

Goal of the project

- Automatically detect bird and frog species
- Real-time information
- => Automated eco-acoustic monitoring systems





Data

- 57.32 GB of audio and metadata
- audio: 1 minute long FLAC files at 48 kHz
- 4,727 samples
- 24 species

Data

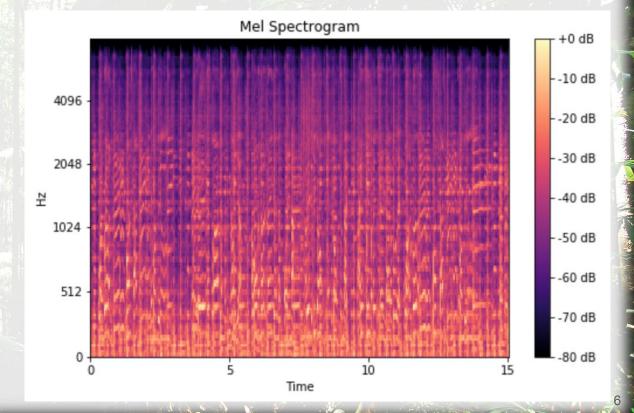
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3	007f87ba2	12	1	39.136	562.5	42.272	3281.25
4	0099c367b	17	4	51.4206	1464.26	55.1996	4565.04
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7	00d442df7	0	1	19.3653	5906.25	20.16	8250.0
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9	015113cad	15	1	50.0533	93.75	53.3973	1125.0
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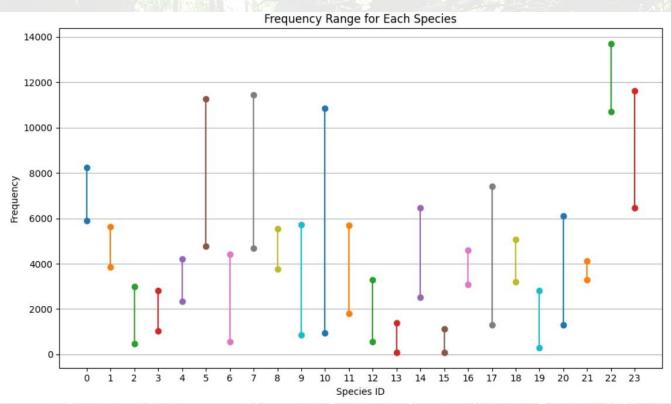
- includes a bounding box for each event
 - start/end time
 - low/high frequency
- We have strong labels in our data
- We are predicting weak labels

Mel spectrograms

- converts audio to 2D "image"
- x-axis: time
- y-axis:frequency



EDA bandwidths



Evaluation metric: LRAP

- label-ranking average precision
- 0 < LRAP <= 1 (bigger is better)
- predictions are at the audio file level, so multiple labels
- measures: "for each ground truth label, what fraction of higher-ranked labels were true labels?"

A	В	С	D	E	F	G	Н
labels	raw	prediction	ground truth	L_{ij}	rank_{ij}	ratio	
aardvark	8	0.6323	1	1	1	1.00	
3 baboon	7	0.2326	1	2	2	1.00	
4 cat	6	0.0856	0	0	3	0.00	
5 dog	5	0.0315	1	3	4	0.75	
6 elephant	4	0.0116	0	0	5	0.00	
7 fox	3	0.0043	0	0	6	0.00	
giraffe	2	0.0016	0	0	7	0.00	
9 hare	-1	0.0006	0	0	8	0.00	
0		# labels	3		LRAP	0.92	
11							
12							
13			n	samples -1			

Data challenges we faced

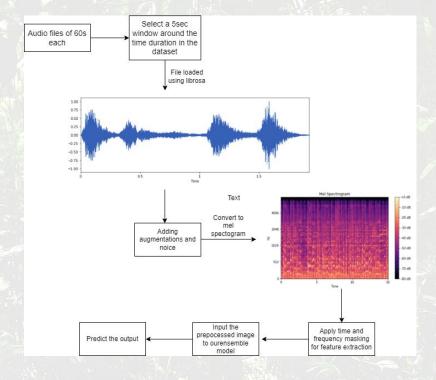
 training data is underspecified, only partially labeled and for each sample we had background noises which made it virtually impossible to distinguish.

Few preprocessing techniques

- augmentation
 - mixup
 - Gaussian noise
 - SpecAugment (time warping, freq. masks, time masks)

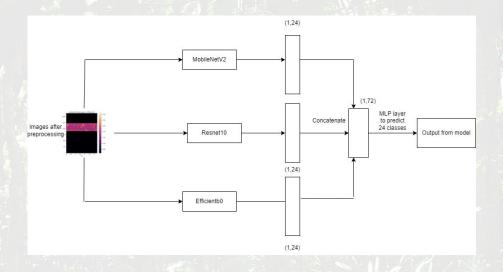
Algorithm and Model pipeline:

- Data preprocessing pipeline using Librosa: Load audio files and slice based on species presence, segmenting at 5-second intervals.
- Augmentation techniques: Apply augmentation with 50% probability, including adding segments from different recordings, artificial beat insertion for rhythm diversity, and Gaussian/pink noise addition for data diversity.
- Time-based preprocessing: Separate audio signals at specific time intervals when a species is heard, enhancing feature extraction and model robustness.
- Frequency and time masking: Enrich feature extraction by applying frequency and time masking techniques, contributing to a more resilient deep learning model for audio classification.
- The Preprocessed image is input to our ensemble model.
- Model predicts the output



Models Used (Continued)

- MobileNet
- EfficientNet
- ResNet
- Proposed Ensemble Model
 Fusion of EfficientNet,
 MobileNetV2,and ResNet50



Proposed Algorithm (Preprocessing)

- 1. Load audio files using Librosa.
- 2. Slice the audio files based on the time at which a species is heard.
- 3. Segment audio files into 5-second intervals.
- 4. Apply essential augmentation techniques with a 50% probability:
- Add audio segments from various recordings.
- Insert artificial beats to diversify rhythm patterns.
- Add Gaussian and pink noise.
- Perform time shifting and volume control modulations.
- Convert the audio data to mel spectogram
- Apply frequency and time masking to enrich feature extraction.

Proposed Algorithm (Model Implementation)

- Pass preprocessed data to the input layer of the ensemble model.
- Load pre-trained EfficientNet, MobileNetV2, and ResNet50 models.
- Modify the classification heads of each model to output the specified number of classes.
- Define an ensemble model architecture that combines the predictions of the three models.
- Create an EnsembleModel class with three backbone networks and an output layer.
- Implement the forward method to concatenate the outputs of the backbone networks and pass them through the output layer.

Experimentation and Results

- Utilized three models: ResNet, EfficientNet, and MobileNet, with their respective accuracies recorded.
- Ensembled model achieved the best results after training for 10 epochs, showcasing strong generalization.
- Key reason for employing K-fold cross-validation (k=5) was to mitigate overfitting, ensuring the model doesn't memorize training data excessively.
- K-fold cross-validation helps in generalizing better to new, unseen data by training on diverse subsets and validating on separate folds.
- Particularly beneficial for limited datasets, maximizing data use for training and validation, leading to more robust performance estimates.
- Can be combined with hyperparameter tuning methods like grid search or random search for optimal model configuration.
- Adoption of K-fold cross-validation instrumental in improving model robustness, reducing overfitting, and providing reliable performance estimates.
- Ensemble model, evaluated with K-fold cross-validation (k=5), demonstrated strong performance with a validation loss of 0.162 and a training loss of 0.154, showcasing robust generalization across unseen data.

Model	Lwlrap score	
Ensembled ResNet—EfficientNet—MobileNet	0.925	
ResNet	0.911	
EfficientNet	0.907	
MobileNet	0.891	

Table 1: Comparison of Model Accuracies

Conclusion

Github Repository

- Multiple models were tested to classify tropical rainforest species using audio signals, with the ensemble model showing the best results.
- Ensembled model designed for almost real-time predictions, doesn't require high-end GPUs, making it easier for production deployment.
- Achieved good performance with 0.925 LWLRAP score and 0.162 multiclass log losses.
- Potential for improvement with popular algorithms like Attention Mechanism, especially with more data collection for additional species.
- Model deployed on https://streamlit.io/ for accessibility and ease of use.

