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Sometimes tracks with vocals are distracting, or, you want to explore the stems for fun (eg: listen to bass or drums).

2022 way: use spleeter

I used to use spleeter (made by Deezer) pretty often, and it's decent

```
spleeter separate -o separated_audio/ -c mp3 -b 320k -f "{filename}-  
{instrument}.{codec}" --verbose *.mp3
```

2024 way: use demucs

Made by meta (previously) and sounds a little better, smoother/less bleed vs spleeter.

If you just want instrumentals:

```
demucs -v -d cpu --two-stems vocals -o demucs --filename  
'{track}_{stem}.{ext}' -j 1 /data/Music/to_convert/
```

then delete all the \_vocals files. Don't put -two-stems to get the vocal, piano, bass and drum stems.

oh yeah, don't bother installing them. I said screw it and caved into making a venv

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