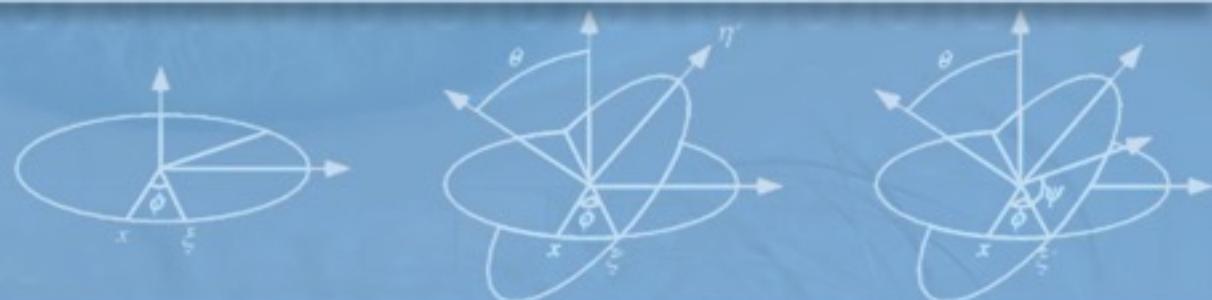




# Low Rank Subspace Clustering (LRSC)

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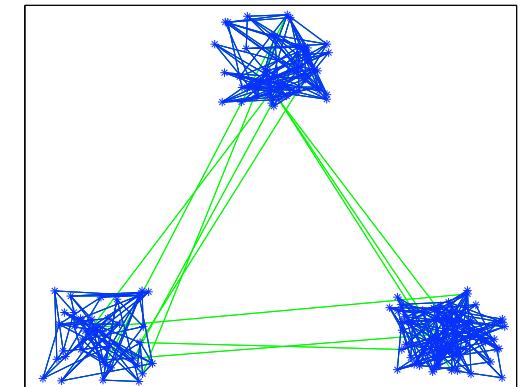
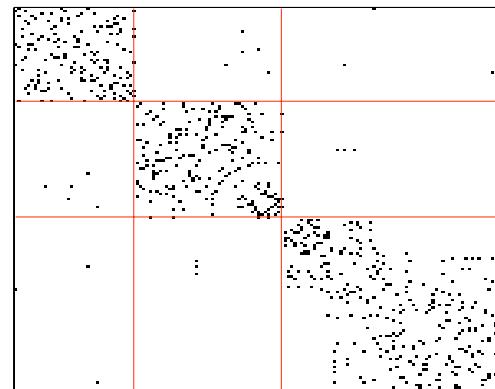
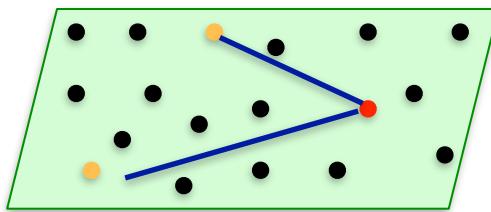
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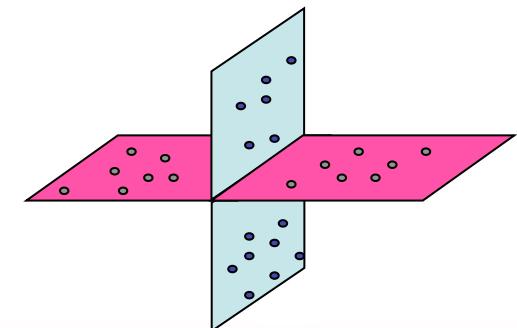


# Sparse Subspace Clustering: Spectral Clustering

- Spectral clustering
  - Represent data points as nodes in graph  $G$
  - Connect nodes  $i$  and  $j$  with weight  $c_{ij}$
  - Infer clusters from Laplacian of  $G$



- How to define a good **affinity matrix**  $C$  for subspaces?
  - points in the same subspace:  $c_{ij} \neq 0$
  - points in different subspaces:  $c_{ij} = 0$

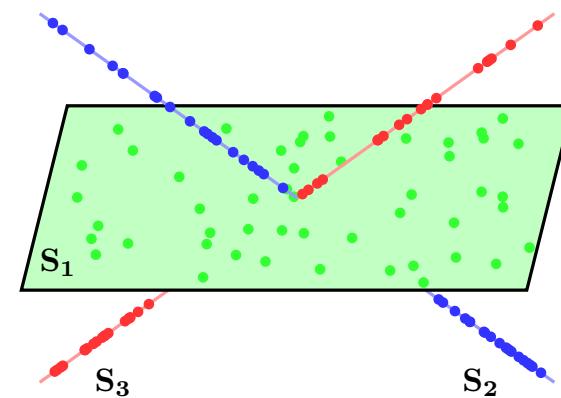
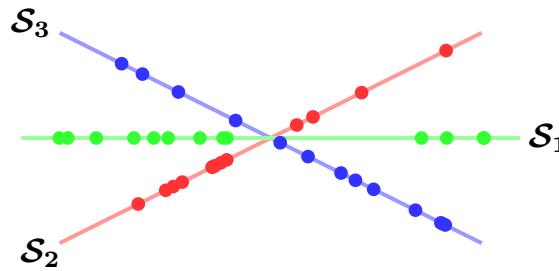


# Sparse Subspace Clustering: Intuition

- Data in a union of subspaces are **self-expressive**

$$\mathbf{x}_j = \sum_{i=1}^N c_{ij} \mathbf{x}_i \implies \mathbf{x}_j = \mathbf{X} \mathbf{c}_j \implies \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{X} \mathbf{C}$$

- Union of subspaces admits **subspace-sparse representation**



- Sparse Subspace Clustering

$$\min_C \|C\|_1 \quad \text{s. t.} \quad \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{X} \mathbf{C}, \quad \text{diag}(C) = 0$$

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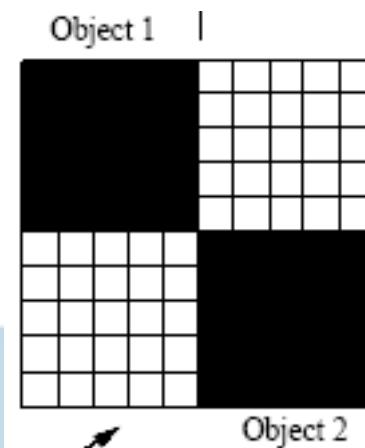
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# Subspace Clustering by Matrix Factorization

- Data from i-th subspace can be factorized as  $Y_i = U_i V_i^\top$

$$Y\Gamma = [Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n] = [U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n] \begin{bmatrix} V_1^\top \\ V_2^\top \\ \ddots \\ V_n^\top \end{bmatrix}$$

- Segmentation of the data can be obtained from
  - Leading singular vector of  $Y = \mathcal{U}\Sigma\mathcal{V}^\top$  (Boult and Brown '91)
  - Shape interaction matrix  $C = \mathcal{V}\mathcal{V}^\top$  (Costeira & Kanade '95, Gear '94)
- $C_{ij} = 0$  if points i and j lie in two independent subspaces (Kanatani et al. '01, Vidal et al. '08)



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# Low Rank Subspace Clustering

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- $\mathbf{C}$  is sparse
- $\mathbf{C}$  is low-rank

- Low Rank Subspace Clustering (noiseless case)

$$\min_C \|C\|_* \quad \text{s. t.} \quad \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{X} \mathbf{C} \implies \begin{cases} \mathbf{X} = \mathcal{U} \Sigma \mathcal{V}^\top \\ \mathbf{C} = \mathcal{V} \mathcal{V}^\top \end{cases}$$

- Low Rank Subspace Clustering (noisy case)

$$\min_C \|C\|_* + \frac{\tau}{2} \|\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{X} \mathbf{C}\|_F^2 \implies \mathbf{C} = \mathcal{V} \left( \mathbf{I} - \frac{1}{\tau} \Sigma^{-2} \right) \mathcal{V}^\top$$

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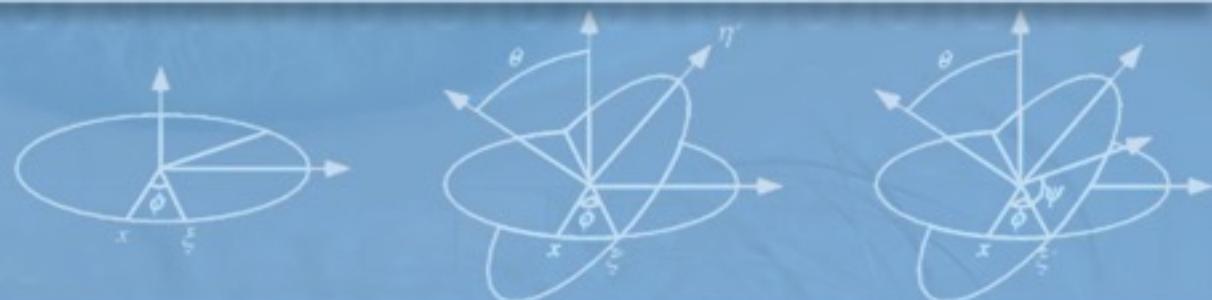
# SSC versus LRSC

Sparse Subspace Clustering	Low-Rank Subspace Clustering
Convex Optimization	Closed Form Solution
Arbitrary Subspaces	Independent Subspaces
Provably Robust to Noise, Outliers	



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# Applications in Computer Vision



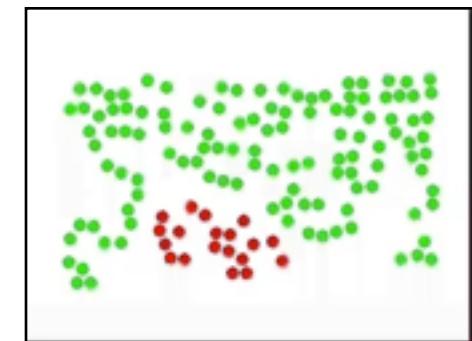
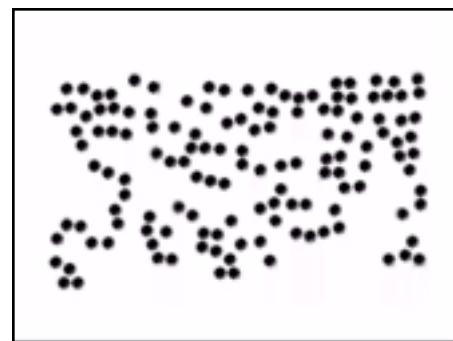
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# Experiments on 3D Motion Segmentation

- Motion segmentation problem
  - Input: multiple images of a scene with multiple rigid-body motions
  - Output: number of motions, motion model parameters, segmentation



- Motion of a rigid-body: 4D subspace (Boult and Brown '91, Tomasi and Kanade '92)
  - $P = \#\text{points}$
  - $F = \#\text{frames}$

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_{11} & \cdots & x_{1P} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{F1} & \cdots & x_{FP} \end{bmatrix}}_{2F \times P} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} A_1 \\ \vdots \\ A_F \end{bmatrix}}_{2F \times 4} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} X_1 & \cdots & X_P \end{bmatrix}}_{4 \times P}$$

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# Experiments on 3D Motion Segmentation

- 2 motions, 120 sequences, 266 points, 30 frames

	GPCA	LLMC	LSA	RANSAC	MSL	SCC	ALC	SSC
<i>Checkerboard</i>	6.09	3.96	2.57	6.52	4.46	1.30	1.55	<b>1.12</b>
<i>Traffic</i>	1.41	3.53	5.43	2.55	2.23	1.07	1.59	<b>0.02</b>
<i>Articulated</i>	2.88	6.48	4.10	7.25	7.23	3.68	10.70	<b>0.62</b>
<i>All</i>	4.59	4.08	3.45	5.56	4.14	1.46	2.40	<b>0.82</b>

- 3 motions, 35 sequences, 398 points, 29 frames

	GPCA	LLMC	LSA	RANSAC	MSL	SCC	ALC	SSC
<i>Checkerboard</i>	31.95	8.48	5.80	25.78	10.38	5.68	5.20	<b>2.97</b>
<i>Traffic</i>	19.83	6.04	25.07	12.83	1.80	2.35	7.75	<b>0.58</b>
<i>Articulated</i>	16.85	9.38	7.25	21.38	2.71	10.94	21.08	<b>1.42</b>
<i>All</i>	28.66	8.04	9.73	22.94	8.23	5.31	6.69	<b>2.45</b>

- All

All	GPCA	LLMC	LSA	RANSAC	MSL	SCC	ALC	LRR	LRSC	SSC
All	10.34	4.97	4.94	9.76	5.03	2.33	3.37	3.16	3.28	<b>1.24</b>

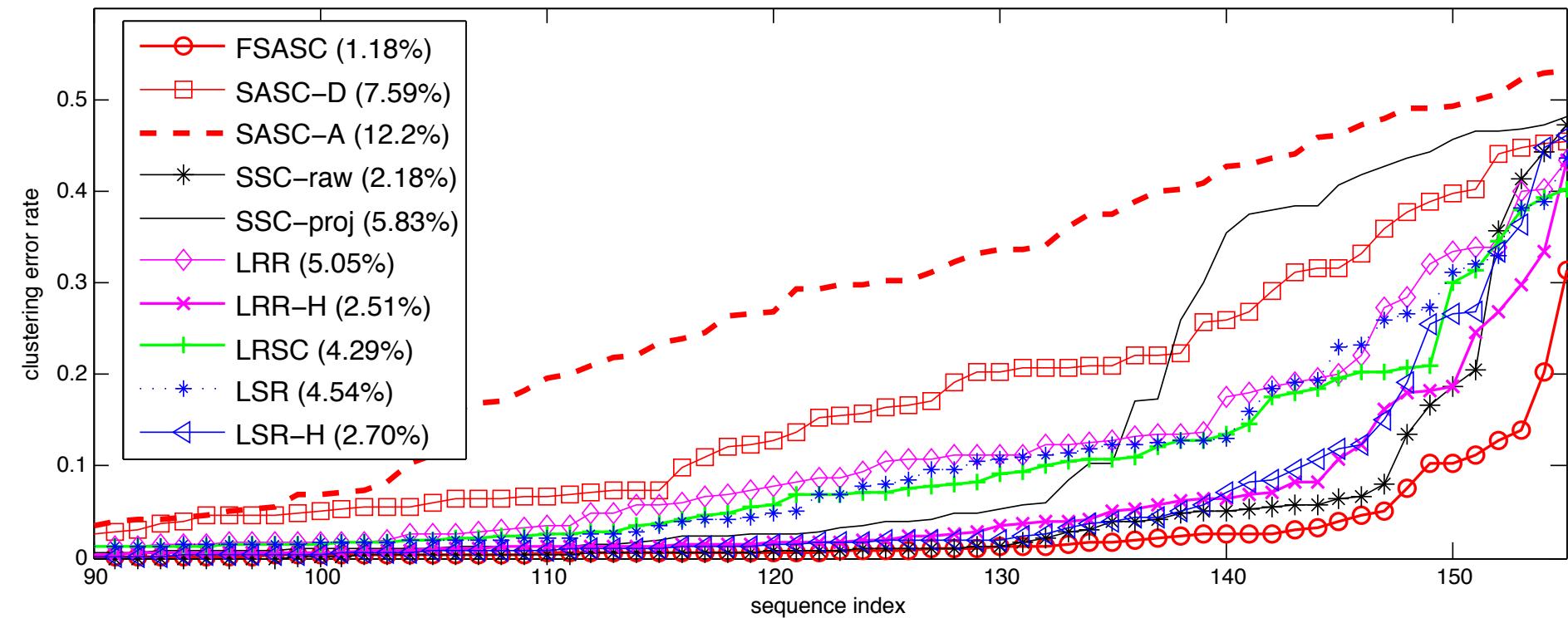
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# Experiments on 3D Motion Segmentation

- Misclassification rates on Hopkins 155 database

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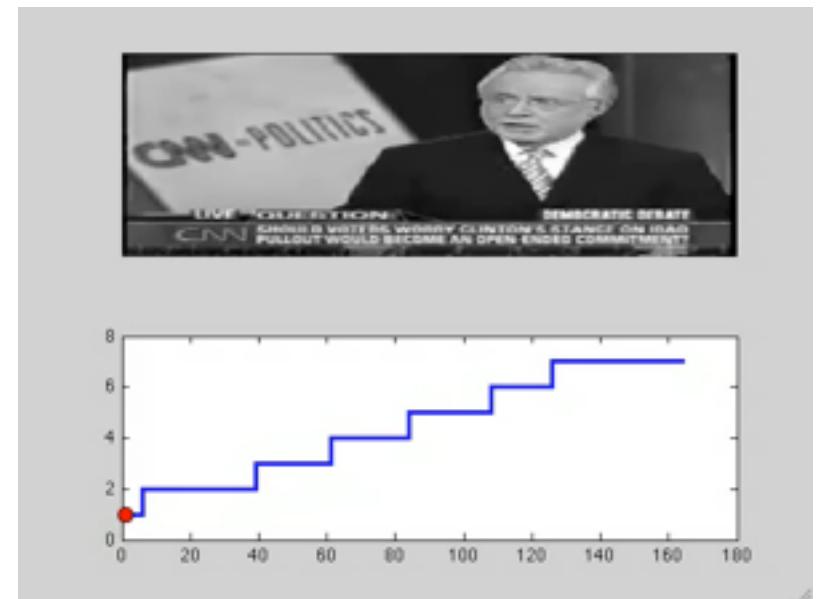
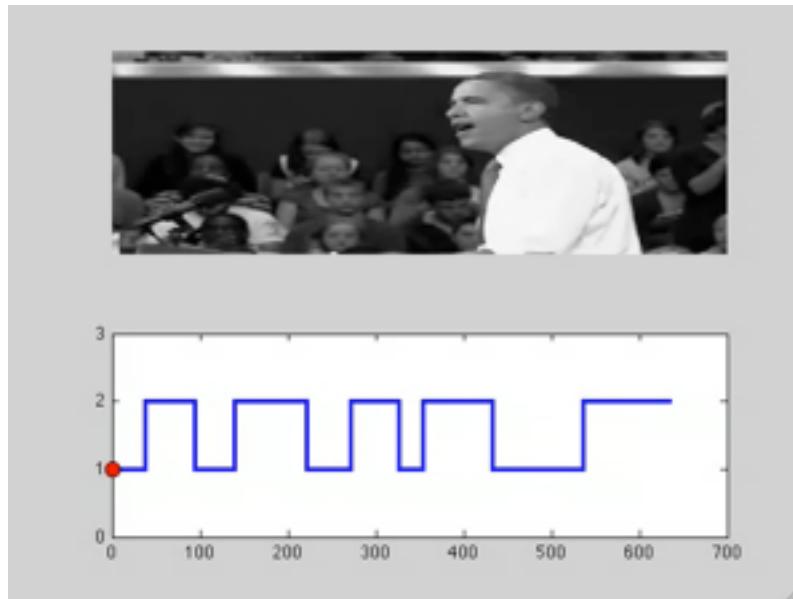


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# Experiments on Video Segmentation

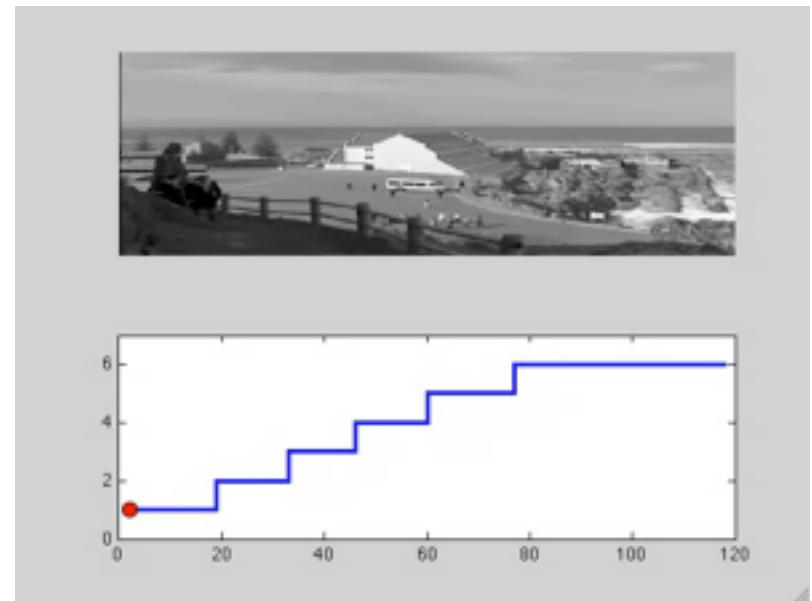
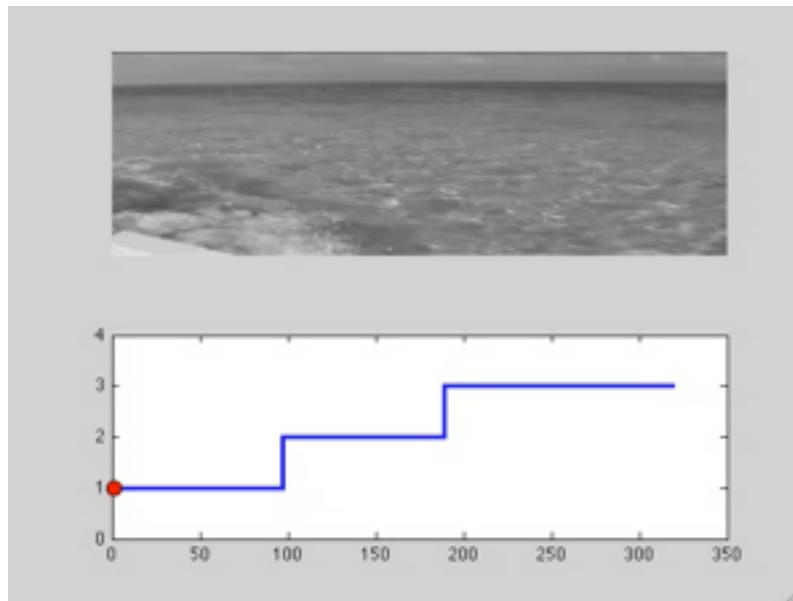
- Model each video segment as a low-dimensional subspace
- Cluster video frames into multiple segments



- Advantages
  - SSC easily detects sharp transitions in the video
  - SSC can handle camera motion and scene variations

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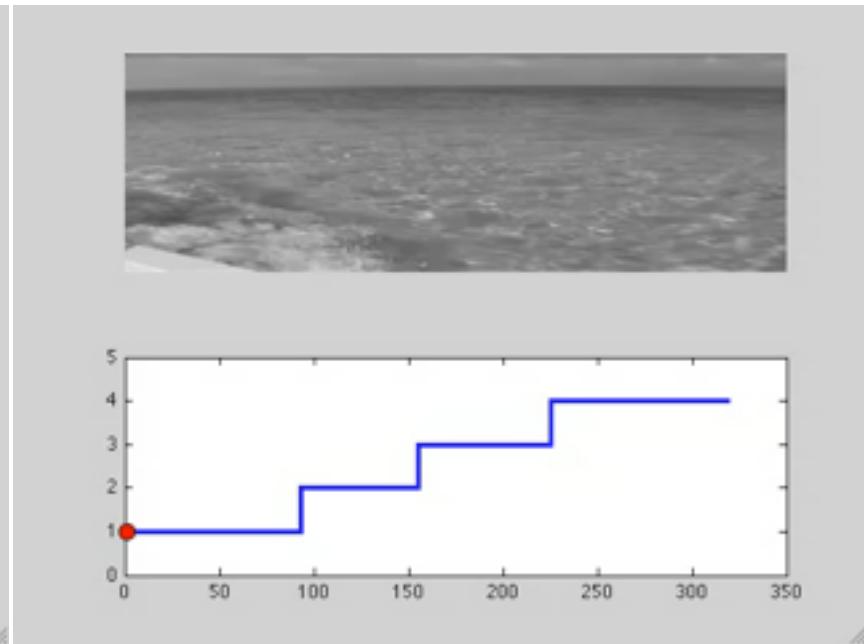
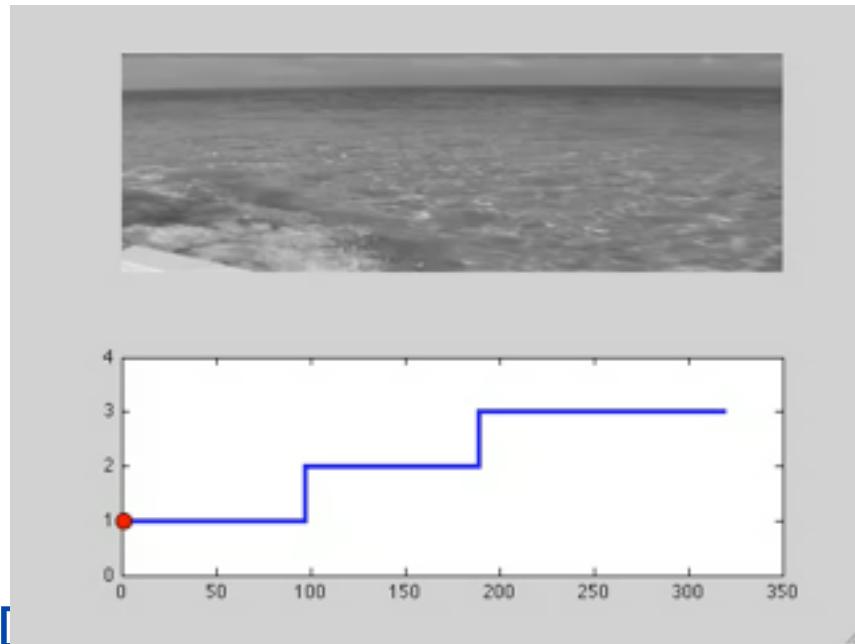
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- Advantages
  - SSC easily detects sharp transitions in the video
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# Experiments on Video Segmentation

- Model each video segment as a low-dimensional subspace
- Segment the video into multiple segments

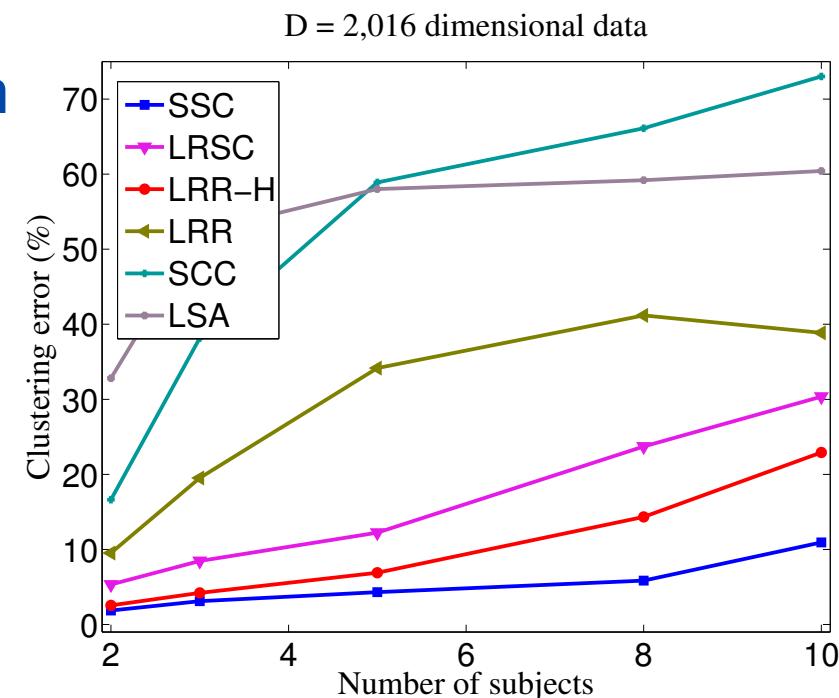


- [Lecture 10] Limitations
  - The segmentation depends on the number of subspaces
  - Continuous camera motion is not well handled

# Experiments on Face Clustering

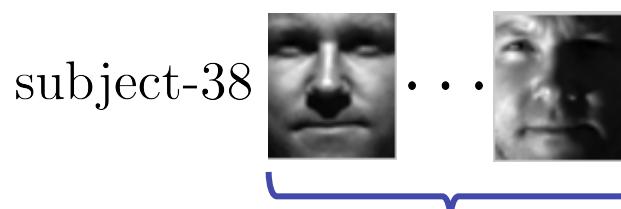


- Faces under varying illumination
  - 9D subspace
- Extended Yale B dataset
  - 38 subjects
  - 64 images per subject
- Clustering error
  - $\text{SSC} < 2.0\%$  error for 2 subjects
  - $\text{SSC} < 11.0\%$  error for 10 subjects



# Experiment on extended Yale B

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No. subjects	2	10	20	30	38
<i>a%: average clustering accuracy</i>					
SSC-OMP	99.21	88.43	<b>81.71</b>	<b>79.27</b>	<b>80.45</b>
SSC-BP	<b>99.45</b>	<b>91.85</b>	79.80	76.10	68.97
LSR	96.77	62.89	67.17	67.79	63.96
LRSC	94.32	66.98	66.34	67.49	66.78
SCC	78.91	NA	NA	14.15	12.80
<i>t(sec.): running time</i>					
SSC-OMP	0.3	1.7	4.7	9.4	<b>14.5</b>
SSC-BP	49.1	228.2	554.6	1240	1851
LSR	<b>0.1</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>8.3</b>	15.9
LRSC	1.1	1.9	6.3	14.8	26.5
SCC	50.0	NA	NA	520.3	750.7

> 100 times faster

# Experiment on MNIST



No. points	500	2,000	6,000	20,000	60,000
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*a%: average clustering accuracy*

<b>SSC-OMP</b>	<b>85.17</b>	<b>88.99</b>	<b>90.56</b>	<b>94.21</b>	<b>94.68</b>
SSC-BP	83.01	85.58	85.60	-	-
LSR	75.84	78.09	79.91	-	-
LRSC	75.02	79.44	79.88	-	-
SCC	53.45	66.43	70.60	-	-

*t(sec.): running time*

<b>SSC-OMP</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>11.7</b>	<b>71.7</b>	<b>427</b>	<b>3219</b>
SSC-BP	20.1	635.2	13605	-	-
LSR	1.7	42.4	327.6	-	-
LRSC	1.9	43.0	312.9	-	-
SCC	31.2	101.3	366.8	-	-

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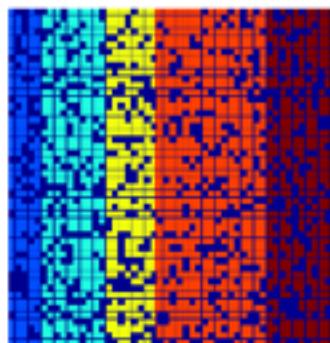
- **Big Data** (Peng '13, Dyer '13, You '15)

	GPCA	SSC	OMP	?
Dimension of the data	10	10,000	10,000	1M
Number of data points	1000	10,000	100,000	1M

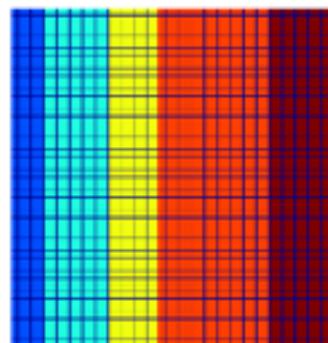


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- **Missing Data:** (Grubber '04, Eriksson '12, Balzano '12, Pimentel '14, Candes '14, Yang'15)

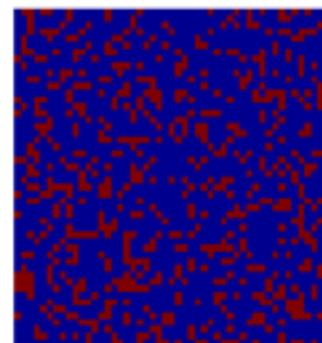


*Matrix of corrupted observations*



*Underlying low-rank matrix*

A standard mathematical plus sign (+) used to denote the sum of two matrices.



*Sparse error matrix*



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# Conclusions

- Many problems in computer vision can be posed as subspace clustering and classification problems
  - Spatial and temporal video segmentation
  - Face clustering under varying illumination
  - Face classification
- These problems can be solved using
  - Generalized Principal Component Analysis (GPCA)
  - Sparse Subspace Clustering (SSC)
  - Low Rank Subspace Clustering (LRSC)
- This algorithms is provably correct when
  - Subspaces are sufficiently separated
  - Data are well distributed within each subspace

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