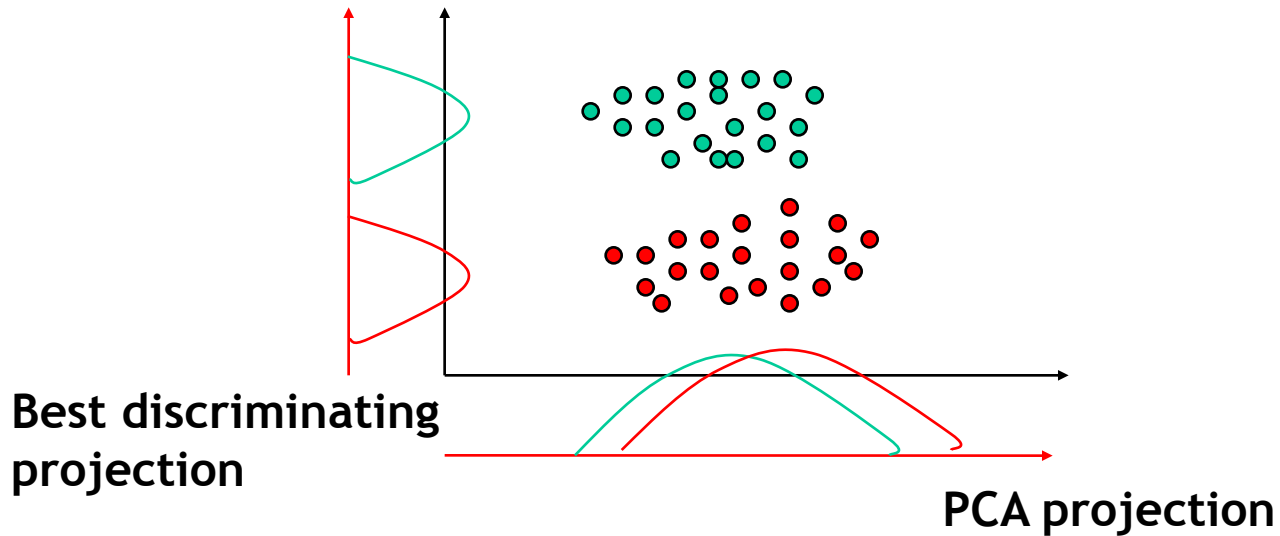


# Topics of This Lecture

- **Fisher's Linear Discriminant Analysis (FLD/LDA)**
  - **Derivation**
  - **Fisherfaces for recognition**

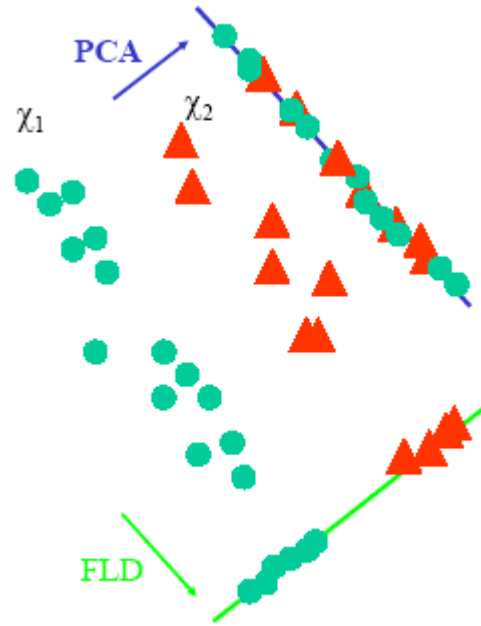
# Restrictions of PCA

- PCA minimizes projection error



- PCA is „unsupervised“, no information on classes is used
- Discriminating information might be lost

# Fischer's Linear Discriminant Analysis (FLD)



- **FLD is an enhancement to PCA**
  - Constructs a discriminant subspace that minimizes the scatter between images of the same class and maximizes the scatter between different class images
  - Also sometimes called LDA...

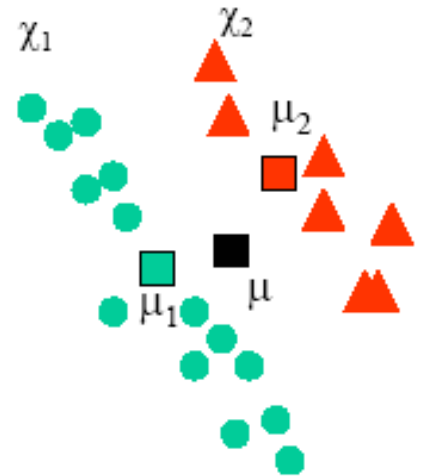
# Mean Images

- Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k$  be the classes in the database and let each class  $X_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$  have  $N_i$  images  $x_j$ ,  $j=1, 2, \dots, k$ .
- We compute the mean image  $\mu_i$  of each class  $X_i$  as:

$$\mu_i = \frac{1}{N_i} \sum_{j=1}^{N_i} x_j$$

- Now, the mean image  $\mu$  of all the classes in the database can be calculated as:

$$\mu = \frac{1}{C} \sum_{i=1}^k \mu_i$$



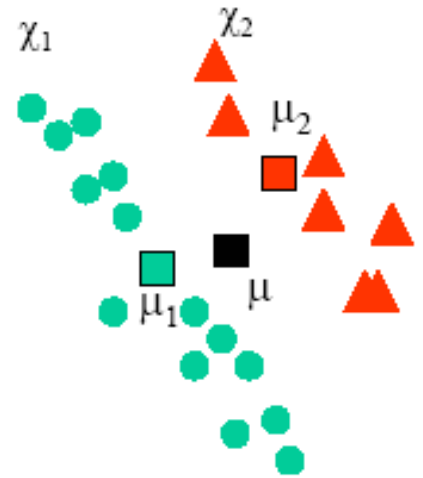
# Scatter Matrices

- We calculate the **within-class** scatter matrix as:

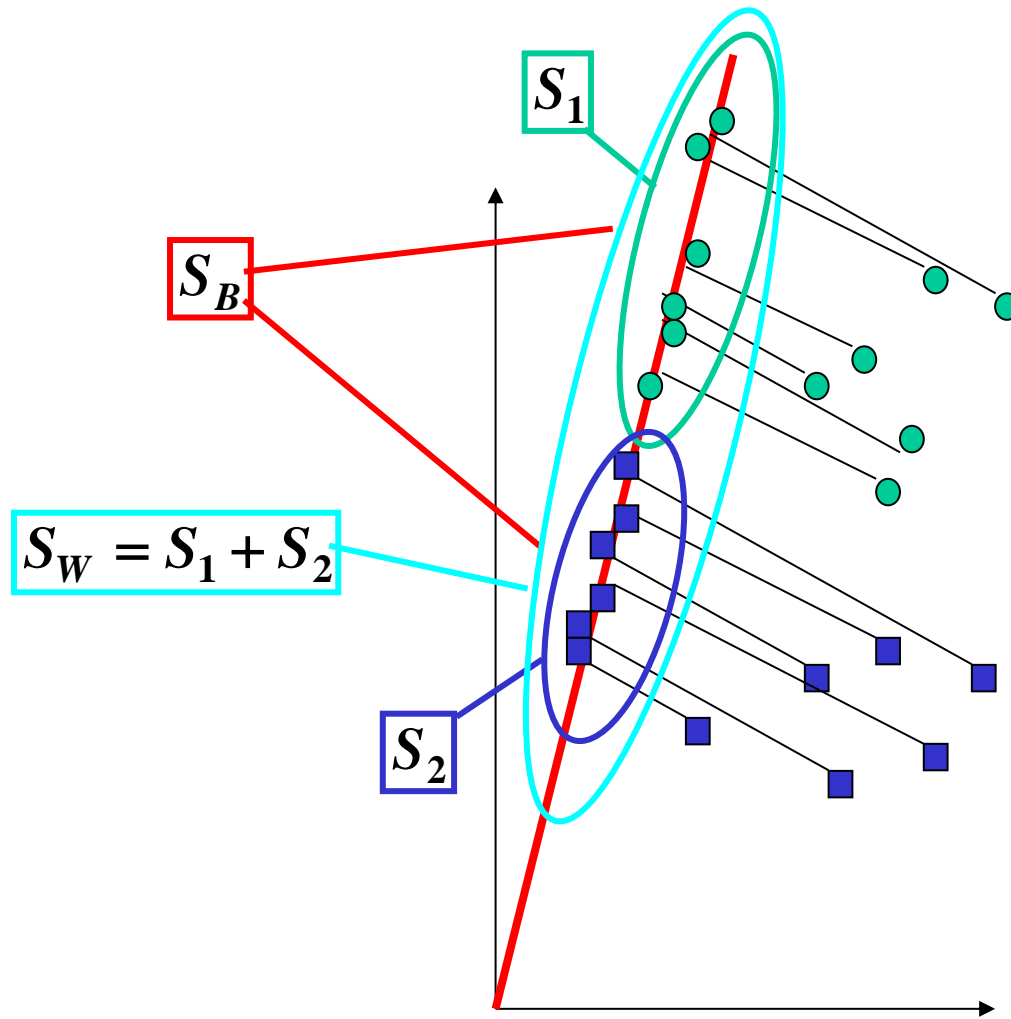
$$S_W = \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{x_j \in X_i} (x_j - \mu_i)(x_j - \mu_i)^T$$

- We calculate the **between-class** scatter matrix as:

$$S_B = \sum_{i=1}^k N_i (\mu_i - \mu)(\mu_i - \mu)^T$$

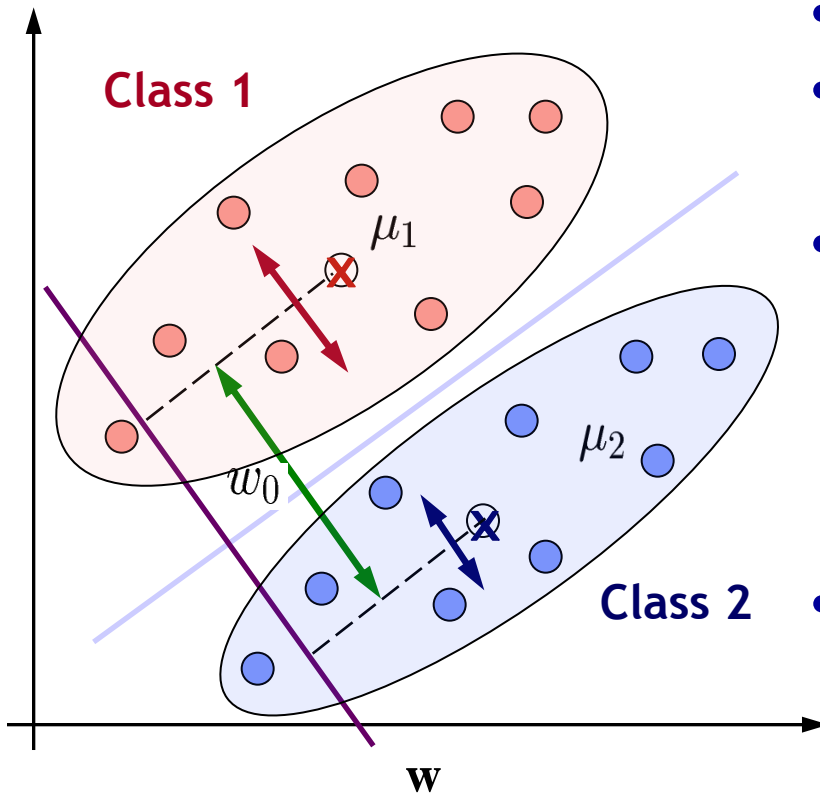


# Visualization



**Good separation**

# Fisher's Linear Discriminant Analysis (FLD)



- Maximize distance between classes
- Minimize distance within a class

- Criterion:  $J(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{S}_B \mathbf{w}}{\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{S}_W \mathbf{w}}$

$\mathbf{S}_B$  ... between-class scatter matrix

$\mathbf{S}_W$  ... within-class scatter matrix

- In the two-class case, the optimal solution for  $\mathbf{w}$  can be obtained as:

$$\mathbf{w} \propto \mathbf{S}_W^{-1} (\boldsymbol{\mu}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1)$$

- Classification function:

$$y(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + w_0 \begin{cases} \text{Class 1} \\ \geq 0 \\ \text{Class 2} \end{cases}$$

# Multiple Discriminant Analysis

- Generalization to  $K$  classes

$$J(\mathbf{W}) = \frac{|\mathbf{W}^T \mathbf{S}_B \mathbf{W}|}{|\mathbf{W}^T \mathbf{S}_W \mathbf{W}|} \quad \text{“Rayleigh quotient”}$$

- where

$$\mathbf{W} = [\mathbf{w}_1, \dots, \mathbf{w}_K] \quad \boldsymbol{\mu} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \mathbf{x}_n = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^K N_k \boldsymbol{\mu}_k$$

$$\mathbf{S}_B = \sum_{k=1}^K N_k (\boldsymbol{\mu}_k - \boldsymbol{\mu})(\boldsymbol{\mu}_k - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T$$

$$\mathbf{S}_W = \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{n \in \mathcal{C}_k} (\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k)(\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k)^T$$



# Maximizing $J(\mathbf{W})$

- Solution from generalized eigenvalue problem

$$J(\mathbf{W}) = \frac{|\mathbf{W}^T \mathbf{S}_B \mathbf{W}|}{|\mathbf{W}^T \mathbf{S}_W \mathbf{W}|}$$

- The columns of the optimal  $\mathbf{W}$  are the eigenvectors corresponding to the largest eigenvalues of

$$\mathbf{S}_B \mathbf{w}_i = \lambda_i \mathbf{S}_W \mathbf{w}_i$$

- Defining  $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{S}_B^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{w}$ , we get

$$\mathbf{S}_B^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{S}_W^{-1} \mathbf{S}_B^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{v} = \lambda \mathbf{v}$$

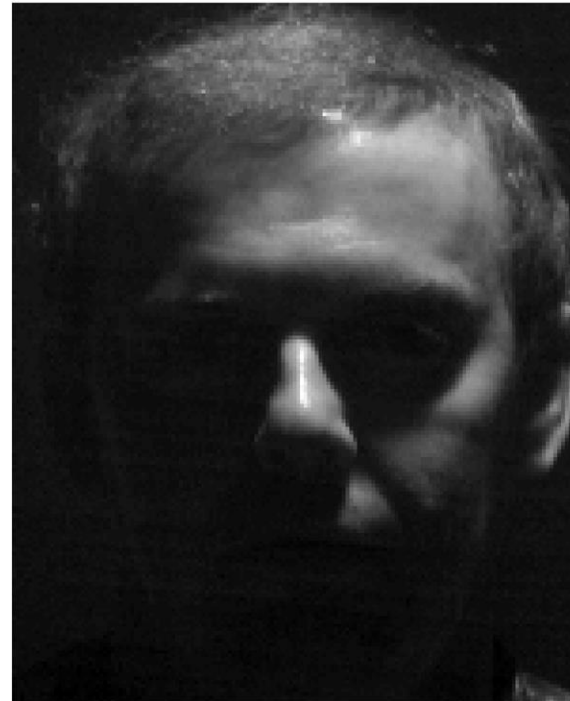
which is a regular eigenvalue problem.

⇒ Solve to get eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{v}$ , then from that of  $\mathbf{w}$ .

- For the  $K$ -class case we obtain (at most)  $K-1$  projections.
  - (i.e. eigenvectors corresponding to non-zero eigenvalues.)

# Face Recognition Difficulty: Lighting

- The same person with the same facial expression, and seen from the same viewpoint, can appear dramatically different when light sources illuminate the face from different directions.



# Application: Fisherfaces

- **Idea:**

- Using Fisher's linear discriminant to find class-specific linear projections that compensate for lighting/facial expression.

- **Singularity problem**

- The within-class scatter is always singular for face recognition, since #training images  $\ll$  #pixels
- This problem is overcome by applying PCA first

$$W_{opt}^T = W_{fld}^T U_{pca}^T$$

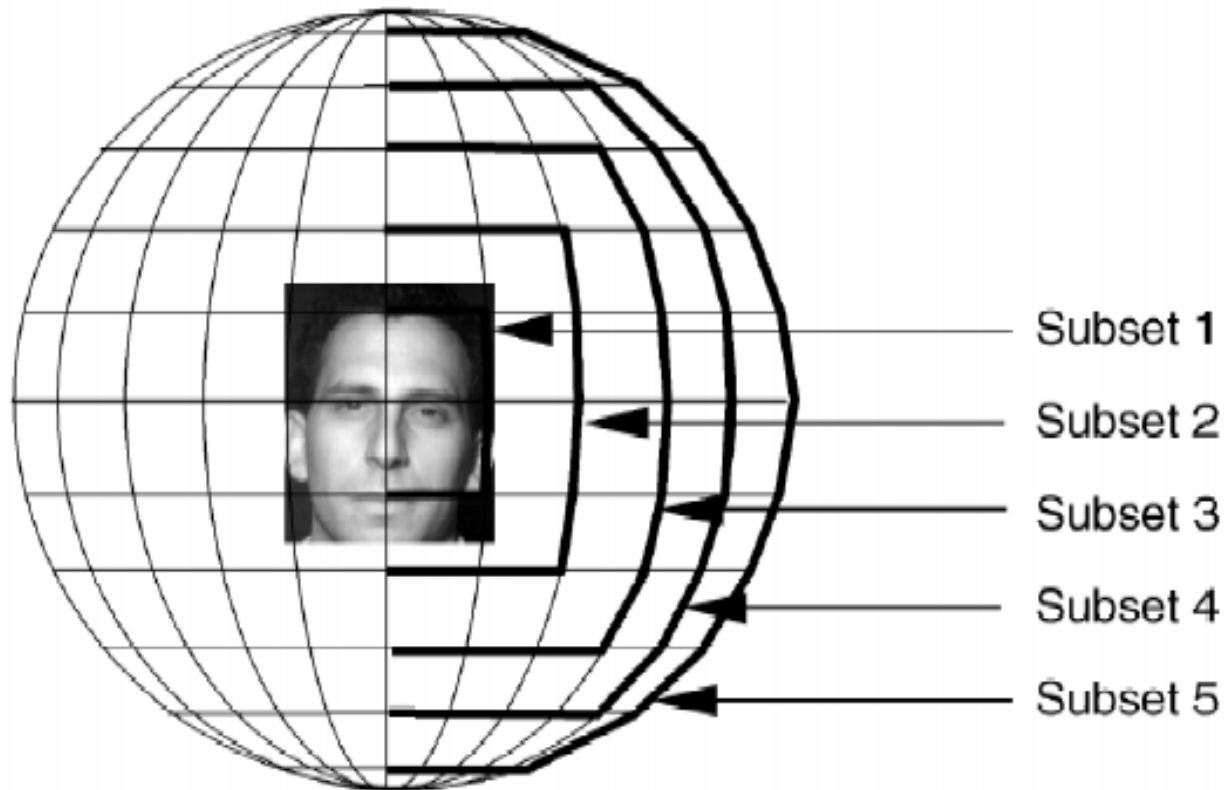
where

$$U_{pca} = \arg \max_U |U^T S_T U|, \quad S_T = S_B + S_W$$

$$W_{fld} = \arg \max_W \frac{|W^T U_{pca}^T S_B U_{pca} W|}{|W^T U_{pca}^T S_W U_{pca} W|}$$

# Fisherfaces: Experiments

- Variation in lighting



# Fisherfaces: Experiments

Subset 1



Subset 2



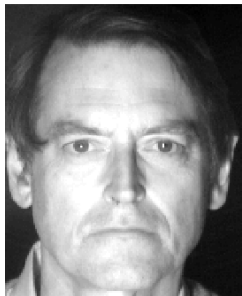
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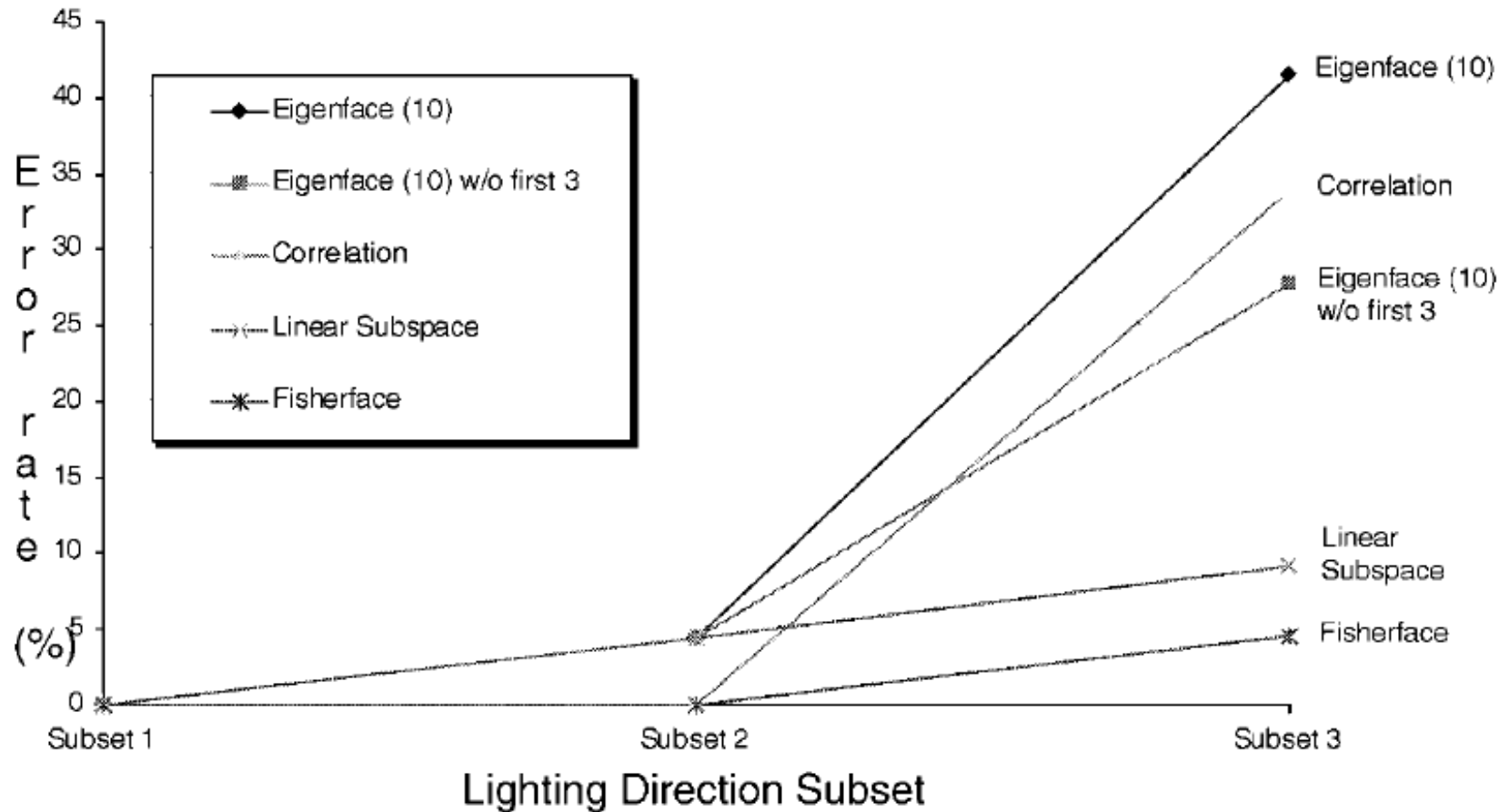
Subset 4



Subset 5



# Fisherfaces: Experimental Results

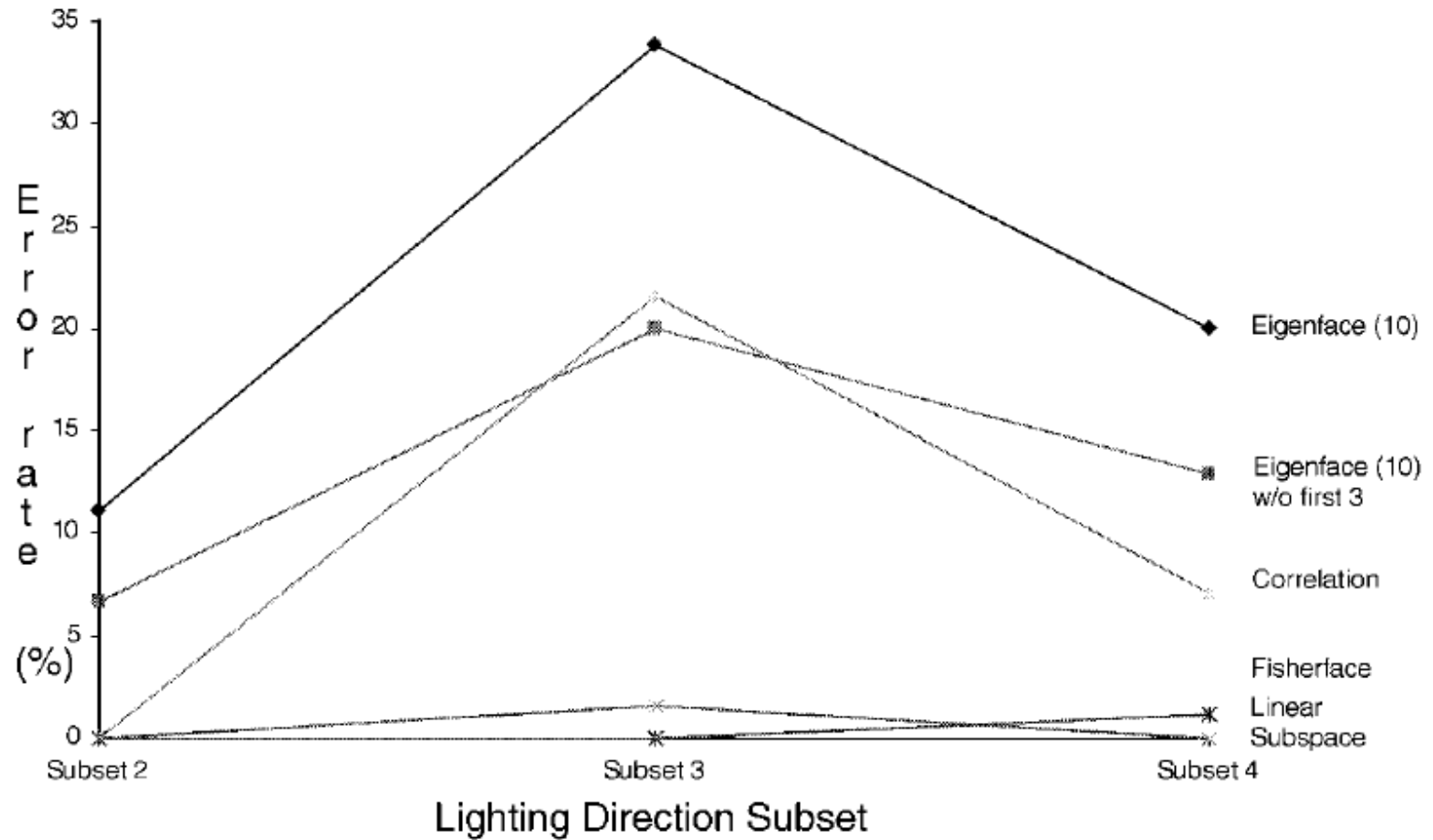


# Fisherfaces: Experiments

- Variation in facial expression, eye wear, lighting



# Fisherfaces: Experimental Results





# Example Application: Fisherfaces

- Visual discrimination task

- Training data:

$C_1$ : Subjects with glasses



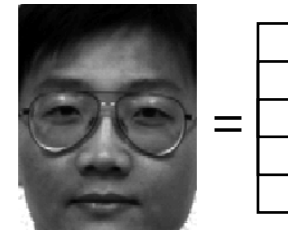
$C_2$ : Subjects without glasses



- Test:



– glasses?



Take each image as a vector of pixel values and apply FLD...

# Fisherfaces: Interpretability

- Example Fisherface for recognition “Glasses/NoGlasses“



# References and Further Reading

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