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MLPC – Team Toothpaste

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Feature Selection
Which audio features matter?

- **Raw input:** 768-dimensional frame wise embeddings
- **Preprocessing:**
  - Stack all frames across files StandardScaler
  - PCA → 50 principal components
- **Result:** first 50 PCs explain > 80 % of variance, so we reduce 768 → 80

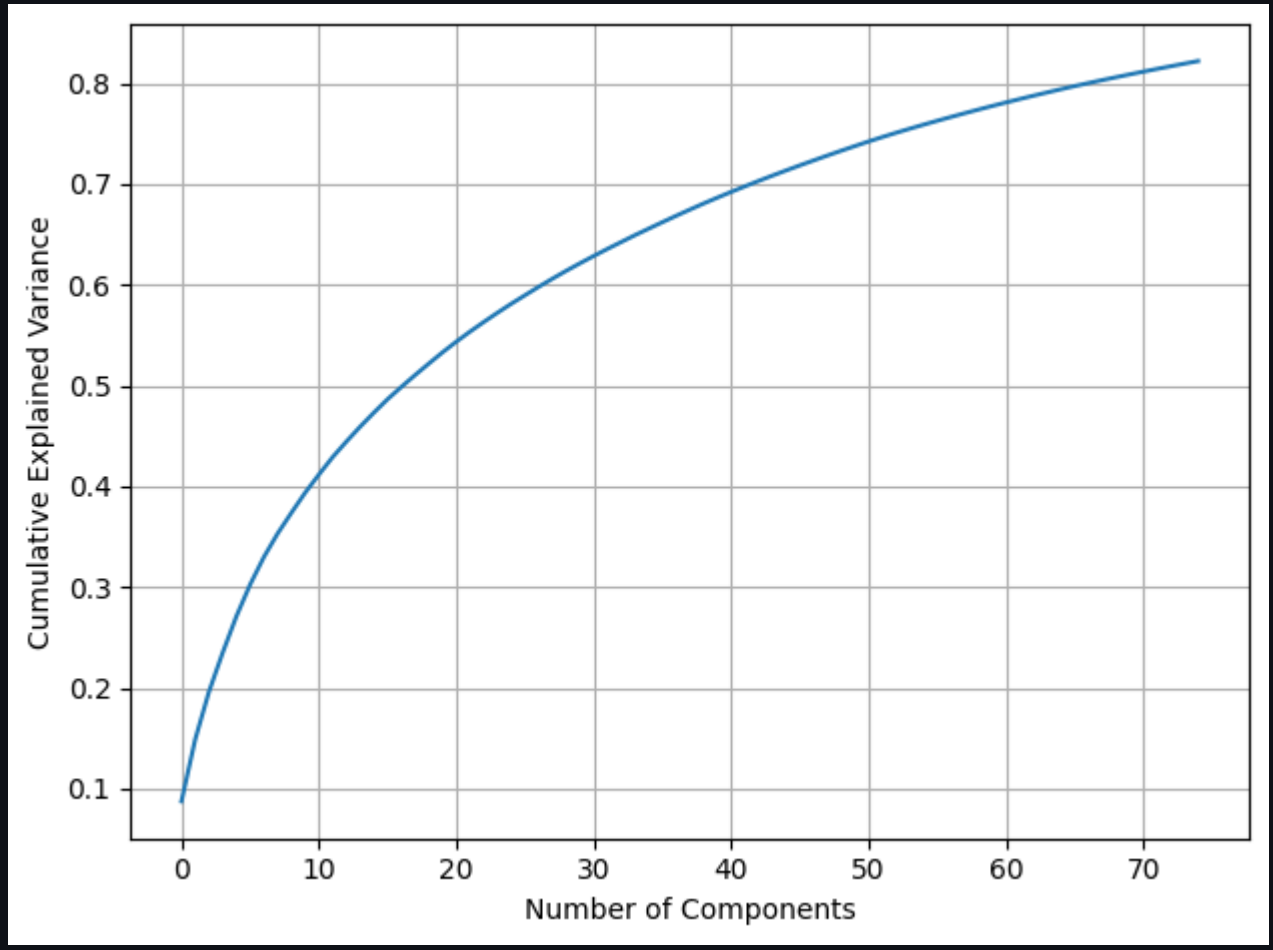

Figure 1: Cumulative Explained Variance as a Function of the Number of Principal Components

Fixed Length Embeddings
From variable to fixed length vectors

Locate Frames:

- Onset/offset → frame indices (120ms resolution)

Projecting those frames to the X-D PC space

Average to get one vector per region (annotated and each silent gap)

$$v_r = \frac{1}{T_r} \sum_{t=1}^{T_r} f_t$$

where $f_t \in R^X$ is the PC vector at frame t

Clustering Audio Regions

Do regions group into meaningful clusters?

Clustering

- **Alogrithm:** K-Means
- **Number of Clusters (k):** 25
- random_state = 42 , n_init = 10

768 D → 50 D → KMeans(25)

Used less PCs to reduce noise and 25 clusters seemed to work the best by iterating over 10 possibilities

Table 1: Cluster Quality Metrics and Formulas

Metric	Score	Formula	Ideal
Silhouette Score	0.089	$s = \frac{1}{N}\sum_{i=1}^{N}\frac{b_i - a_i}{\max(a_i,\, b_i)}$	↑ higher
Calinski-Harabasz Index	936.9	$CH = \frac{\mathrm{tr}(B_k)/(k-1)}{\mathrm{tr}(W_k)/(N-k)}$	↑ higher
Davies Bouldin Index	2.697	$DB = \frac{1}{k}\sum_{i=1}^{k} max_{j\neq i}\frac{\sigma_i + \sigma_j}{d(c_i, c_j)}$	↓ lower

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Silent Regions: One Big Cluster?
Where do the silence land?

- **Build** fixed_vectors and segment_labels (“annotated” vs. “silent”)
- Embed everything via `TSNE(n_components = 2, perplexity = 30)`
- Colour points by label

Figure t-SNE annotated vs silent, what does silence forms a tight cluster or not?

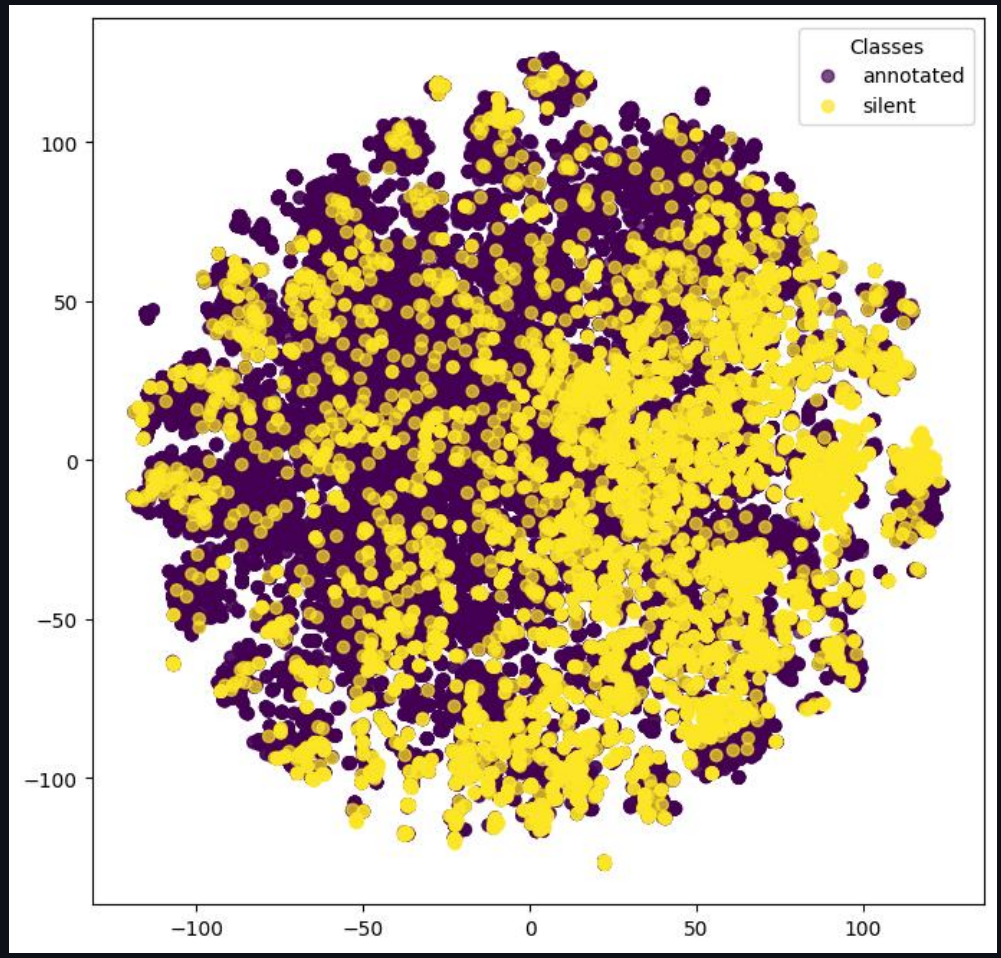

Figure 3: t-SNE Visualization of Annotated vs Silent Samples