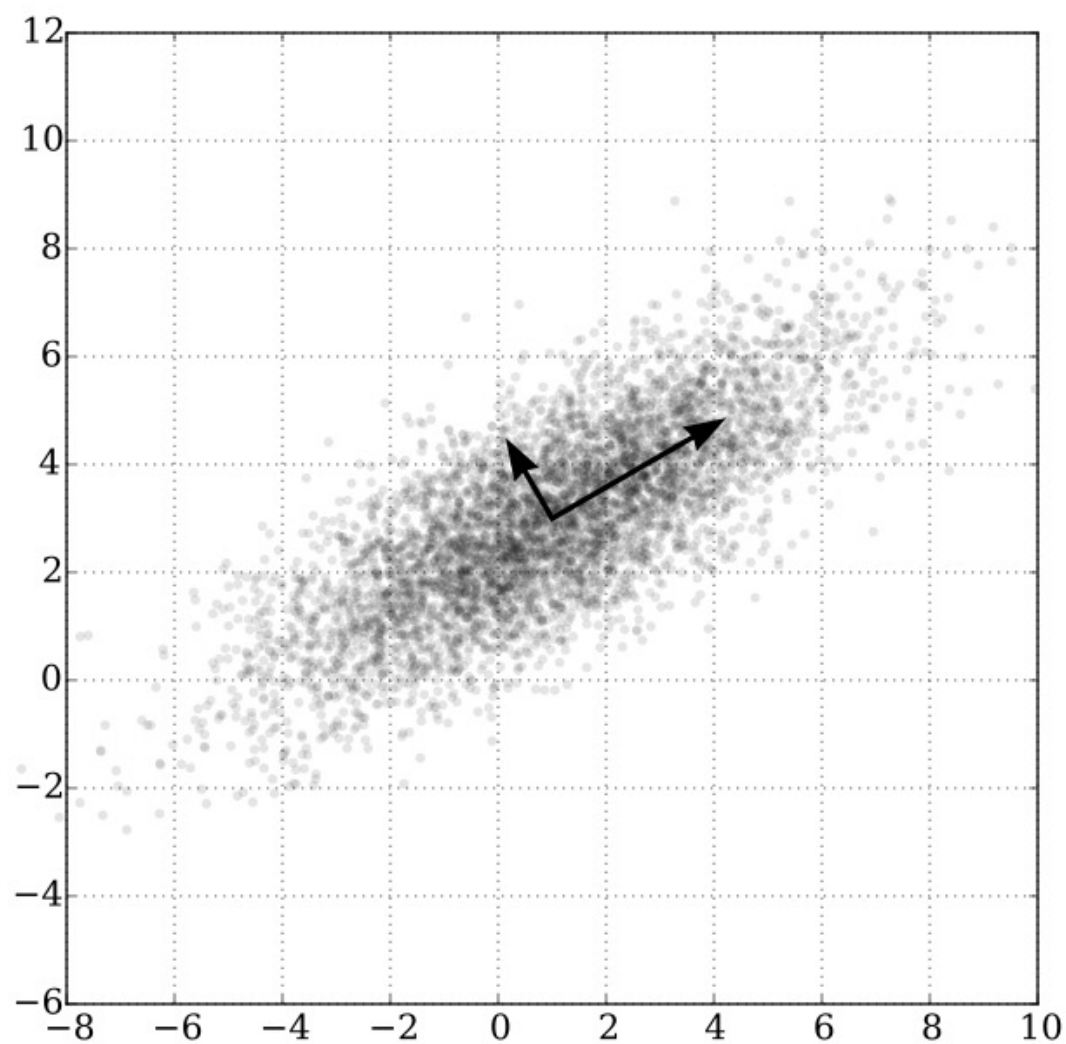


Tutorial 4: PCA

Principal Component Analysis



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Lossy vs Lossless compression

- Data $x \in A$ e.g. an image
- Compressor $f: A \rightarrow B$
- $f(x)$ = compressed version such that $\text{size}(f(x)) < \text{size}(x)$
- $f^{-1}(f(x))$ = decoding of the compressed x
- Reconstruction error $E = \|x - f^{-1}(f(x))\|$



Lossless
if $E = 0$

Lossy **PCA**
if $E \neq 0$
But good if E small enough

Principal Component Analysis - PCA

- **Non-parametric** method of extracting relevant information from data
- **Orthogonal linear projection** of high dimensional data onto low dimensional subspace

$$f(x) = Ux$$

Properties:

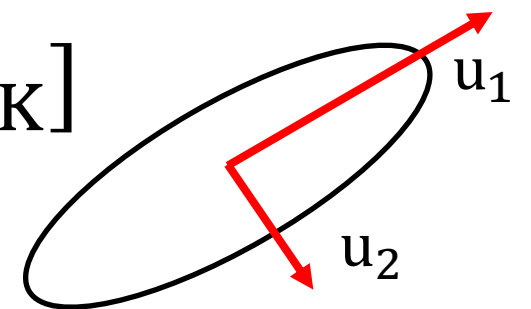
1. **Reconstruct the data well:** minimize error E
2. **Maximize information:**
maximize the total variance of the encoding $f(x)$

How to calculate U?

- We have a collection of N data samples $x_i \in \mathbb{R}^D$
- We can fit a normal distribution $\mathcal{N}(\mu, \Sigma)$ to the data:

$$\begin{array}{cc} \text{mean} & \text{covariance} \\ \mu = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N x_i & \Sigma = \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - \mu)(x_i - \mu)^T \end{array}$$

- U = **eigenmatrix** of Σ , such that $\Sigma = U\Lambda U^T$ (orthogonal!)
- For PCA: U_K = first K eigenvectors of $\Sigma = [u_1 \dots u_K]$
- Then $\text{PCA}(x_i) = f(x_i) = U_K^T (x_i - \mu)$
- **K principal components** = directions with largest variance
- Large compression if $K \ll D$



Using SVD vs Eigendecomposition

- Let X be the $D \times N$ data matrix: $X = [x_1 \dots x_N]$
- Let \bar{X} be the centered data matrix $\bar{X} = X - \mu$
- Apply SVD: $\bar{X} = USV^T$ where $U^T U = I_D$ and $V^T V = I_N$
- Thus $\Sigma = \bar{X}\bar{X}^T = USV^T V S U^T = US^2 U^T$
- Thus we can compute PCA
with either SVD or Eigendecomposition

PCA on faces

- Now x_i = images of human faces
- $x_i \in \mathbb{R}^D$ with D = number of pixels = width x height

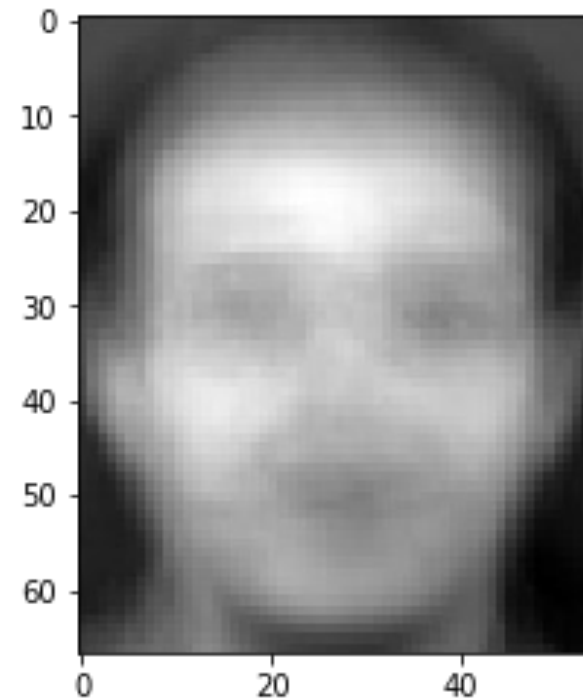


- AT&T face database: 40 people, 10 expressions each

PCA on faces

Compute:

- Mean $\mu \in \mathbb{R}^D$
- Covariance $\Sigma \in \mathbb{R}^{D \times D}$



Cannot
visualize

PCA on faces

- First 10 eigenvectors $u_{1:K}$ ordered by decreasing eigenvalues

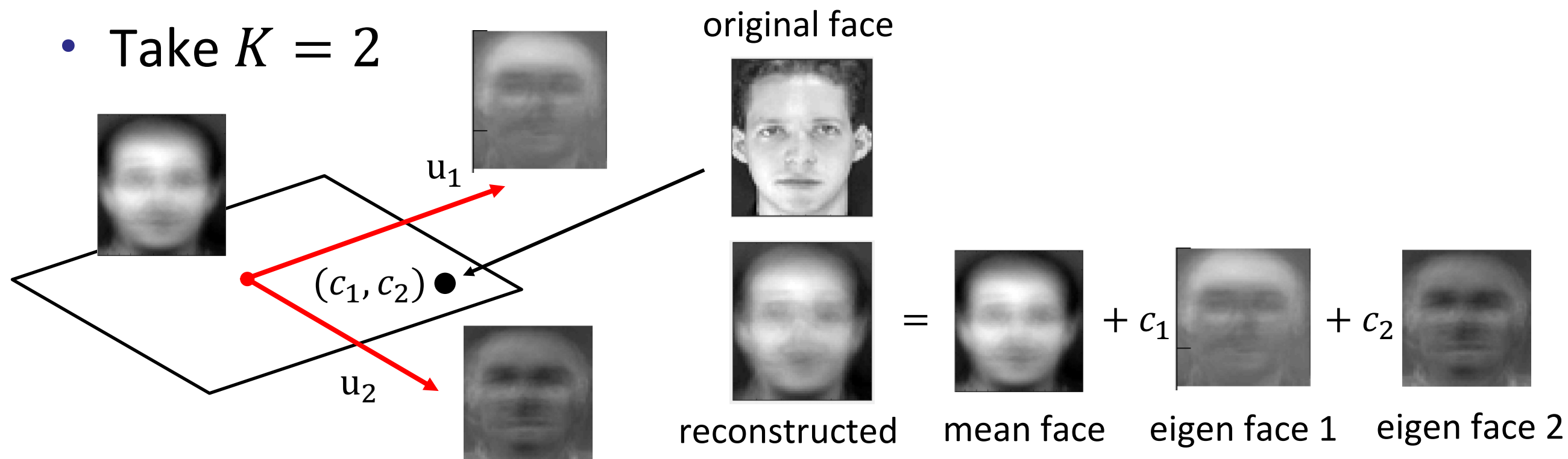


PCA on faces

- First 10 eigenvectors $u_{1:K}$ ordered by decreasing eigenvalues



- Take $K = 2$



PCA compression

- We have $D = 68 \times 56 = 3808$
- If $K = 100$ then each face is represented by only 100 values
- That's a 38x compression!



original

reconstructed

PCA compression

$K = 50$



$K = 200$



Application to Face Detection



George (s38)

- Can you compute the x coordinate of George's head?

Application to Face Detection



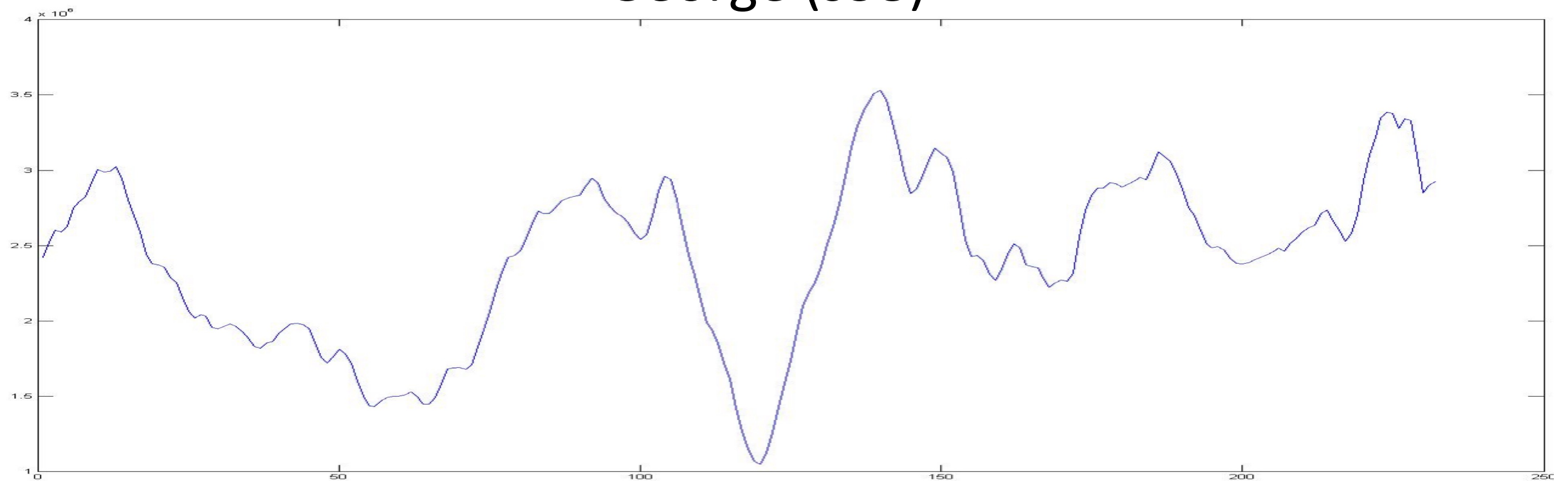
George (s38)

- Steps:
 - Compute eigenfaces (use only the first 20 people)
 - Compress each patch of the image using a sliding window
 - Evaluate the compression error using SSD
 - The patch with the lowest error is George!

Application to Face Detection



George (s38)



Exercise session

- <https://github.com/Zador-Pataki/viscomp2024>
- Exercise:
https://colab.research.google.com/drive/1c29AJ6_ZHbFCsjqLeJaeKzMTAi0ADgUc?usp=sharing