



Sounds of Nature

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Uncovering the Secrets of Nature



Ecologist experts record the bioacoustic activity for months

Recognition of species and groups of species



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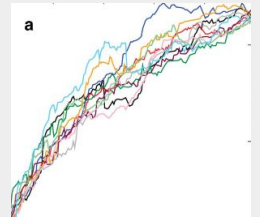


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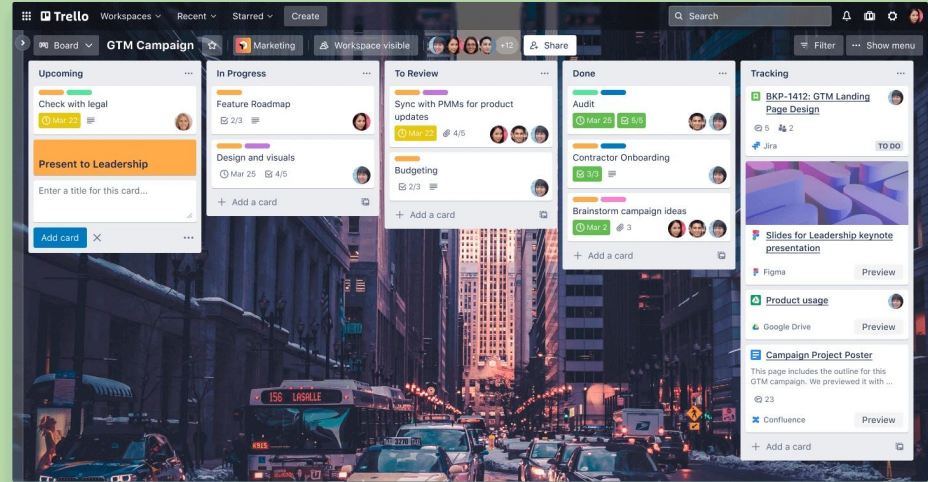
Soundscapes Recognition and Environmental Analysis



Synergizing Efforts: Structuring Effective Teamwork



Remote and asynchronous communication



Agile Working Framework (1 week sprint)



Taking Control of Your Day with Self-Management

Outline

- Recognition of species and groups of species
- Soundscapes Recognition and Biodiversity Analysis

Recognition of species and groups of species



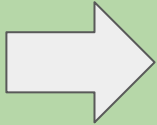
General Context

- In this project, artificial intelligence is used to solve an ecological problem using a system that recognizes species and groups of species in nature, especially the vocalizations of animals.

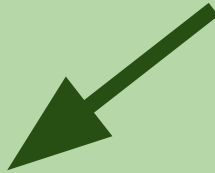


Objective

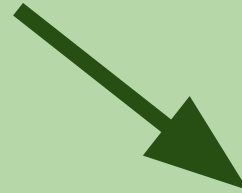
- The main goal is to develop a classifier capable of recognising animal species by their sounds:



Based on the animal's vocalizations, an AI algorithm can determine the species.



Conservation

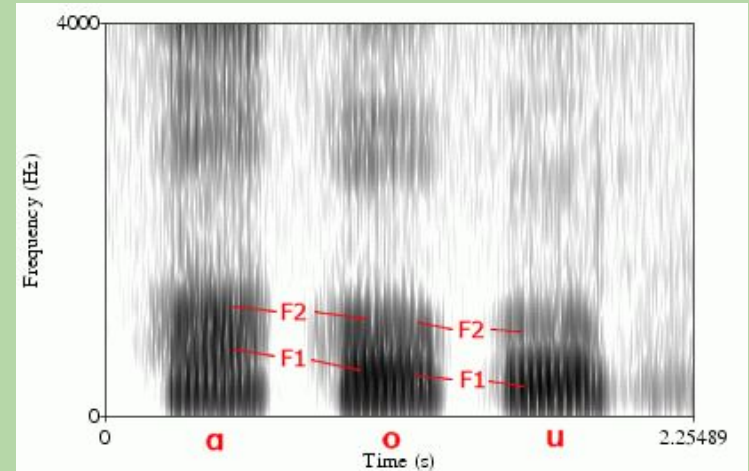
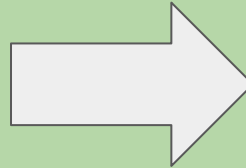


Ecosystem Health

Datasets

Audio files

Spectrograms

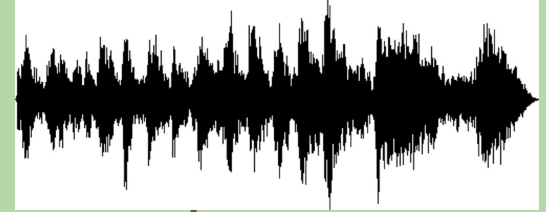


Preprocessing

Audio dataset



- Audio files < 5 seconds are repeated several times to reach 5 seconds
- Resampling (22,000 Hz)



Audio converted into spectrograms



Linear spectrogram



Mel spectrogram

Data Augmentation

First Method

Solving the problem of unbalanced classes :

Adding the noise extracted from part 1 of the project to the samples of underrepresented classes

= > This method is applied before starting the training of the models and directly to the audio files.

Second Method

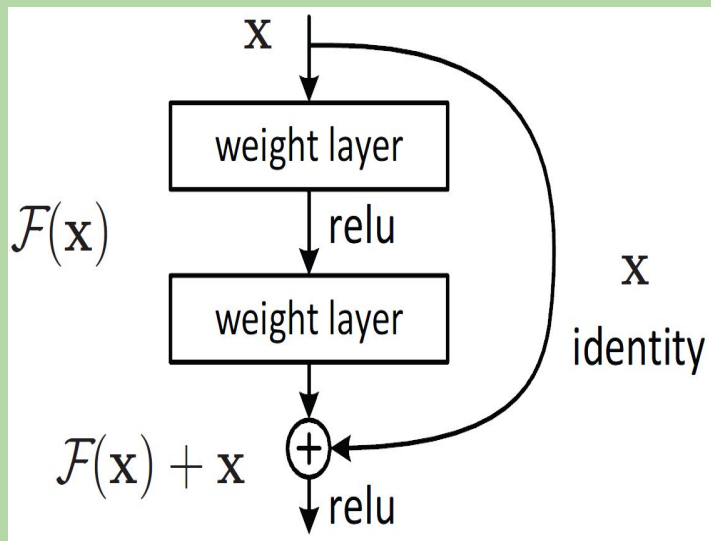
Adding new samples to all the classes equally :

Using frequency shift augmentations on the spectrograms

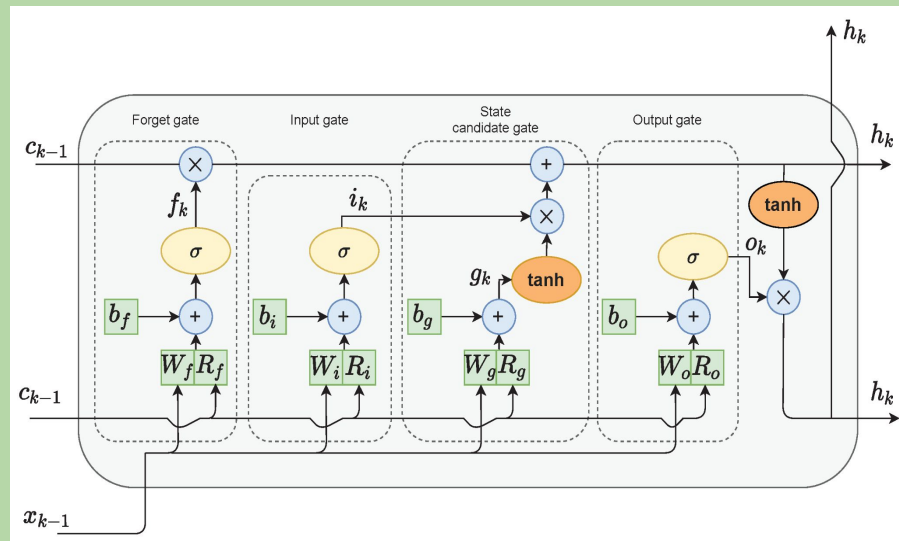
= > This method is used during the training of the models and on the spectrograms.

R-CNN

- Resnet: A block of Convolutions

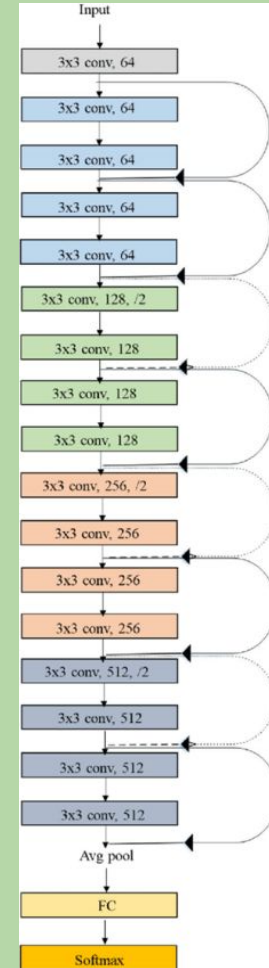
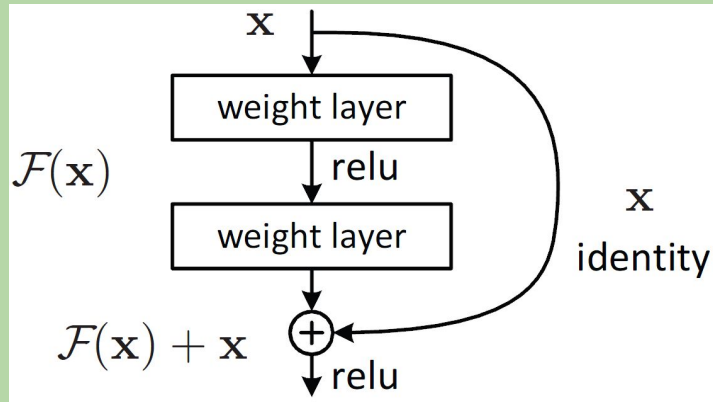


- LSTM: Memory cells



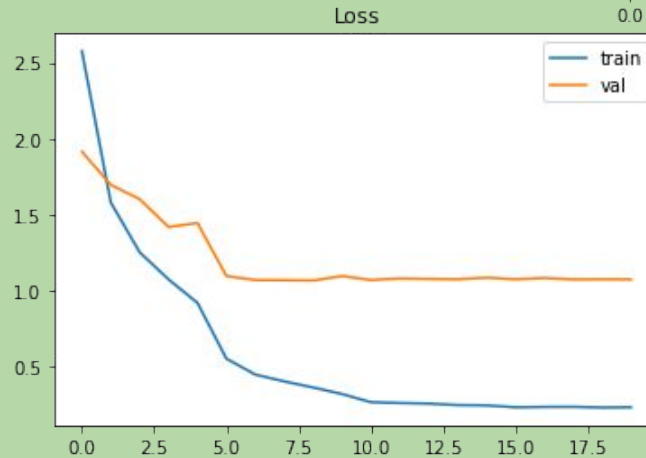
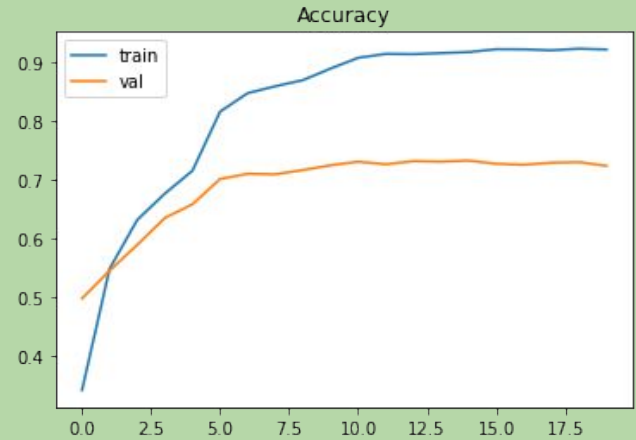
ResNet18

- Number of parameters :
11,210,883

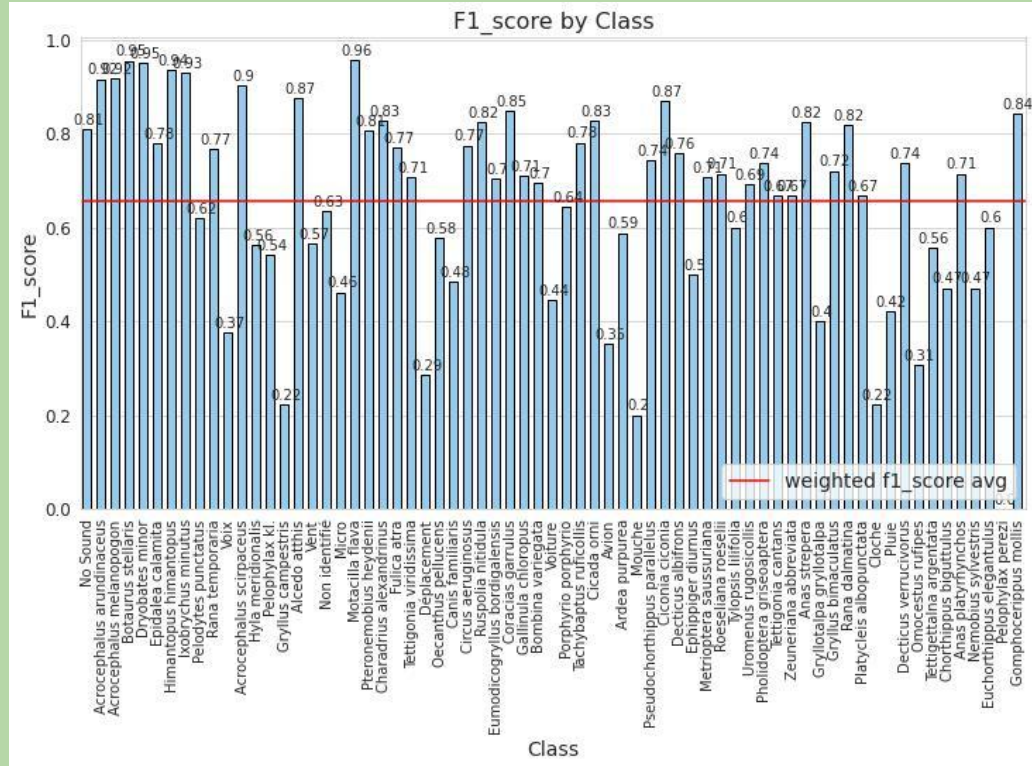


The best Model : ResNet18

	<u>Accuracy</u>
<u>Train</u>	0.92
<u>Val</u>	0.73
<u>Test</u>	0.72

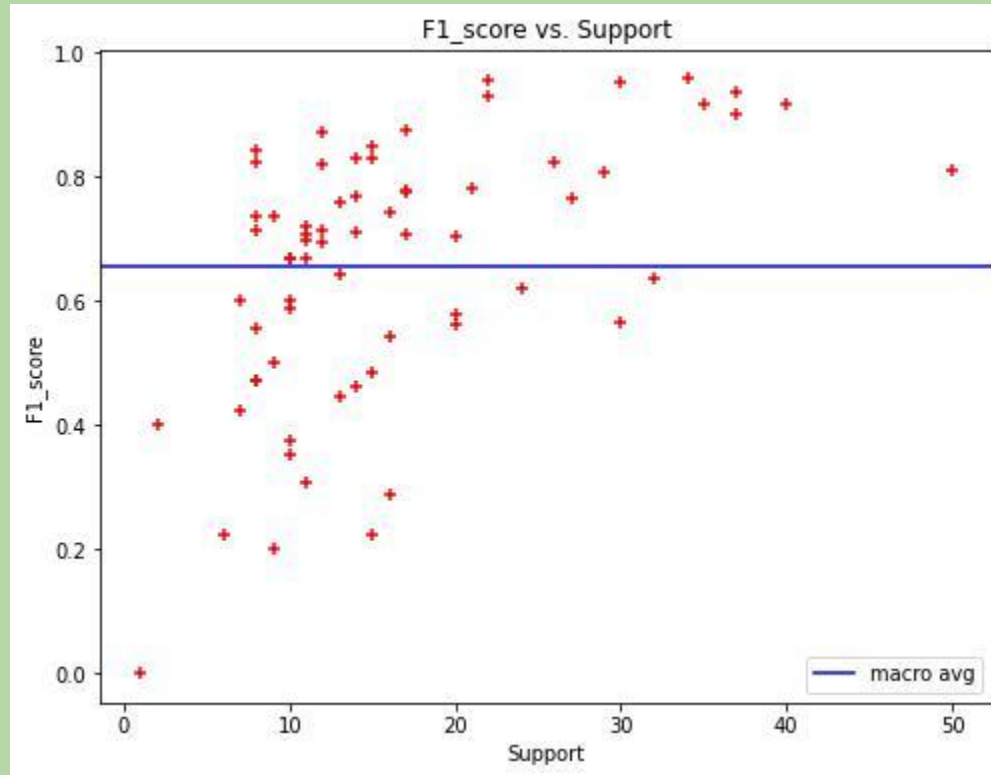


F1-score by class

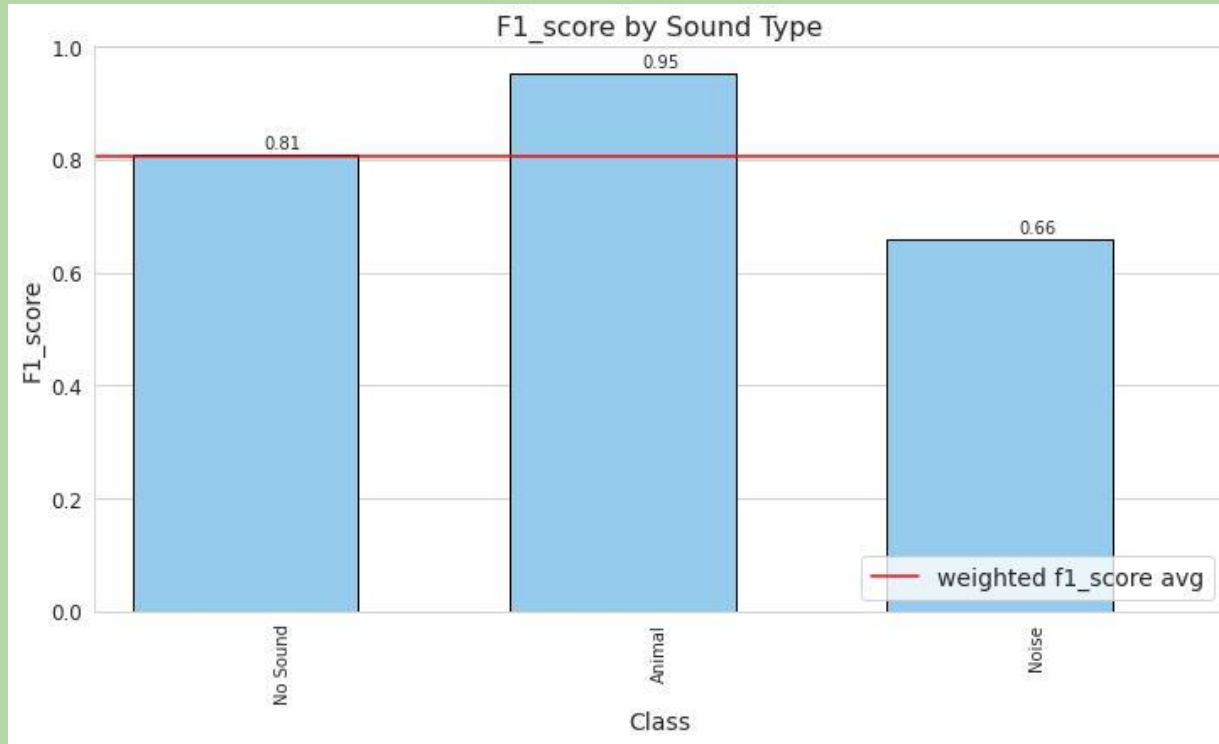


Class	F1-score (avg)
Animal	0.69
Noise	0.41

F1-score vs support



F1-score by Sound-Type



Perspectives

What are the relevant research perspectives?

- Hierarchical loss.
- Updating the softmax function to handle audios that contains multiple species.

A photograph of a dense forest of tall, thin evergreen trees. Sunlight filters through the canopy, creating a dappled light effect on the forest floor. The ground is covered with moss, fallen branches, and patches of green grass. The overall atmosphere is serene and natural.

Soundscape Recognition and Environmental Analysis

Problem Statement

Given a bioacoustic activity



Task n°1: Soundscapes Recognition

Find the labels associated with a bioacoustic activity:

Tree line evolution

- Blue: forest that has descended in altitude since the 50's
- Red: forest that has increased in altitude since the 50's

Sensor position

- Estive: 200+m above the upper tree line
- Edge: At the tree line

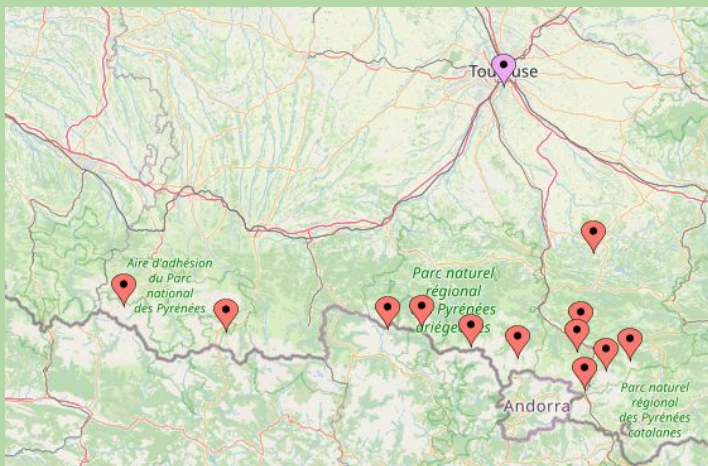
Task n°2: Environmental Analysis

Estimate ecosystem variables

Examples

- Distance to a road
- Average altitude
- Average temperature evolution

Overcoming the Challenges of Handling a Large Dataset



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- Months of bioacoustic activity recordings (1.1TB)
- **16 different geographical sites** (red pins)

- One day of the same season chosen for each site
- Three 30-minute samples throughout the day
- **New representation of the database (~10GB)**

Index Approach



Examples

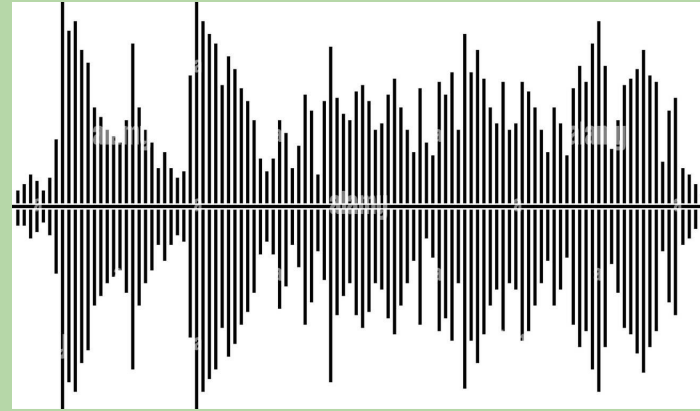
- **ACI → high values = indicate storms, intermittent rain drops falling from vegetation**
- **ACI → low values = recordings with consistent cicada noise**



Song Meter Mini



recording



processing (padding,
16 kHz resampling)

calculation of 60 indices for each minute

- temporal index
- frequential index



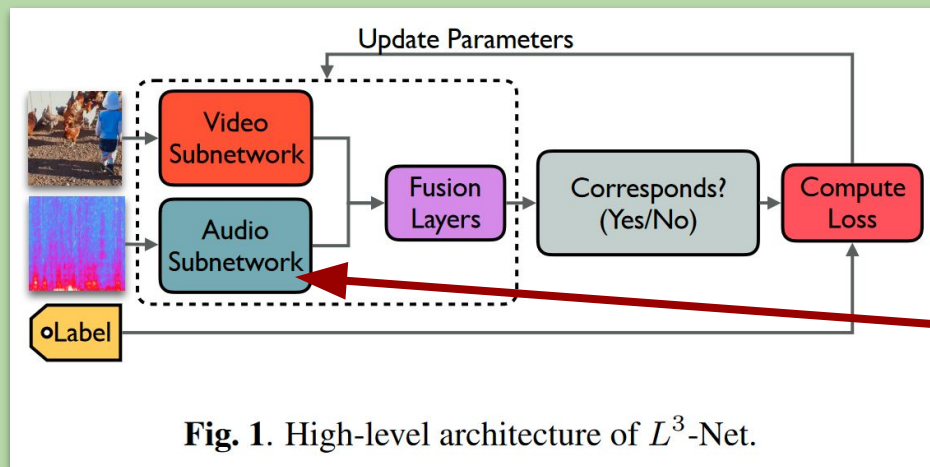
cleaning



3116 rows × 64 columns

Approach with Embedded Indexes

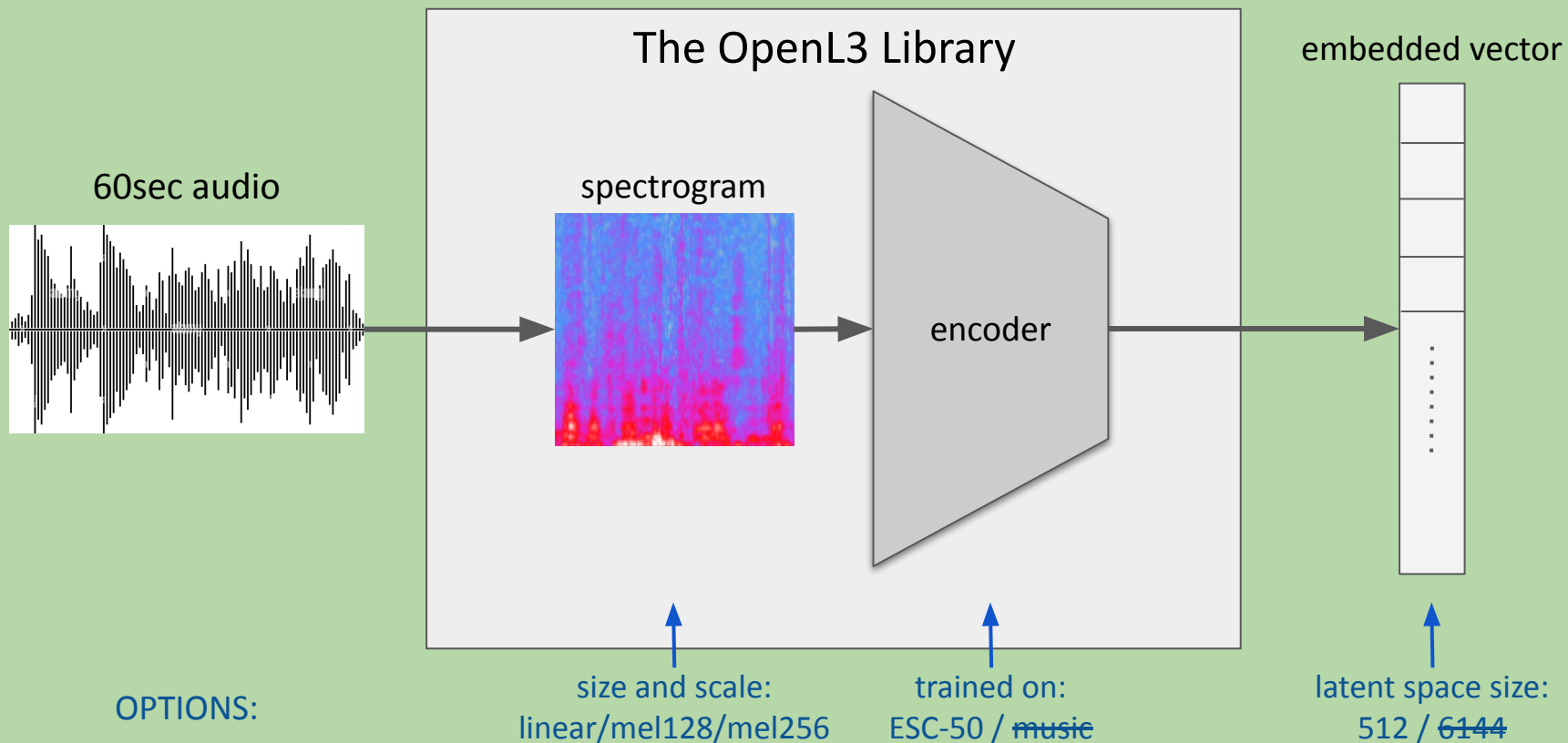
The OpenL3 Library



- contains an encoder that is trained
- the encoder summarizes audio (as spectrograms) **into a vector of smaller dimension**

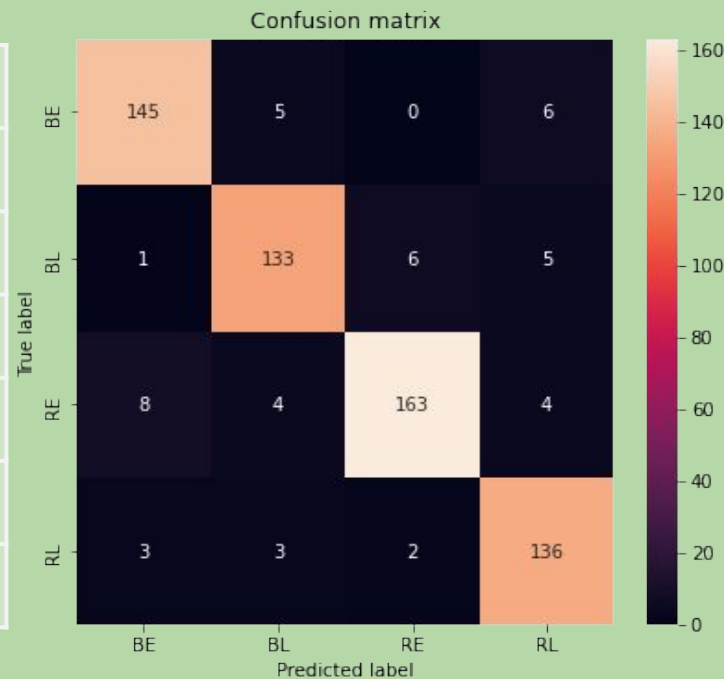
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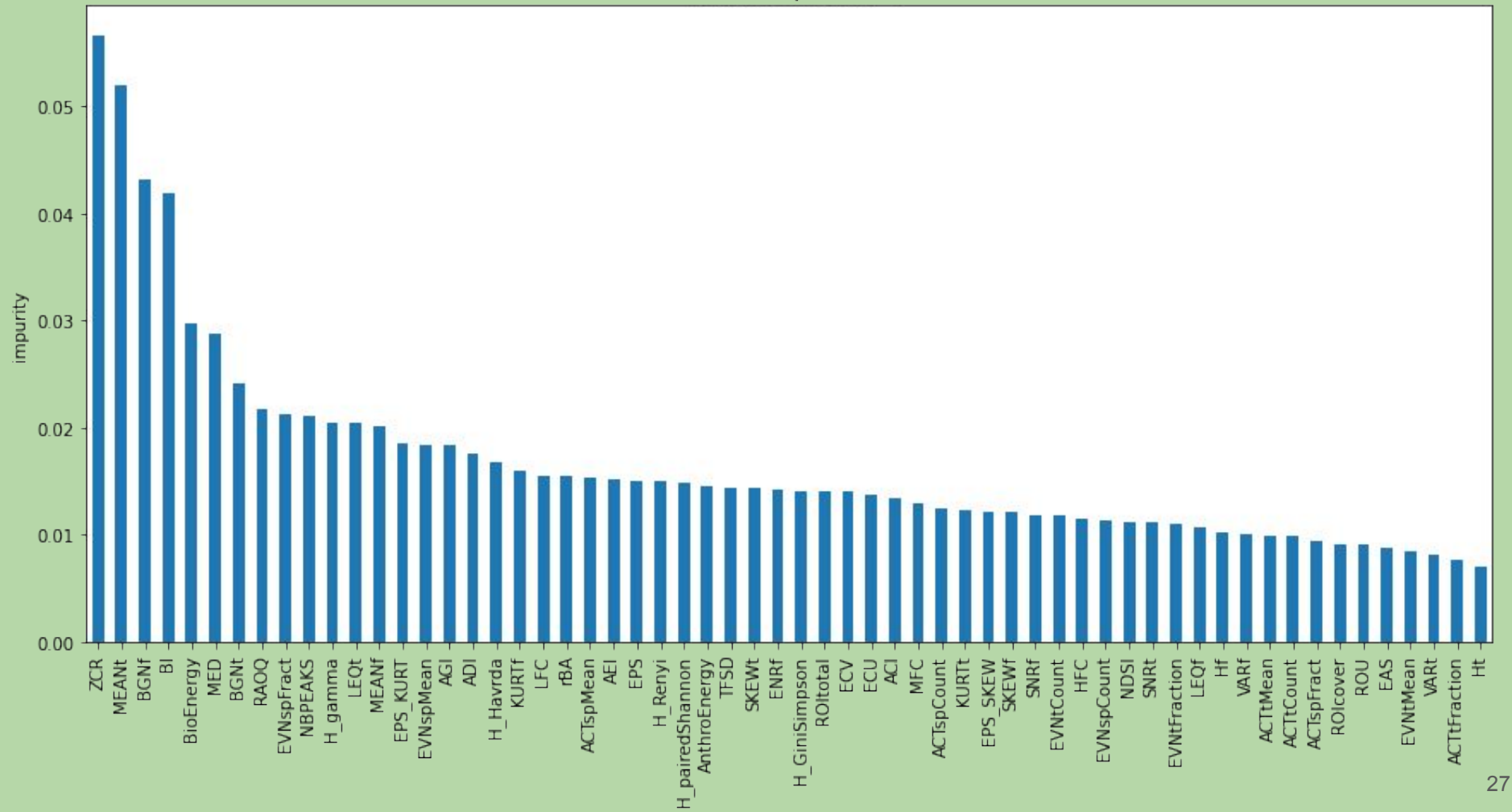


Analysis of index approach

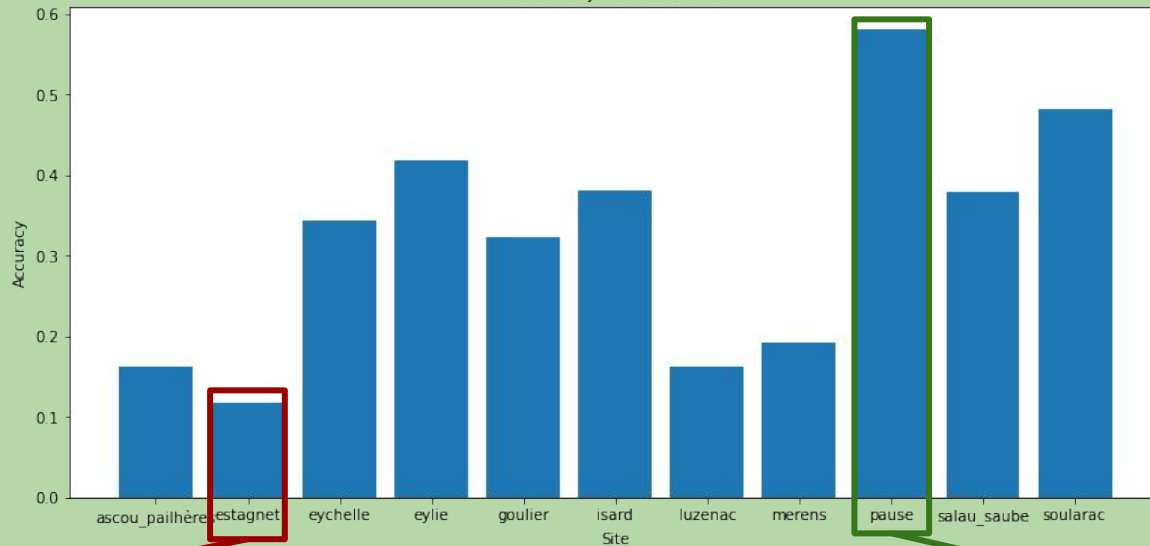
Methods	Accuracy
K-Nearest Neighbors	81.4 %
Support Vector Machine (SVM)	62.3 %
Kernel SVM	72.7 %
Naive Bayes	31.8 %
XGboost	83.9 %
Multilayer perceptron (MLP)	91.8 %



Feature importances

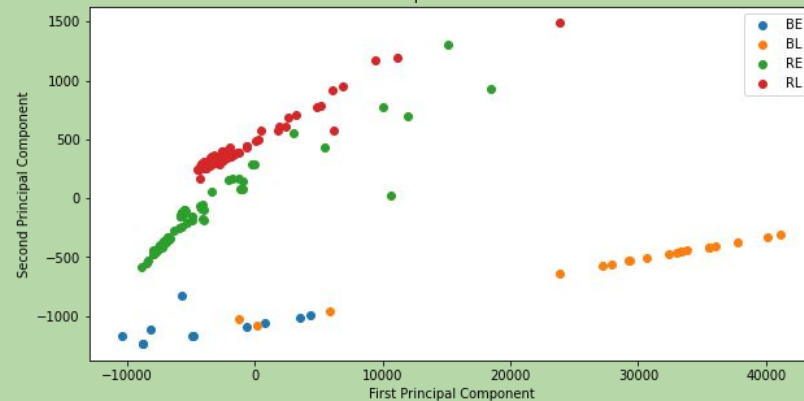
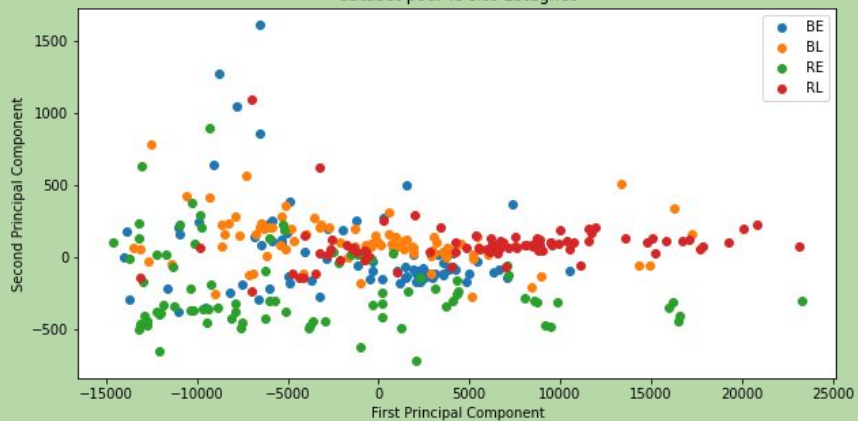


Accuracy for each site



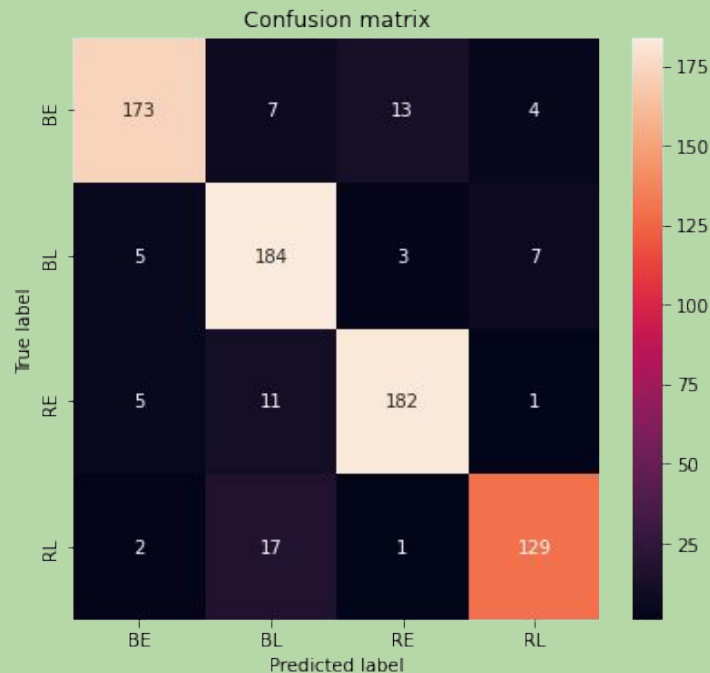
dataset pour le site Estagnat

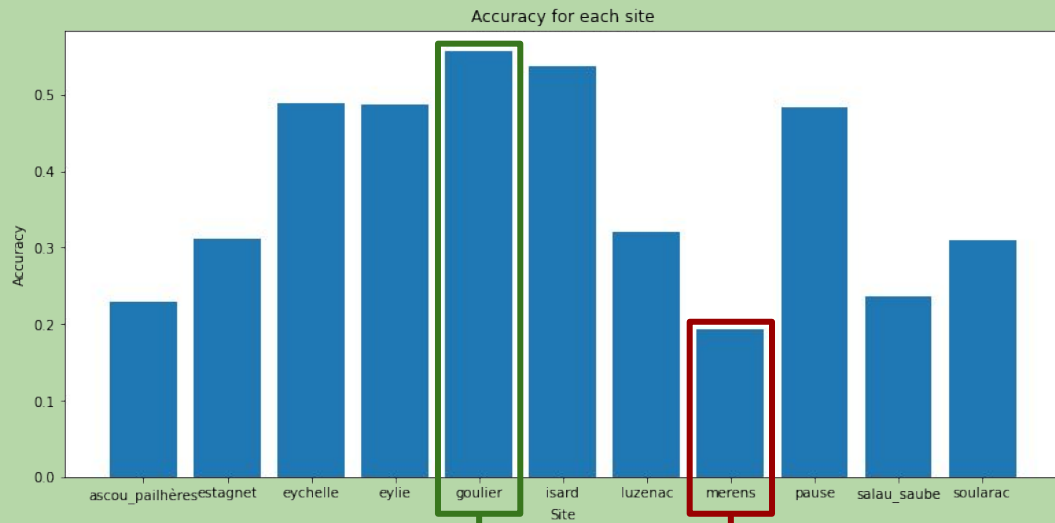
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Analysis of embedded indexes approach

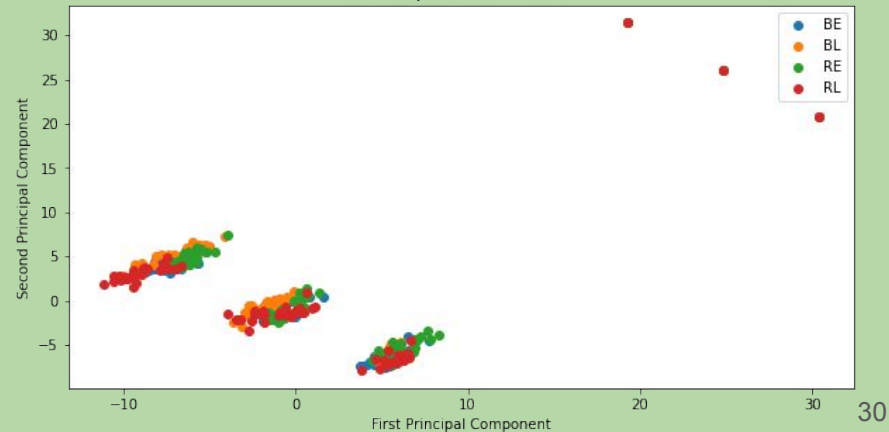
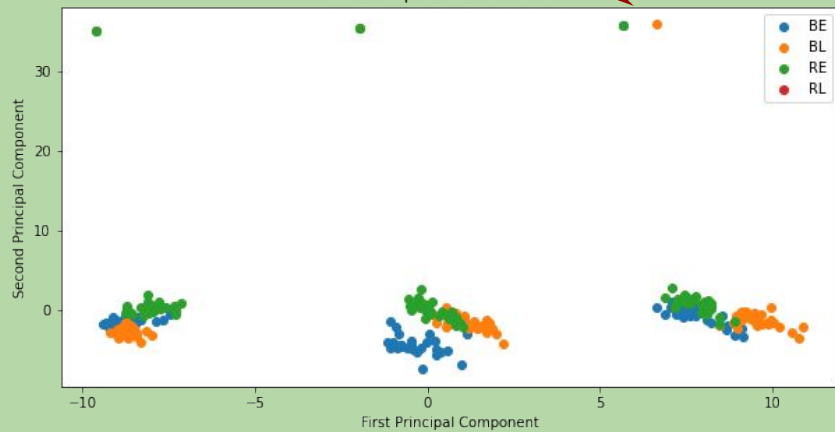
Methods	Accuracy (mel128 / mel256)
K-Nearest Neighbors	86.6 % / 83.5 %
Support Vector Machine (SVM)	75.1 % / 67.6 %
Kernel SVM	85.2 % / 81.0 %
Naive Bayes	44.1 % / 45.3 %
XGboost	74.1 % / 65.6 %
Multilayer perceptron (MLP)	89.8 % / 84.1 %





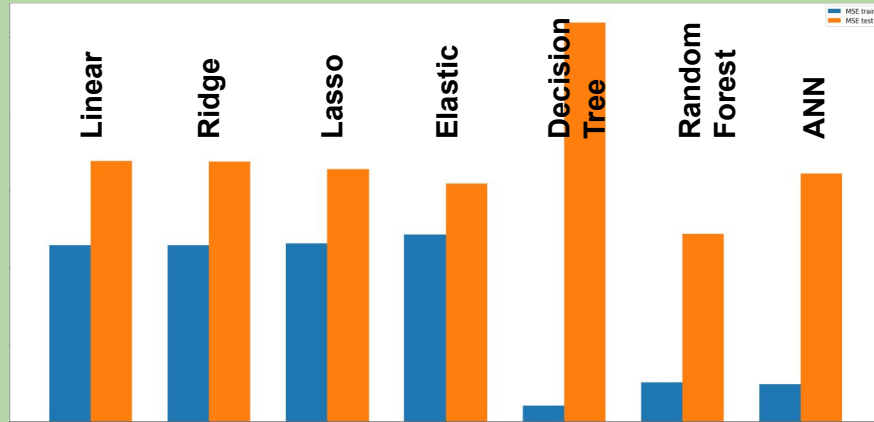
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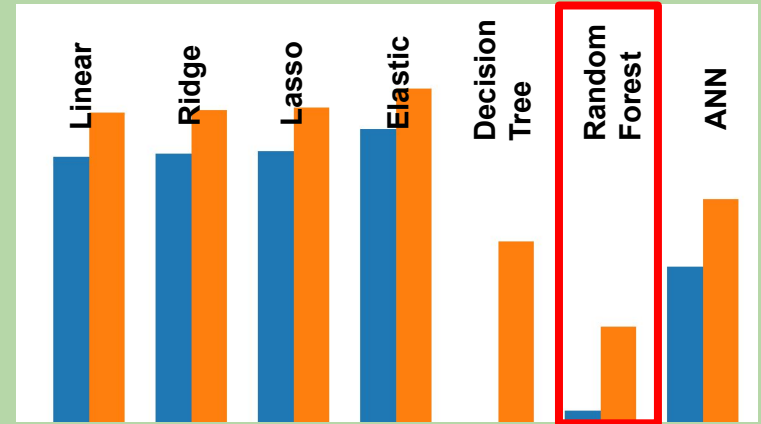


Environmental Analysis: Choice of model and representation

MEAN MSE Benchmark (Blue: Train; Orange: Test)



Latent representation

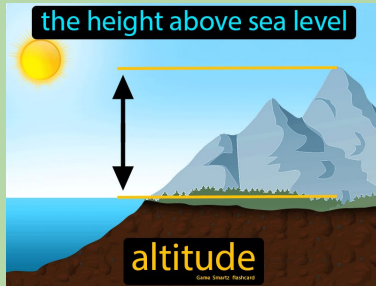


Acoustic indices



Best configuration

Environmental Analysis: Best configuration Evaluation



Average altitude (with an average accuracy of ~50m)



Slope (with an average precision of ~2°)



Distance to a trail (with an average accuracy of ~2m)



dominant species 87% ACC
(3 categorical labels)

Perspectives

What are the relevant research perspective?

- More accurate latent space representation
- Train/Test systems on a wider range of data (geographic locations, seasons, weather, time of day, etc.)
- Cross-referencing results to understand environmental changes (global warming, increasing forests etc.)

A scenic mountain landscape featuring a calm lake in the foreground, a sandy beach, and a dense forest of evergreen and deciduous trees. The background is dominated by steep, rocky mountain slopes with patches of snow and sparse vegetation. The word "Questions" is overlaid in large, white, sans-serif font on the right side of the image.

Questions