

# Advanced machine learning

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Introduction

# Supervised vs. Unsupervised Learning

**Input:**  $(x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$  - labeled data

supervised

**Goal:** Use given labels to make accurate prediction

**Examples:** classification, regression

**Input:**  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  - unlabeled data

unsupervised

**Goal:** "Blindly" discover hidden patterns in the data

**Examples:** clustering, dimension reduction



This semester, the plan is to cover the following topics:

## Supervised machine learning

- Semi-supervised binary classification with graphs

## Unsupervised machine learning

- Unsupervised binary classification with graphs
- K-means clustering
- Spectral clustering
- PCA
- Manifold learning
- Matrix factorisation & completion
- Autoencoders

All relevant information is or will be made available on the QM+ module page



# Module Information

- **In-person lectures:** Mondays 12:00-14:00
- **In-person tutorials:** Wednesdays 13:00-14:00
- **Office hour:** Wednesdays 14:00-15:00 (MB-111)



# Assessment & Available Material

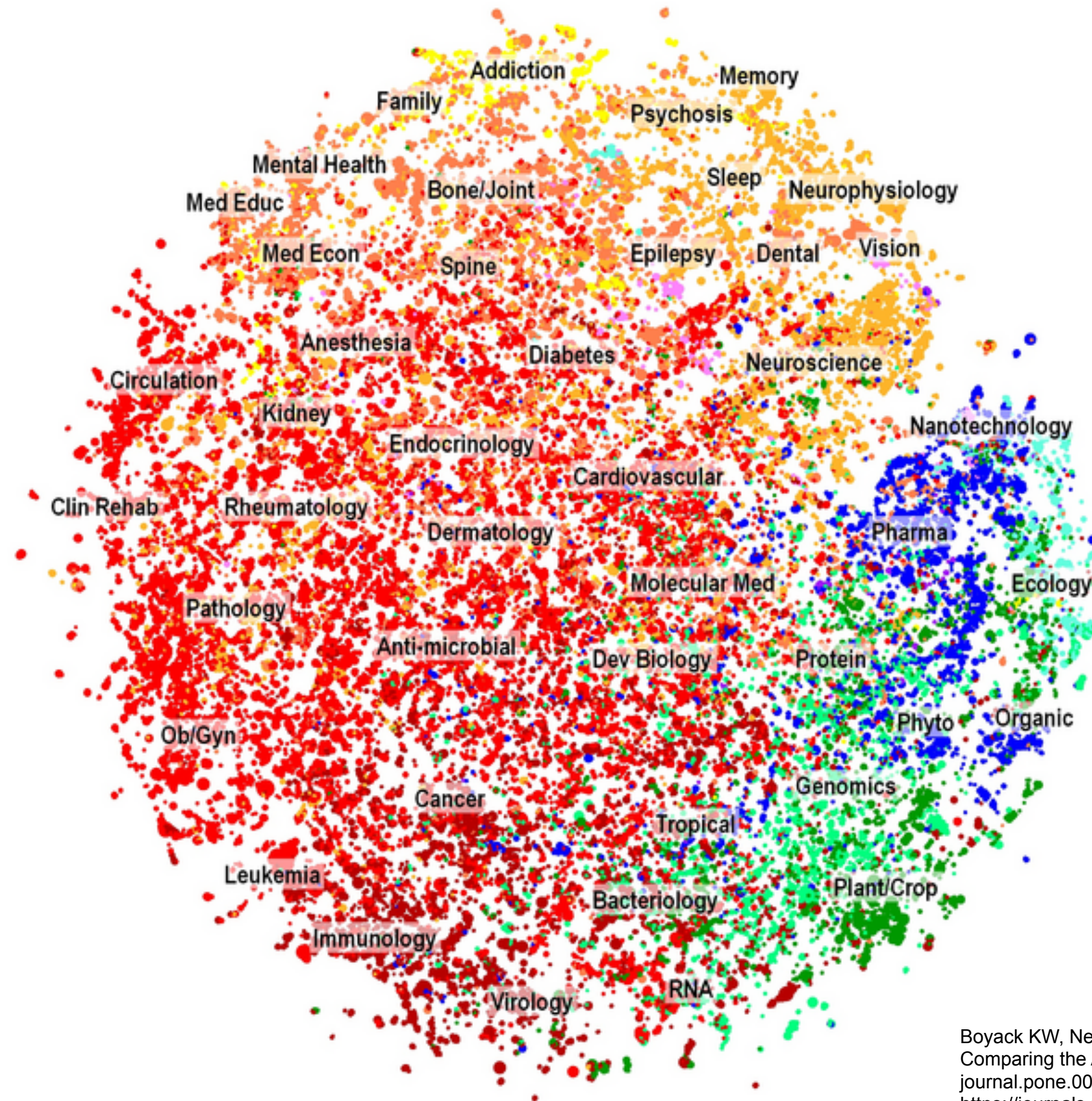
- Midterm exam (week 11), 40% of final mark.
- Final project, 60% of final mark.
- Weekly\* coursework (written / coding), unmarked.
- Online booklet
- Online reading list



# Clustering

Two-dimensional map of the PMRA cluster solution, representing nearly 29,000 clusters and over two million articles.

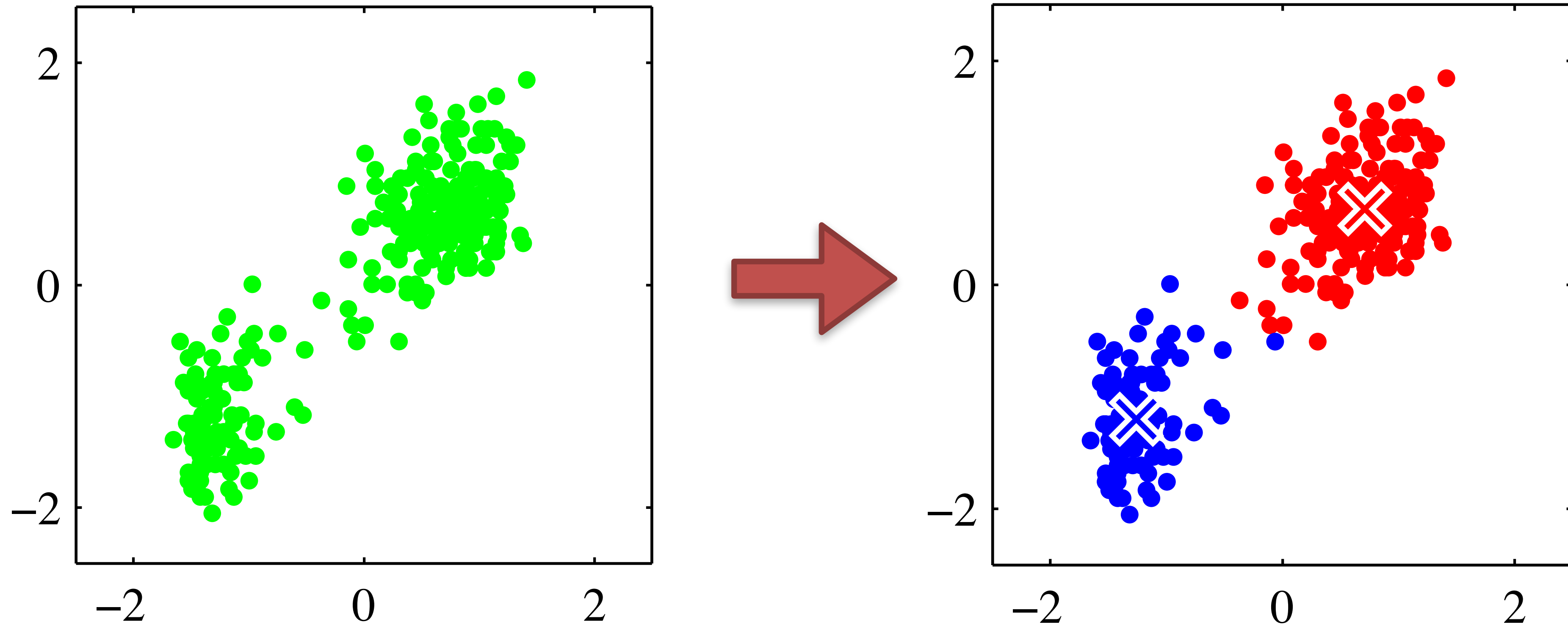
Clustering of two million biomedical publications



Boyack KW, Newman D, Duhon RJ, Klavans R, Patek M, et al. (2011) Clustering More than Two Million Biomedical Publications: Comparing the Accuracies of Nine Text-Based Similarity Approaches. PLOS ONE 6(3): e18029. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0018029>  
<https://journals.plos.org/plosone/article?id=10.1371/journal.pone.0018029>

# Clustering

Clustering:



From Bishop. Pattern Recognition & Machine Learning



# Clustering

Another clustering example: image compression / quantisation

$K = 2$



$K = 3$



$K = 10$



Original image



From Bishop. Pattern Recognition & Machine Learning

# Clustering

Another clustering example: image compression / quantisation

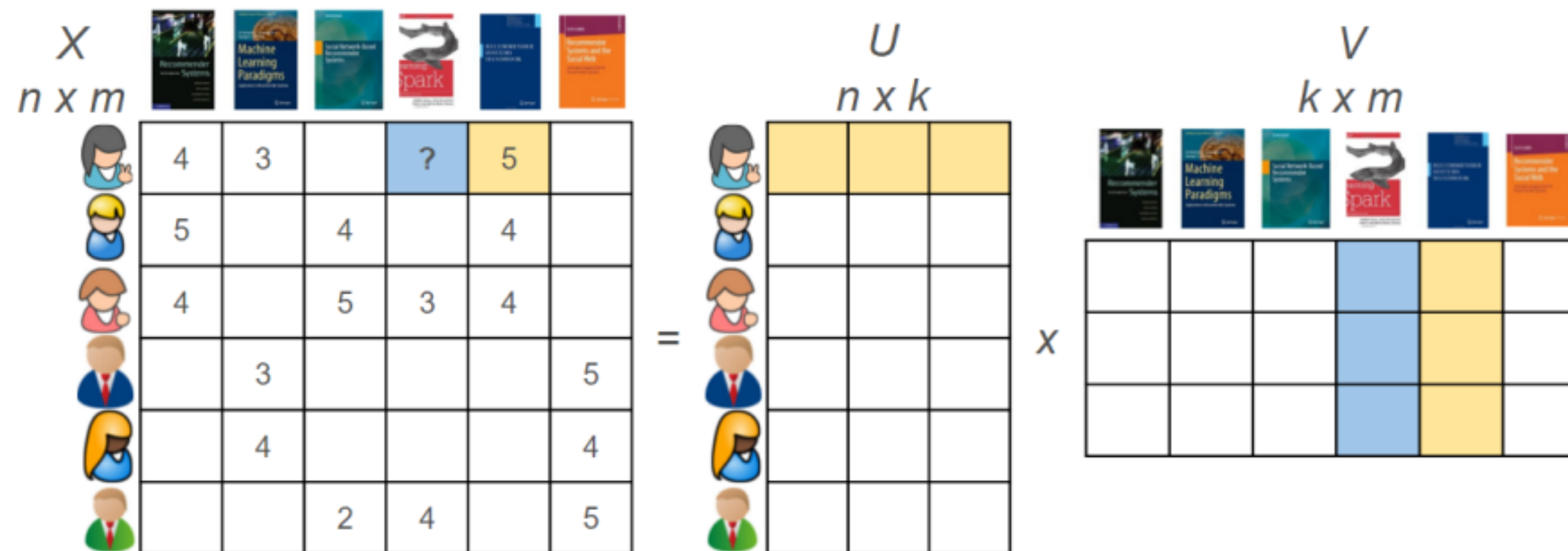


# Matrix Factorisation

Recommender systems

Example: given some book-ratings per reader,  
predict remaining ratings

Input:  $x_{ij}$  = book rating for book  $i$  by reader  $j$

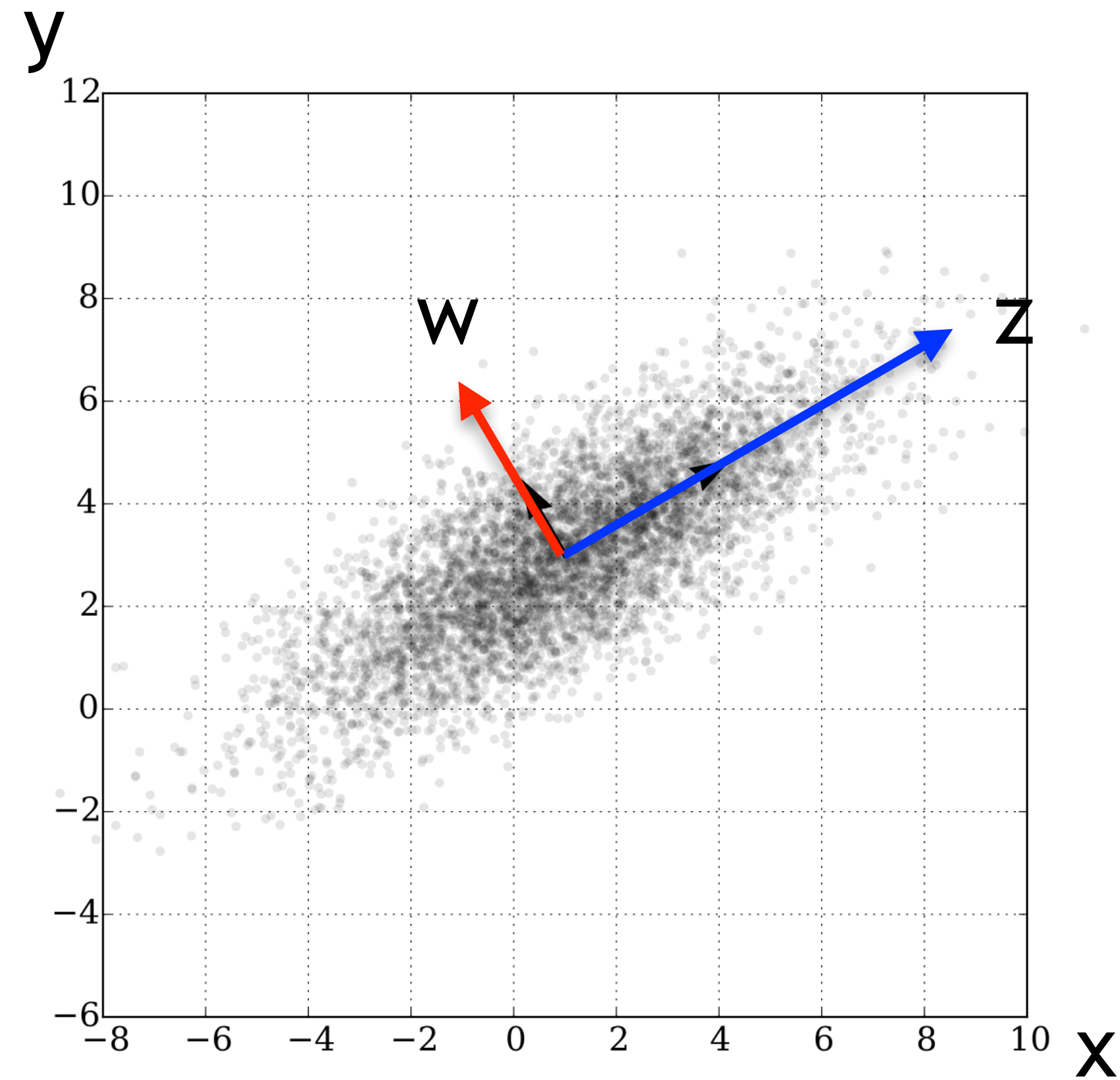


[Image Source](#)

Principle applies to other categories, e.g. movies 🍿

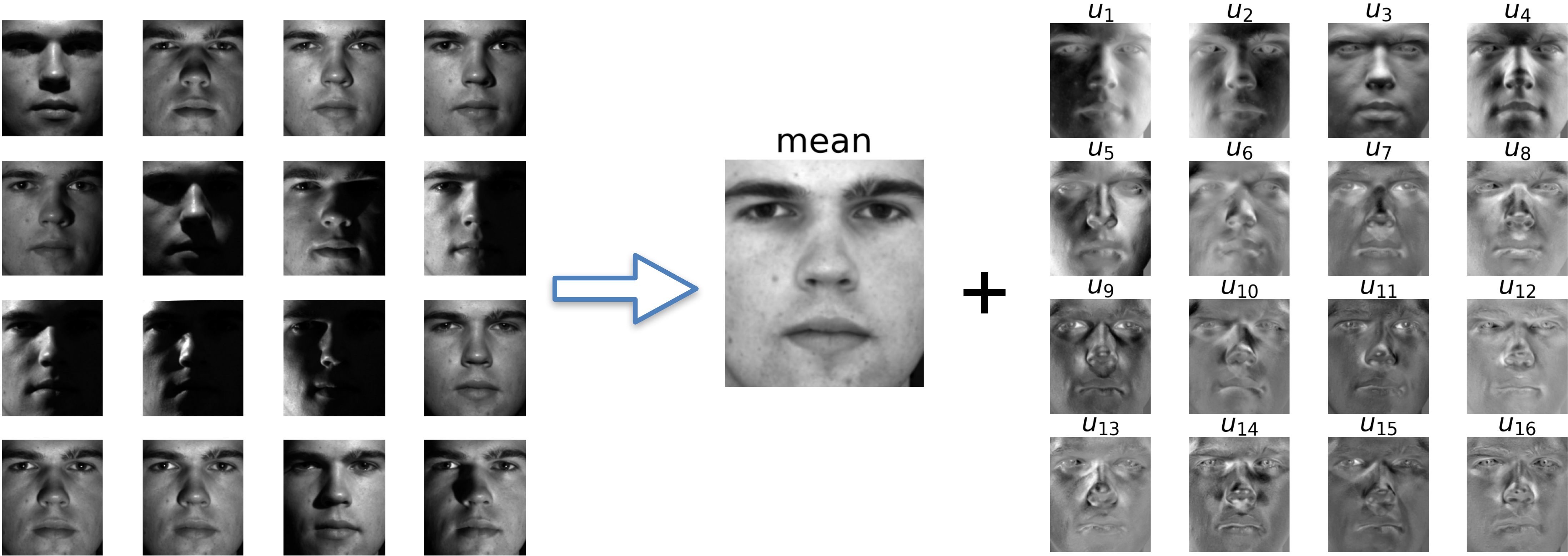
# Dimension Reduction

## Principal Component Analysis (PCA)



# Dimension Reduction

Principal Component Analysis (PCA) Example: Eigenfaces\*

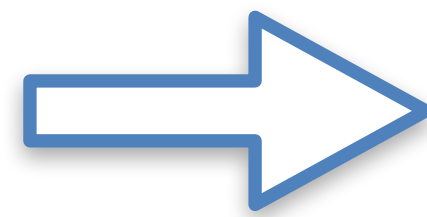


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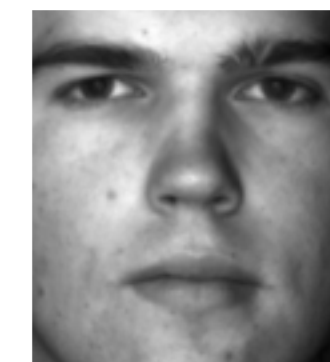
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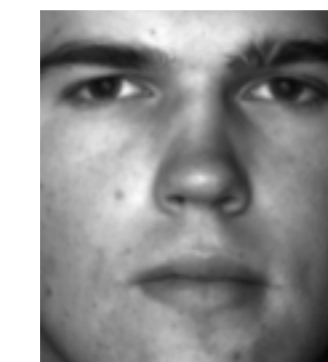
original



1 eigenface



5 eigenfaces



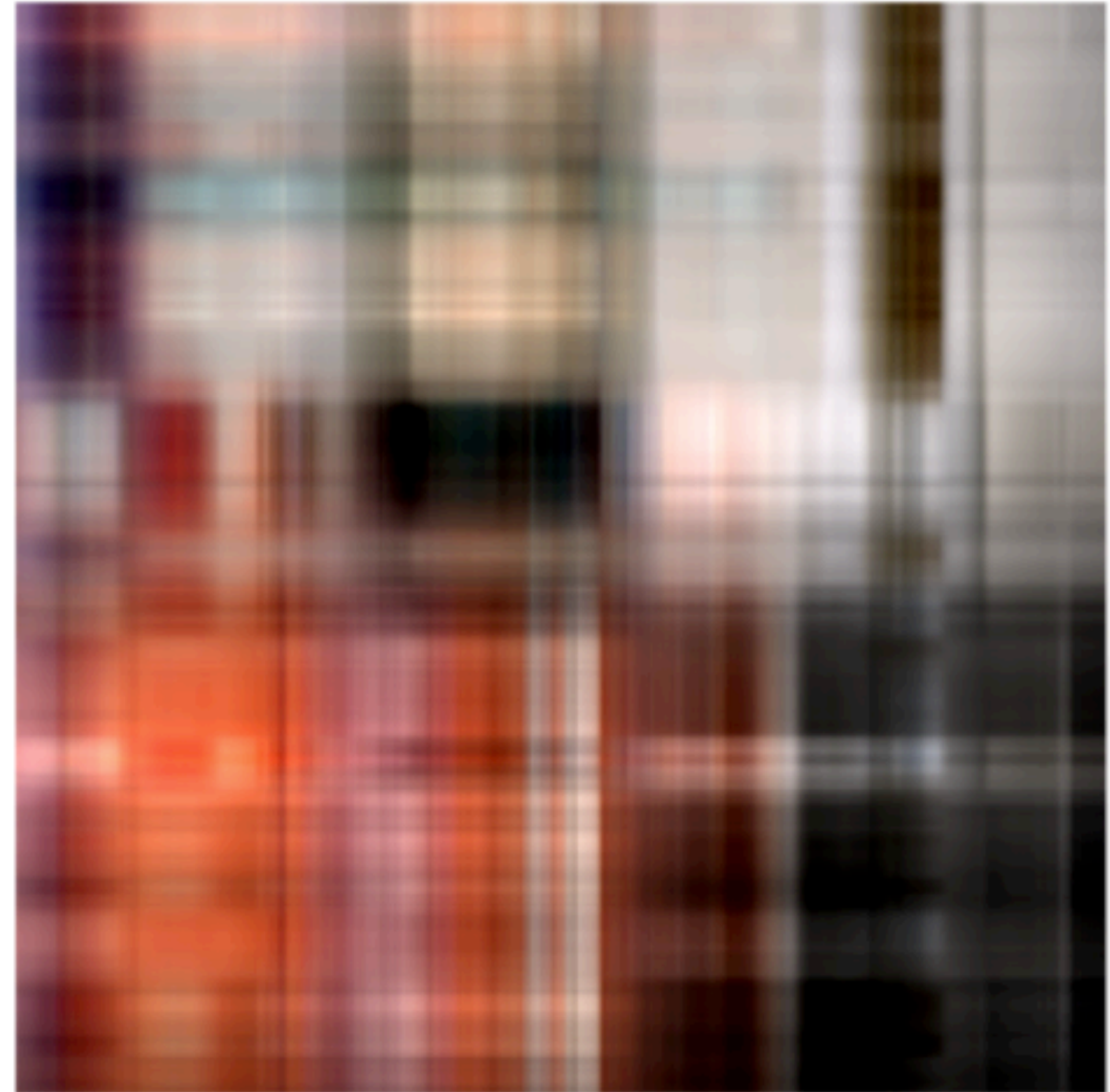
10 eigenfaces



100 eigenfaces



# Dimension Reduction



Eileen Collins. [©NASA Great Images database](#)

# Dimension Reduction





# Dimension Reduction

Robust PCA



Original face

Approximation



=

Low-rank



+

Sparse



# Dimension Reduction

Robust PCA



Can we separate vehicles from background?

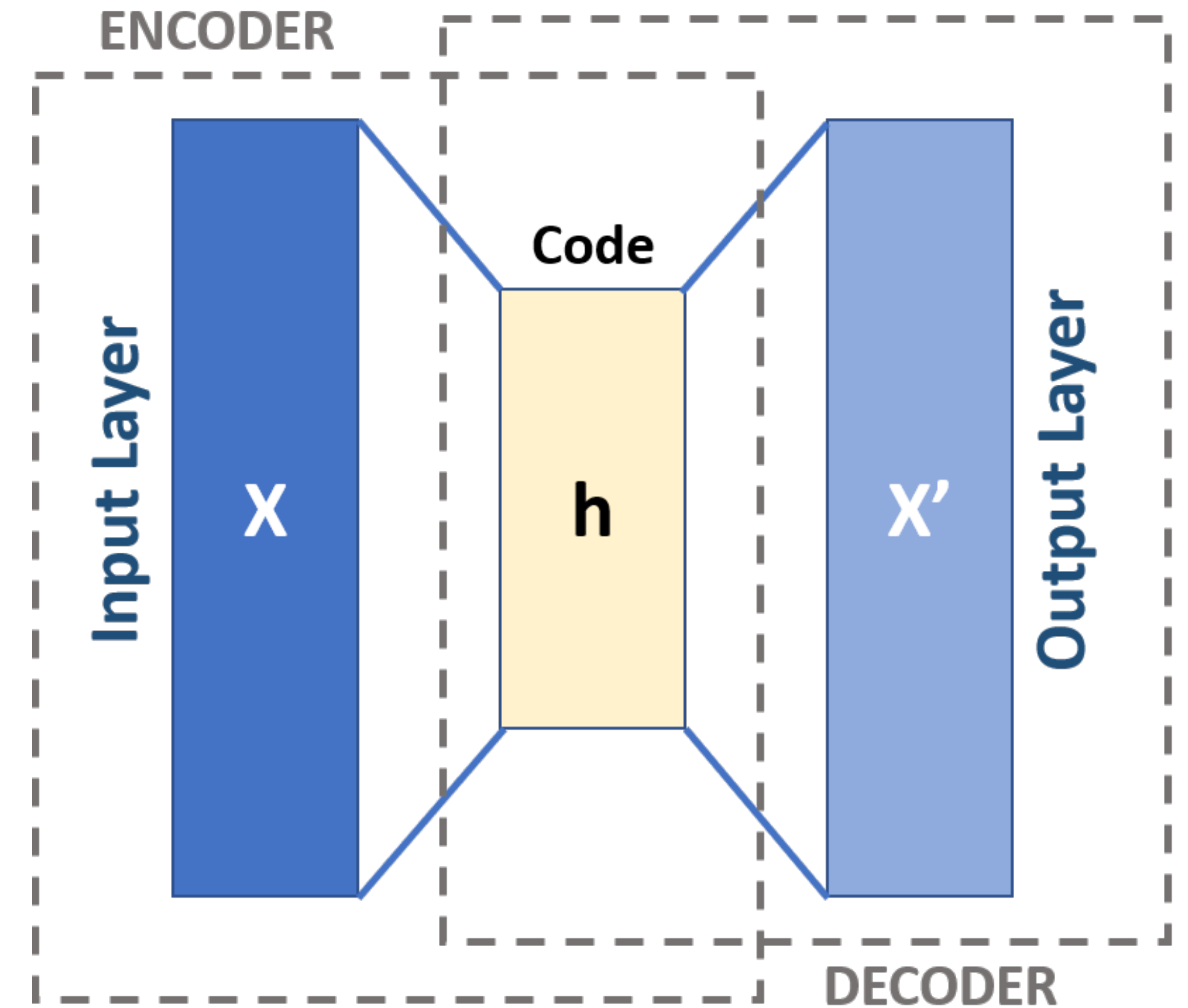
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# Autoencoders

What is an autoencoder?

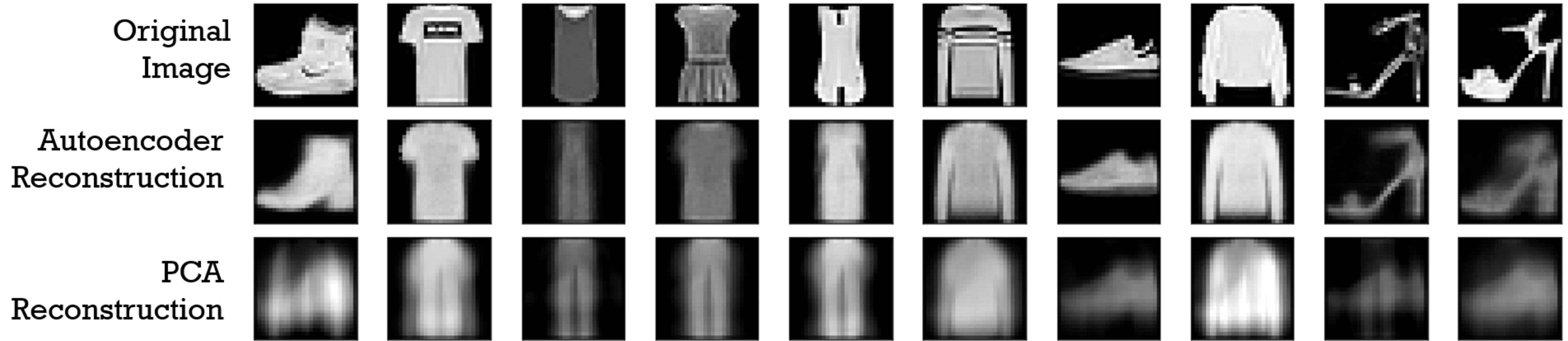
“An **autoencoder** is a type of artificial neural network used to learn efficient data codings in an unsupervised manner. The aim of an **autoencoder** is to learn a representation (encoding) for a set of data, typically for dimensionality reduction, by training the network to ignore signal noise.”

Source: Wikipedia, <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Autoencoder>



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# Autoencoders



Fashion MNIST

Reconstruction of 28x28pixel images by an Autoencoder / PCA

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# Questions?

