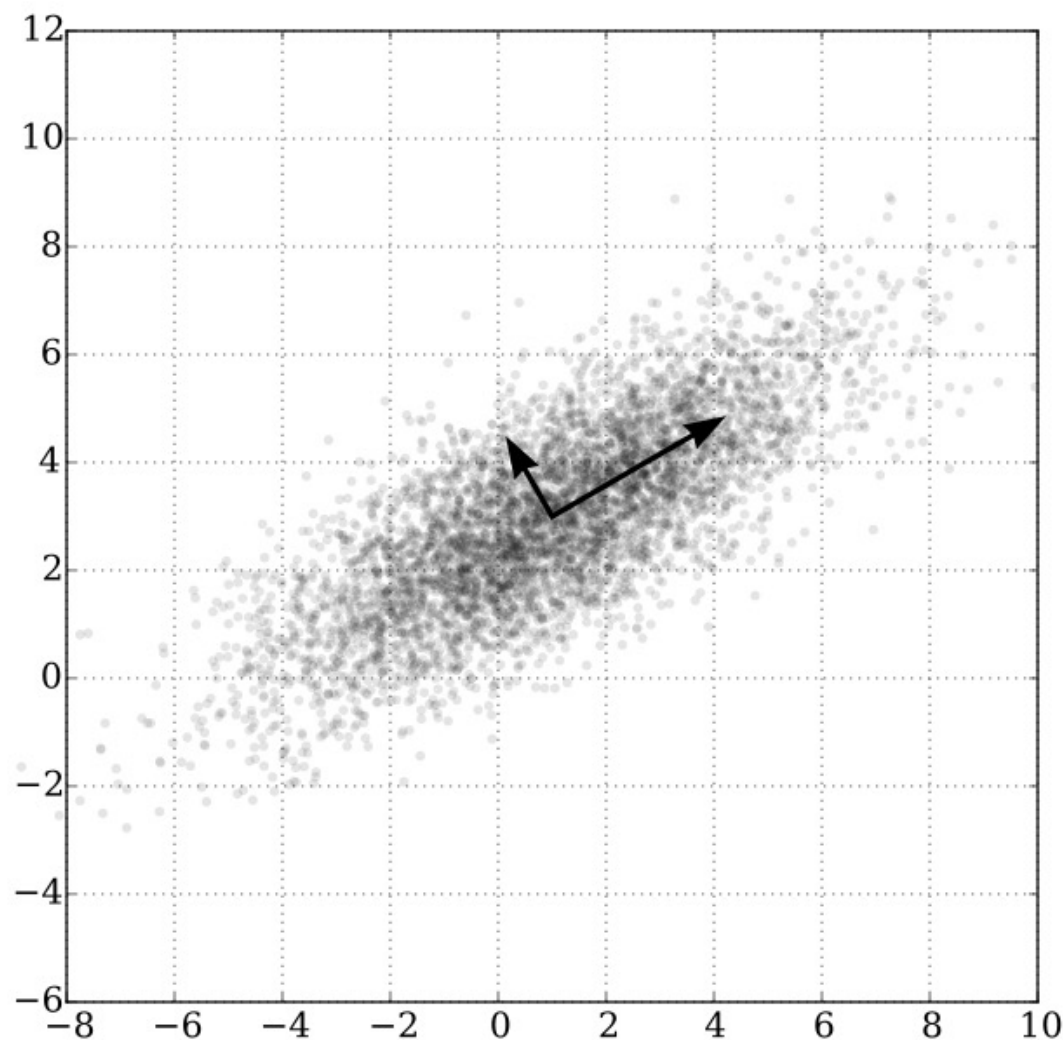


# Tutorial 4: PCA

## 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:

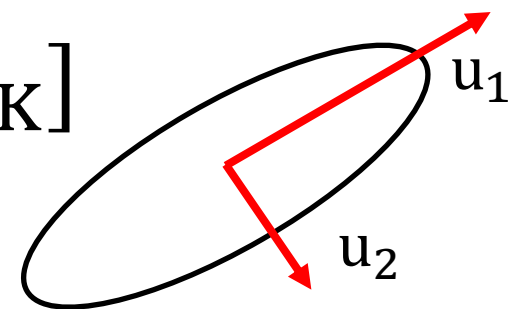
1. **Reconstruct the data well:** minimize error  $E$
2. **Maximize information:**  
maximize the total variance of the encoding  $f(x)$

# 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  $\Sigma$ , 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  $K \ll D$



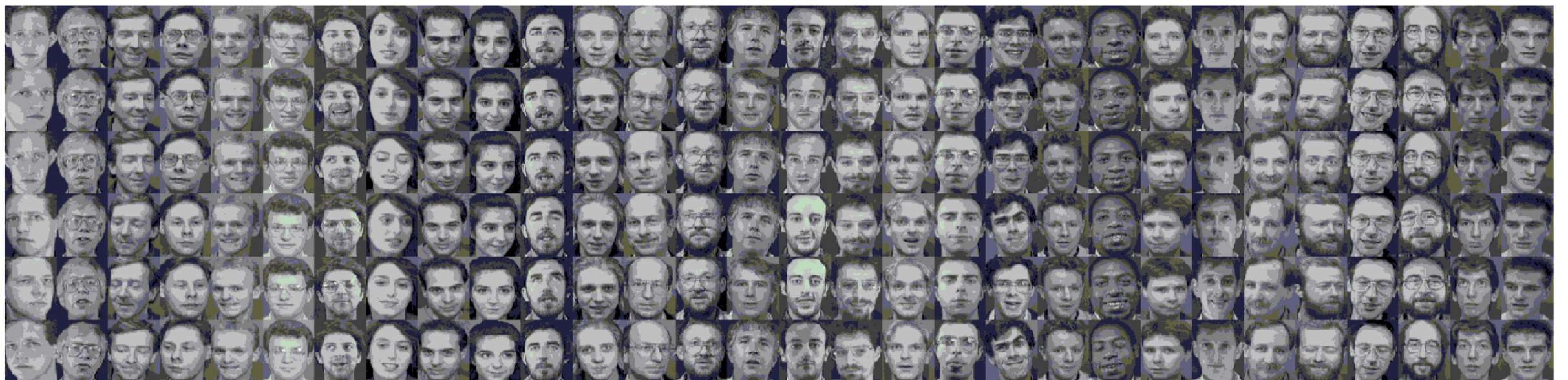
# Using SVD vs Eigendecomposition

- 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

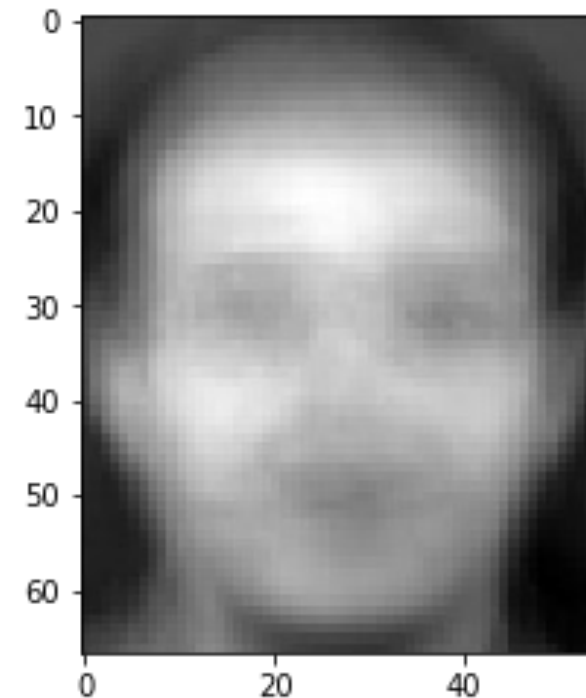


- AT&T face database: 40 people, 10 expressions each

# 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



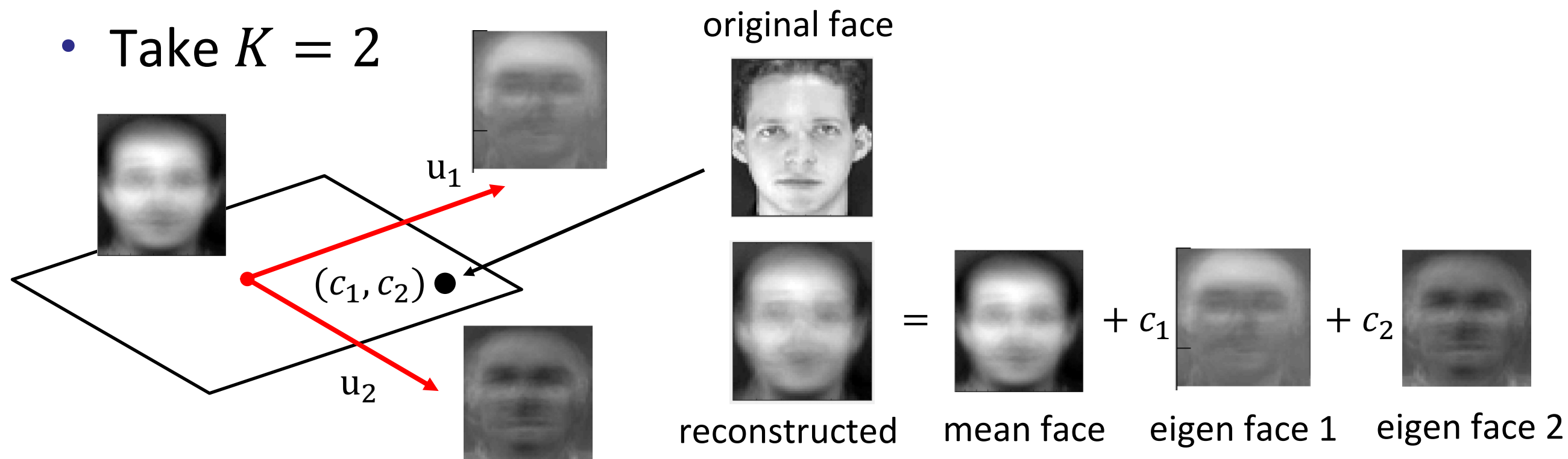


# PCA on faces

- 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)

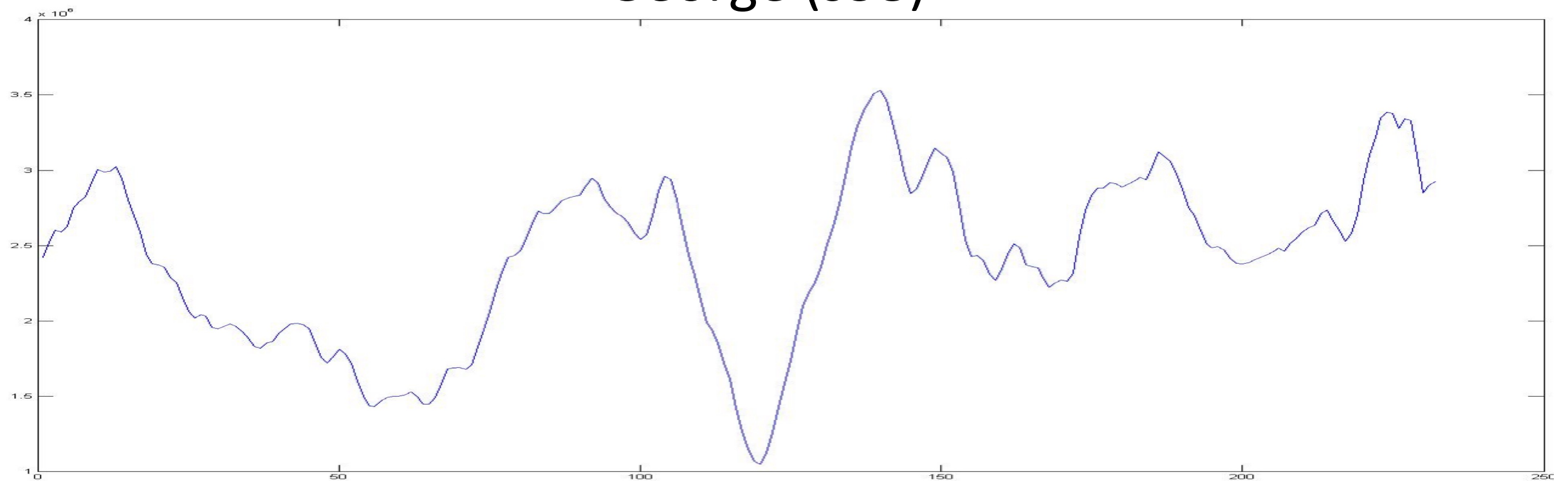
- Steps:
  - Compute eigenfaces (use only the first 20 people)
  - Compress each patch of the image using a sliding window
  - Evaluate the compression error using SSD
  - The patch with the lowest error is George!



# Application to Face Detection



George (s38)





# Exercise session

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- <https://github.com/Zador-Pataki/viscomp2024>
- Exercise:  
[https://colab.research.google.com/drive/1c29AJ6\\_ZHbFCsjqLeJaeKzMTAi0ADgUc?usp=sharing](https://colab.research.google.com/drive/1c29AJ6_ZHbFCsjqLeJaeKzMTAi0ADgUc?usp=sharing)