

# Eigenfaces and Deformations

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# Eigenfaces

L. Sirovich and M. Kirby (1987)

A popular technique to identify main features of a face; also serves as an illustration to Principal Components Analysis (PCA)/ Karhunen-Loeve decomposition/ Empirical Orthogonal functions etc.

Data:  $n$  observations of a  $d$ -dim vector  $\mathbf{x}$ . Represent as a matrix

$$\mathbf{X} = [\mathbf{x}_1 \dots \mathbf{x}_n]$$

In our context:  $d =$  dimension of the image ( $d = n_{row} \times n_{col}$ ), taken as a vector. (Ignore spatial information!)

# Data

Data: from FERET database

Facial REcognition Technology (see  
[http://www.itl.nist.gov/iad/humanid/feret/feret\\_master.html](http://www.itl.nist.gov/iad/humanid/feret/feret_master.html))  
(about 1000 subjects and 4000 frontal images)

Frontal images,  $96 \times 64$ , so that  $d = 6144$ ,  $n = 200$  so far.  
Two images per person (100 persons) to give an idea about  
variability.

# Eigenvalue decomposition

Eigenvalue decomposition of Covariance matrix:

$$\mathbf{C} = \frac{1}{n-1}(\mathbf{X} - \text{mean})'(\mathbf{X} - \text{mean})$$

- symmetric, positive-definite
- mean = columnwise mean (mean of  $\mathbf{x}_1$  in the 1st column, mean of  $\mathbf{x}_2$  in the 2nd etc.)

thus

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{V}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{V}'$$

$\mathbf{\Lambda}$  is diagonal with eigenvalues,  $\mathbf{V}$  is unitary, columns are eigenvectors

However,  $\mathbf{C}$  is a  $d \times d$  matrix, of rank only  $n$ :  
problems when  $d > n$ .

## SVD

Another way: SVD (singular value decomposition)

$$\mathbf{X} - \text{mean} = \mathbf{X}_o = \mathbf{UDV}'$$

$\mathbf{U}$ ,  $\mathbf{V}$  are unitary,  $\mathbf{D}$  is diagonal

$\mathbf{X}$  is not necessarily symmetric now

note

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{X}'_o \mathbf{X}_o = \mathbf{VDU}'\mathbf{UDV}' = \mathbf{VDDV}'$$

so that

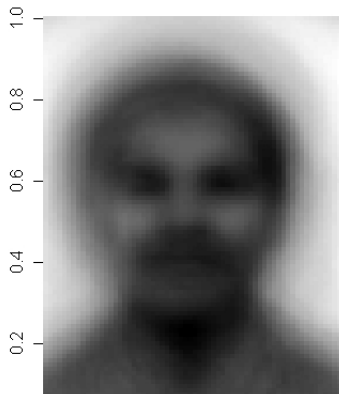
$$\mathbf{\Lambda} = \frac{1}{n-1} \mathbf{DD}$$

Columns of  $\mathbf{V}$  form an orthonormal *adaptive* basis.

# Illustration

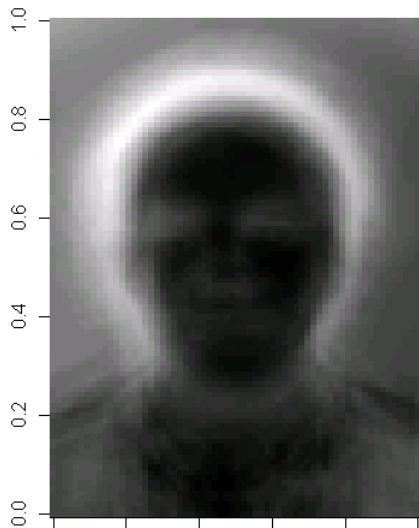
The columns of  $\mathbf{V}$ , or “principal components” are known as *eigenfaces*.

**Average image**

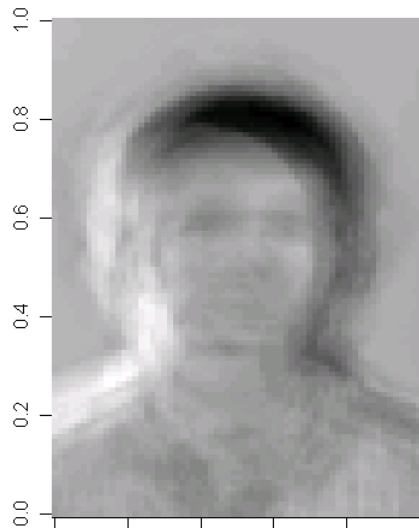


**Average image, n = 100**

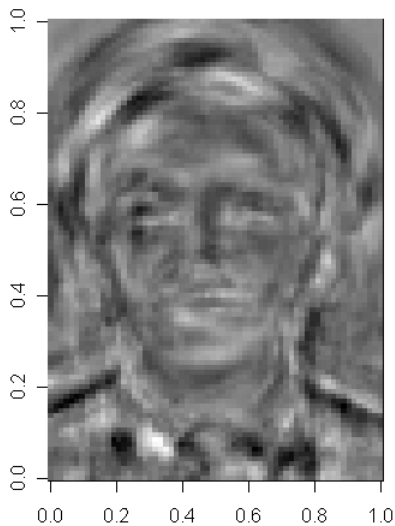
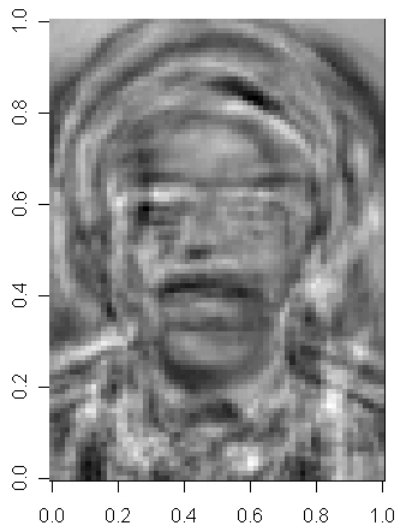


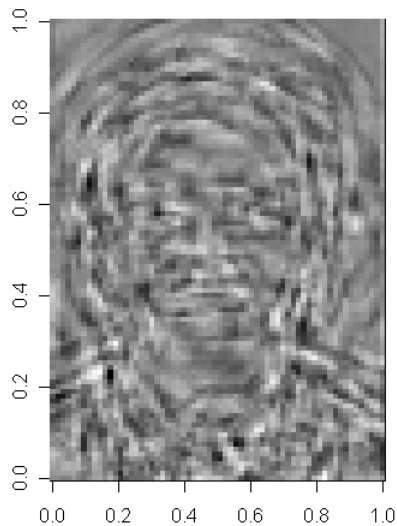
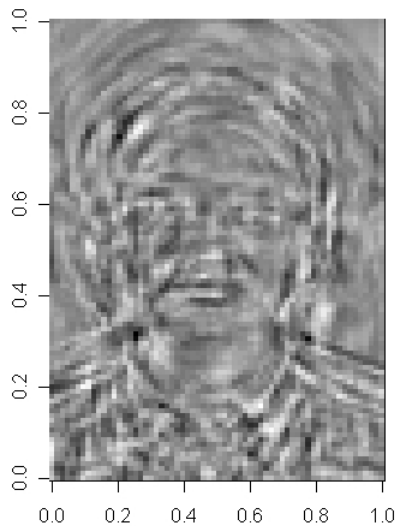
**eigenface 1****eigenface 2**



**eigenface 3****eigenface 4**

**eigenface 5****eigenface 6**

**eigenface 60****eigenface 61**

**eigenface 160****eigenface 161**

# Image “Compression”

If we only keep  $k$  most important eigenfaces, we can reduce the image dimensionality/ database size

**Lossless (n= 200 )****At 75 %: k = 150**

**At 50 %:  $k = 100$** **At 25 %:  $k = 50$** 

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LaplacianFaces (uses manifold techniques)

# Deformations

- Deformation is defined on a coarse grid (e.g. iris paper)

J. Thornton, M. Savvides and V. Kumar (2007), *A Bayesian Approach to Deformed Pattern Matching of Iris Images*. IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence, Volume 29(4), 596-606

(however they only applied deformation to matching a given image to the database, not in the database construction itself)

- then is smoothly extended pixel-wise

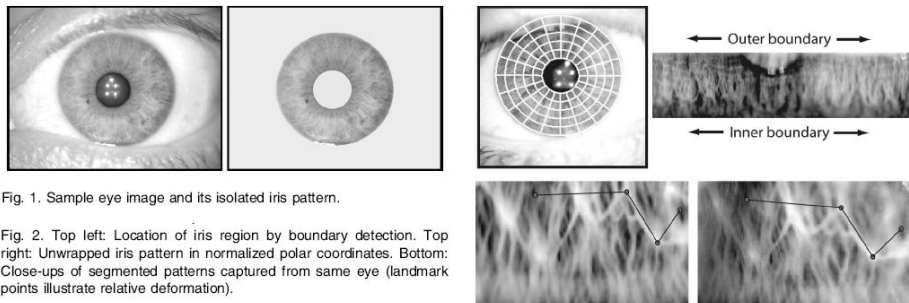


Fig. 1. Sample eye image and its isolated iris pattern.

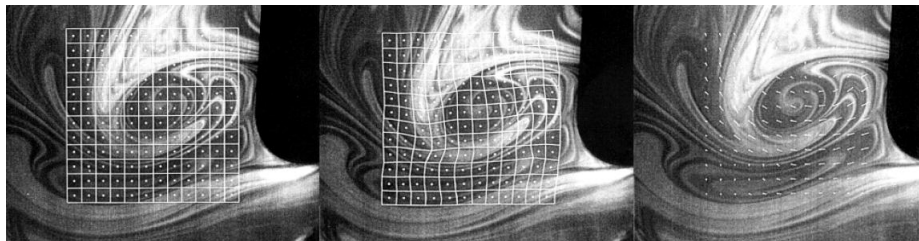
Fig. 2. Top left: Location of iris region by boundary detection. Top right: Unwrapped iris pattern in normalized polar coordinates. Bottom: Close-ups of segmented patterns captured from same eye (landmark points illustrate relative deformation).

# Deformations

Unexpected link: particle image velocimetry (PIV)

F Scarano (2002) Iterative image deformation methods in PIV

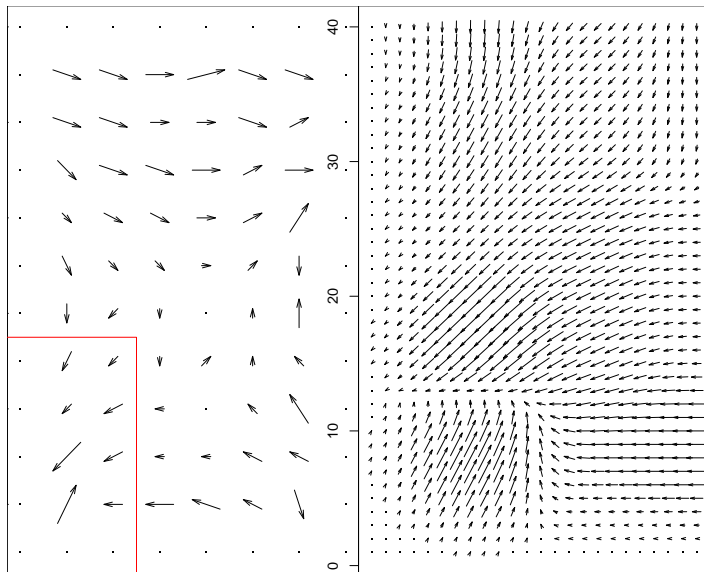
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# Primitive idea

- 1) estimate optimal shifts by maximizing correlation between square fragments of the coarse grid
- 2) smooth out to define the deformation vector field for every pixel  
(primitive: extrapolate from the corners of a square formed by points of coarse grid)  
(more sophisticated: splines)
- 3) move the pixels according to the deformation field





## Primitive idea (cont'd): Moving the pixels

A problem: non-integer shifts

Primitive solution: weigh the intensity according to fractional value of the shift

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More sophisticated: apply Fourier transform (FT) to the image; then shifting the image will mean applying a phase shift to the FT, then inverse FT. However, deformation is not constant.

$\Rightarrow$  Digital filtering

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- ▶ Bayesian twist: add a prior that regularizes the deformation field. Then we can find the MAP (Maximum a Posteriori Estimate) which is generalization of the Maximum Likelihood/Least square approaches

# Experiments













Much work to be done!!!



# Deformations and eigenfaces

Deform all other images to one arbitrarily chosen reference.  
What happens to eigenfaces?

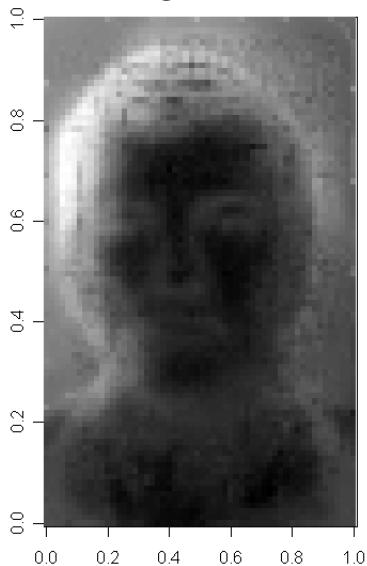
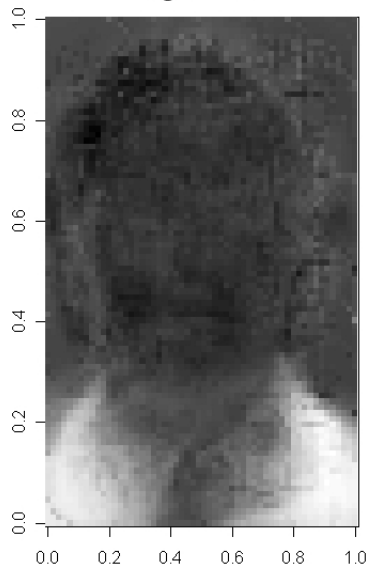
Reference image

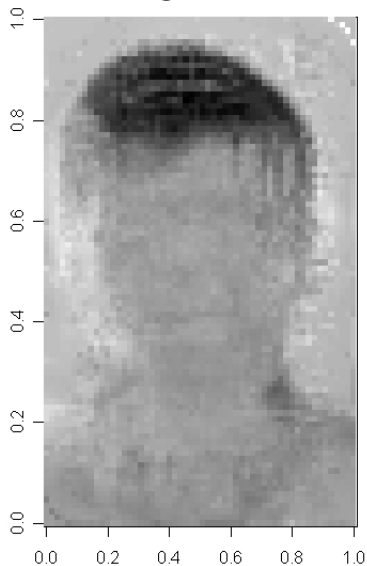
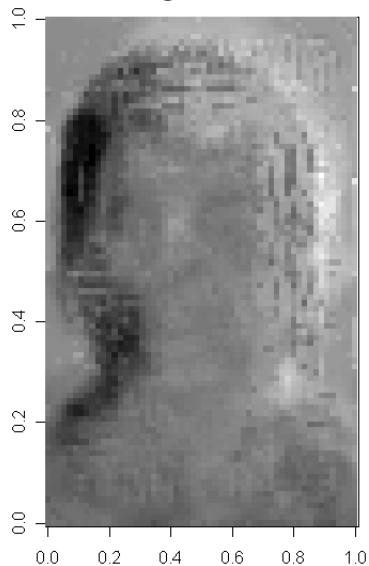


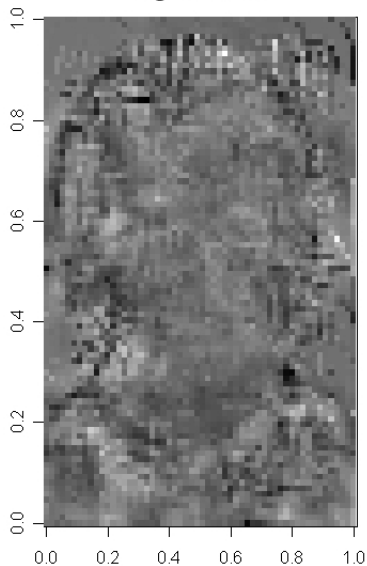
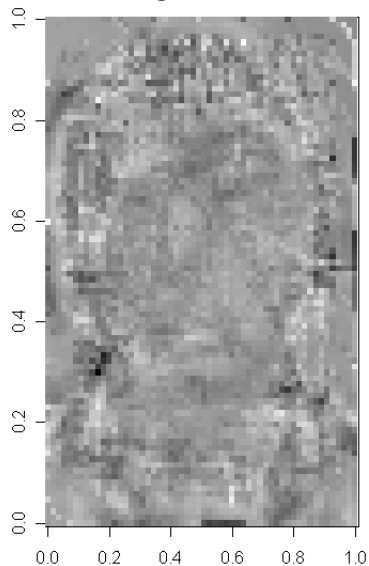
New mean image

Average



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**eigenface 3****eigenface 4**

**eigenface 45****eigenface 46**



# Eigenfaces and deformations

So far, just deformed all images to an arbitrarily chosen reference, see how the eigenfaces change.

Potentially: should be an iterative process, for example

- 1) define a single “canonical image” for each person
- 2) define eigenfaces based on the canonical images
- 3) recalculate canonical images (deformation) based on the few important eigenfaces

If the task is e.g. pattern-matching, then match the (suitably deformed) query image to a canonical image.



QUESTIONS?

THANK YOU!

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