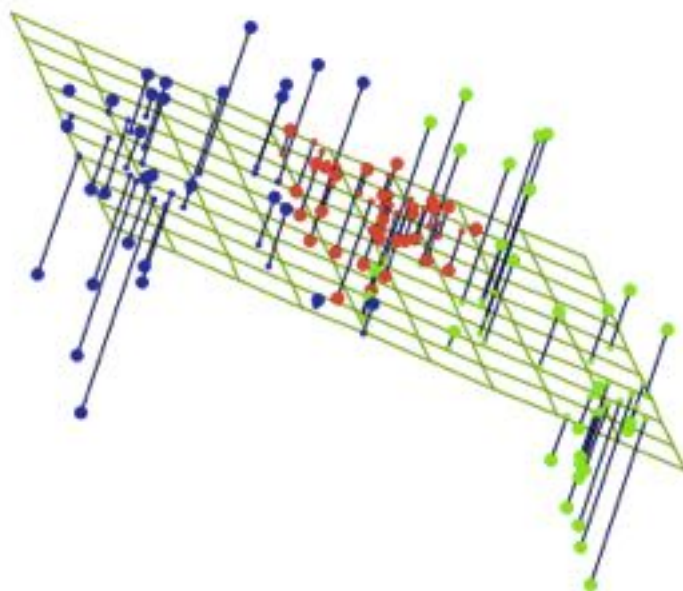


PCA, MDS, and SVD

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Self-Driving Cars

Under the bonnet

How a self-driving car works

Signals from **GPS (global positioning system)** satellites are combined with readings from tachometers, altimeters and gyroscopes to provide more accurate positioning than is possible with GPS alone

Radar sensor

Ultrasonic sensors may be used to measure the position of objects very close to the vehicle, such as curbs and other vehicles when parking

The information from all of the sensors is analysed by a **central computer** that manipulates the steering, accelerator and brakes. Its software must understand the rules of the road, both formal and informal

Lidar (light detection and ranging) sensors bounce pulses of light off the surroundings. These are analysed to identify lane markings and the edges of roads

Video cameras detect traffic lights, read road signs, keep track of the position of other vehicles and look out for pedestrians and obstacles on the road

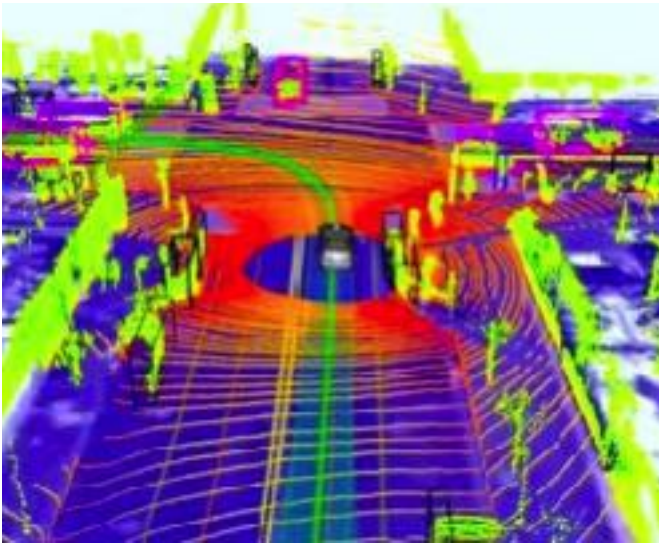
Radar sensors monitor the position of other vehicles nearby. Such sensors are already used in adaptive cruise-control systems

Source: *The Economist*



Car Features

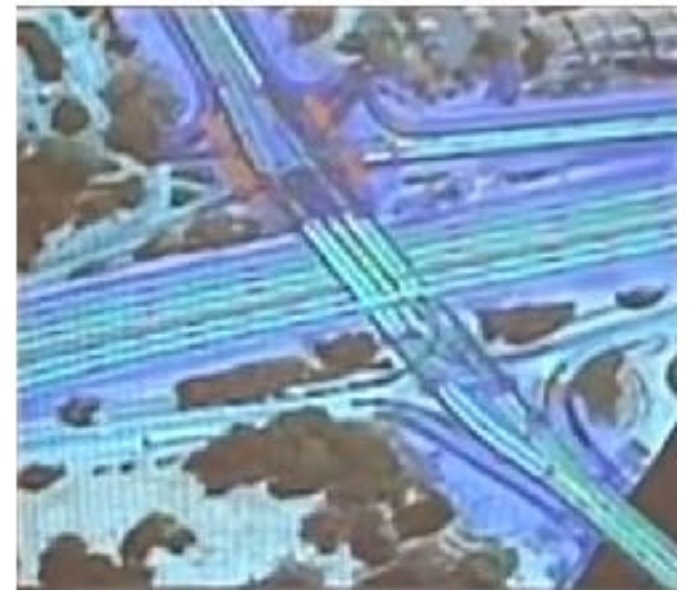
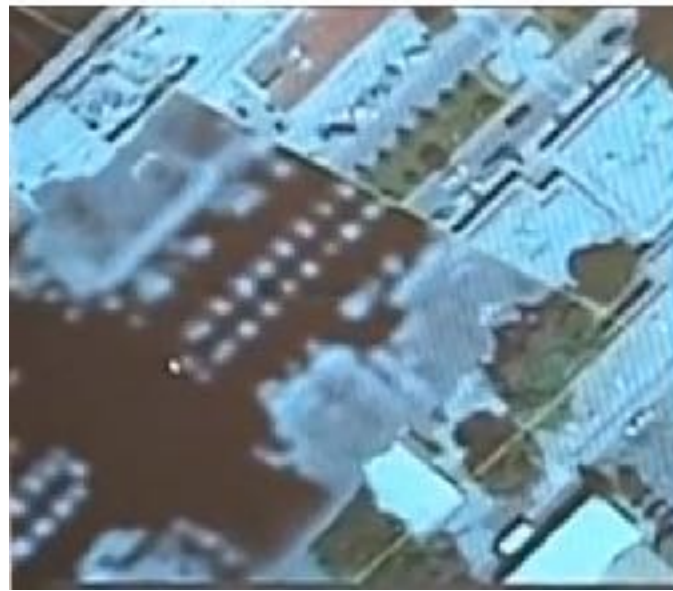
Laser scan



Intensity model



Elevation model



Camera vision

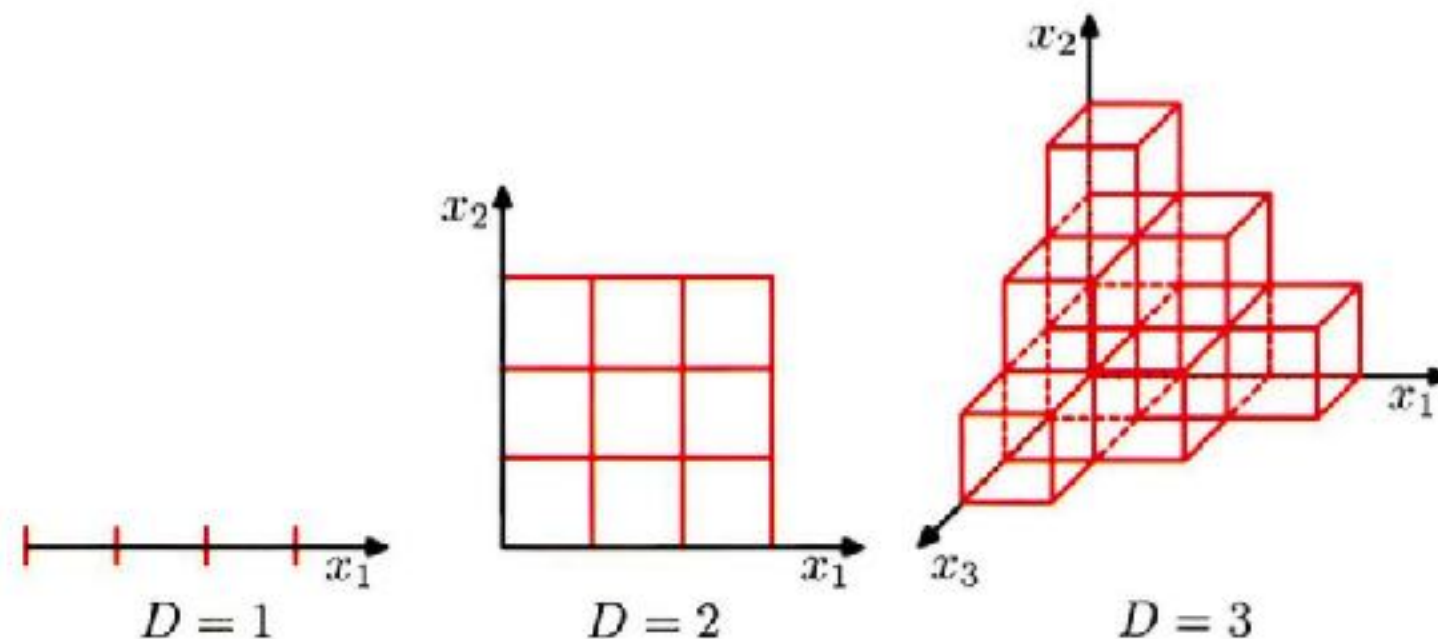
2D map

Lane model

Why don't we just use
more and more features?

Curse of Dimensionality

- When dimensionality increases, the volume of the space increases so fast that the available data becomes sparse
- Statistically sound results require the sample size N to grow exponentially with d



What are some examples
of high-dimensional data?

High-Dimensional Data

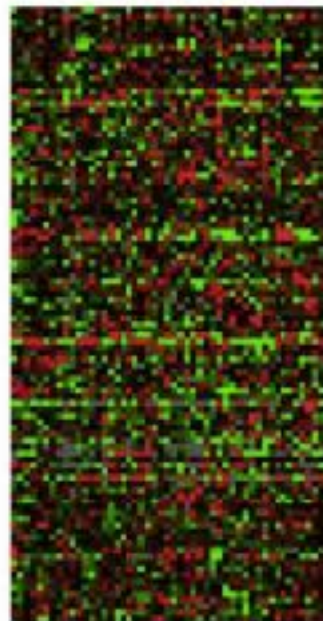


face images

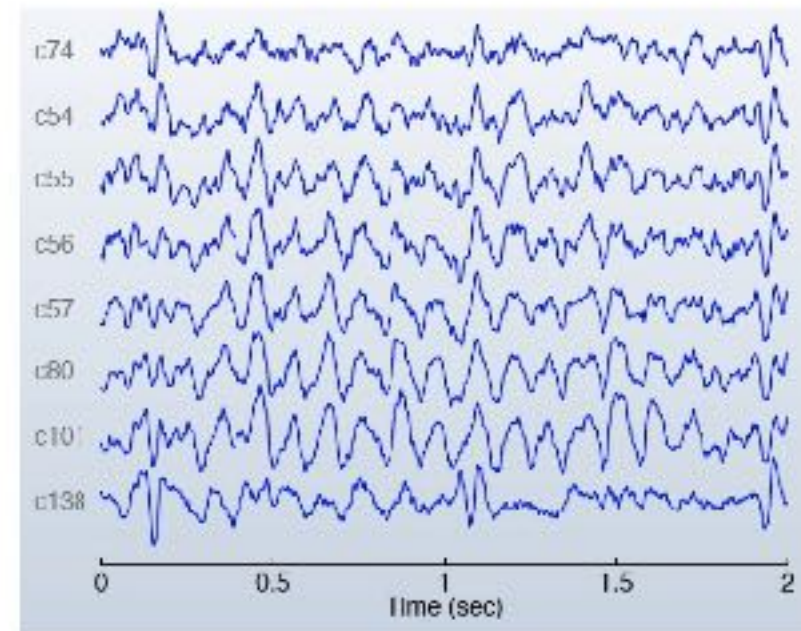
Zambian President Levy Mwanawasa has won a second term in office in an election his challenger Michael Sata accused him of rigging, official results showed on Monday.

According to media reports, a pair of hackers said on Saturday that the Firefox Web browser, commonly perceived as the safer and more customizable alternative to market leader Internet Explorer, is critically flawed. A presentation on the flaw was shown during the ToorCon hacker conference in San Diego.

documents



gene expression data

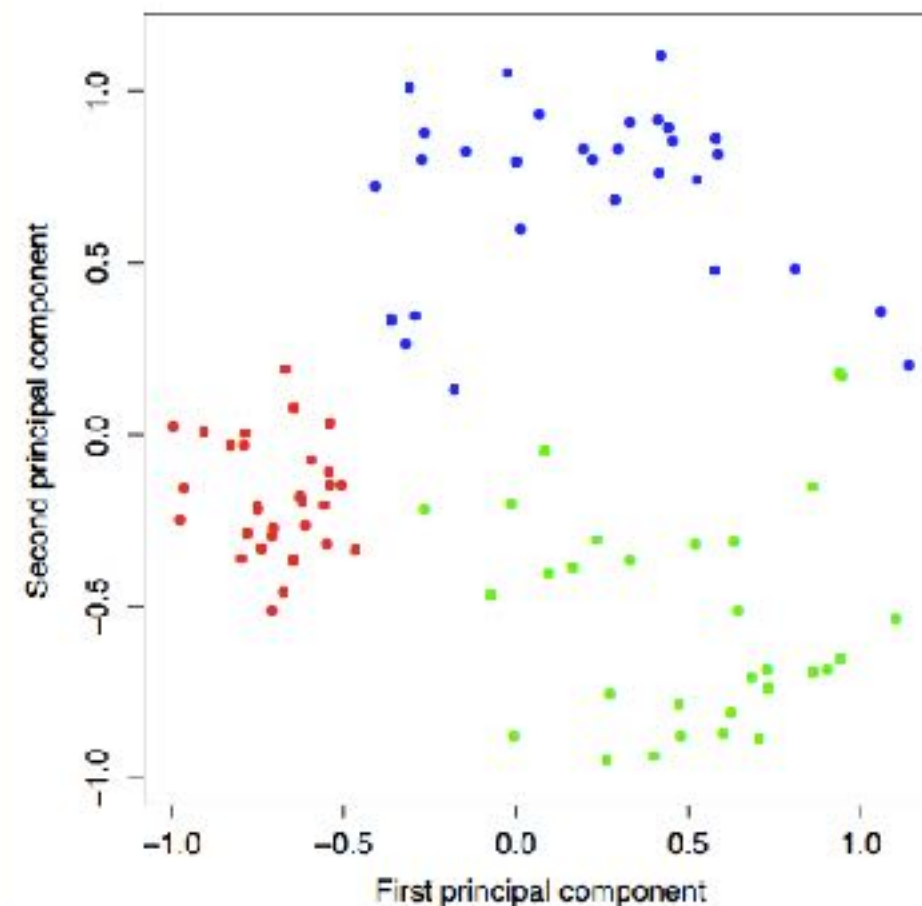
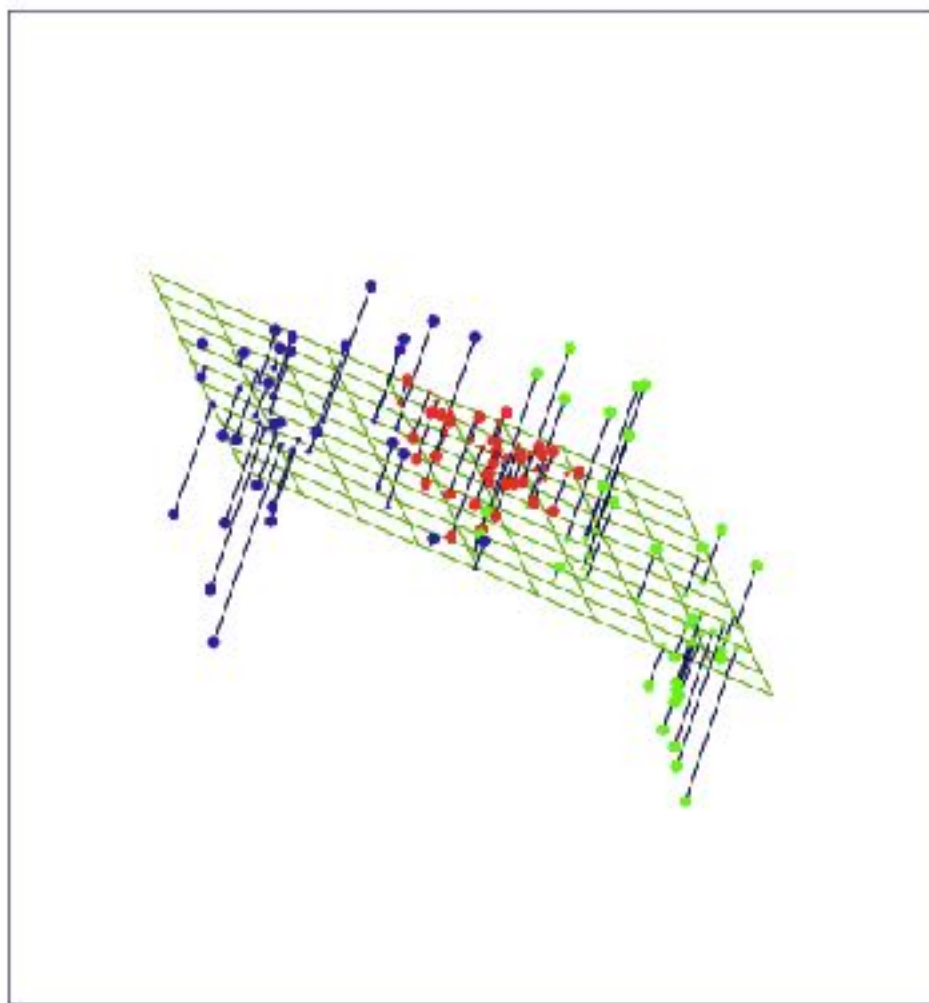


MEG readings

Dimensionality Reduction

Dimensionality Reduction

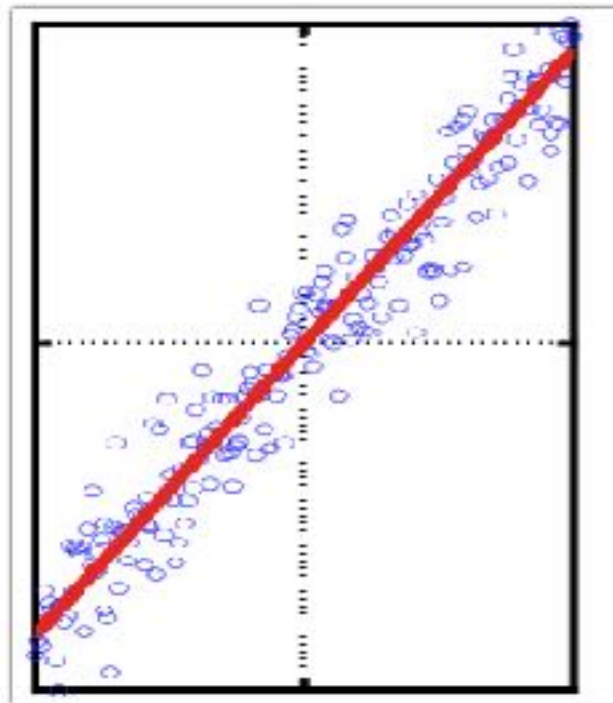
Project the high-dimensional data onto a lower-dimensional subspace that best “fits” the data



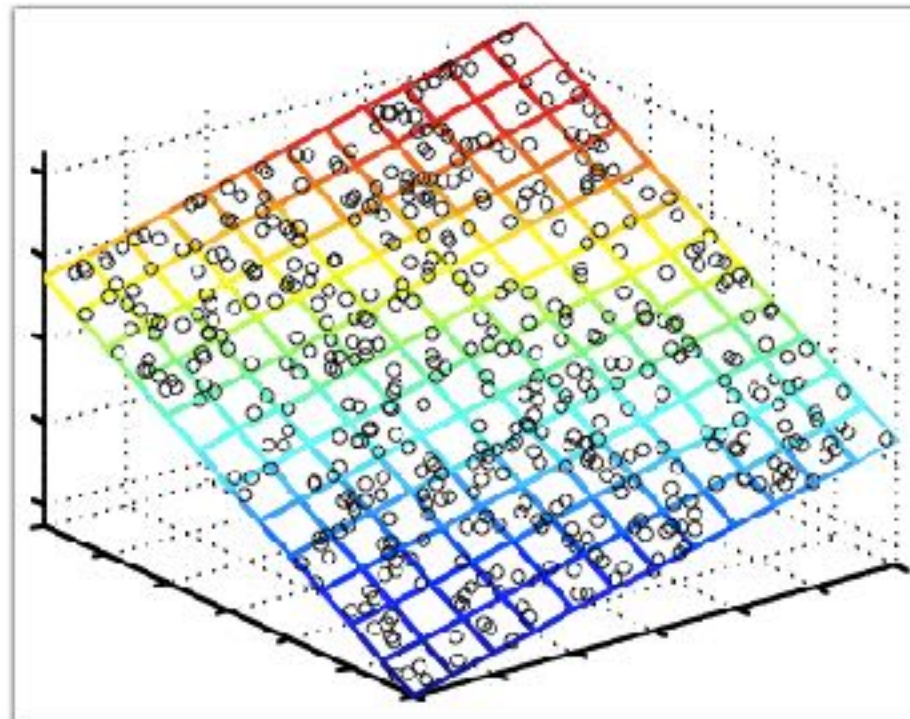
Linear Methods

- Does the data lie mostly in a hyperplane?
- If so, what is its *intrinsic* dimensionality d ?

$D = 2$
 $d = 1$



$D = 3$
 $d = 2$



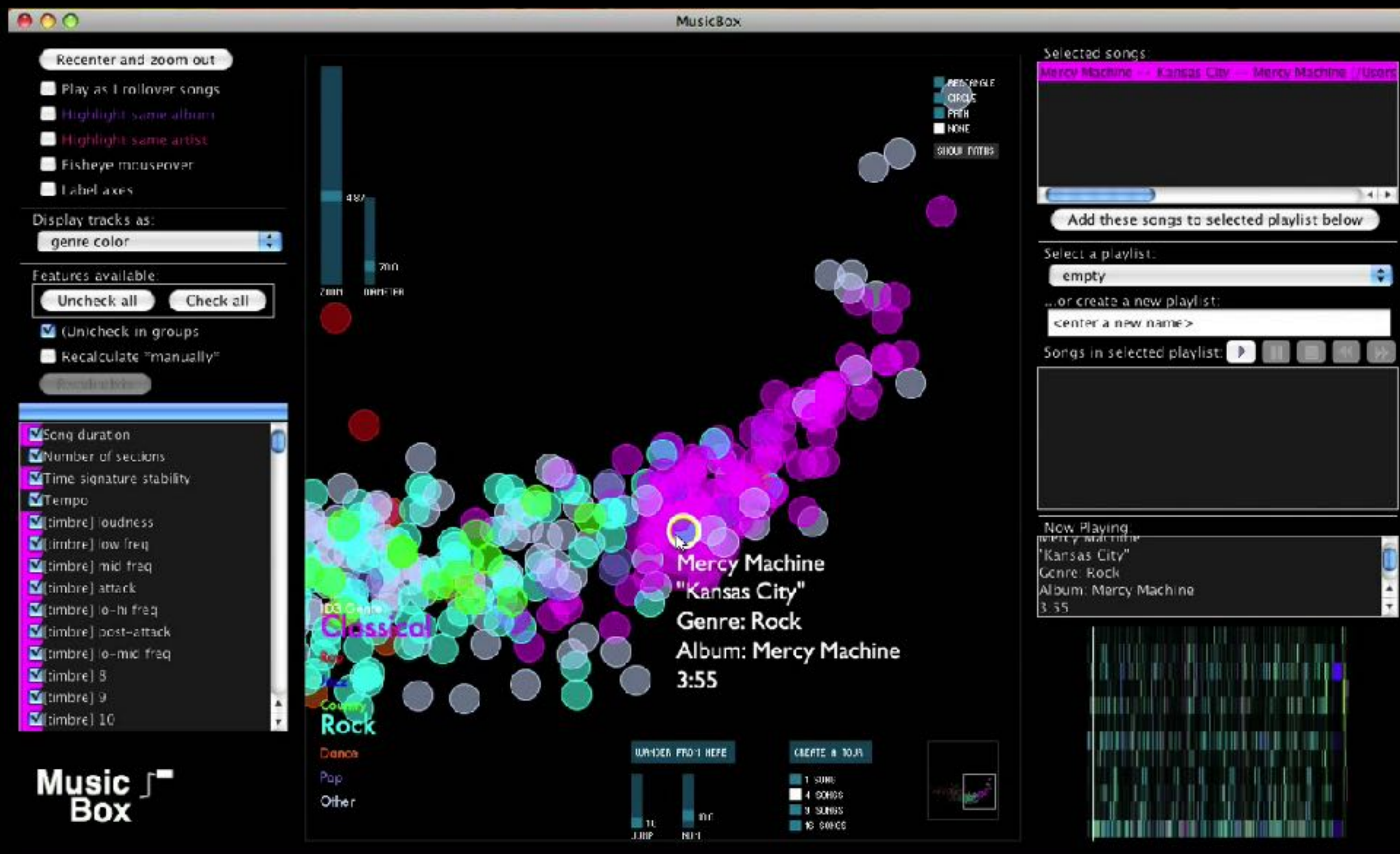
Principal Components Analysis (PCA)

Uses

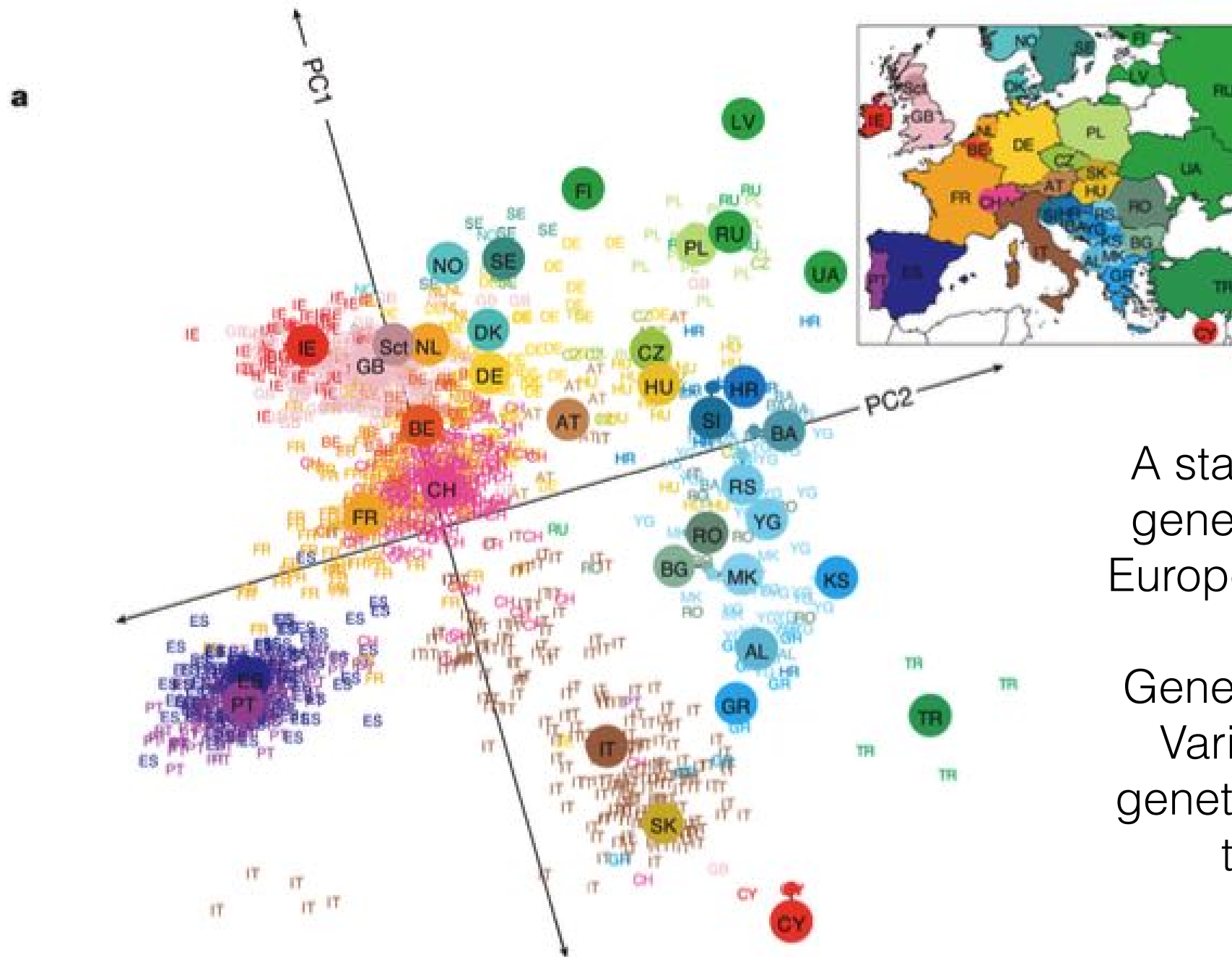
- Dimensionality reduction for supervised learning (e.g., Principle Component Regression)

- Compression
- Visualization





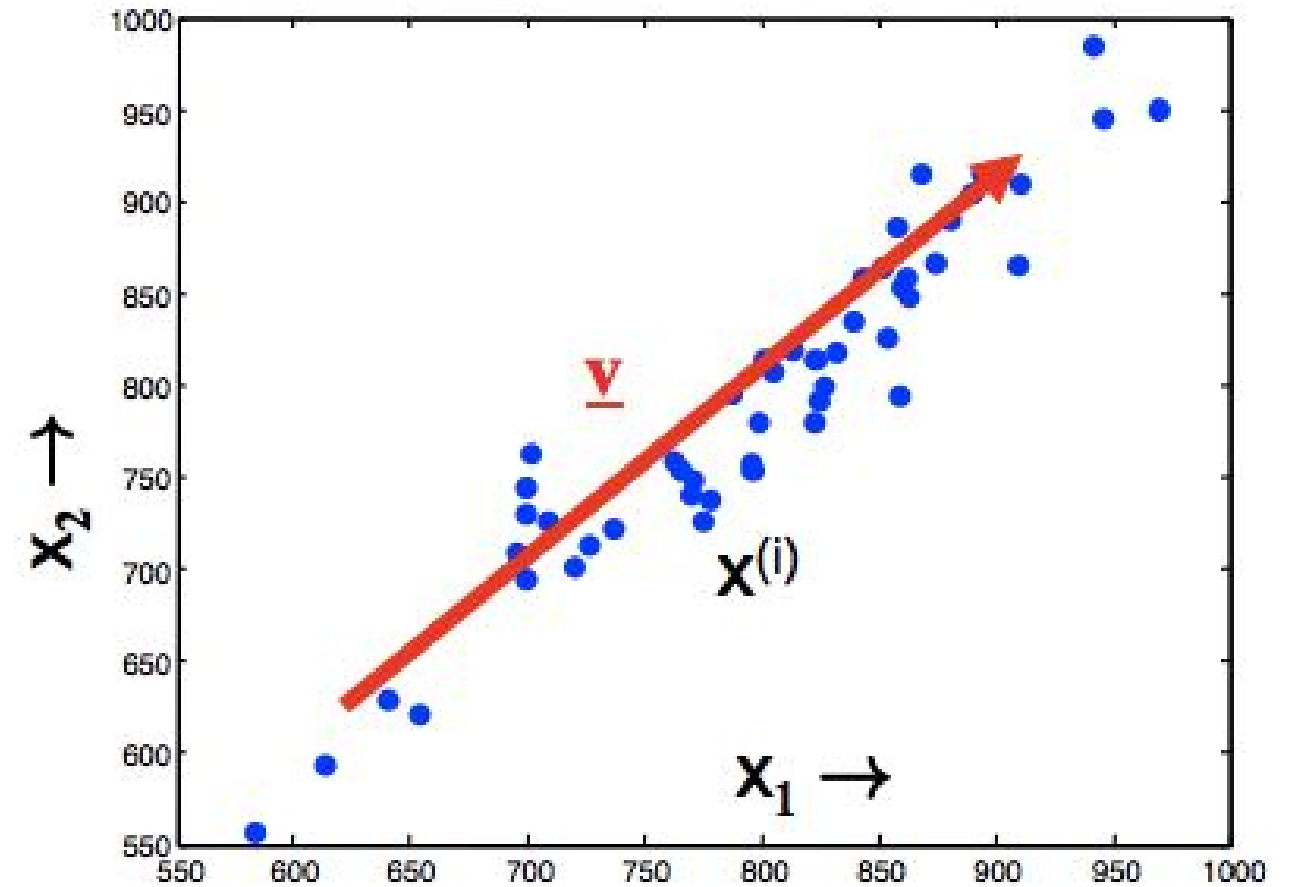
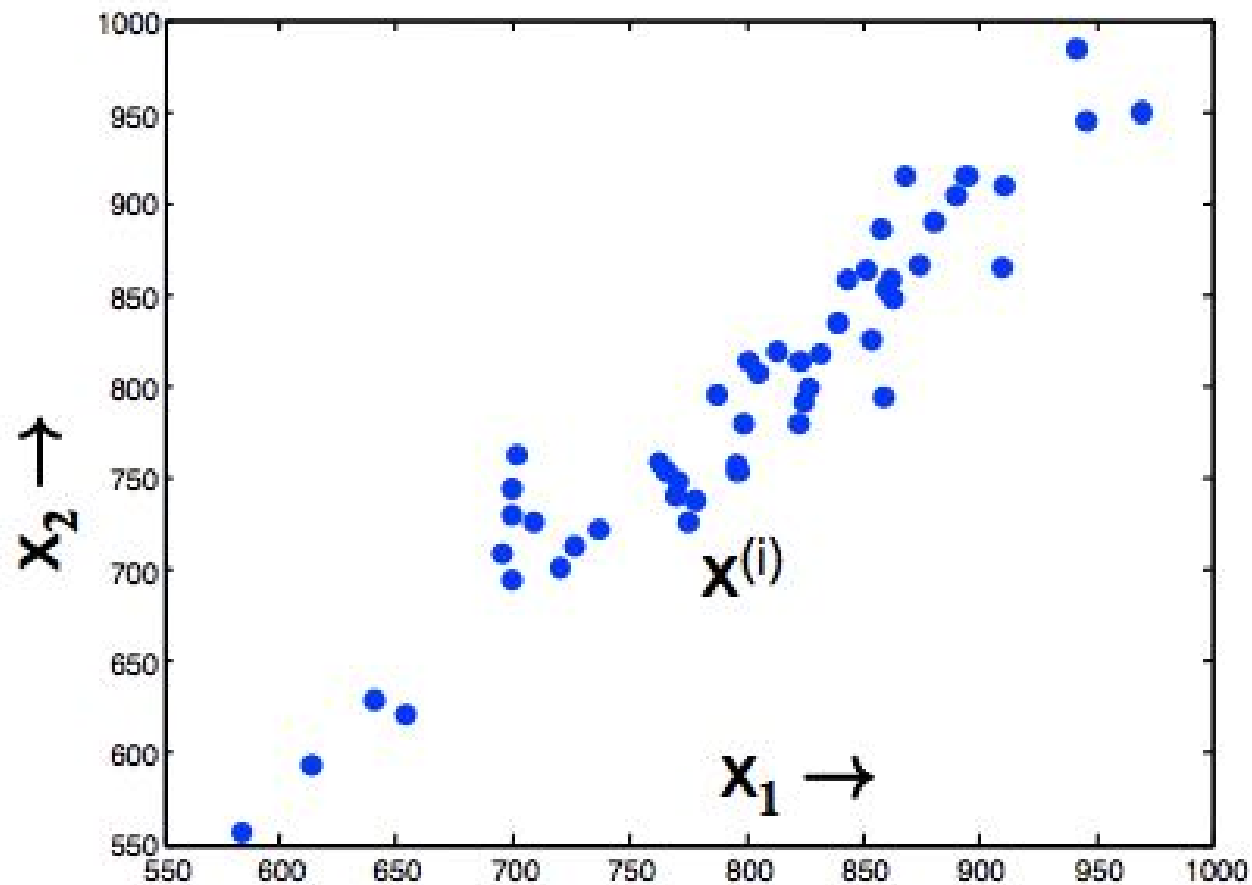
Population Ancestry



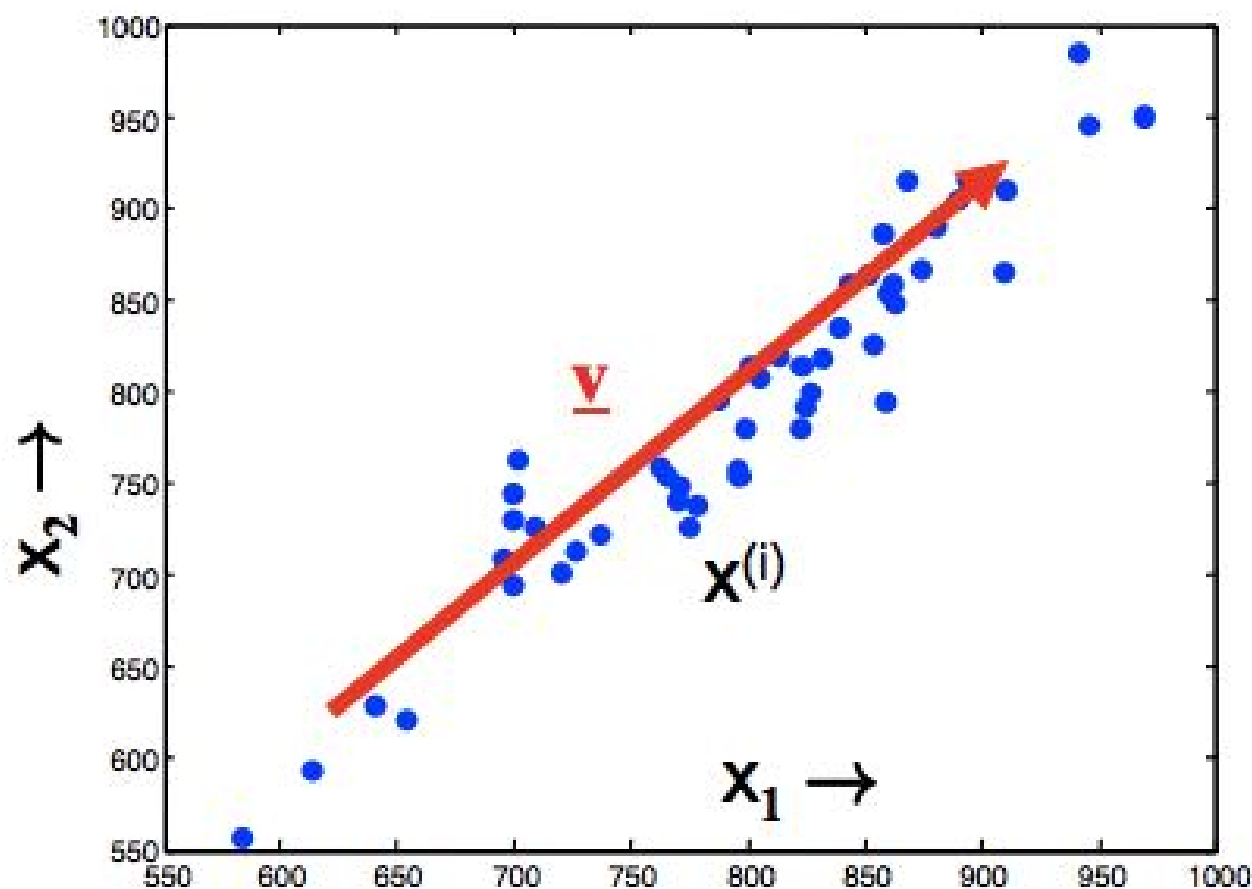
A statistical summary of genetic data from 1,387 Europeans based on PCA

Genes mirror geography
Variation at 100,000s genetic markers reduced to first two PCs

PCA: Main Idea



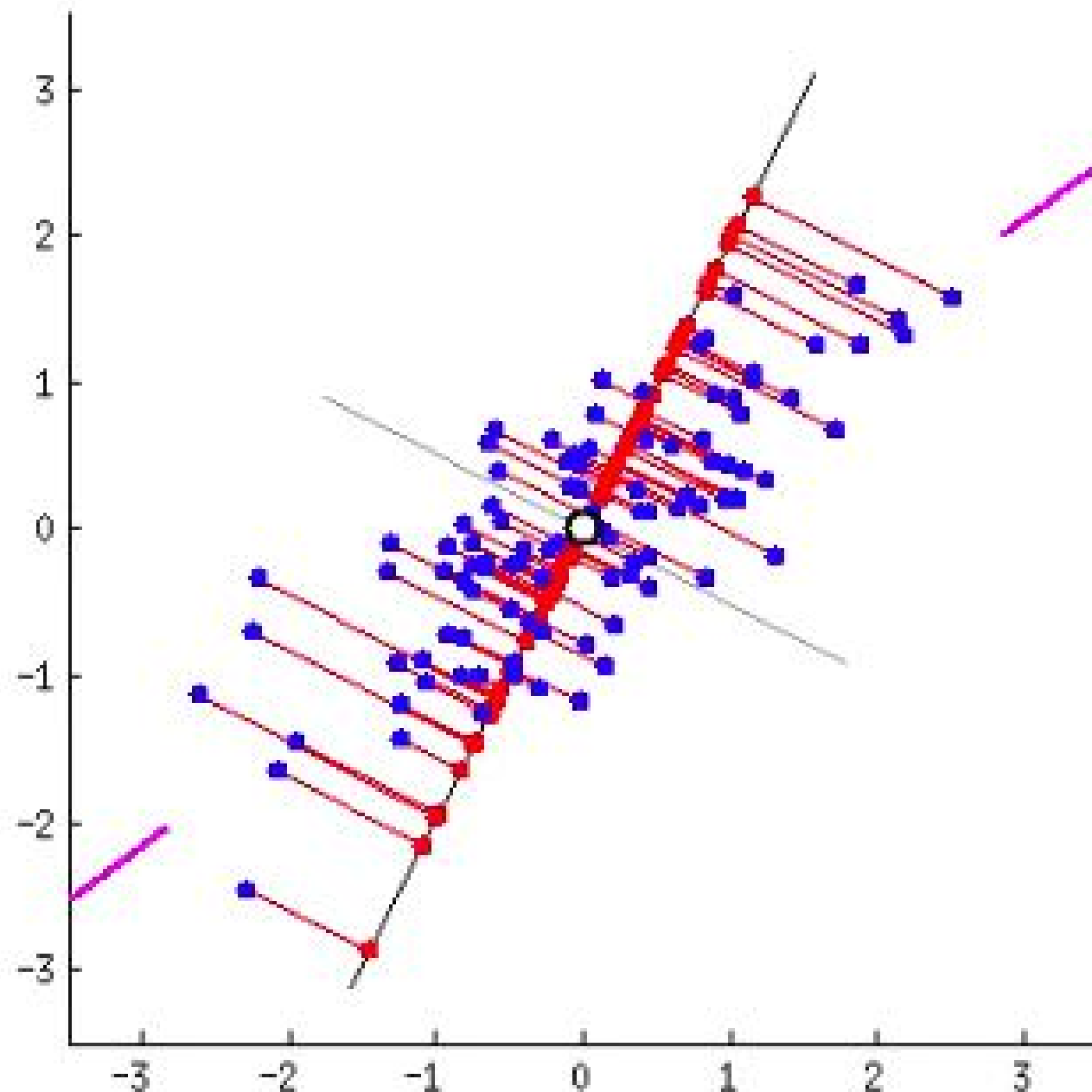
PCA: Main Idea



Identify a new coordinate axis \mathbf{v} through the data that is the (least-squares) line of best fit through the plotted data

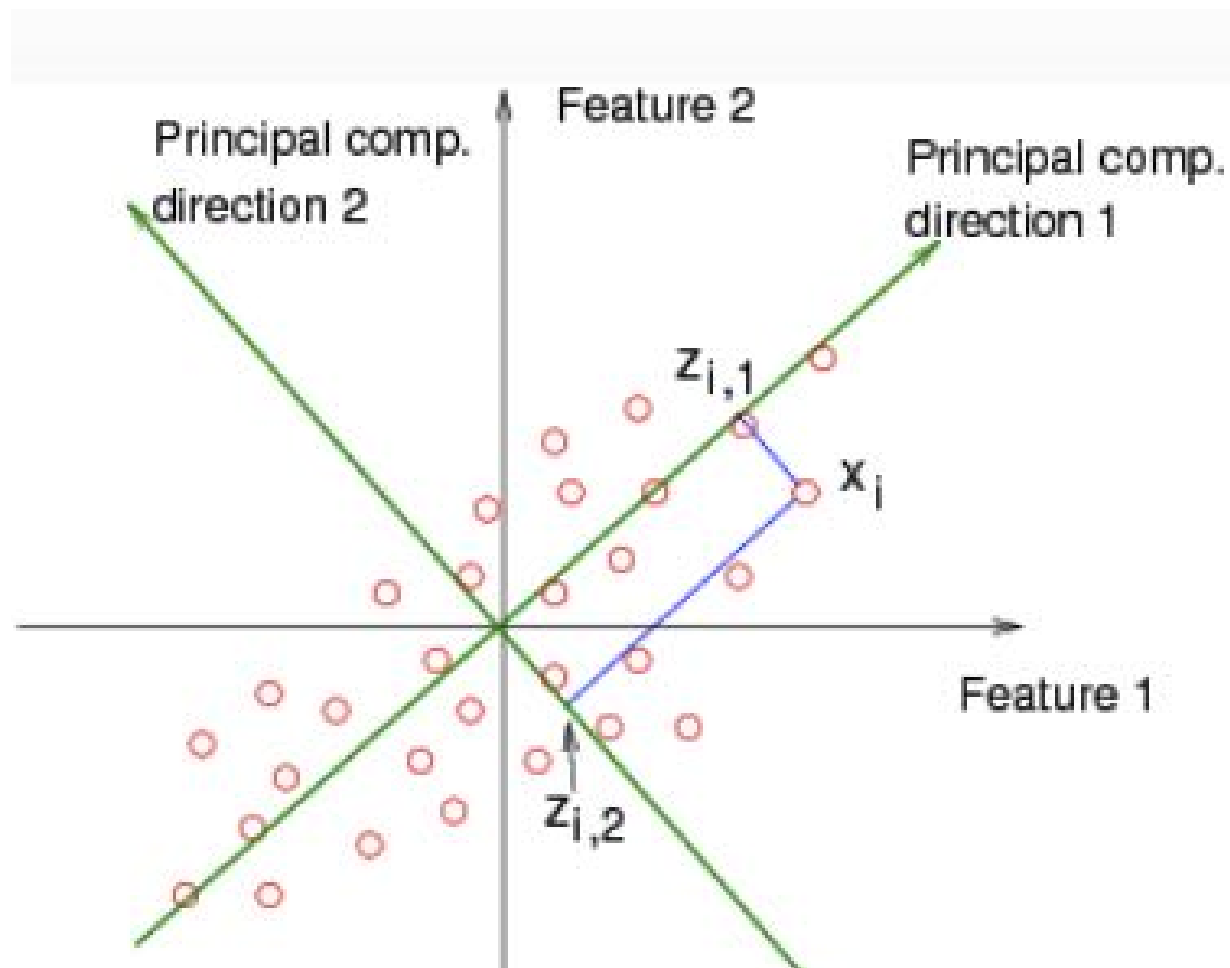
Equivalent: \mathbf{v} is the direction of maximum variance (max. the spread along \mathbf{v})

PCA: Main Idea



To maximize the variance, look for the projection with the smallest average (mean-squared) distance between the original vectors and their projections onto the new axis.

PCA: Main Idea



New axis is called the *first principal component* of the data

Additional PC vectors are orthogonal to each other

Basic PCA Algorithm

- Subtract mean from data (center X)
- (Typically) scale each dimension by its variance
 - Helps to pay less attention to magnitude of dimensions
- Compute covariance matrix S $S = \frac{1}{N} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X}$
- Compute k largest eigenvectors of S
- These eigenvectors are the k principal components

Examples

Eating in the UK (a 17D example)

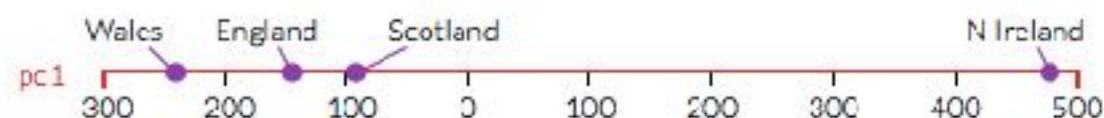
Original example from Mark Richardson's class notes [Principal Component Analysis](#)

What if our data have way more than 3-dimensions? Like, **17** dimensions?! In the table is the average consumption of 17 types of food in grams per person per week for every country in the UK.

The table shows some interesting variations across different food types, but overall differences aren't so notable. Let's see if PCA can eliminate dimensions to emphasize how countries differ.

	England	N Ireland	Scotland	Wales
Alcoholic drinks	375	135	458	475
Beverages	57	47	53	73
Carcass meat	245	267	242	227
Cereals	1472	1494	1462	1582
Cheese	105	66	103	103
Confectionery	54	41	62	64
Fats and oils	193	209	184	235
Fish	147	93	122	160
Fresh fruit	1102	674	957	1137
Fresh potatoes	720	1033	566	874
Fresh Veg	253	143	171	265
Other meat	685	586	750	803
Other Veg	483	355	418	570
Processed potatoes	193	187	220	203
Processed Veg	360	334	337	365
Soft drinks	1374	1506	1572	1256
Sugars	155	139	147	175

Here's the plot of the data along the first principal component. Already we can see something is different about Northern Ireland.



Example in R

```
> # Load data
> data(iris)
> head(iris, 3)
  Sepal.Length Sepal.Width Petal.Length Petal.Width Species
1          5.1          3.5          1.4          0.2  setosa
2          4.9          3.0          1.4          0.2  setosa
3          4.7          3.2          1.3          0.2  setosa
> # log transform
> log.ir <- log(iris[, 1:4])
> ir.species <- iris[, 5]
>
> # apply PCA - scale. = TRUE is highly
> # advisable, but default is FALSE.
> ir.pca <- prcomp(log.ir,
+                 center = TRUE,
+                 scale. = TRUE)
```

Recommended for this data

Subtract mean and scale to unit variance

Example in R

```
> # print method
> print(ir.pca)
Standard deviations:
[1] 1.7124583 0.9523797 0.3647029 0.1656840
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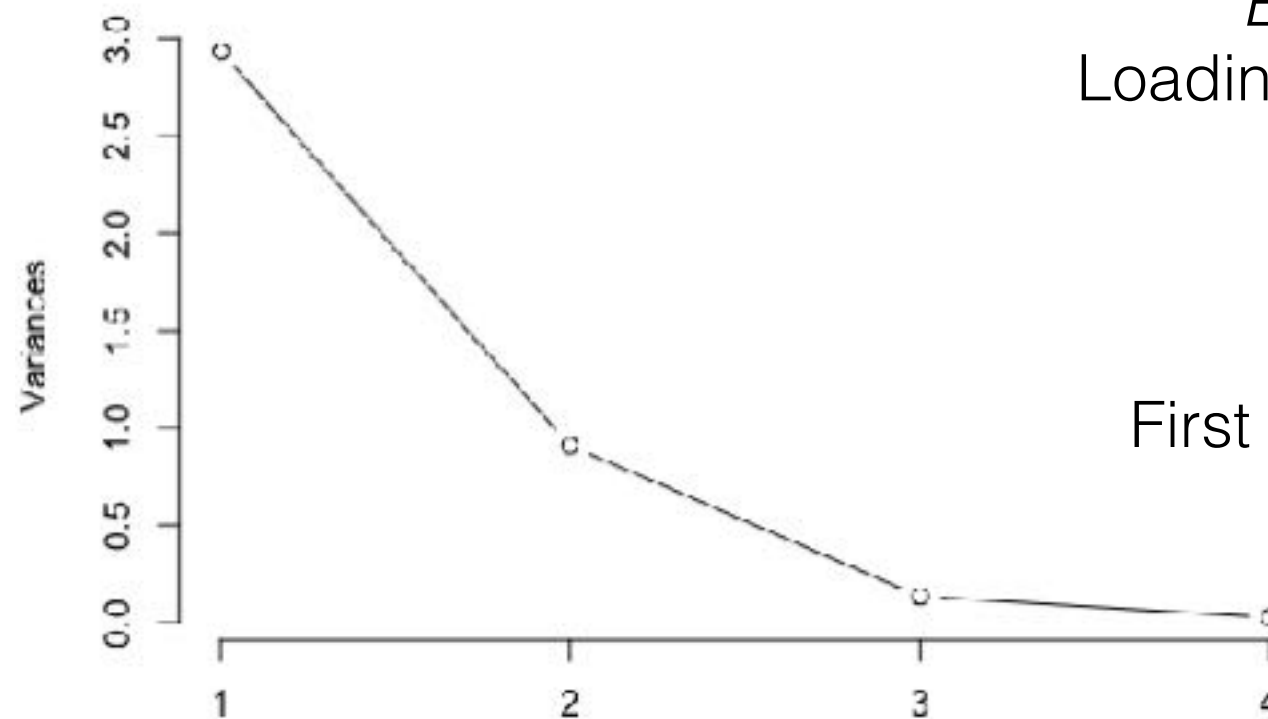
Rotation:

	PC1	PC2	PC3	PC4
Sepal.Length	0.5038236	-0.45499872	0.7088547	0.19147575
Sepal.Width	-0.3023682	-0.88914419	-0.3311628	-0.09125405
Petal.Length	0.5767881	-0.03378802	-0.2192793	-0.78618732
Petal.Width	0.5674952	-0.03545628	-0.5829003	0.58044745

Rotation of feature to PC space

```
> # plot method
> plot(ir.pca, type = "l")
```

ir.pca

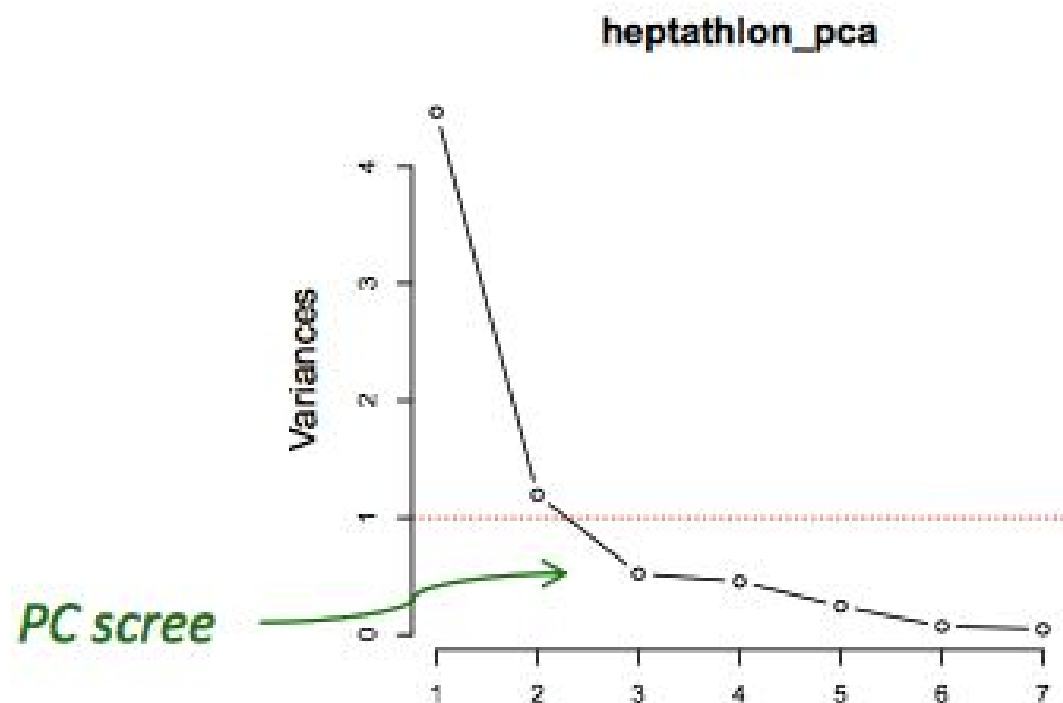


PC4 loading vector
Entries are known as *loadings*
Eigenvector is unit vector in same direction
Loading vector = eigenvector * sqrt(eigenvalues)

Plot of variances, aka *screeplot*
First two PCs explain most variance in the data

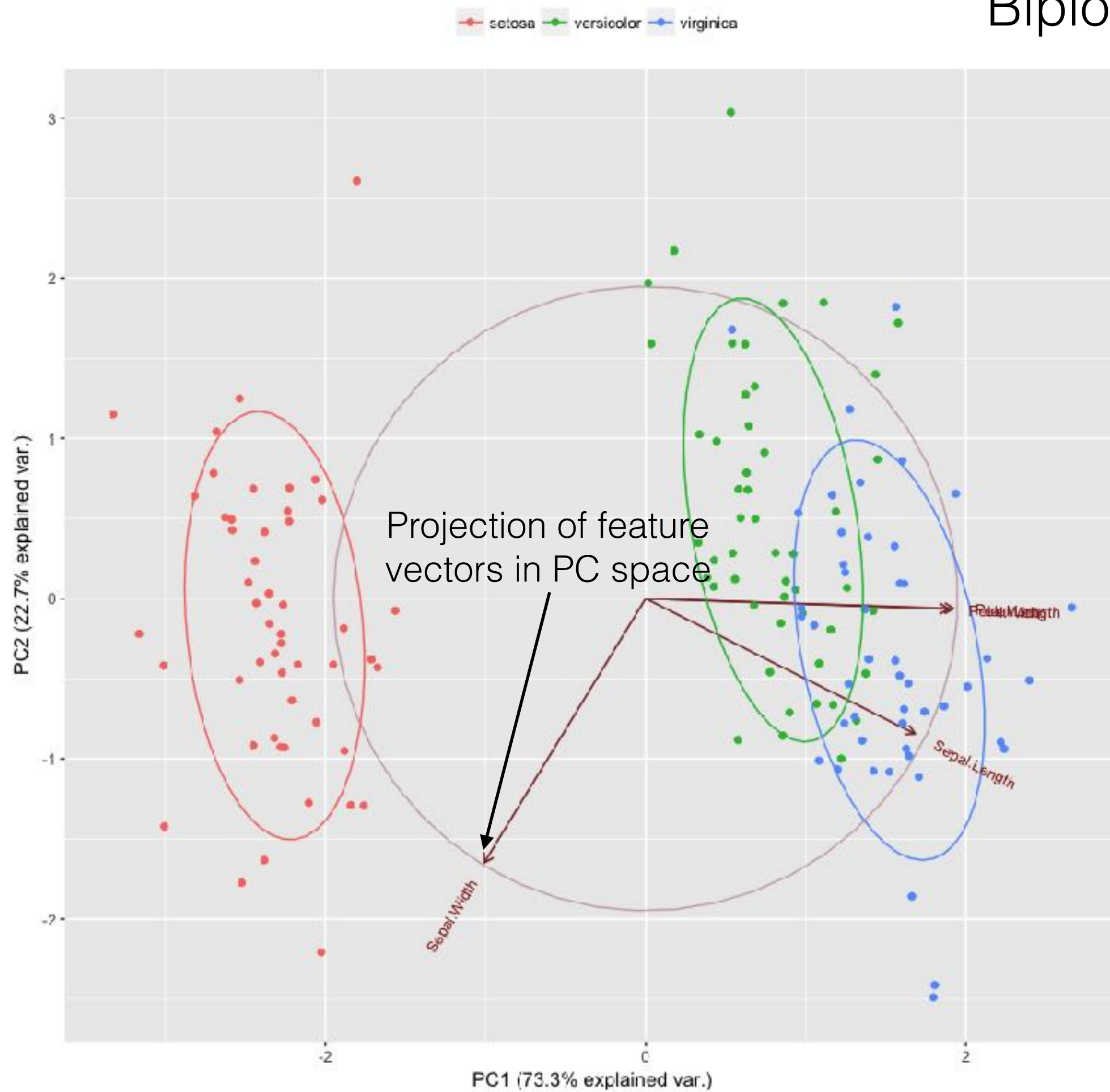
Scree

- *Scree* is a collection of broken rock fragments at the base of crags, mountain cliffs, volcanoes or valley shoulders that has accumulated through periodic rockfall from adjacent cliff faces.
[wikipedia]

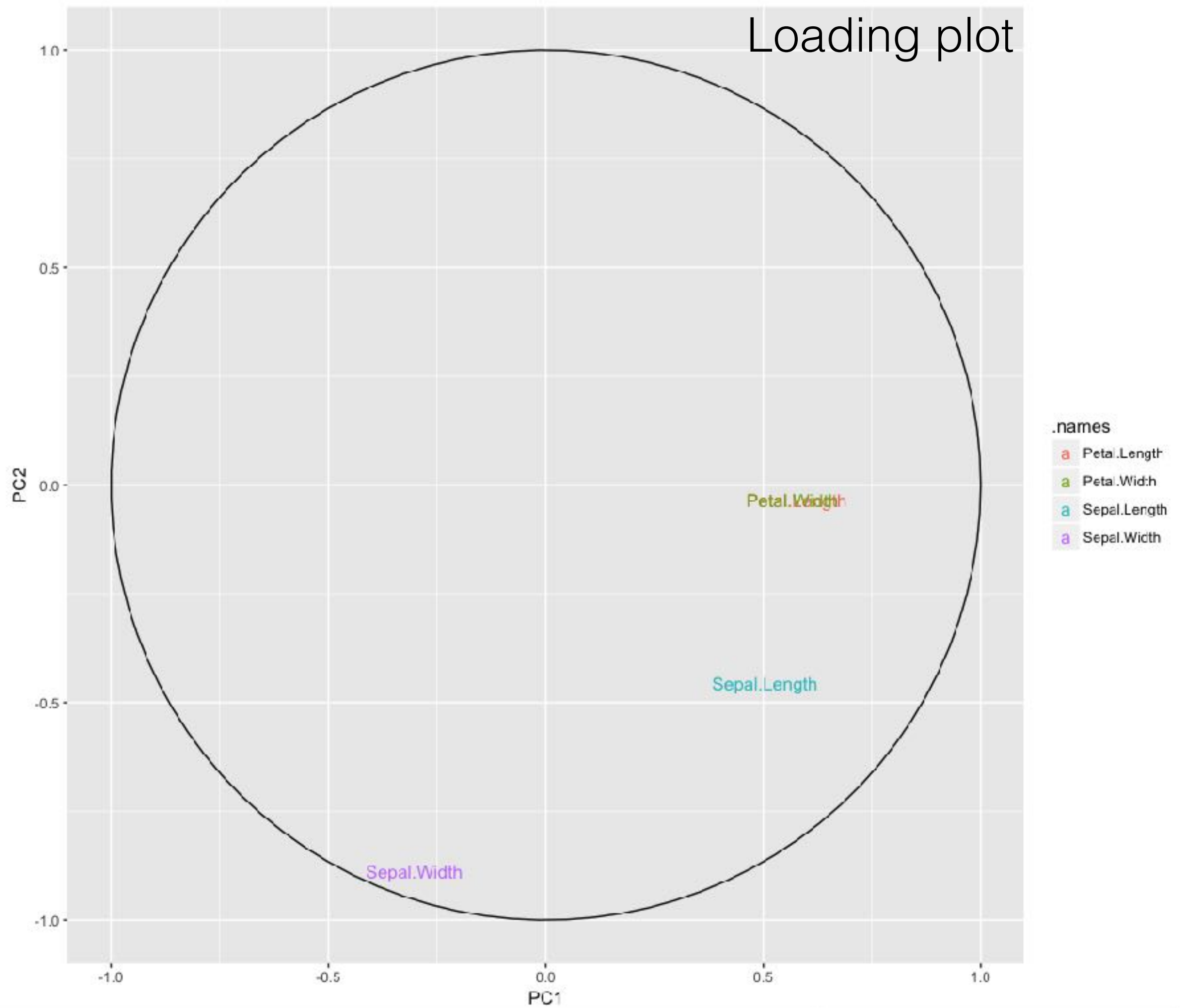


Geological
scree

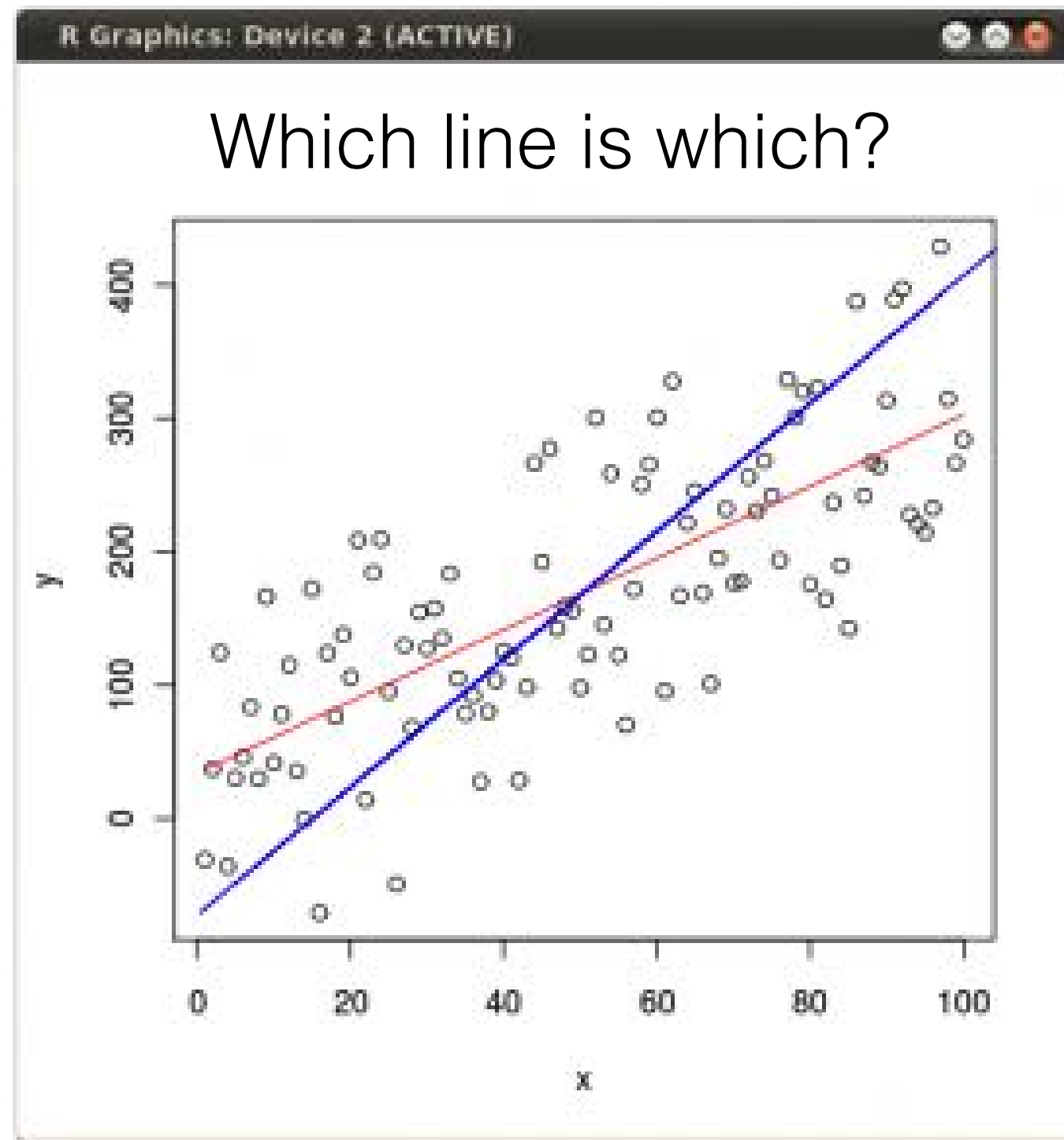
Biplot



Loading plot



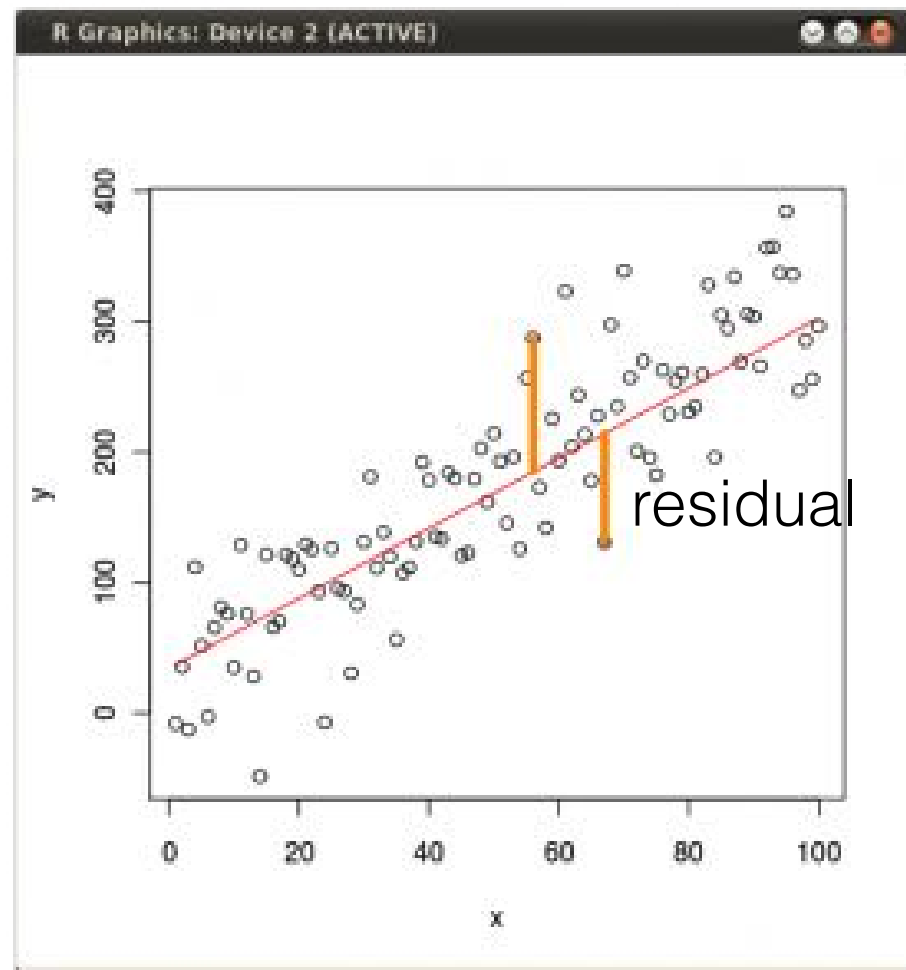
Linear Regression vs. PCA



<http://www.cerebralmastication.com/2010/09/principal-component-analysis-pca-vs-ordinary-least-squares-ols-a-visual-explanation/>

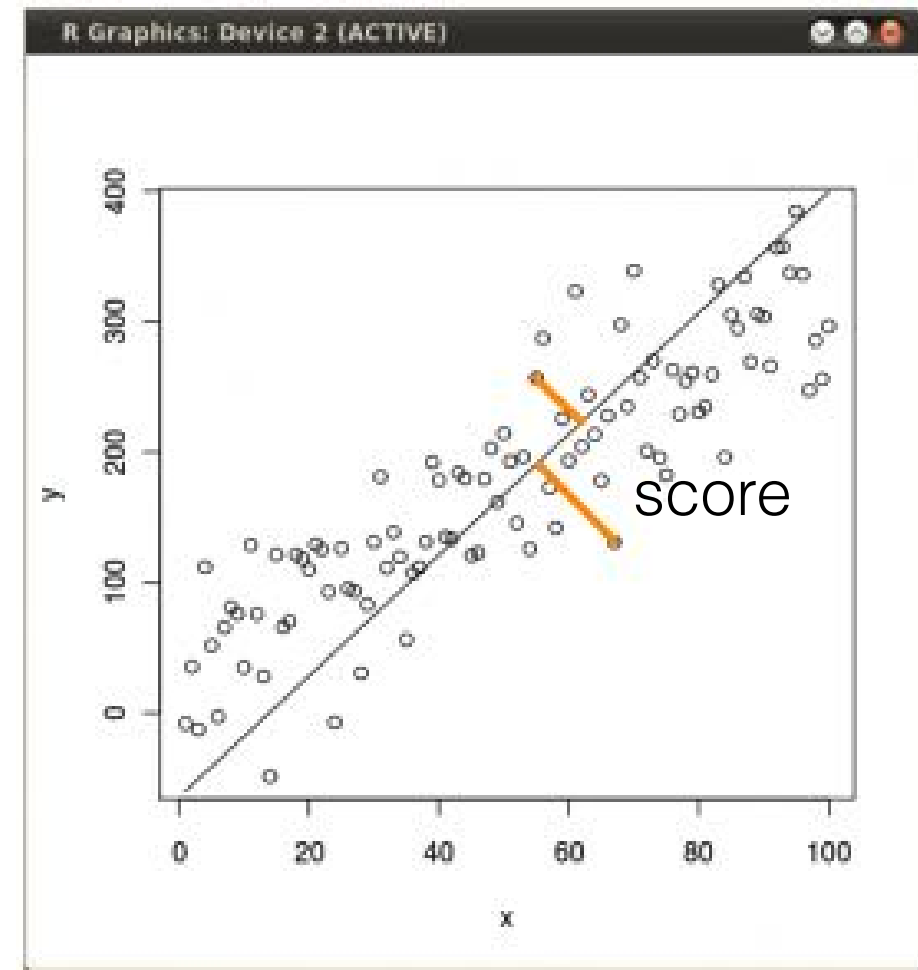
Linear Regression vs. PCA

Linear Regression



Projection along
dimensions of X

PCA



Projection along
dimensions of PCs

PCA in Vision

PCA for Face Images



Suppose we have 136 face images, each with 64×64 pixels. What is the dimensionality of this data?

PCA for Face Images

- 64x64 images of faces = 4096 dimensional data



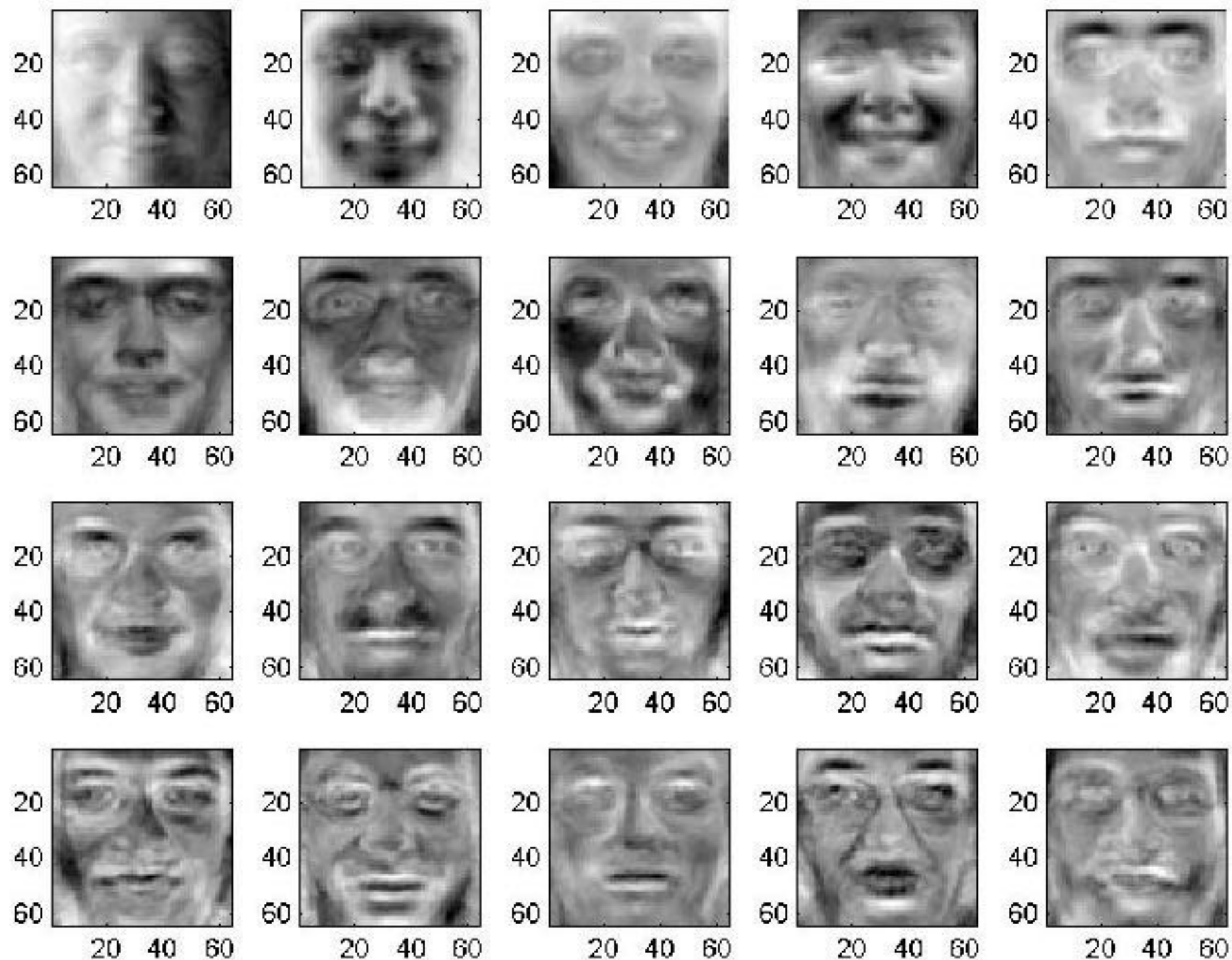
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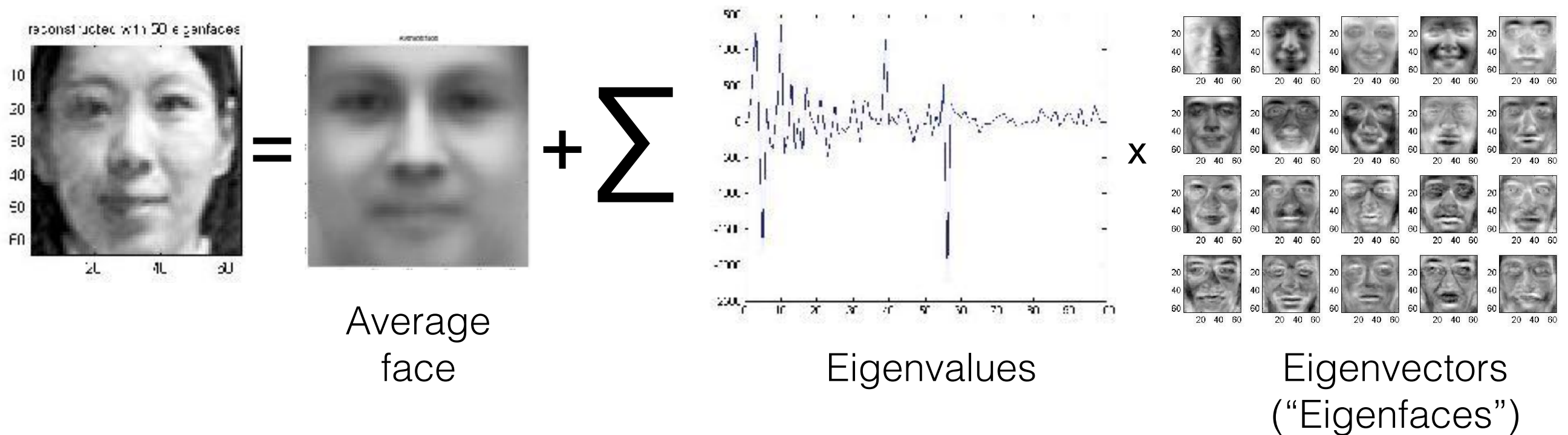


“Eigenfaces”



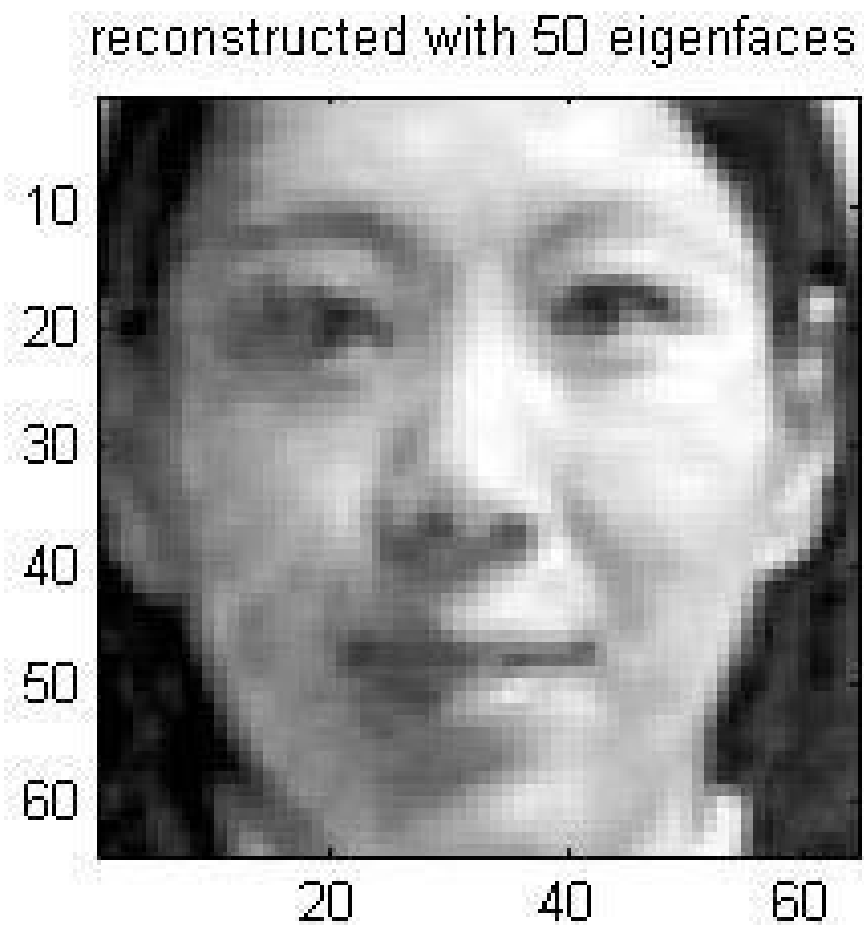
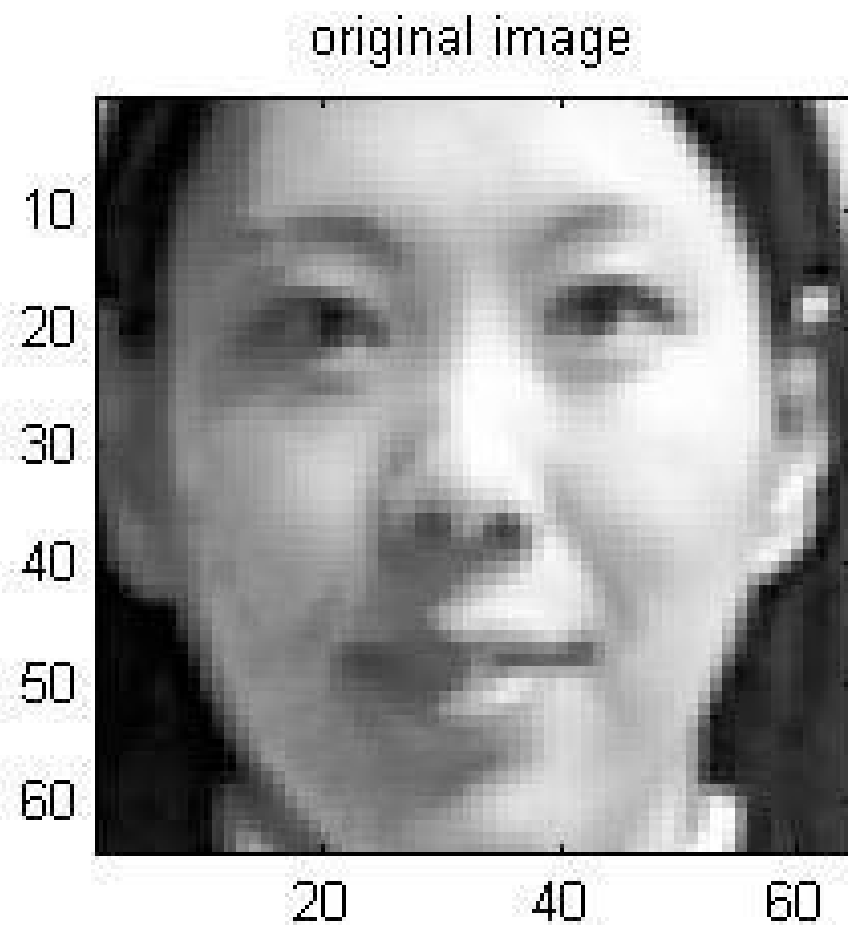
“Eigenfaces”

We can reconstruct each face as a linear combination of “basis” PC vectors, or eigenfaces [M. Turk and A. Pentland (1991)]



Reconstruction

90% variance is captured by the first 50 eigenvectors



PCA for Handwritten Digits

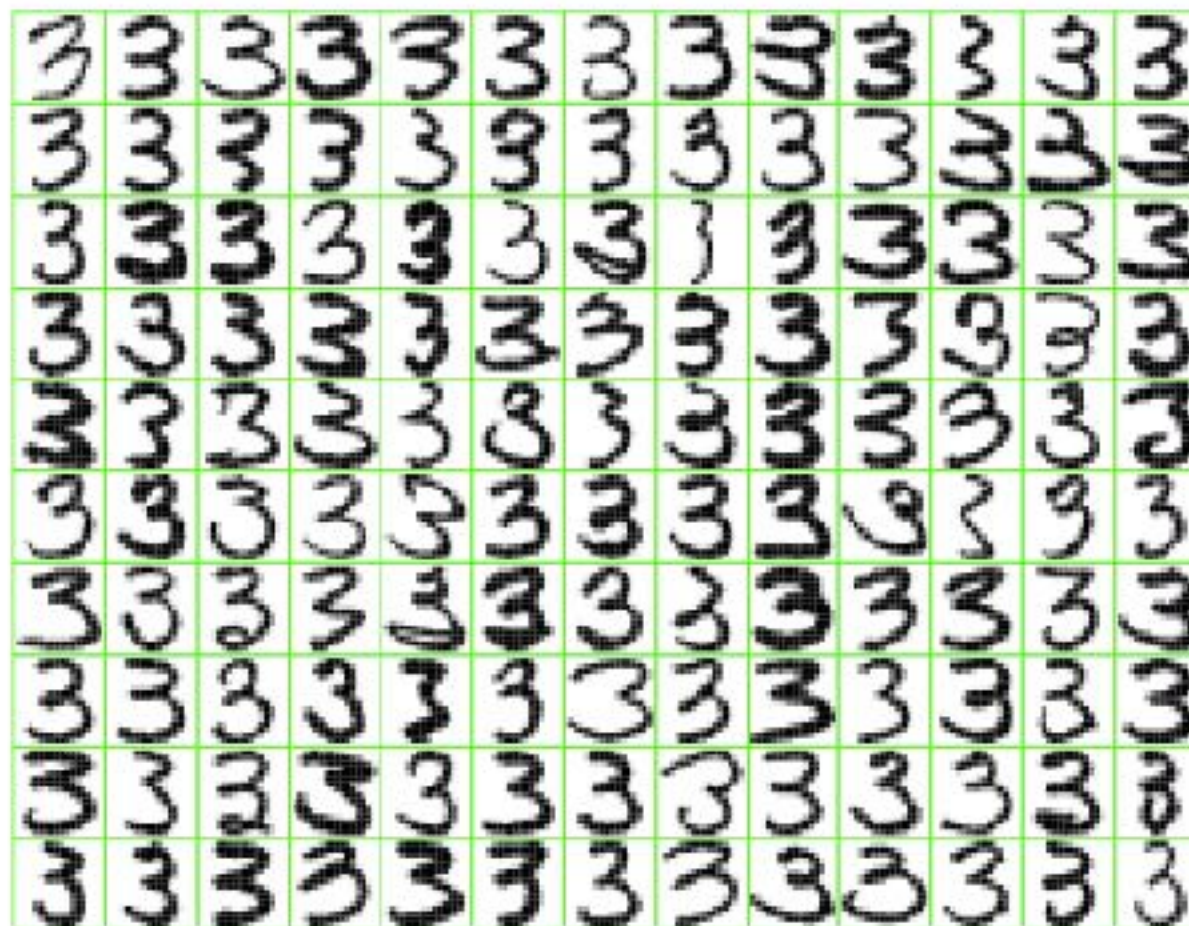
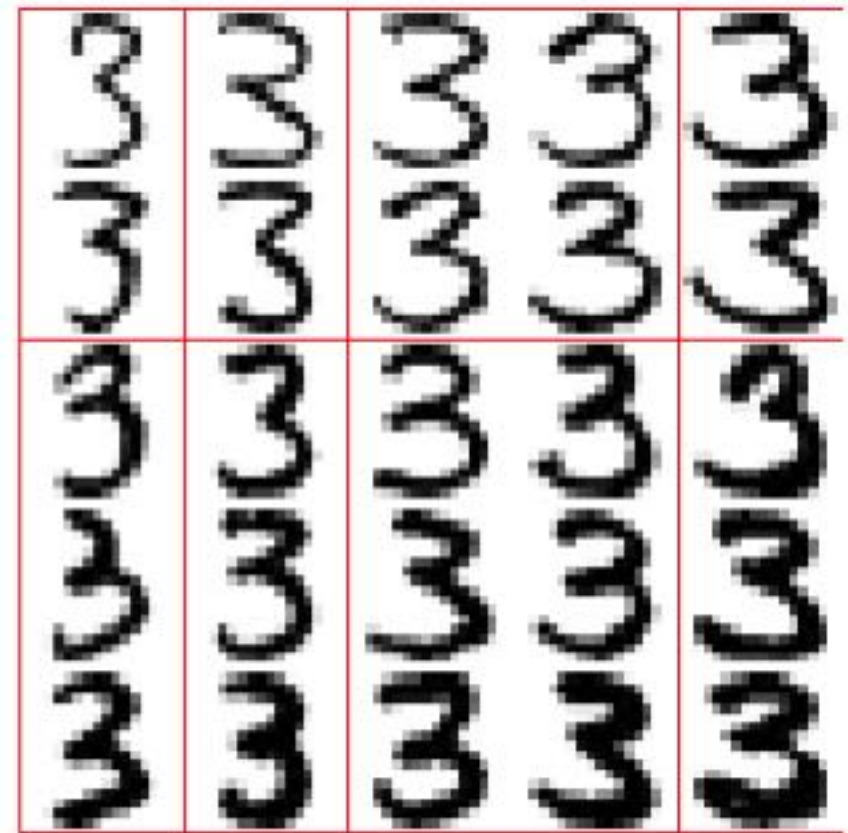
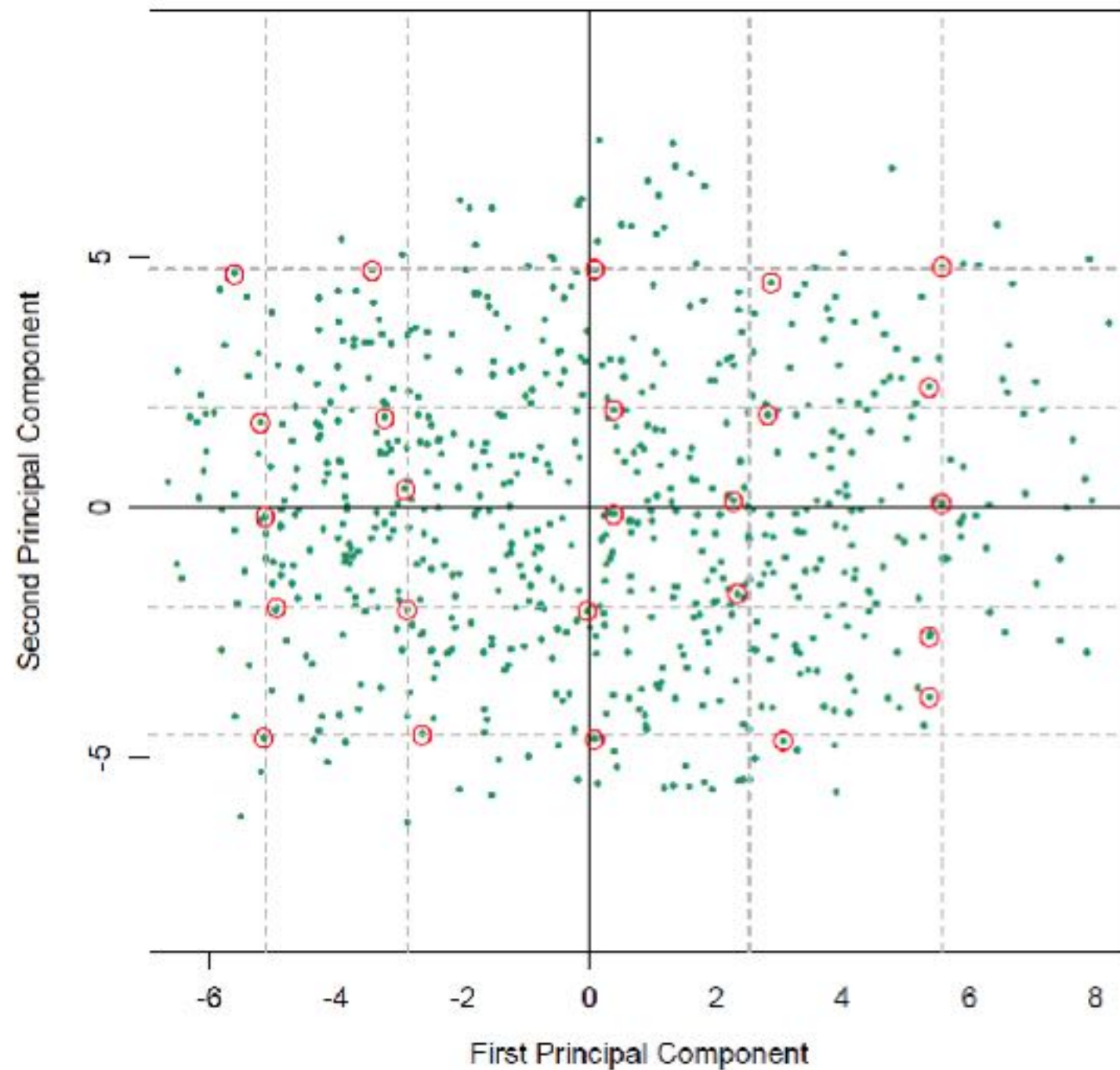


FIGURE 14.22. A sample of 130 handwritten 3's shows a variety of writing styles.

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{f}(\lambda) &= \bar{x} + \lambda_1 v_1 + \lambda_2 v_2 \\ &= \boxed{\text{3}} + \lambda_1 \cdot \boxed{\text{3}} + \lambda_2 \cdot \boxed{\text{3}}.\end{aligned}$$

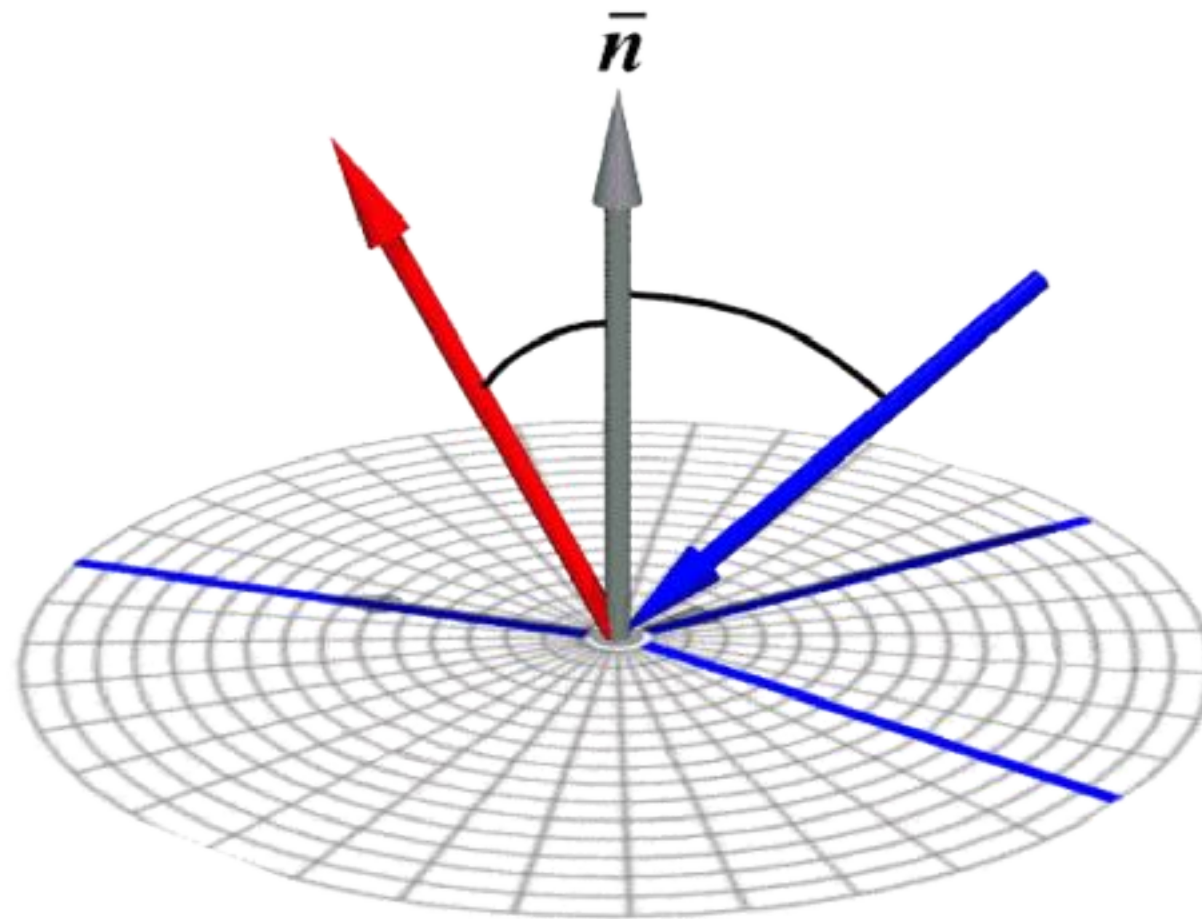
PCA for Handwritten Digits



PCA in Graphics

Data-Driven BRDFs

- Bi-Directional Reflectance Distribution Functions



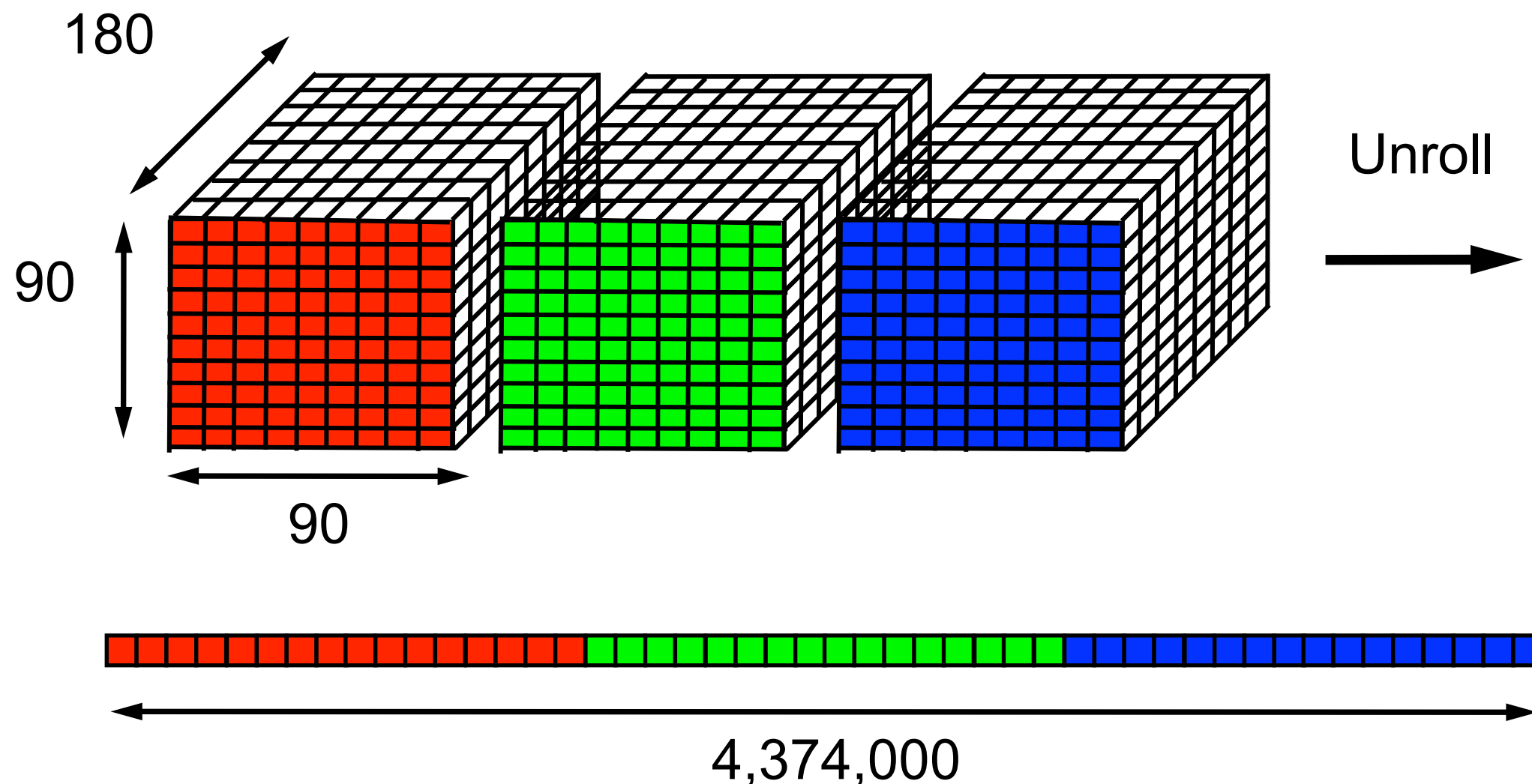
Data-Driven BRDFs

- Measure light reflected off a sphere
- 20-80 million measurements (6000 images) per material

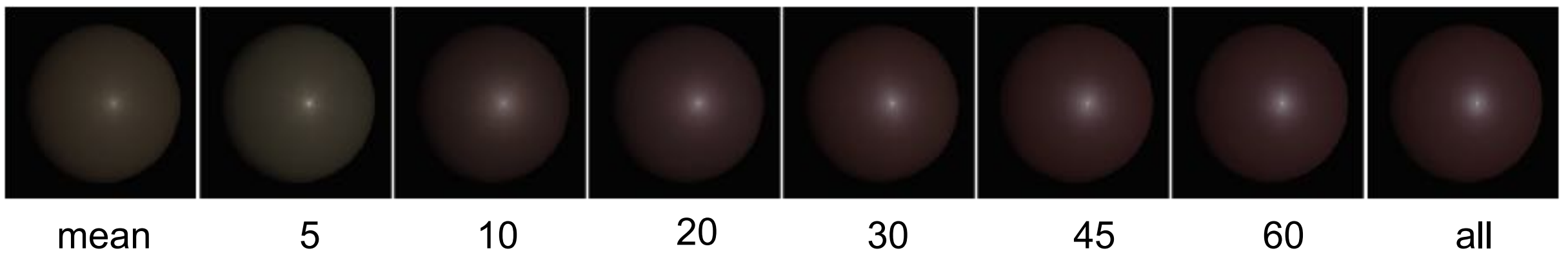
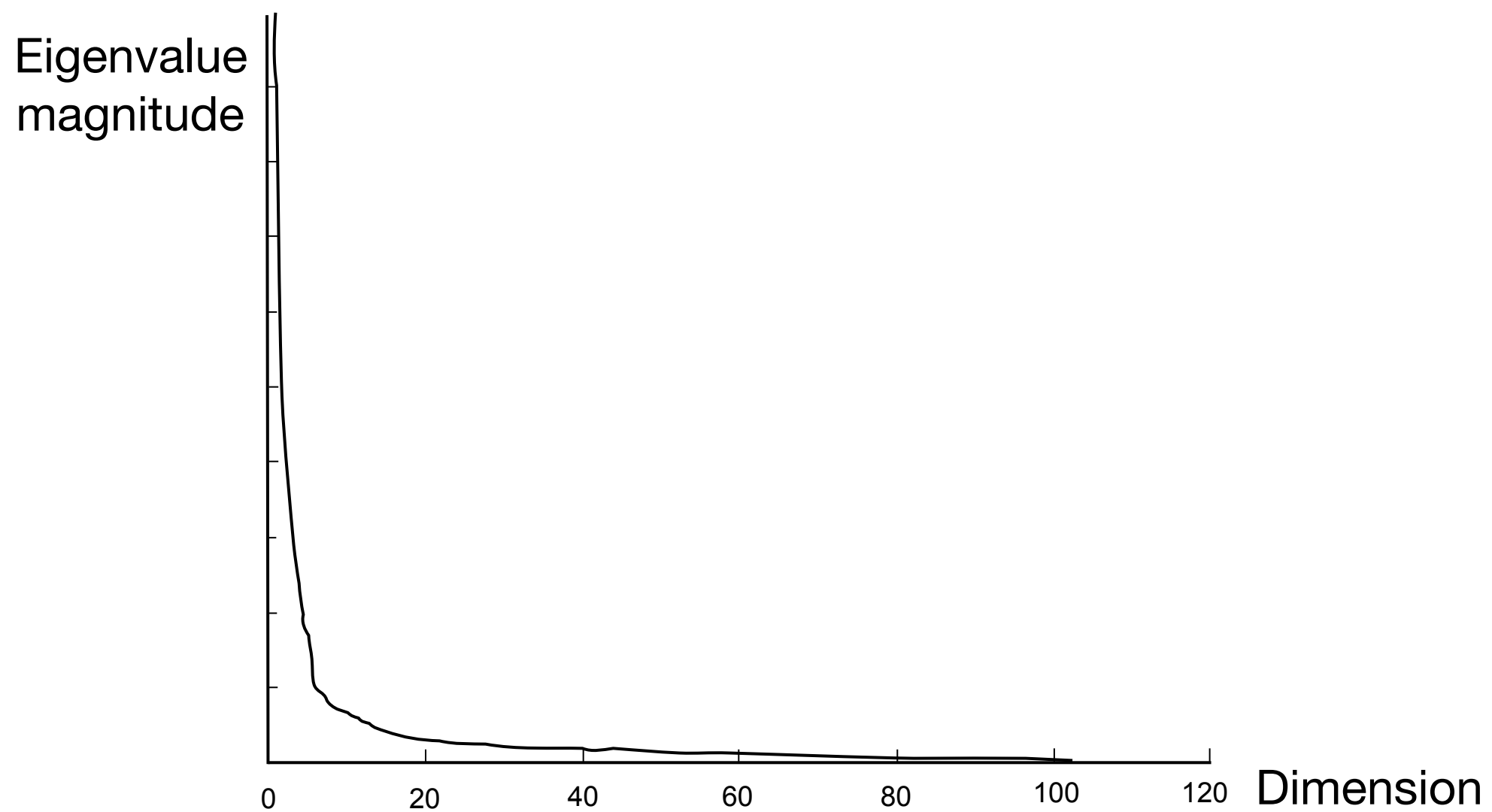


Data-Driven BRDFs

- Each tabulated BRDF is a vector in $90 \times 90 \times 180 \times 3 = 4,374,000$ dimensional space

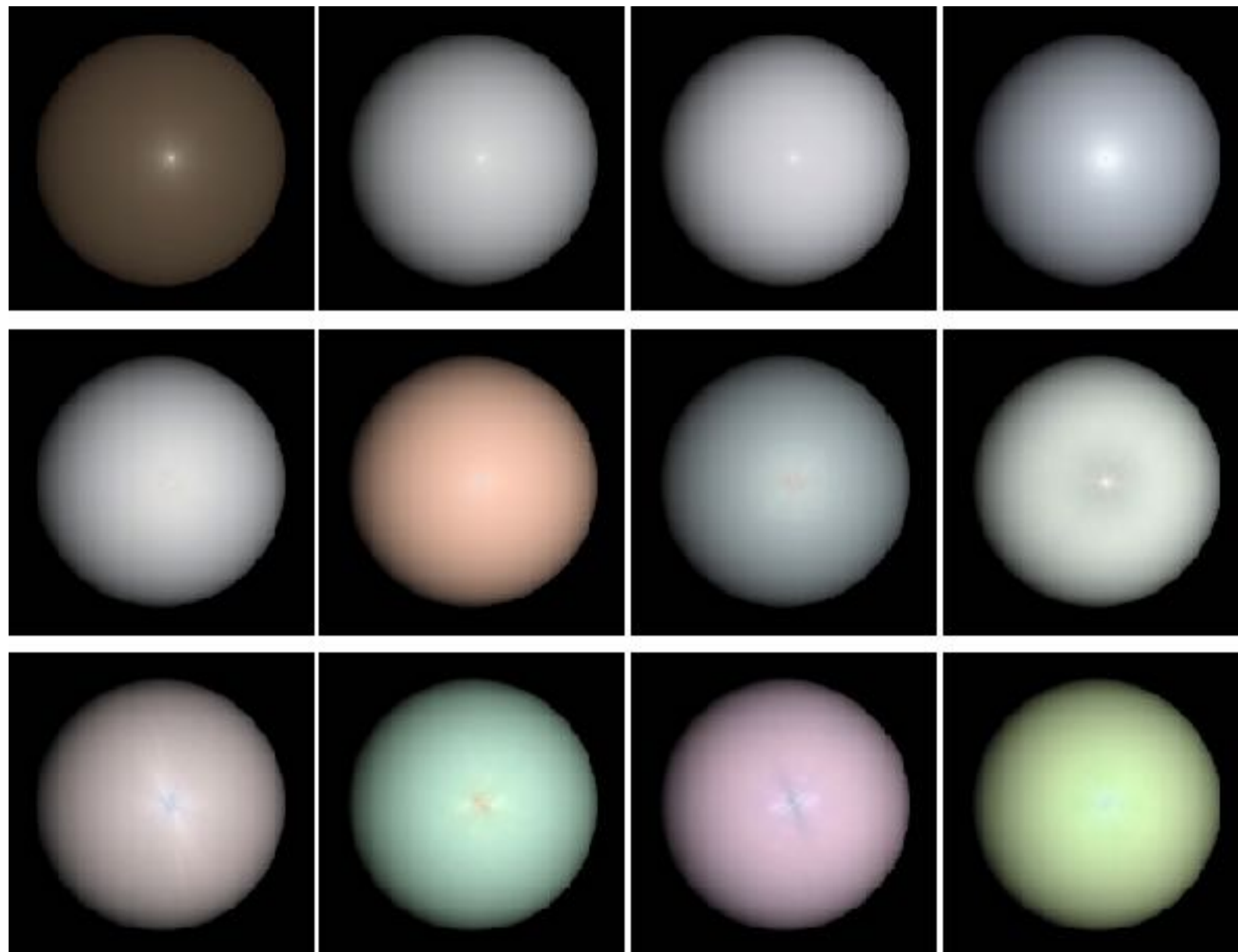


PCA



PCA

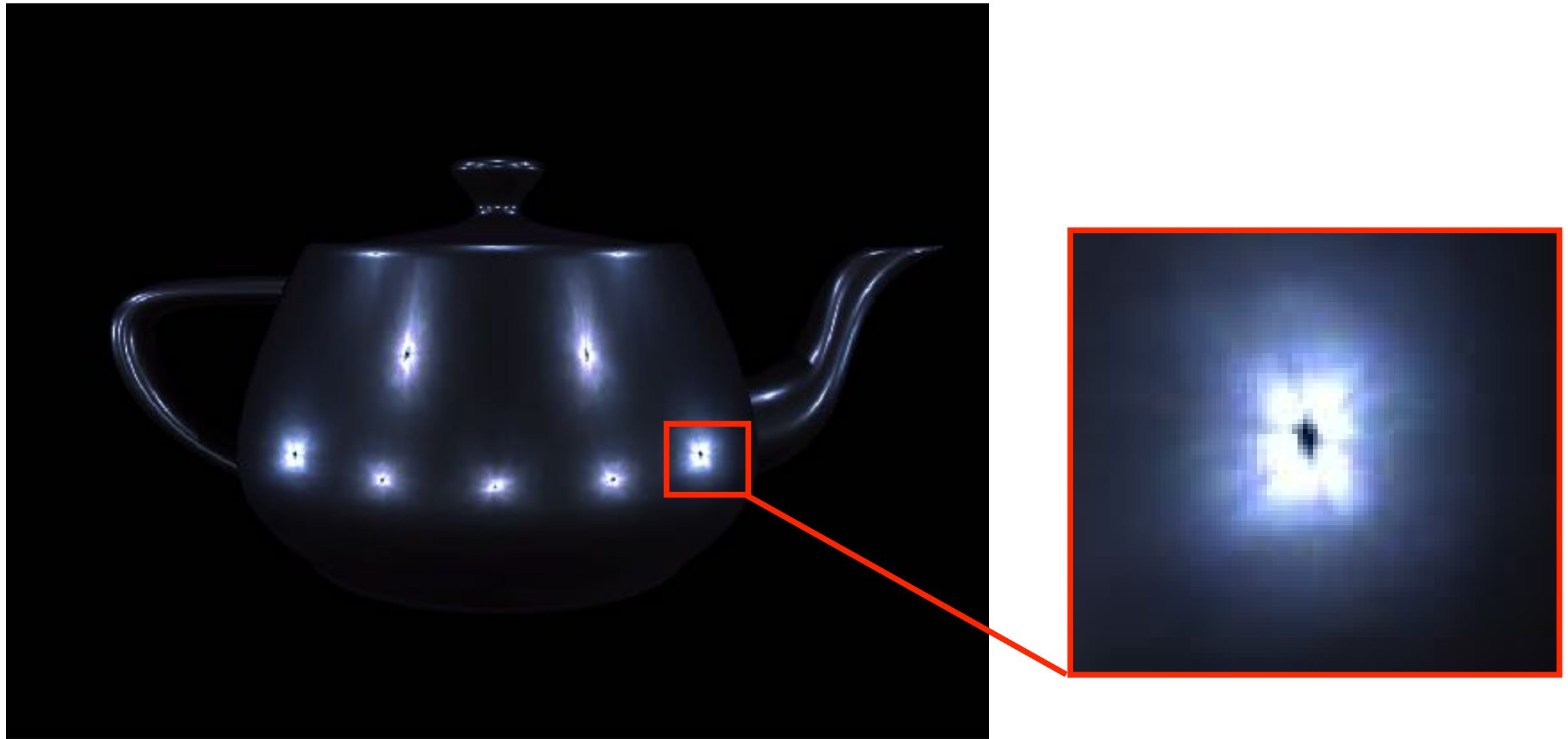
- First 11 PCA components



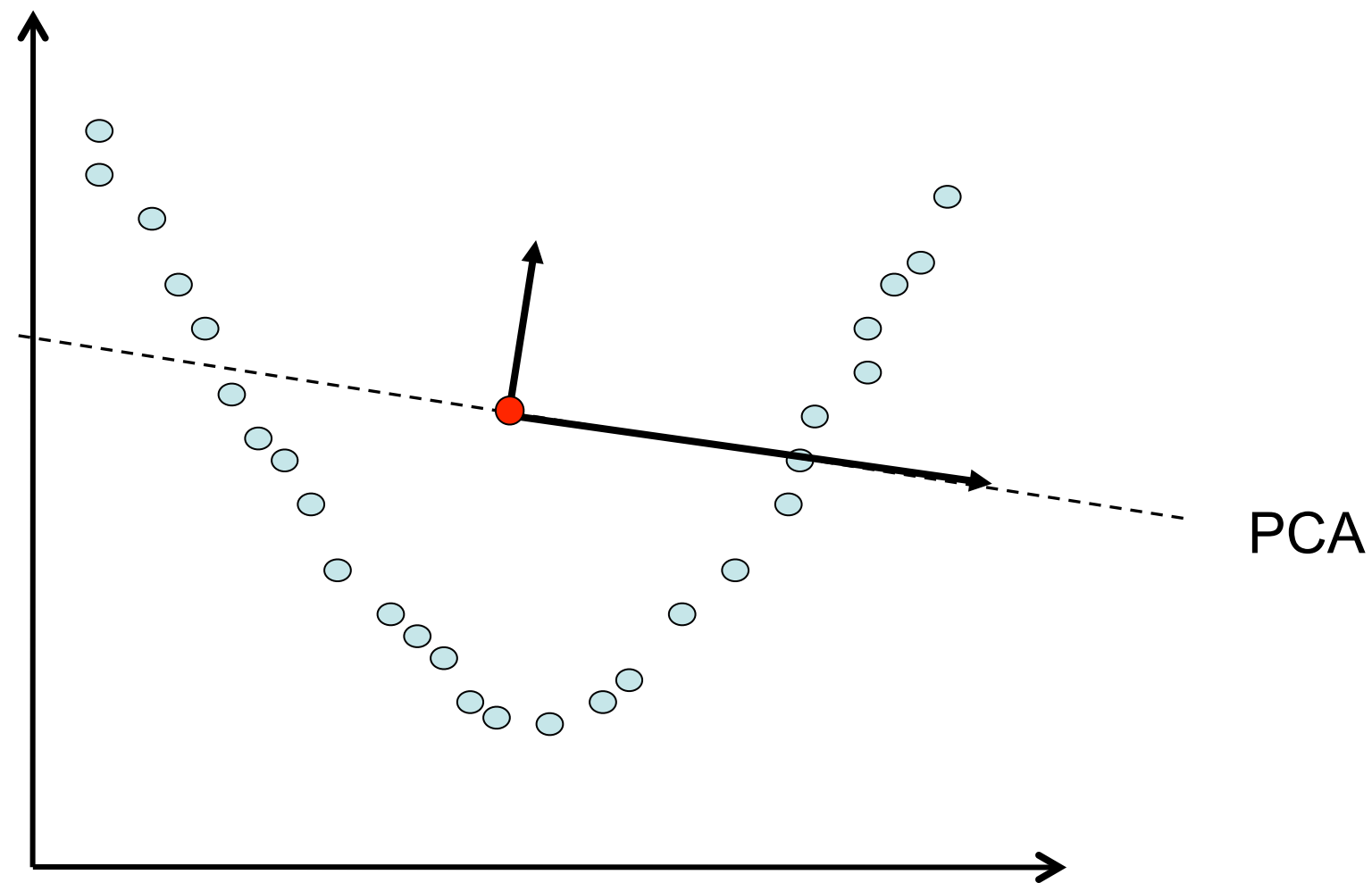
PCA Interpolation



Then, one day...

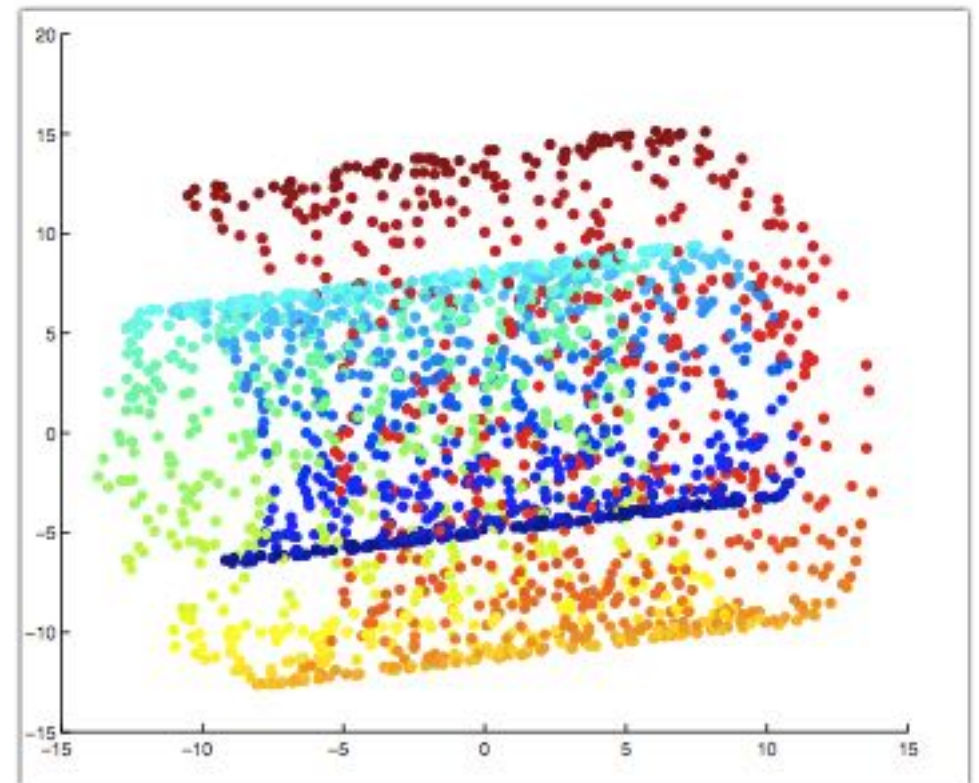
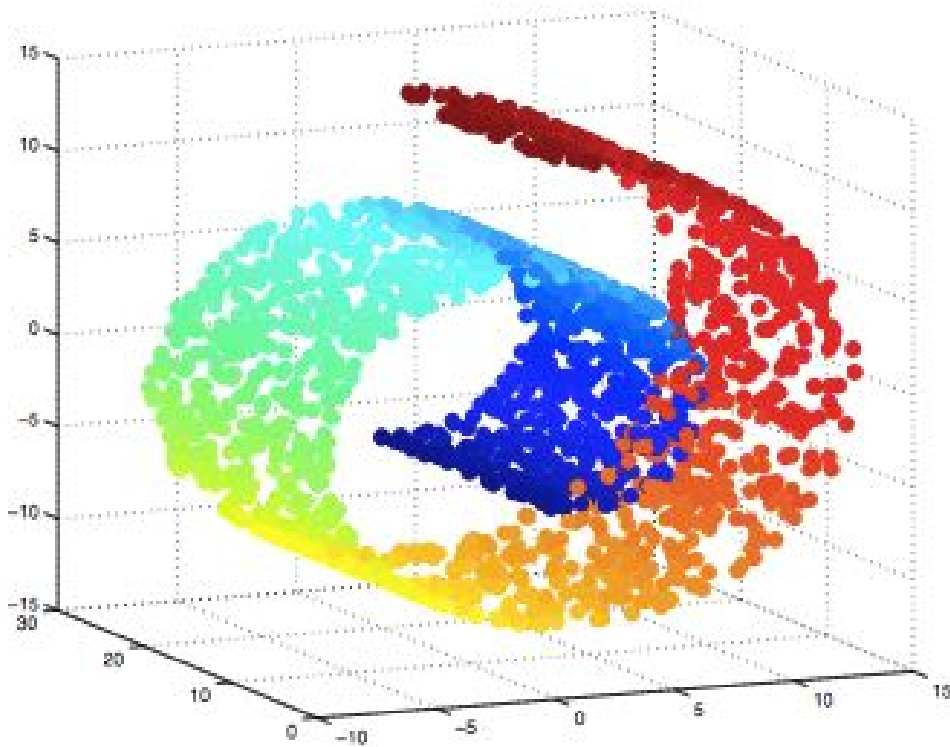


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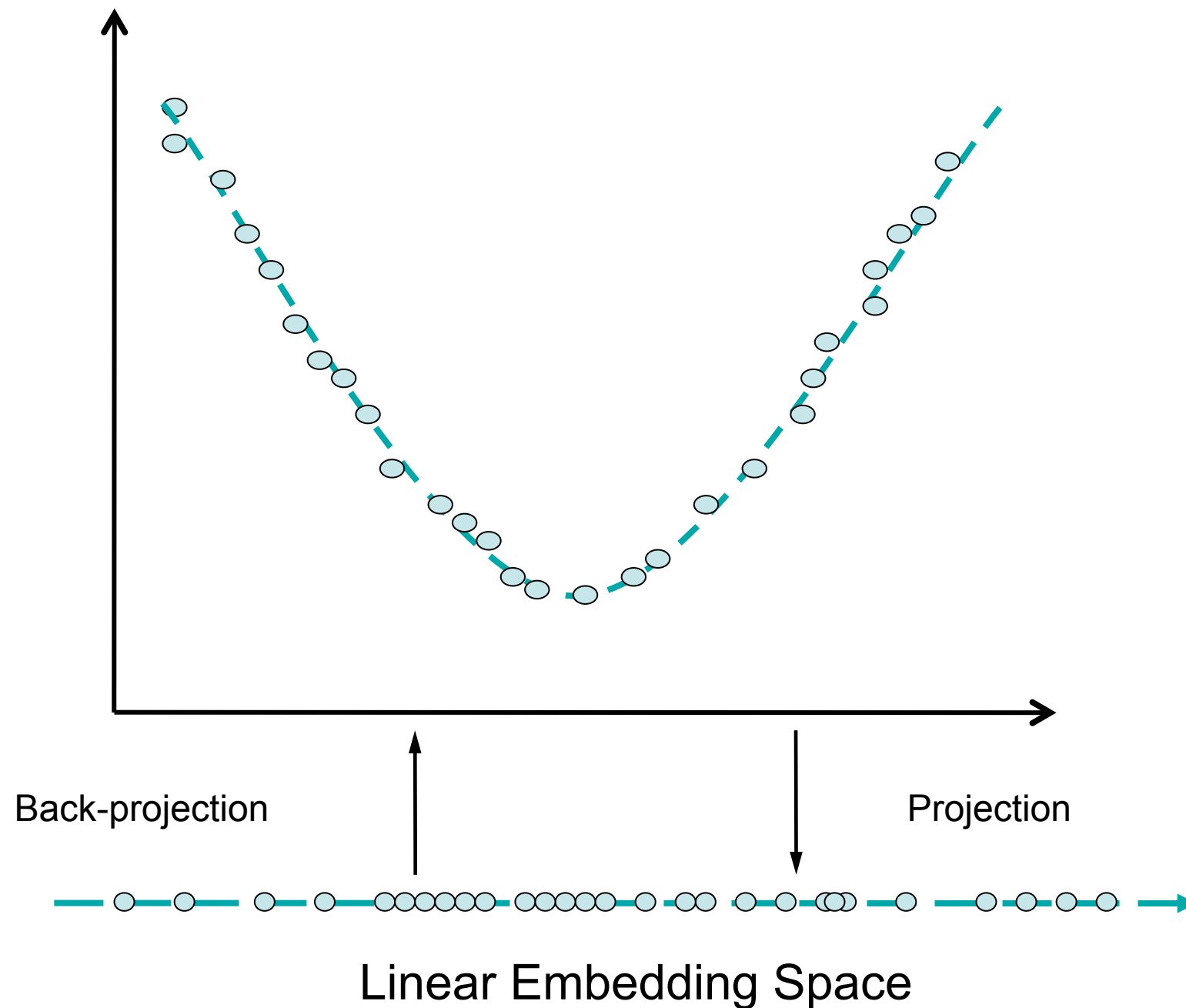
- Classic “Swiss Roll” example



PCA

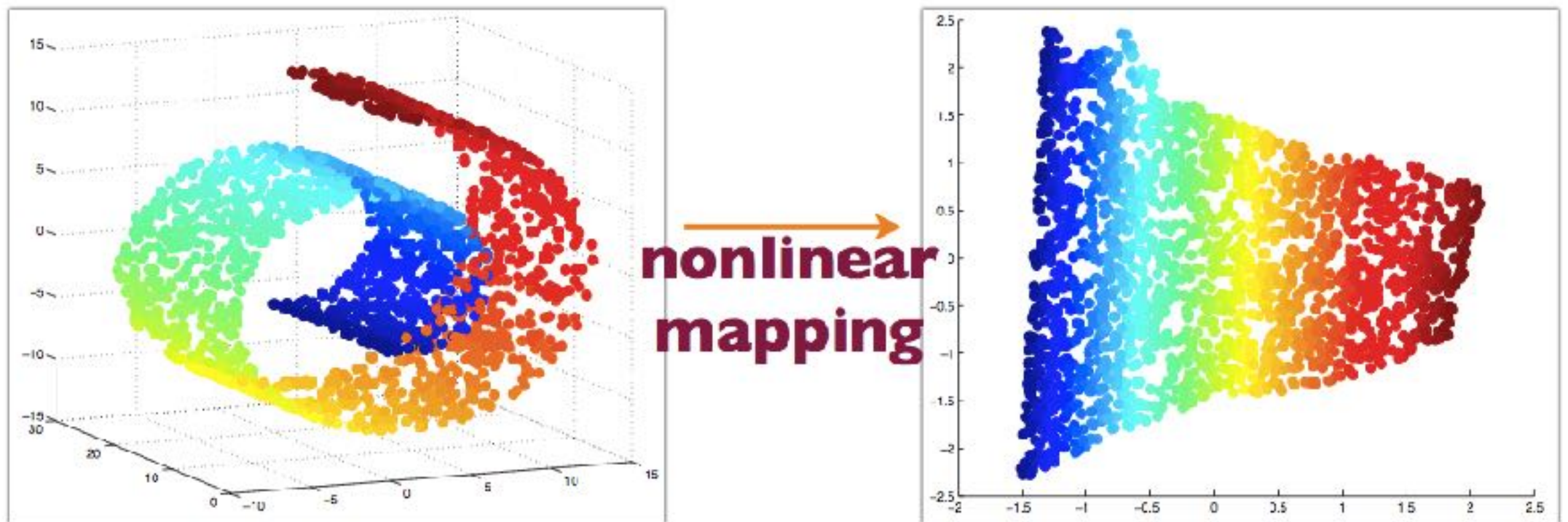
Nonlinear Methods

Non-Linear Manifold Methods



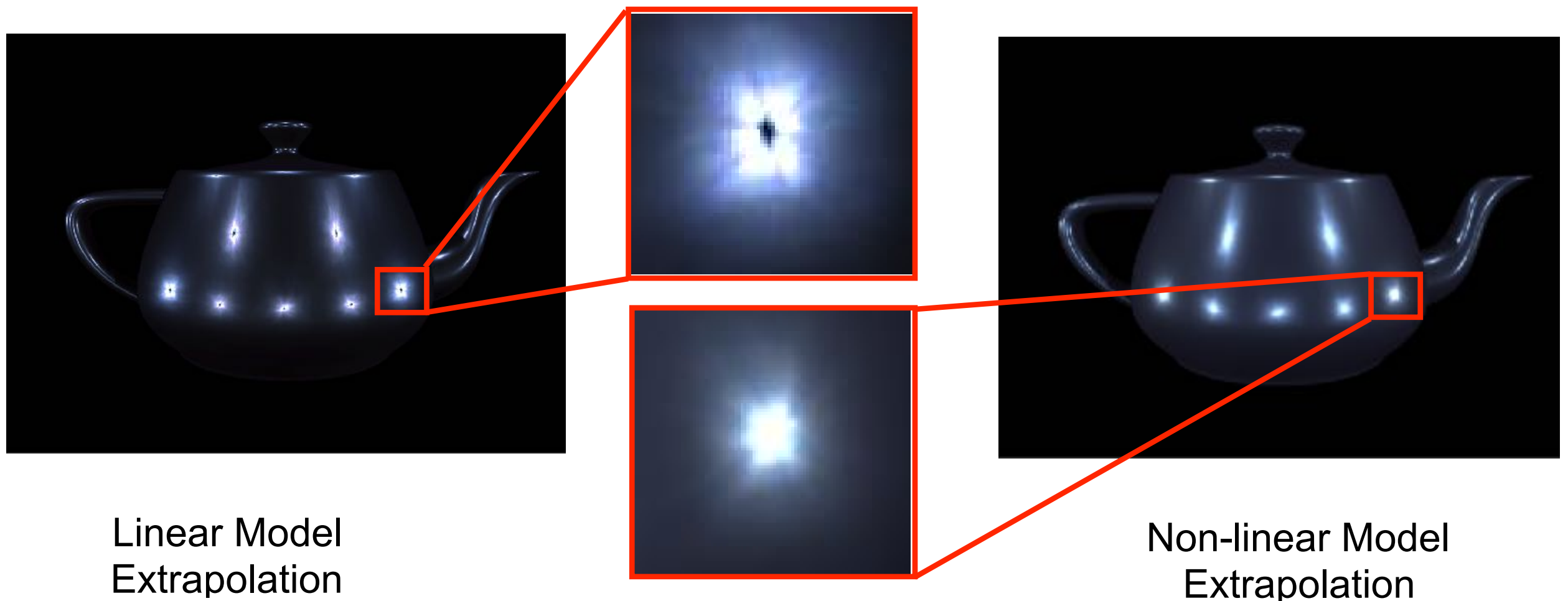
Non-Linear Manifold Methods

- Intuition: Distortion in local areas, but faithful in the global structure



Non-Linear BRDF Model

- 15-dimensional space (instead of 45 PCs)
- More robust - allows extrapolations



Dimensionality Reduction

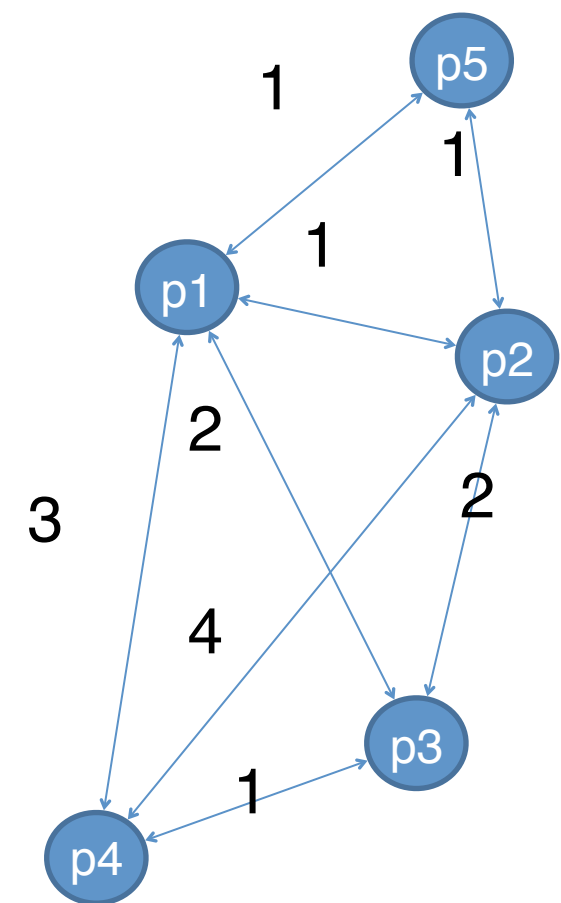
- Linear methods:
 - Principal Component Analysis (PCA) – Hotelling [33]
 - Singular Value Decomposition (SVD) – Eckart/Young [36]
 - Multidimensional Scaling (MDS) – Young [38]
- Nonlinear methods:
 - IsoMap – Tenenbaum [00]
 - Locally Linear Embeddings (LLE) – Roweis [00]

Multidimensional Scaling (MDS)

Multi-Dimensional Scaling

Find a set of points whose pairwise distances match a given distance matrix

	p1	p2	p3	p4	p5
p1	0	1	2	3	1
p2	1	0	2	4	1
p3	2	2	0	1	3
p4	3	4	1	0	1
p5	1	1	3	1	0



Classical MDS

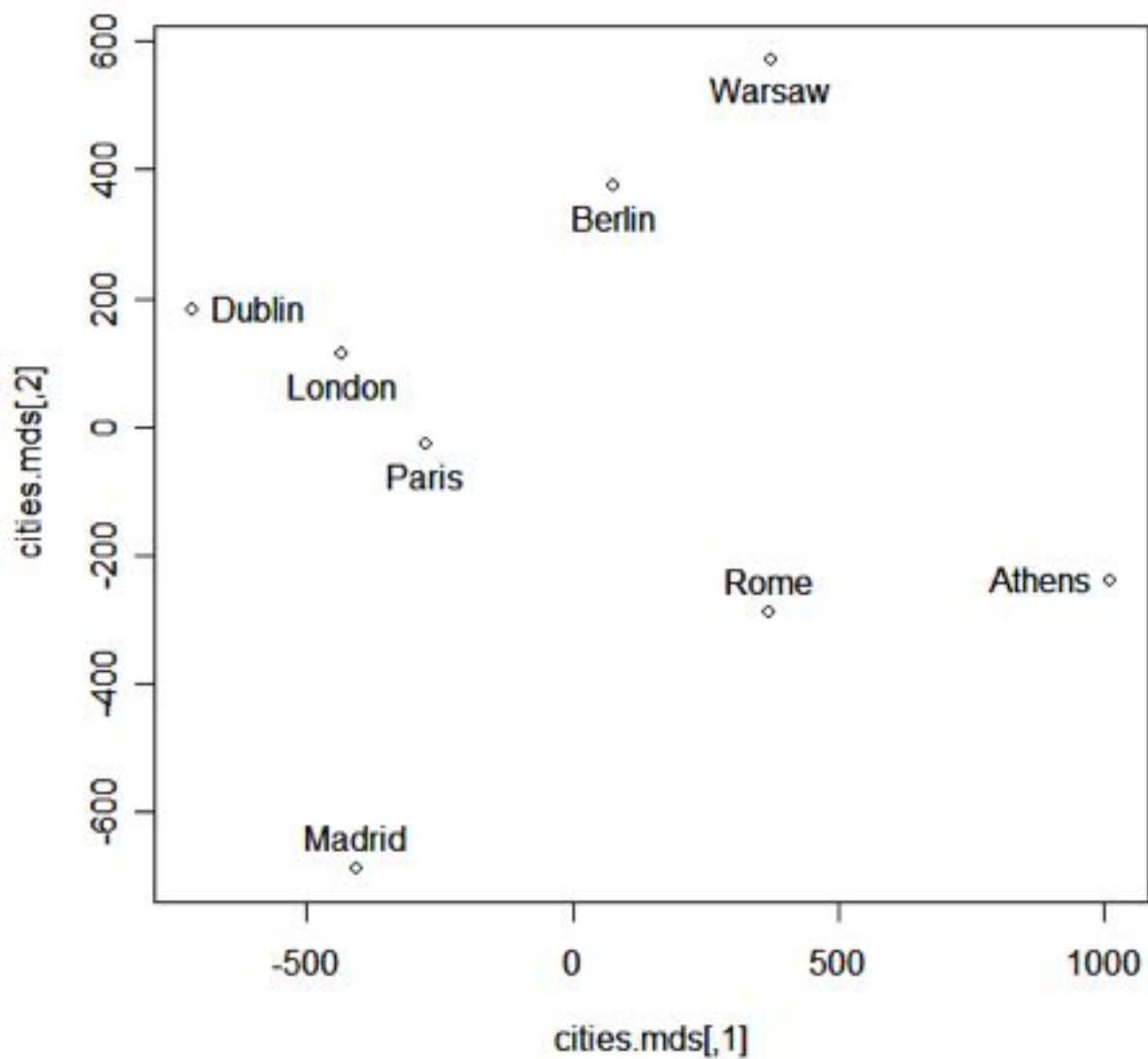
- Given $n \times n$ matrix of pairwise distances between data points
- Compute $n \times k$ matrix X with coordinates of distances with some linear algebra magic
- Perform PCA on this matrix X

European Cities Data

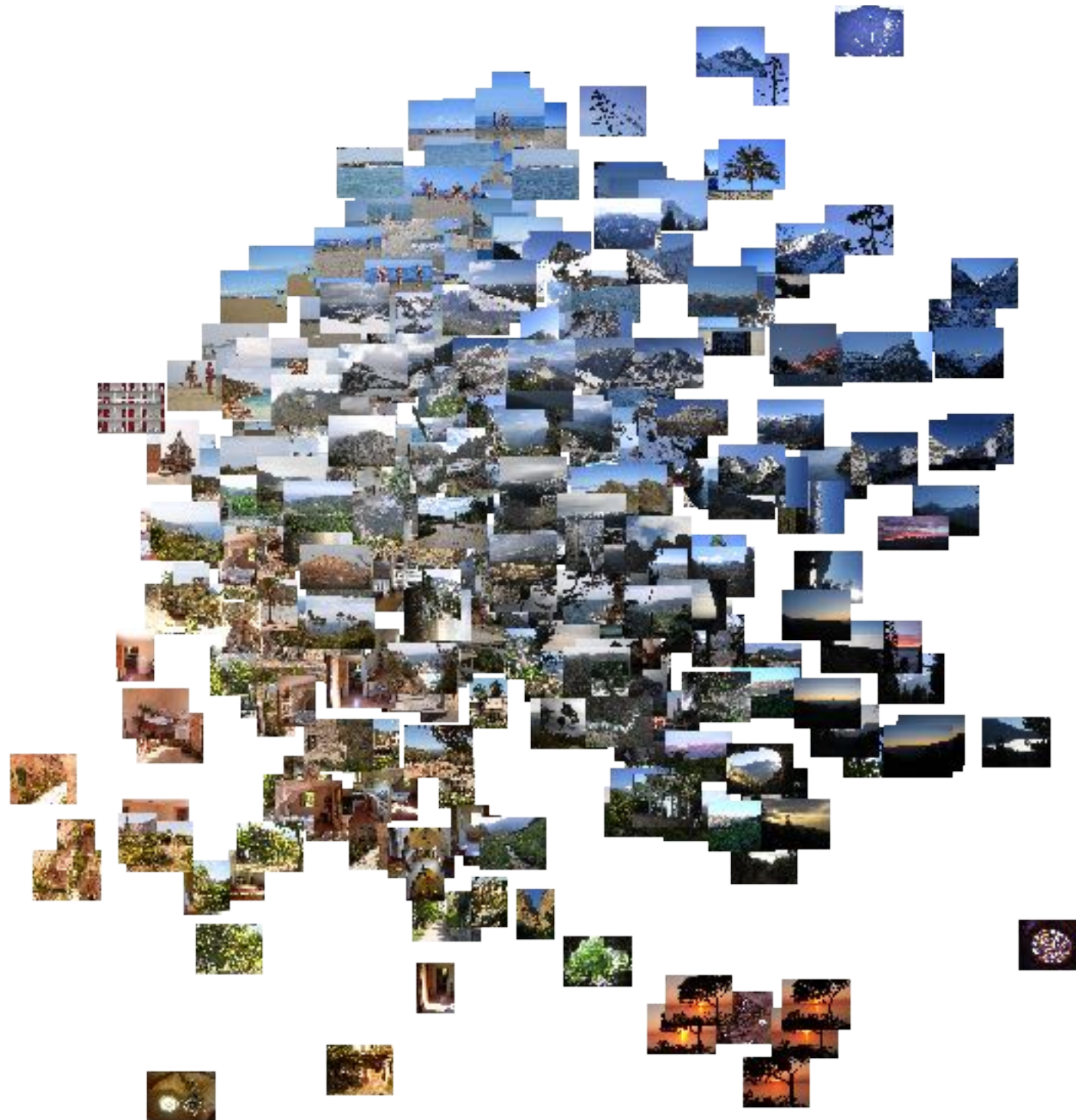
- Distances between European cities

	Athens	Berlin	Dublin	London	Madrid	Paris	Rome	Warsaw
Athens	0	1119	1777	1486	1475	1303	646	1013
Berlin	1119	0	817	577	1159	545	736	327
Dublin	1777	817	0	291	906	489	1182	1135
London	1486	577	291	0	783	213	897	904
Madrid	1475	1159	906	783	0	652	856	1483
Paris	1303	545	489	213	652	0	694	859
Rome	646	736	1182	897	856	694	0	839
Warsaw	1013	327	1135	904	1483	859	839	0

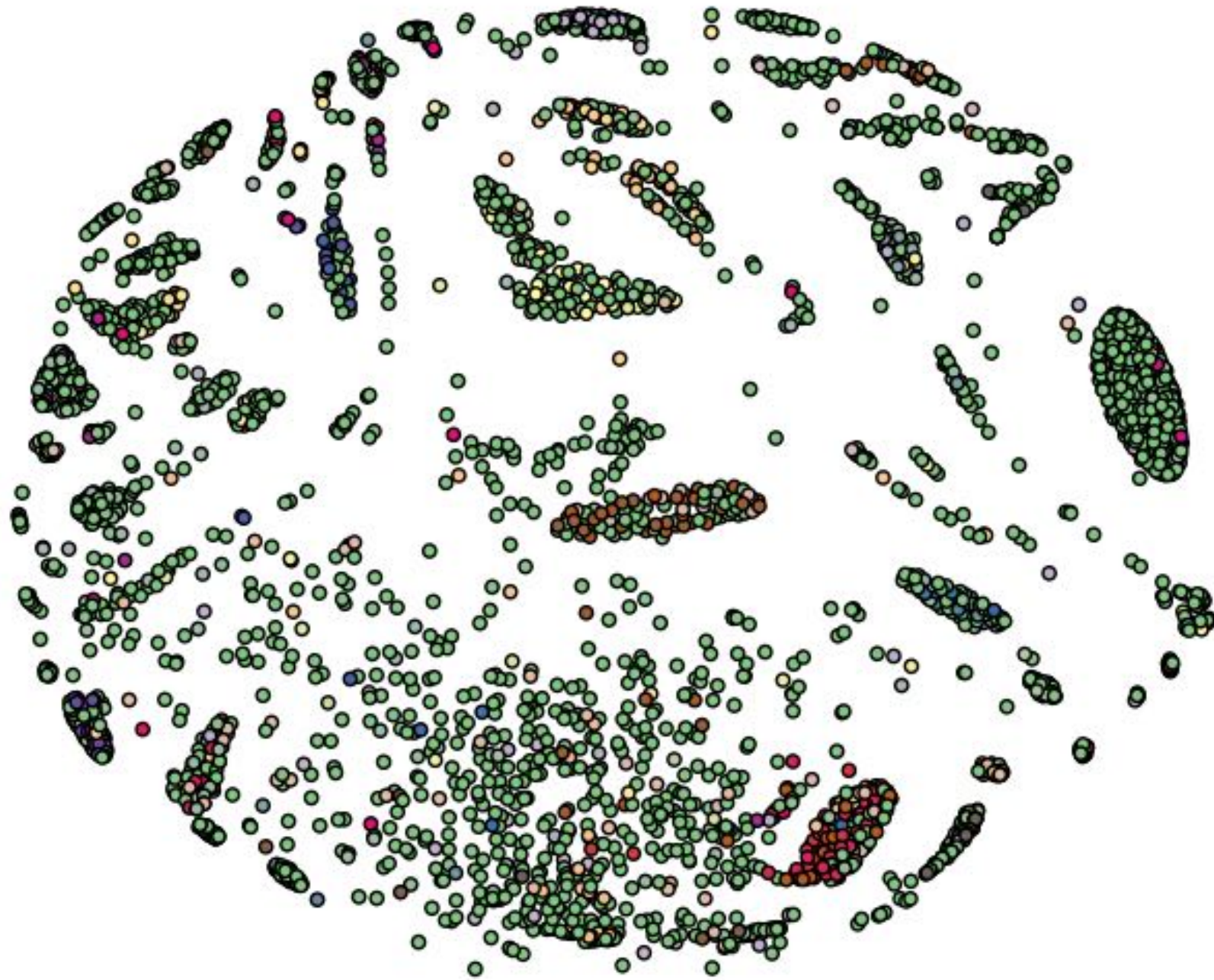
Result of MDS



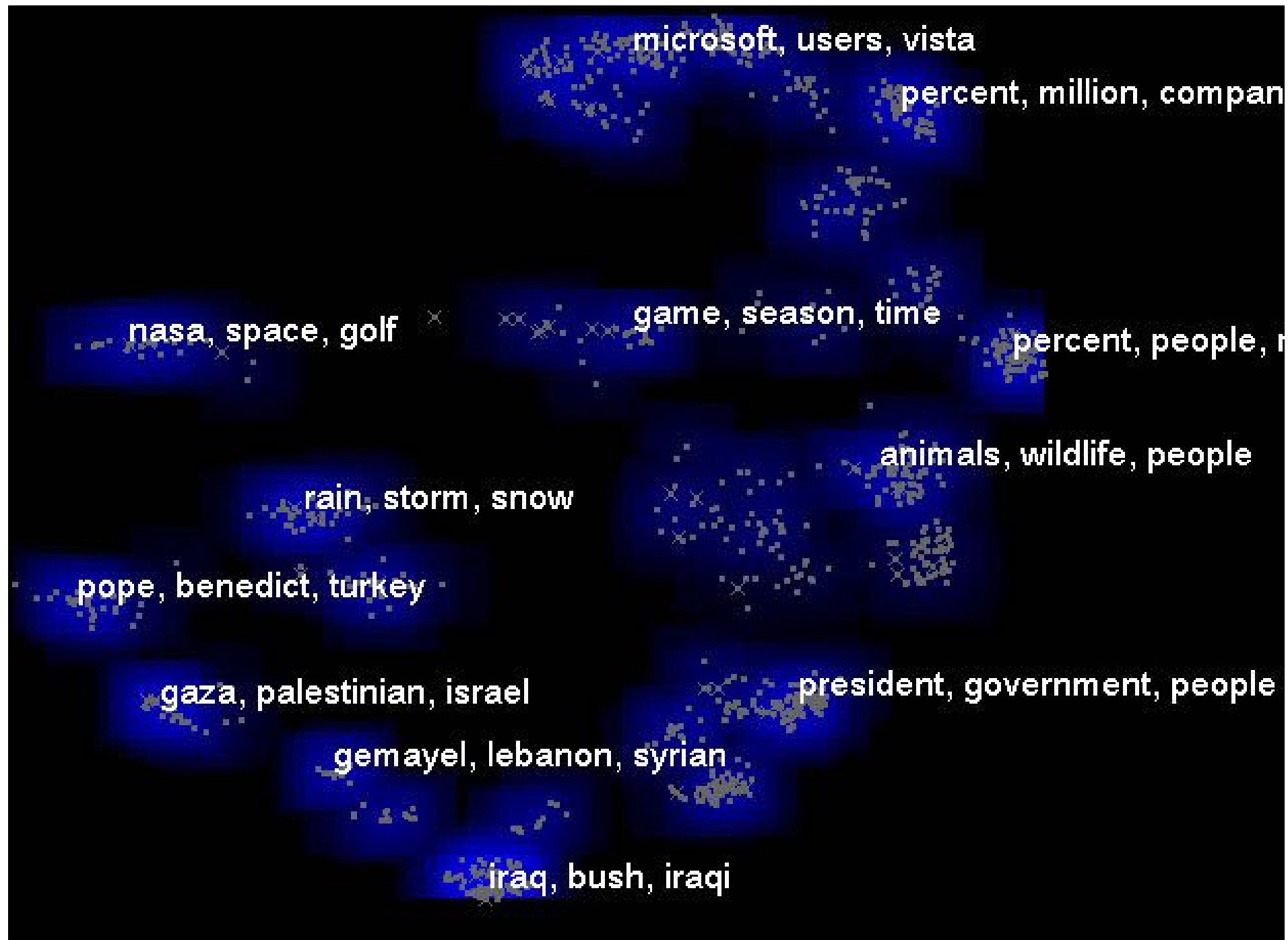
Color Images



Facebook Friends



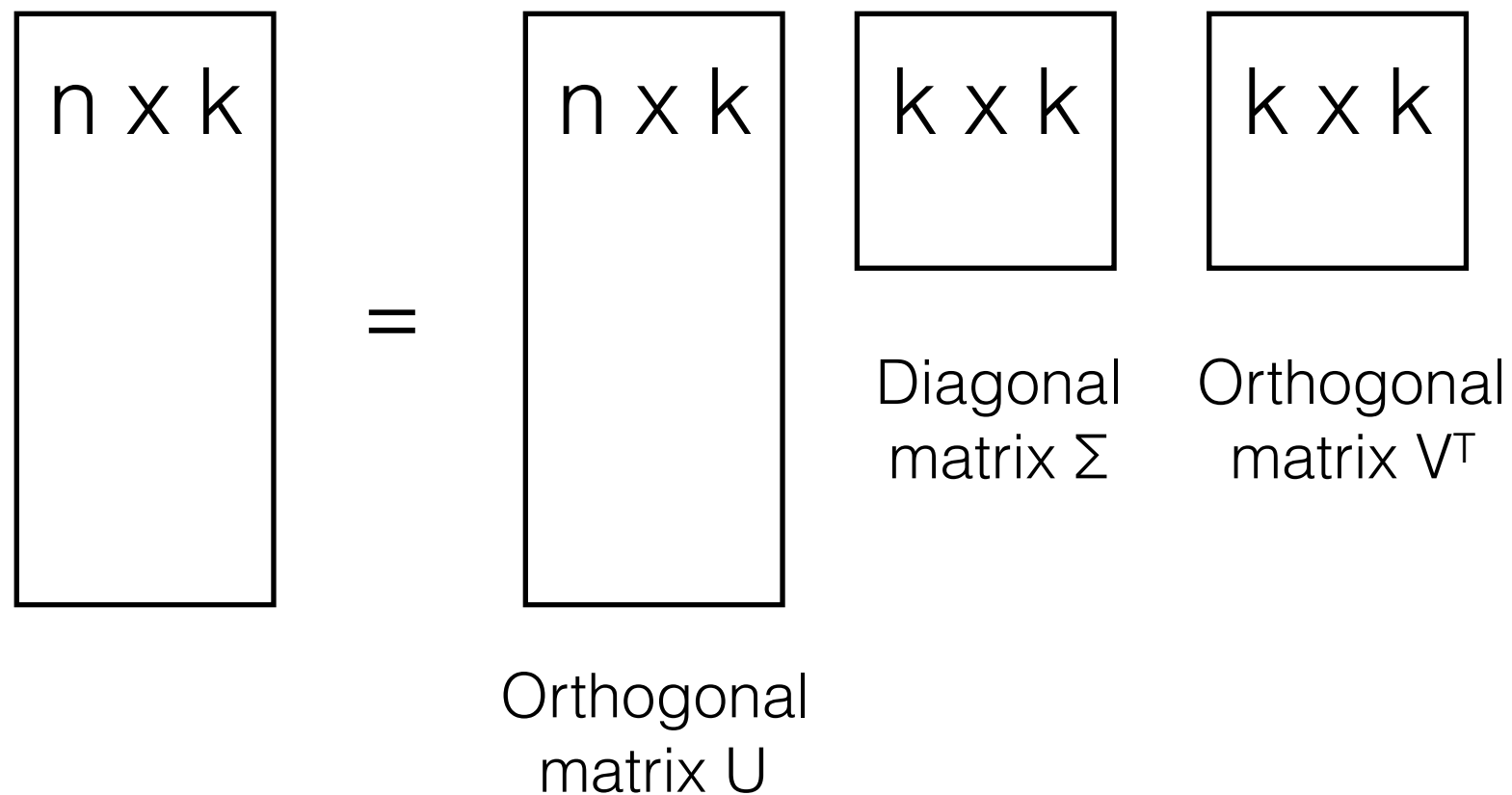
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Singular Value Decomposition (SVD)

Singular Value Decomposition (SVD)

$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{V}^T$$



PCA vs. SVD

$$\mathbf{XX}^T = \mathbf{W}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{W}^T$$

Sample covariance
(symmetric, diagonalizable)

$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{V}^T$$

SVD

$$\mathbf{XX}^T = (\mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{V}^T)(\mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{V}^T)^T$$

Some linear algebra magic...

$$\mathbf{XX}^T = (\mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{V}^T)(\mathbf{V}\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{U}^T)$$

$$\mathbf{XX}^T = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Sigma}^2\mathbf{U}^T$$

Eigendecomposition of \mathbf{XX}^T
(up to scale factor $1/N$)

SVD Properties

$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{V}^T$$

- Non-zero (diagonal) values of $\mathbf{\Sigma}$ are the singular values of \mathbf{X} (i.e., square roots of eigenvalues of \mathbf{S})
- Columns of \mathbf{U} are the principal components (i.e., eigenvectors of \mathbf{S})
- Using the SVD to perform PCA makes more sense numerically since $\mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}^T$ can be unstable

Face Modeling & Animation

[Vlasic et al., SIGGRAPH 2005]

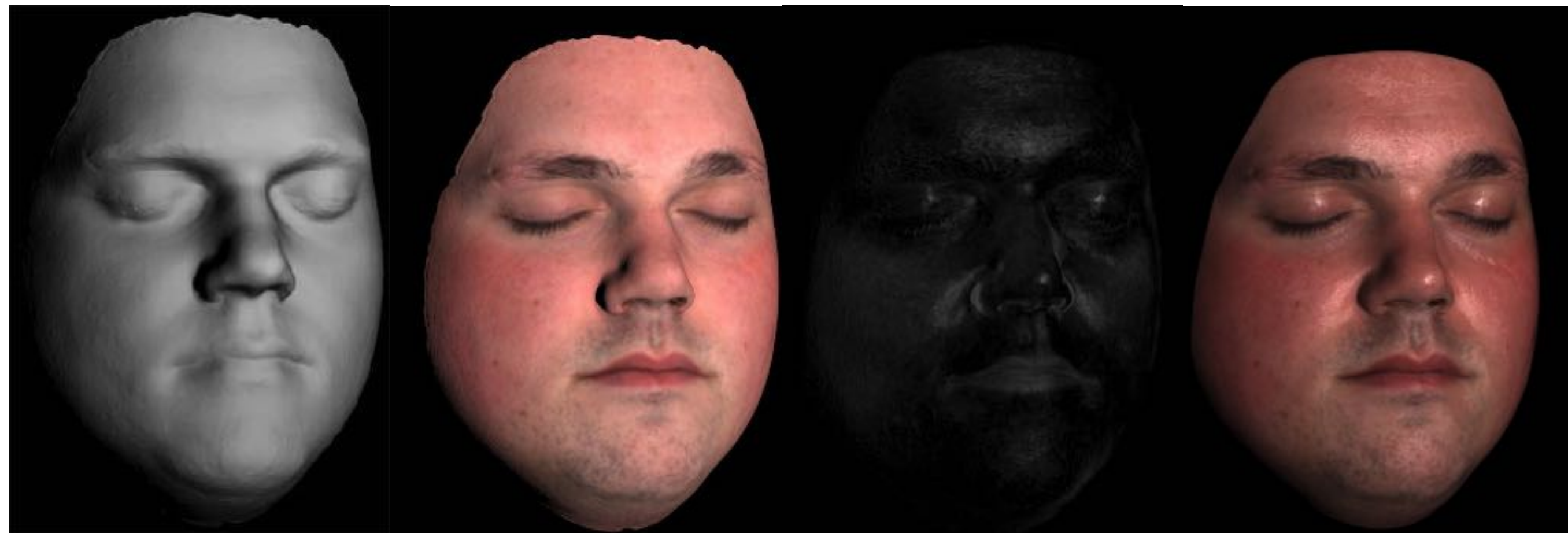
[Bickel et al., SIGGRAPH 2007]

[Dale et al., SIGASIA 2011]

The MERL Face Scanning Dome



Face Model



3D Geometry + Diffuse Scattering + Specular Reflection = Final Result

<http://vcg.seas.harvard.edu/publications/analysis-human-faces-using-measurement-based-skin-reflectance-model>

Which one is real?



Photo vs. Model







Original Model



Appearance Change

The MERL Face Database

- Scanned ~500 subjects
- Classification by
 - Skin type, gender, age, ...
 - Facial region
- Total data: ~12 terabytes
- Analysis of variations in model parameters



Analysis of Human Faces using a Measurement-Based Skin Reflectance Model

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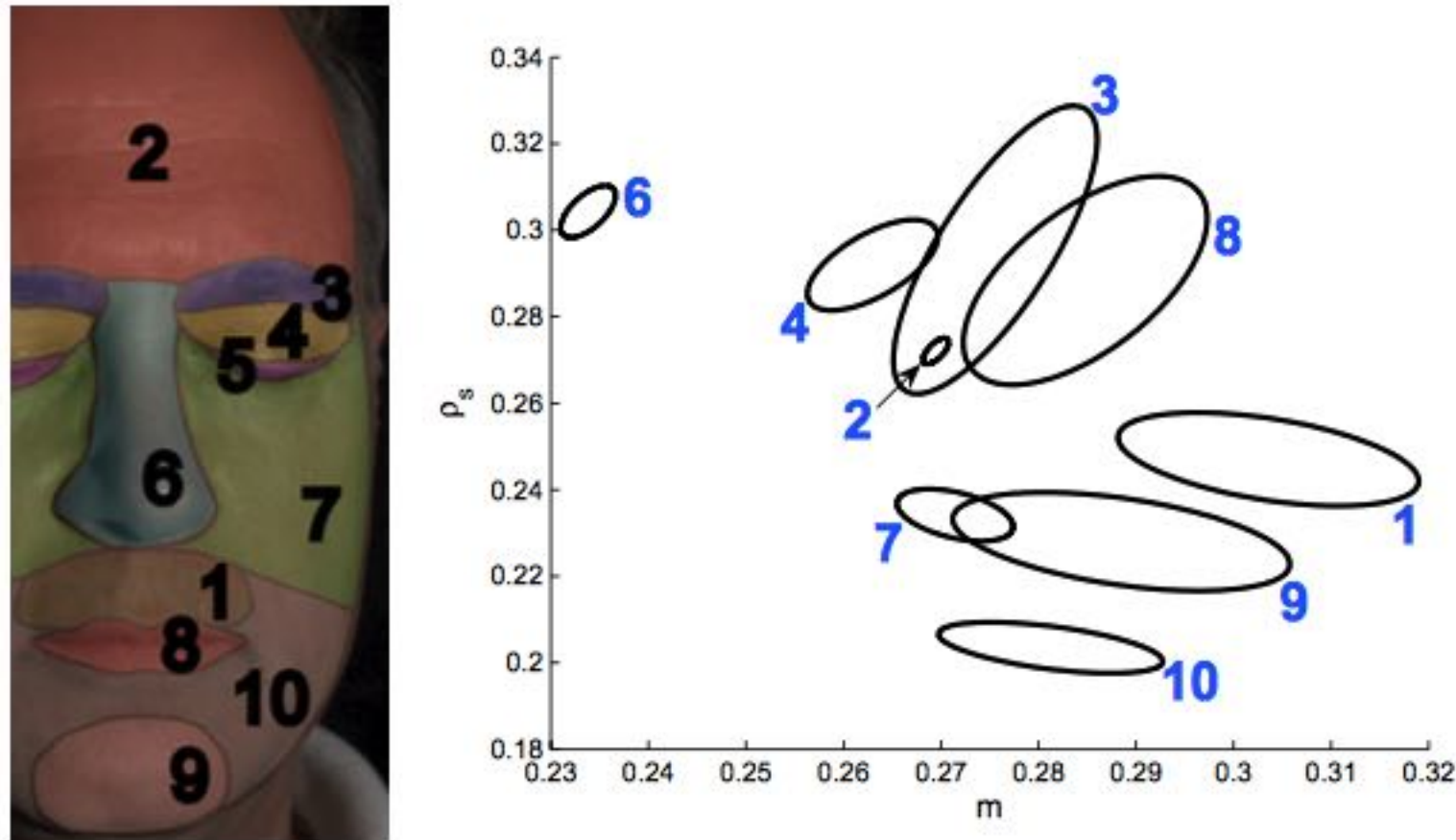
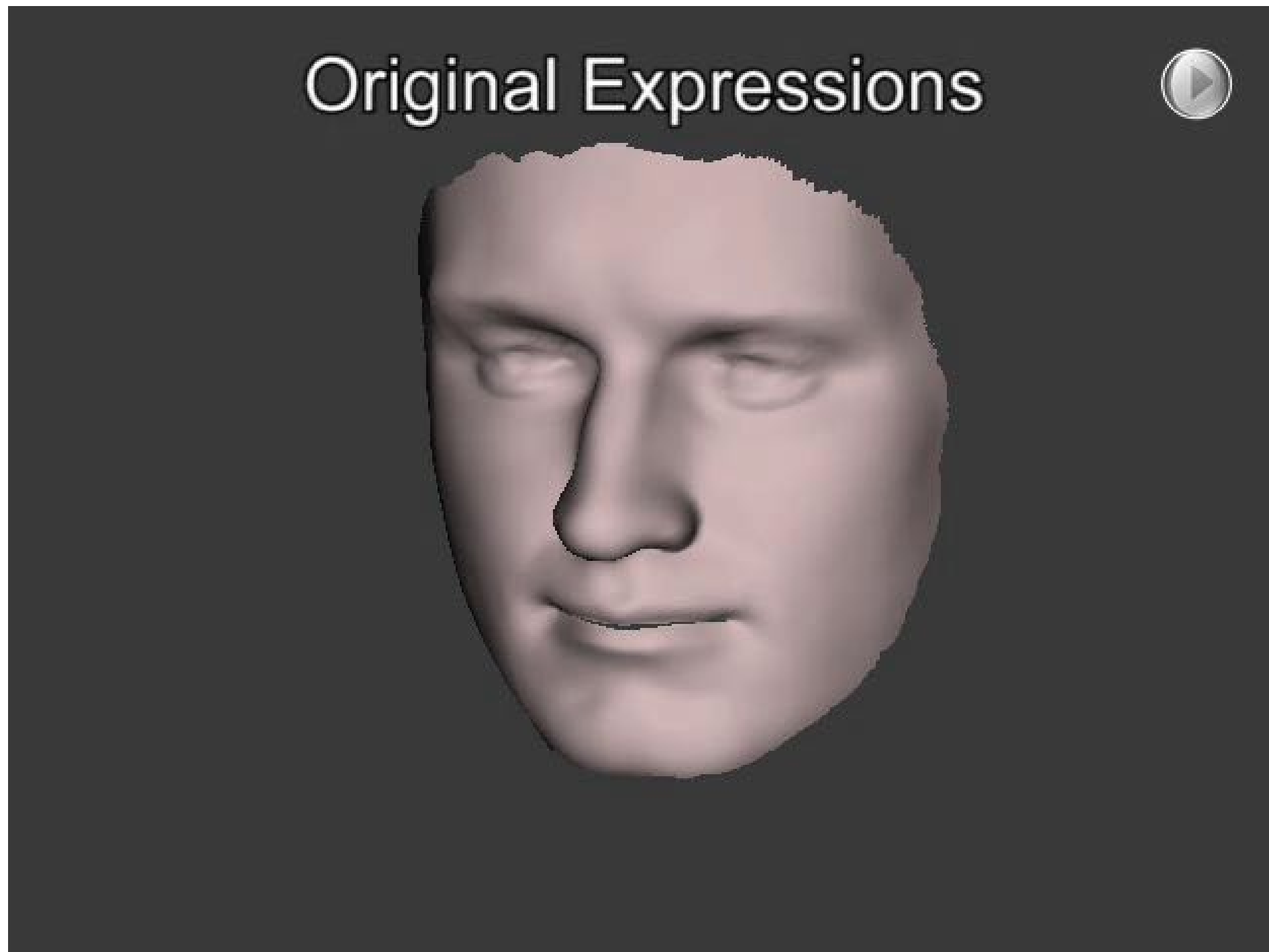


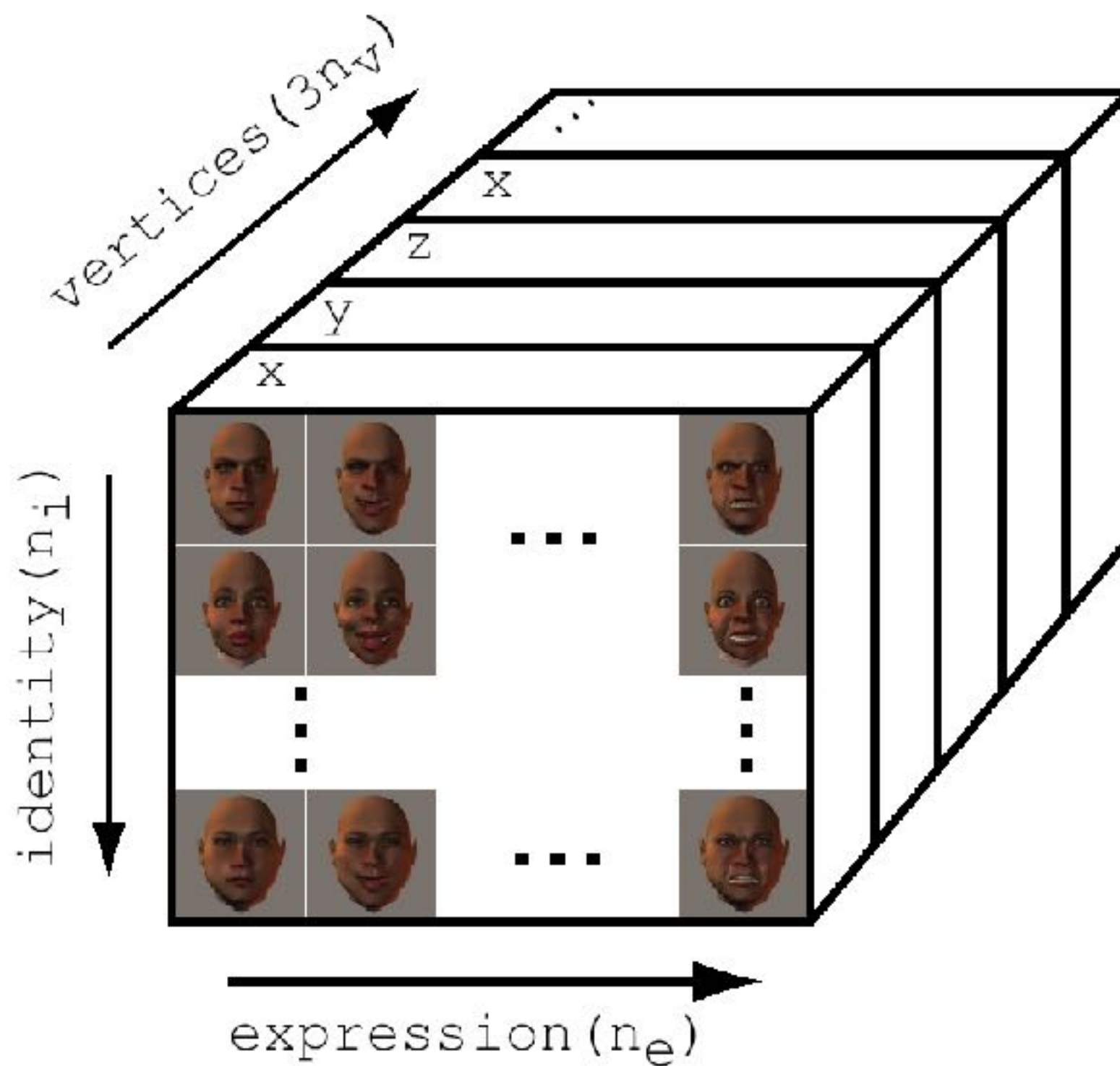
Figure 15: *Left: 10 face regions. Right: Variation of Torrance-Sparrow parameters per face region averaged over all subjects. The center of the ellipse indicates the mean. The axis of each ellipse shows the directions of most variation based on a PCA.*

Data Acquisition

16 identities x 5 visemes x 5 expressions = 400 scans

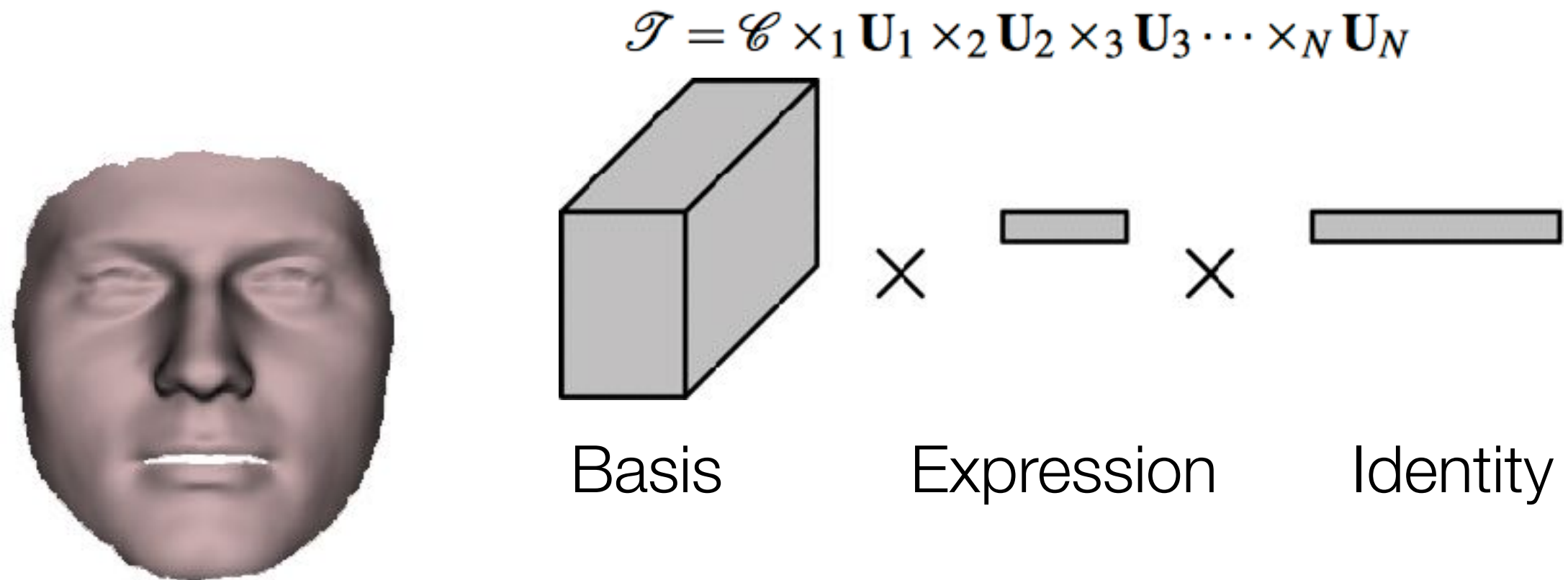


Data Tensor



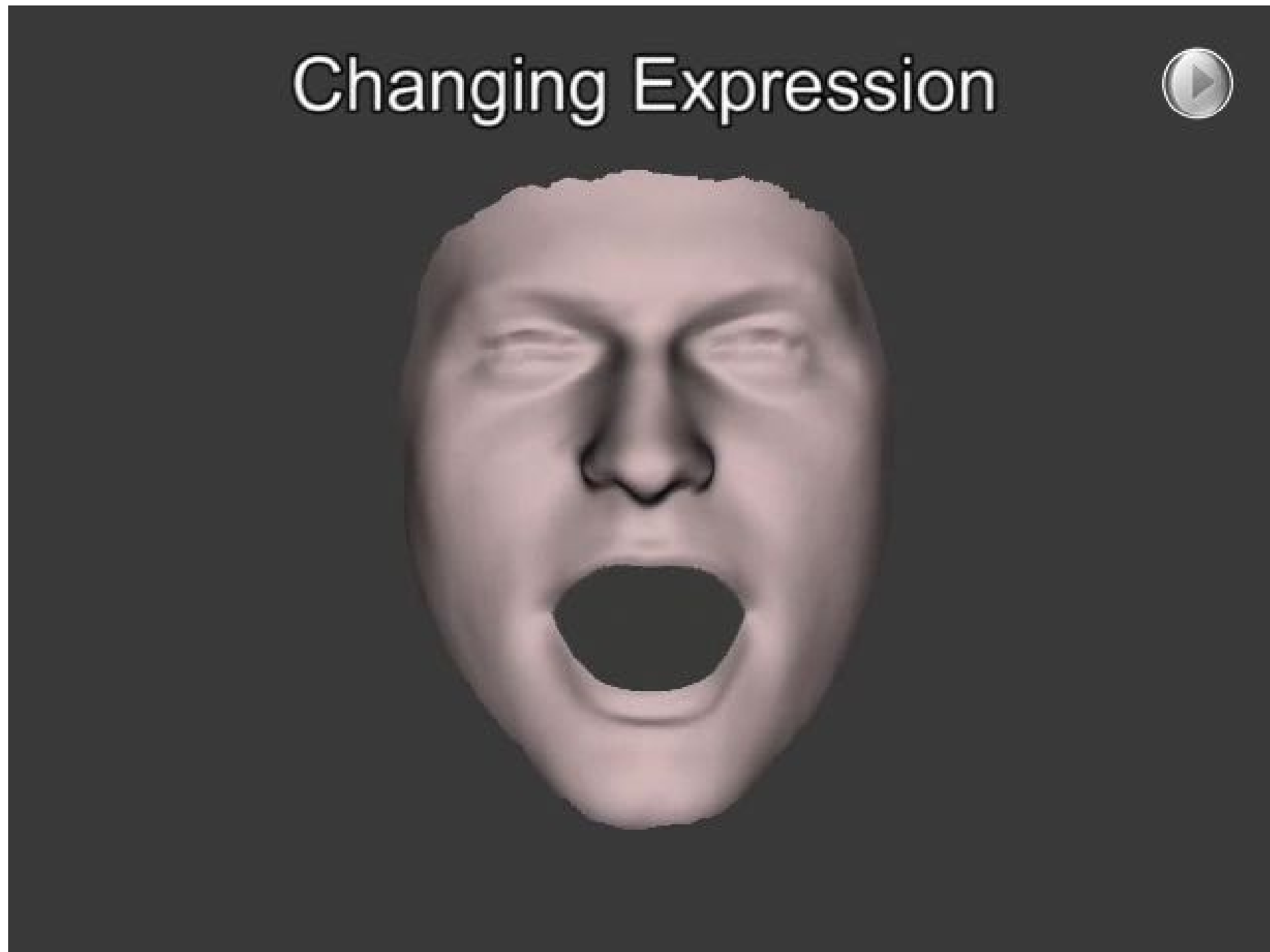
Multilinear Face Model

- Generalization of SVD to tensors
- Weights for identity and expression determine the synthesized face



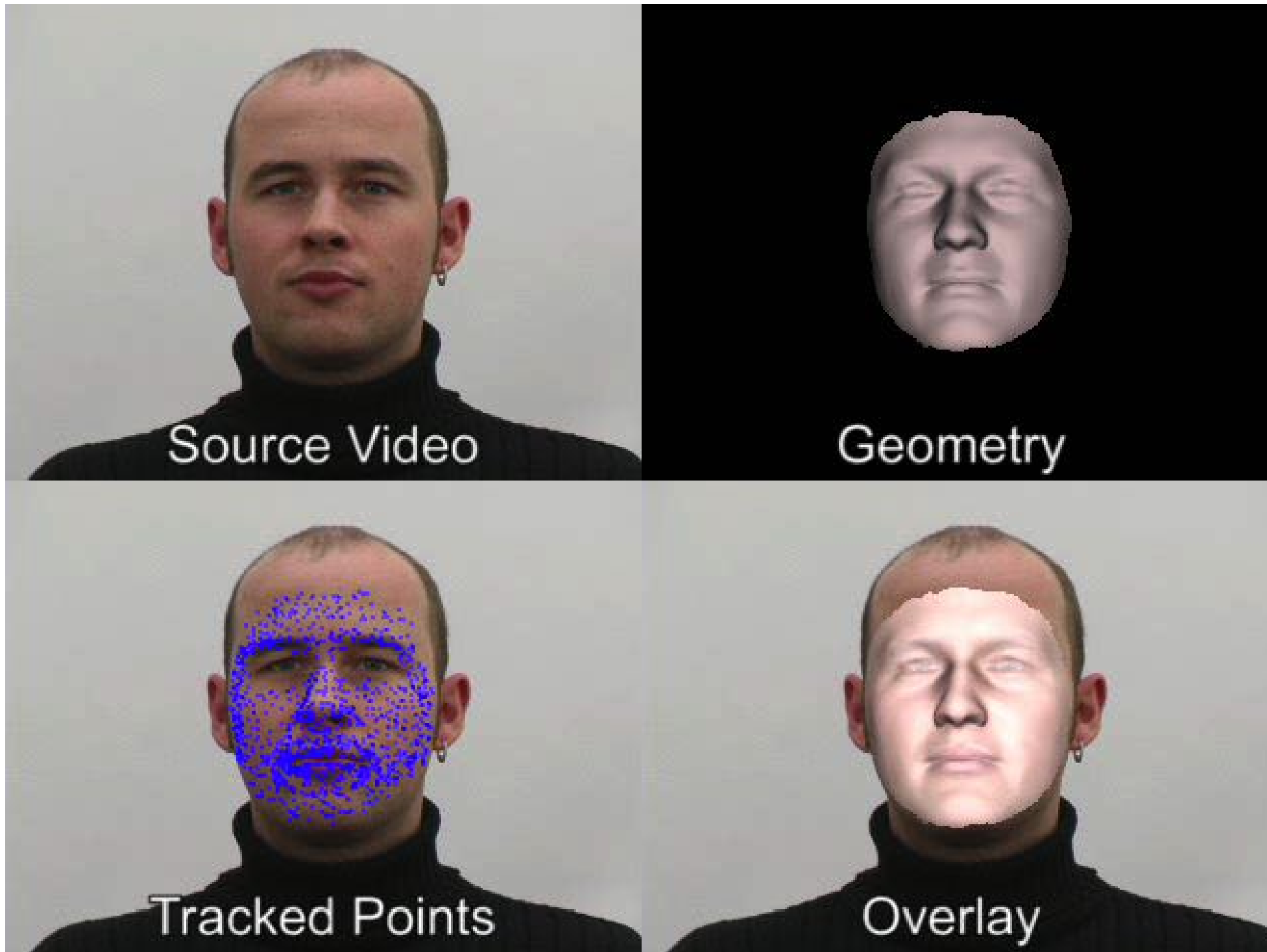
Example

Smoothly changing expressions and identity (interpolation)



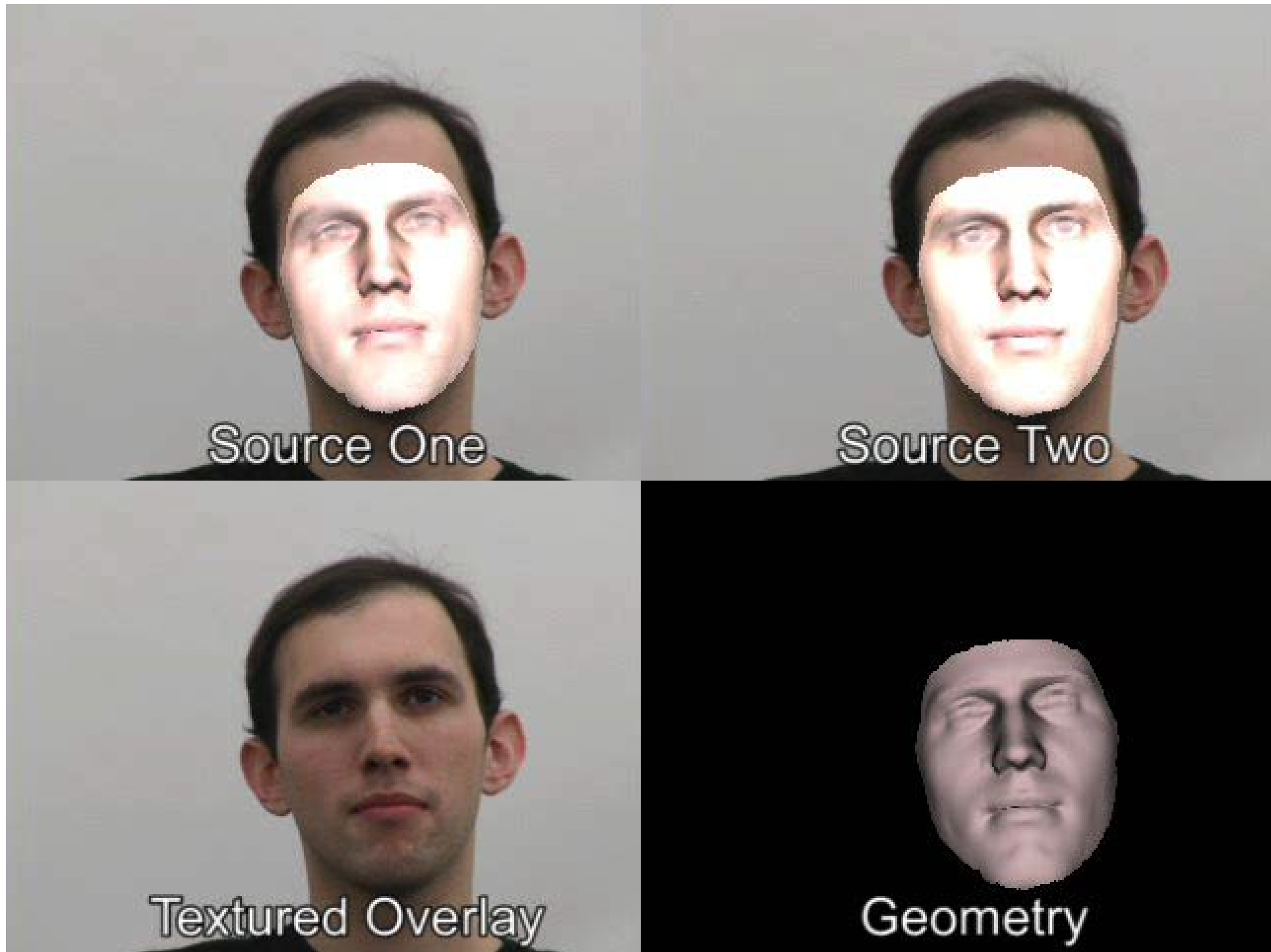
Matching to Video

Sequence tracked with optical flow



Video Rewrite

Blending a new performance into a source video



Video Puppetry

Blending a new performance with different actors



Video Face Replacement



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Video Face Replacement



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