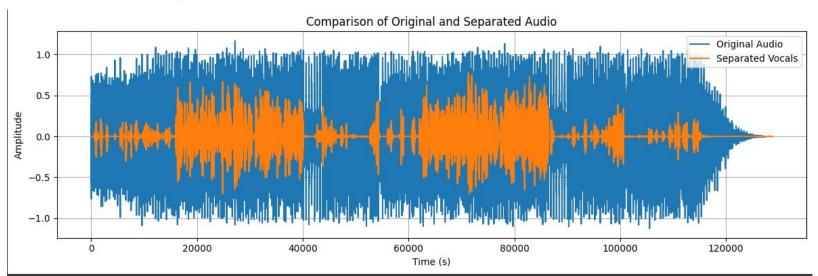
Identifies silent segments based on low audio energy (Short-Term Energy) & spectral changes (Spectral Flux).

Divides audio into windows for precise removal (preserves short vocal segments).

Vocal Separation with Spleeter:

Separates vocals from accompaniment for focused analysis (timbre, pitch, singing style).

2-stem model targets vocals specifically (other models available for instruments).



Features for Singer Diarization

- Mel-Frequency Cepstral Coefficients (MFCCs):
 Mimic human perception of sound frequencies, capturing the spectral envelope (timbre, pitch).
- Chroma Features:
 Represent short-term harmonic content (vocal range, singing style).
- Delta and Delta-Delta of MFCCs:
 Capture rate of change in spectral features over time (pitch variations).
- Spectral Contrast:
 Measures amplitude differences between peaks and valleys in the audio spectrum (spectral richness, vocal quality).
- Root Mean Square Energy (RMSE):
 Quantifies overall energy or loudness (vocal intensity).

Predicting Number of Singers: Clustering

Clustering:

Groups audio segments with similar features together.

Each cluster represents a potential singer.

Finding the optimal number of clusters is key to accurate singer count estimation.

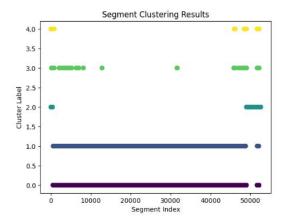
Silhouette Score:

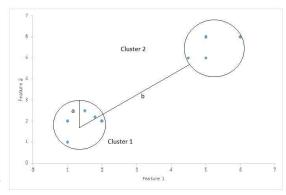
A metric used to assess clustering quality.

Considers two aspects -

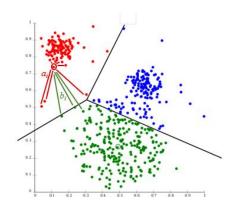
Cohesion within clusters (similarity of features).

Separation between clusters (distinctiveness of singer profiles).





Predicting Number of Singers: Silhouette Score



Iterative Strategy: Explore a range of potential cluster counts.

Spectral Clustering: Groups audio segments based on features in each iteration.

Silhouette Score Calculation: Evaluate the quality of each clustering solution.

Plot Silhouette Scores vs. Number of Clusters: Reveals an "inflection point."

Inflection Point: The optimal number of clusters (singers).

Represents a balance between high intra-cluster cohesion and distinct inter-cluster separation.

Accurate singer count estimation is crucial for effective diarization.

Implementation Details

List of packages required:

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Spleeter-2.4.0;
pyAudioAnalysis-0.3.14;
pyannote.audio 3.1.1;
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Secondary dependencies:

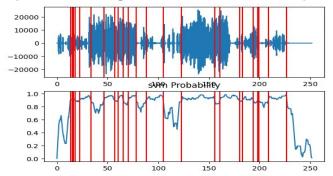
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Spleeter

- Pre-trained deep learning model designed for audio source separation
- Script provides the audio file path to Spleeter.
- Separator object is initialized with the chosen model configuration (e.g., "spleeter:2stems" for vocals and accompaniment separation).

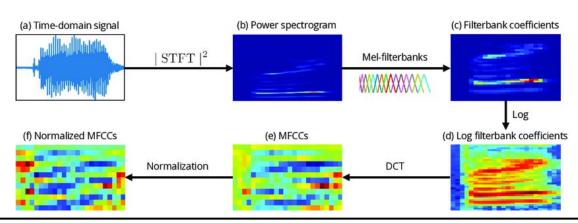
Silence Removal

- Uses pyAudioAnalysis library
- Removes silent segments from vocals
- Configurable parameters for silence detection (duration, smoothing)
- Outputs a list of segments representing non-silent vocal parts.



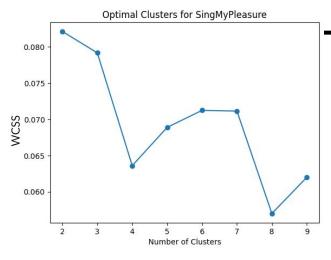
Extracting Informative Features

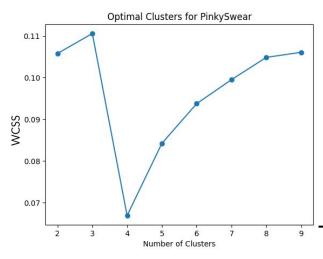
- Captures unique vocal characteristics using librosa.
- Extracts features like:
 - Mel-Frequency Cepstral Coefficients (MFCCs) timbre, pitch
 - Chroma features vocal range, singing style
 - Delta and Delta-Delta of MFCCs vocal changes over time
- These features provide a comprehensive representation for singer identification.



Identifying Singers (Part 1)

- Extracts features (MFCCs, chroma) to capture vocal characteristics.
- Groups similar segments using spectral clustering for singers with shared vocal qualities.
- Finds optimal number of clusters (singers):
 - Iterates through possible cluster counts.
 - Performs spectral clustering for each count.
 - Analyzes silhouette scores to identify the "elbow point" the most likely number of singers.





Identifying Singers (Part 2)

Elbow method for optimal cluster count:

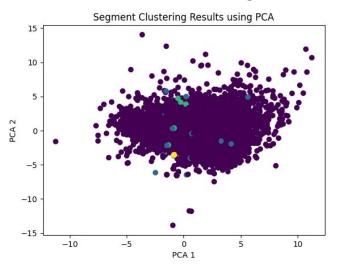
- Runs spectral clustering for varying cluster counts (potential singers).
- "Elbow point" in the WCSS
 (sum of squared distances)
 vs. cluster count plot
 signifies the best number of
 singers.
- Balances model complexity and clustering performance.

WCSS curve analysis:

- Lower WCSS indicates better data point representation within clusters.
- Flattening curve suggests minimal gain from adding more clusters (avoiding overfitting).

Segmenting Vocals and Assigning Singers

Divides vocals into overlapping windows (1-1.3s with 50% overlap) to capture singer characteristics within each segment.

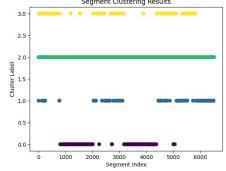


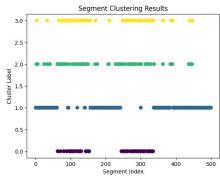
Visualizing Clusters (PCA):

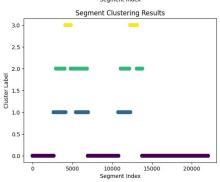
- Reduces feature dimensions for visualization using Principal Component Analysis (PCA).
- Not ideal in this case PCA captured low variance (less than 50% with 10 components).

Table 1: Average Percentage of Variance Explained at different PCA levels

Number of PCA Segments	Percentage of Variance Explained
2	13.98%
4	22.70%
6	30.80%
8	37.56%
10	45.27%







Segmenting Vocals and Assigning Singers (continued)

Spectral Clustering for Grouping:

- Groups similar segments based on features (potentially from the same singer).
- Creates a scatter plot where each point (segment) is colored by its assigned cluster.
- Segments with the same color likely belong to the same singer.

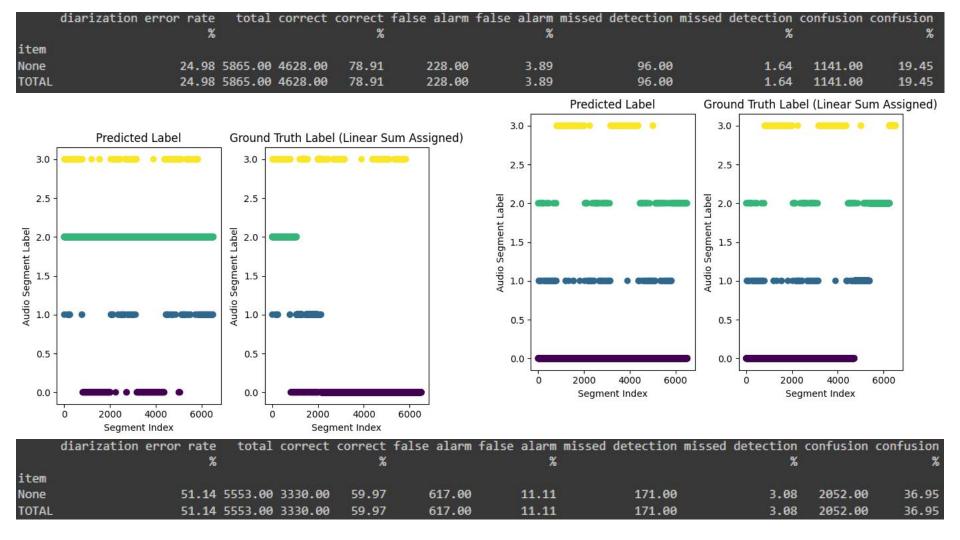
Manual Labeling:

- Human listeners identify the singer's voice in each segment.
- Creates a reference set of labeled segments for each singer.
- Used to evaluate the system's performance.

Why Hungarian Algorithm for Speaker Diarization?

- Assigning Speaker Labels Accurately is Key:
 - Need one-to-one correspondence between speech segments and speaker identities.
- Hungarian Algorithm: The Optimal Assignment Tool
 - Solves the assignment problem: matching segments (potential speakers) to labels (identities).
 - Minimizes the total cost of assigning segments to labels

- Cost Function for Speaker Diarization:
 - Considers acoustic feature similarity between segments and speaker profiles.
 - Lower cost for segments with high similarity to a specific speaker.
- Finding the Optimal Matching:
 - Hungarian algorithm explores all assignments, evaluating costs.
 - Eliminates inefficient assignments and finds lower-cost configurations.
 - Reaches a minimum total cost assignment for all segments.



Metrics for Evaluation

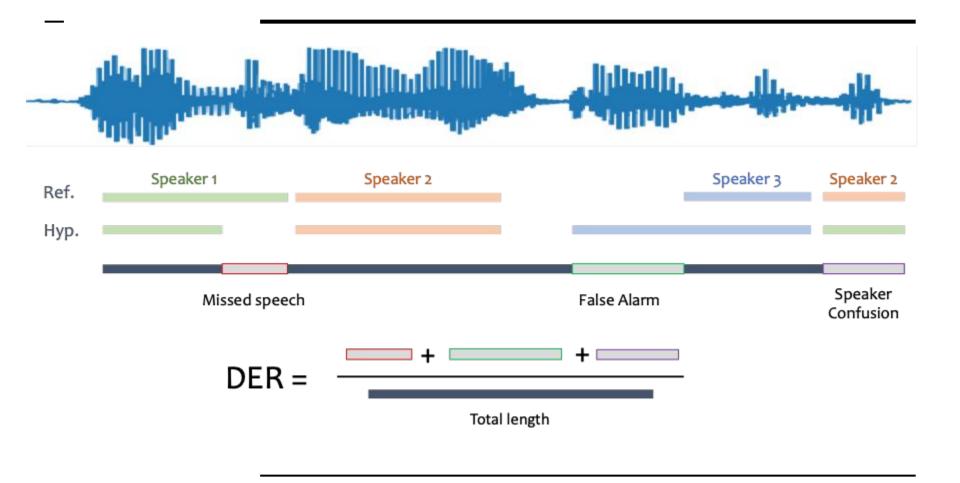
Metrics:

- False Alarm: System identifies silence/non-speech audio as a singer.
- Missed Detection: System fails to identify a speech segment (singer).
- Speaker Confusion: System assigns a segment to the wrong singer.

Diarization Error Rate (DER):

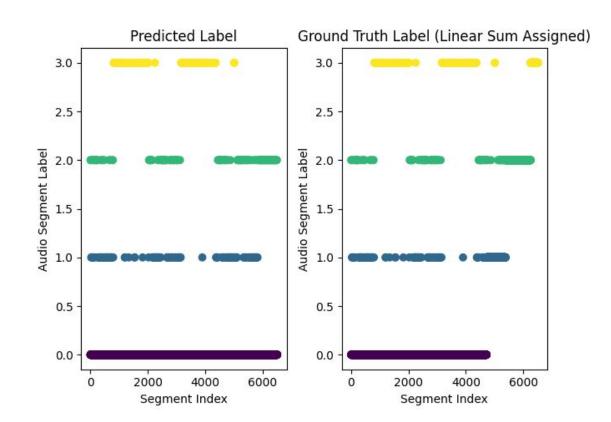
- Combines these errors as a percentage of total speech duration.
- Lower DER indicates better diarization performance.
- Singer diarization DER can range from 30% to 50% or higher depending on methodology and dataset.

$$DER = \frac{false\; alarm + missed\; detection + confusion}{total}$$



Results

The proposed system achieved the lowest overall DER of **29.91%**, followed by the VAD Agglo Clustering Based system at 51.14% and DCAP at 99.31%. These results indicate that the proposed system achieved the most accurate speaker diarization among the three systems evaluated based on the DFR metric.



Singer Prediction (by No. of Singers)

Table 5: Singer count prediction performance by number of singers

Number of Singers	Frequency/Number of such songs	Number of Correct Predictions	Rate of correct Prediction
1	13	5	38.46%
2	12	9	75.00%
3	14	11	78.57%
4 or more	14	6	42.85%

Overall Rate is 58.49%

Wide diff. In rates shows that a more detailed investigation is necessary into the reason behind it

- Songs are included from a diverse number of genres
- Instances of both overestimation and underestimation of singer count occur
- Both errors are balanced and bias is not observed

Table 6: Breakdown of Singer Count Predictions

Category	Count	
Correct Prediction	31	
Wrong Prediction	22	
Total Count	53	
Predicted Number of Singers is Higher than Ground Truth	13	
Predicted Number of Singers is Lower than Ground Truth	9	

Diarization Breakdown

- Due to Silence Removal and Vocal Separation, all show very low Miss Rate
- False Alarm seems to be alarming high for DCAP, which may be explained by difference in original purpose and dataset
- Singer Error is ~moderate across the board

Table 4: Average overall DER and other relevant metrics

System	DER	Singer Error	False Alarm	Miss
VAD Agglo Clustering	51.14%	40.03%	11.11%	3.08%
CAP	99.31%	35.76%	63.54%	4.86%
Proposed	29.91%	25.99%	3.92%	1.64%

The authors in the DCAP paper have a DER of 17.8% and 43.1% on the dataset and purpose used by them.

The authors in the VAD Agglomerative Clustering paper show a DER of 52.9%, Singer Error of 10.6%, FA of 26.5%, and Miss rate of 15.8% for closest comparison of conditions

Discussion/Summary

- Successful identifications: System correctly identified the number of singers in 53 recordings.
 - Highlights system's ability to handle diverse scenarios.
- Room for improvement: In some cases, the system overestimated (13) or underestimated (9) singers.
 - Solo and 4+ singer recordings pose challenges (low accuracy).
- Overall evaluation:
 - Balanced error rates indicate improvement compared to the baselines which exist.
- Future directions:
 - Classification report and singer count results offer valuable insights.
 - Further exploration and refinement can lead to more robust speaker identification.

Conclusions and Future Work

Achievements:

- Improved Speaker Identification: Achieved lower DER compared to baseline systems through deep learning for vocal separation, feature extraction, and spectral clustering.
- Optimal Speaker Labeling: Hungarian algorithm ensured accurate label assignment based on acoustic similarity.

Areas for Improvement:

- Singer Misclassification: Reduce Singer Error Rate through more sophisticated speaker profiling or alternative clustering for singers with similar voices.
- Complex Scenarios: Explore alternative features or incorporate music genre information to improve identification in solo recordings and those with many singers.

- This research presents a promising system for automatic singer identification with room for further development.
- Addressing limitations like singer differentiation and complex scenarios can lead to a valuable tool for music analysis and classification. Future work focused on speaker profiling, clustering algorithms, and music genre information can enhance the system's robustness and generalizability.

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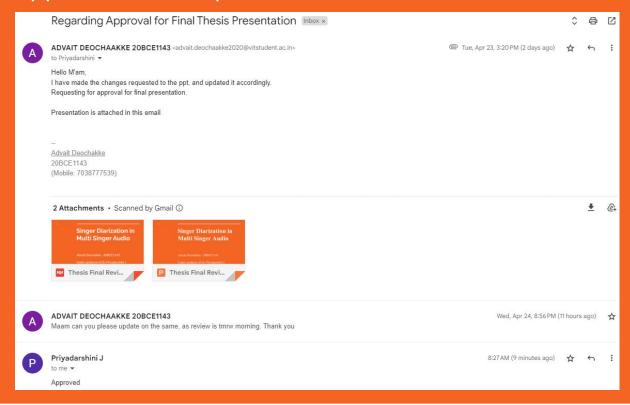
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