



SHARP IMAGES



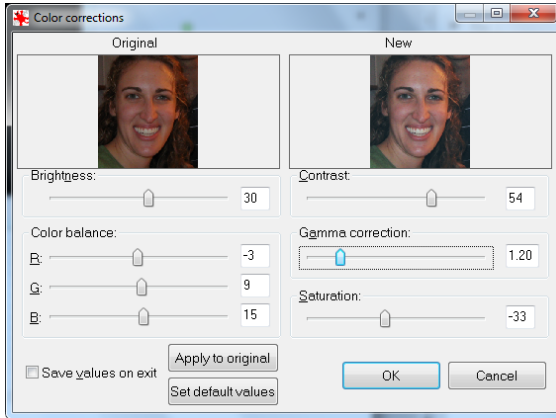
# Personal Photo Enhancement using Example Images

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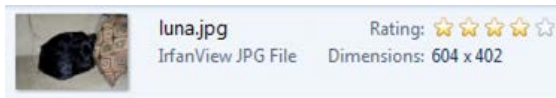
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# Motivation and Approach



- It is difficult for most users to fix their images



- It's easier for users to rate their good photos



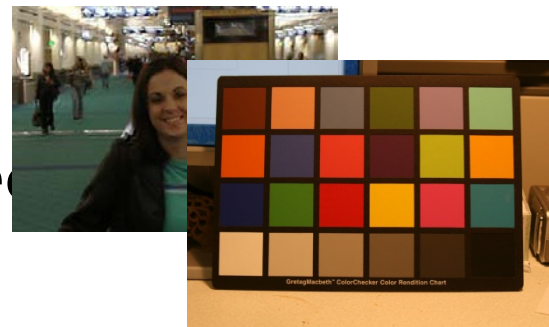
- Use examples of a persons **good photos** to fix the **bad ones** automatically

# Our Approach

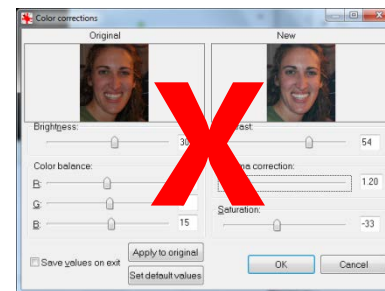
- Focus on images with faces



- Use a **known face** as a calibration object



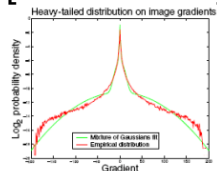
- Users provide good examples, instead performing manual edits



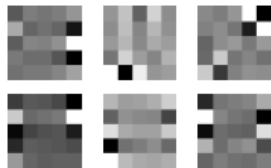
- Deblurring and Upsampling/Super-Resolution
  - Poisson image/noise models [Richardson 1972; Lucy 1974]; Sparse gradient priors [Fergus et al. 2006; Levin 2006; Levin 2007]; Sparse wavelet coefficients [de Rivaz 2001]; Spatially Varying [Whyte et al. 2010; Gupta et al. 2010]; Baker and Kanade 2000; Freeman et al. 2000; Freeman et al. 2002; Liu et al. 2007; Dai et al. 2007; Fattal 2007
- Denoising
  - Sparse wavelet coefficients [Simoncelli and Adelson 1996; Portilla et al. 2003], Anisotropic diffusion [Perona and Malik 1990], Field of Experts [Roth and Black 2005];, Baker and Kanade 2000; Freeman et al. 2000; Freeman et al. 2002; Liu et al. 2007; Dai et al. 2007; Fattal 2007
- White-Balancing/Color Correction
  - Finlayson et al. 2004, 2005; Weijer et al. 2007
- Using photo collections
  - Baker and Kanade 2000, Liu et al. 2007 , Dale et al. 2009
- Hardware Methods
  - Joshi et al. 2010, Raskar et al. 2008, Levin et al. 2008, Veeraraghavan et al. 2007, Levin et al. 2007, Raskar et al. 2006, Ben-Ezra et al. 2005, Ben-Ezra and Nayar 2004

# Specific vs. General Priors

Sparse Prior  
[Levin et al.]



Field of Experts  
[Roth and Black]



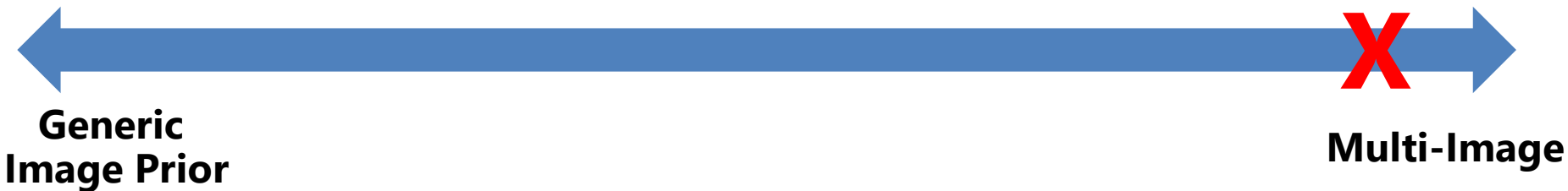
Example Based  
[Freeman et al.]



Photo Collections  
[Dale et al.]

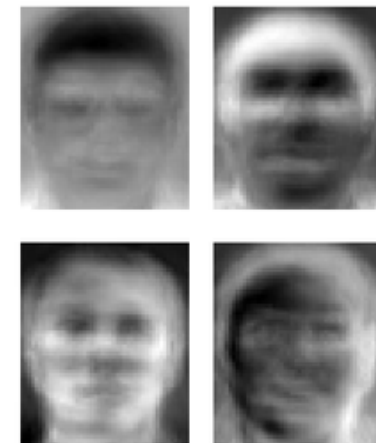


**Our Approach**

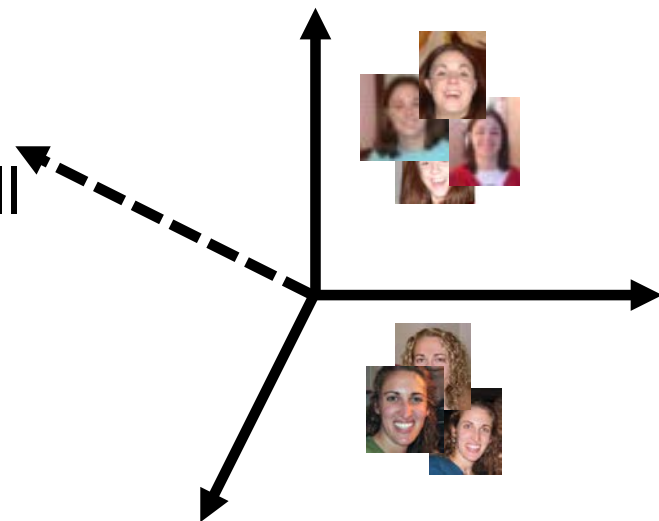


- We use an **identity specific** prior

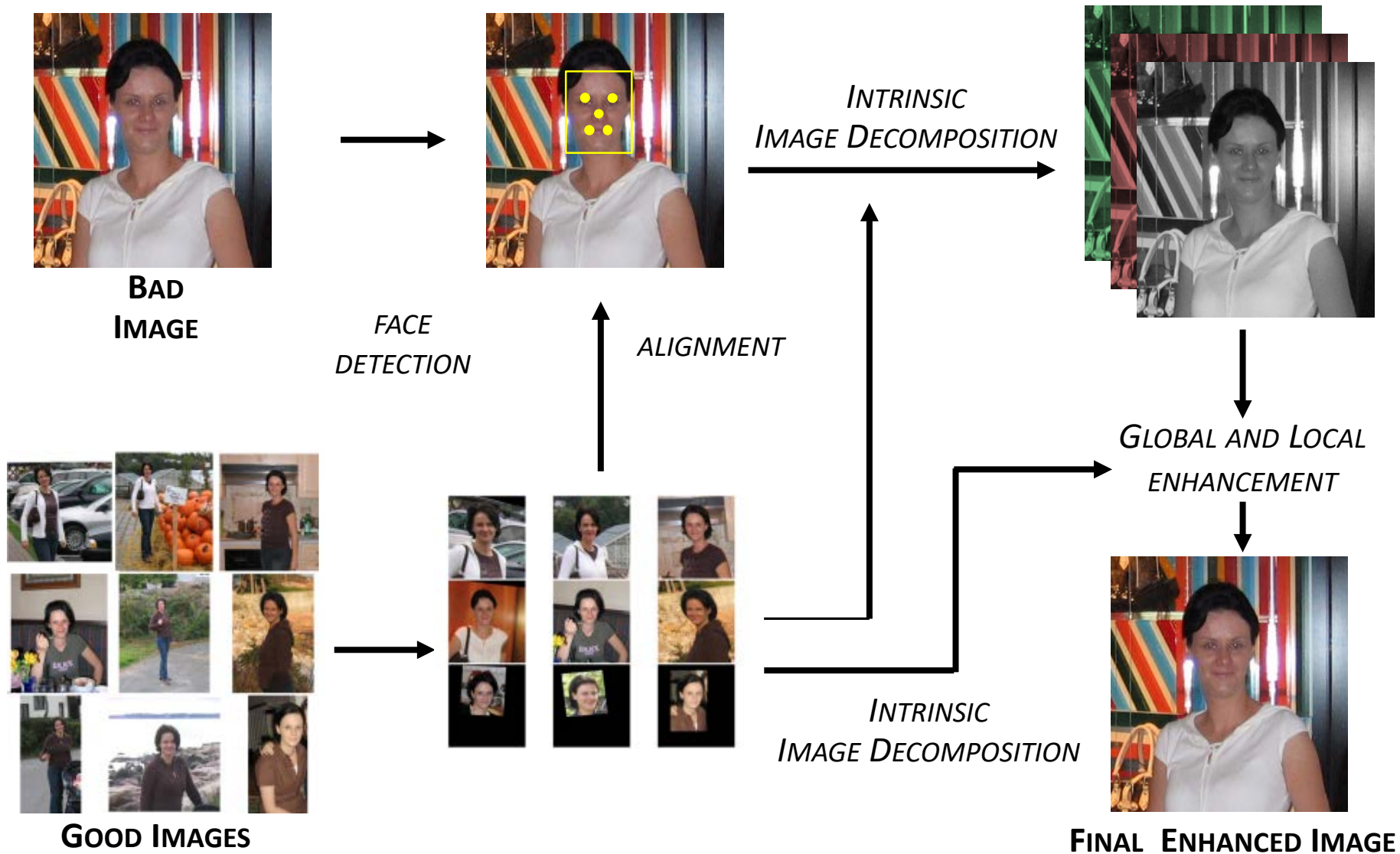
- Faces are a subspace of all images
  - Eigenfaces -- Turk and Petland 1987



- Person-specific space is relatively small
- The range of images can be captured with a few good examples



# Personal Image Enhancement Pipeline





**Input Image**



**Chroma R**



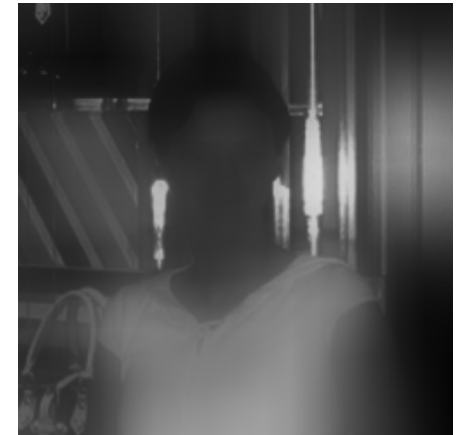
**Detail/Texture**



**Chroma G**



**Lighting**



- Separation into Lighting, Texture, Color Layers
- Use base/detail decomposition of Eisemann and Durand 2004





- Blur (Global)



- Color/Exposure Balance (Global)



- Super-Resolution/Up-sampling



- Blur



- Color/Exposure Balance



- Super-Resolution/Up-sampling

**Blurry image**



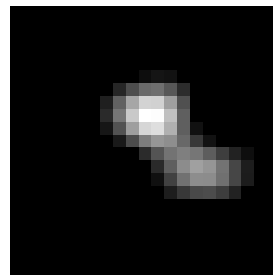
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**Sharp image**



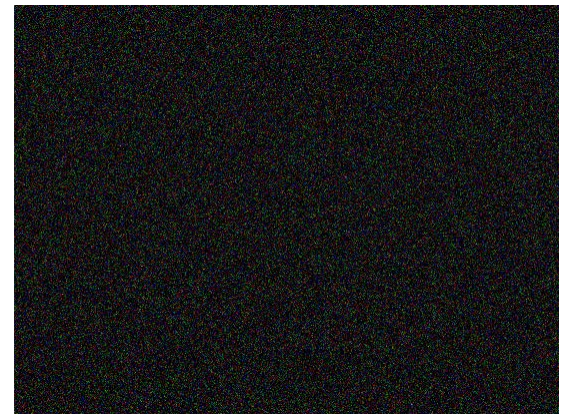
Convolution

**Blur kernel  
(Point-Spread  
Function)**



+

**Zero Mean Gaussian Noise**



**Blurry image**



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**Known**

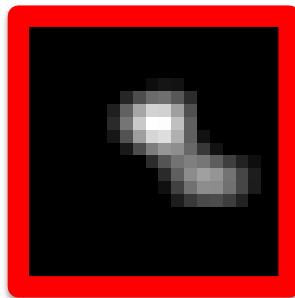
**Sharp image**



$\otimes$

**Unknown**

**Blur kernel**



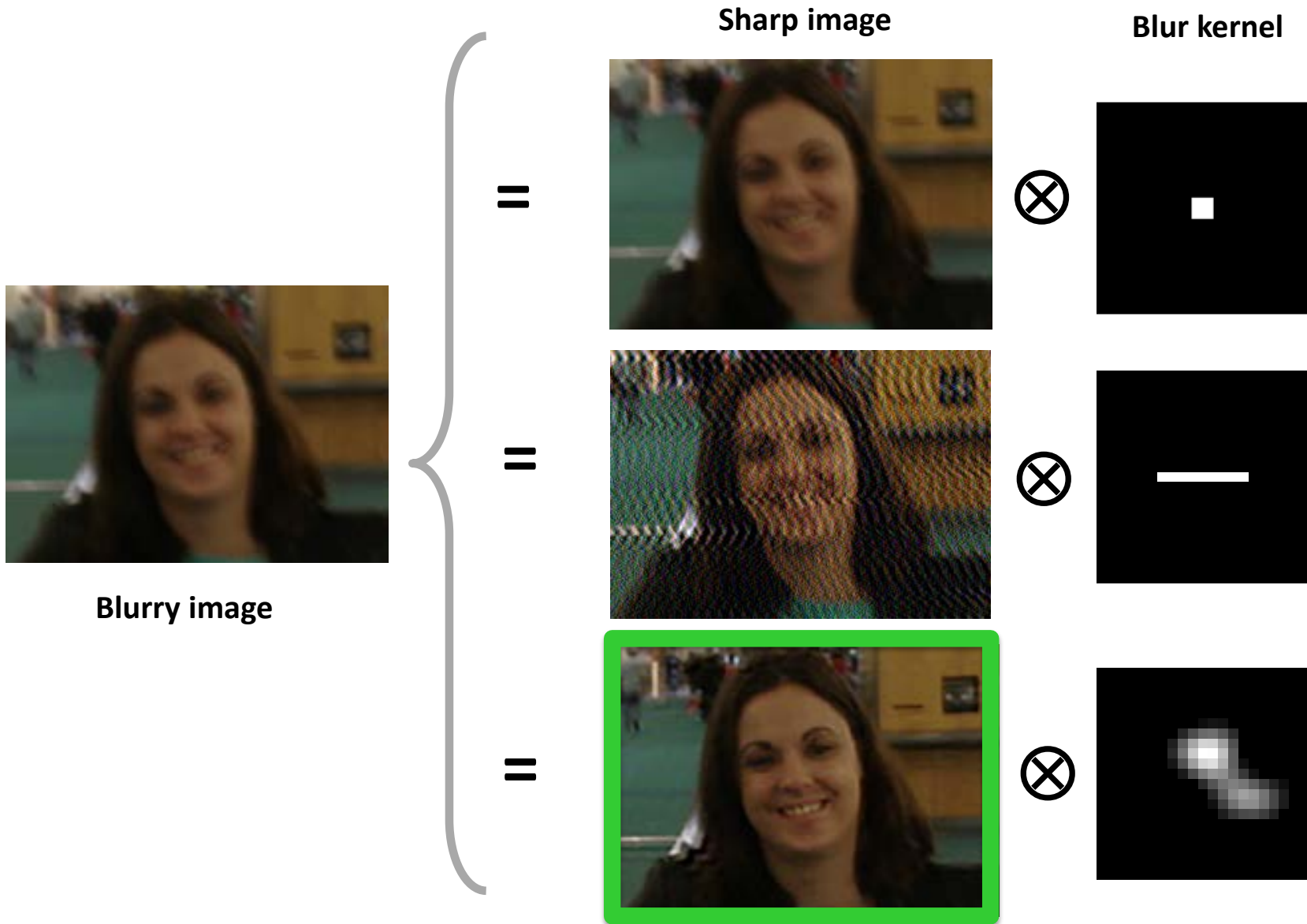
+

**Known  $\sigma$**

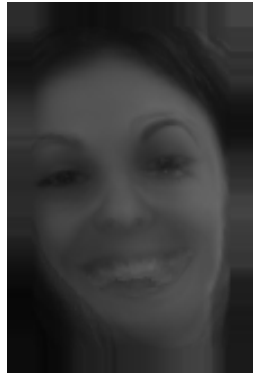
**Zero Mean Gaussian Noise**



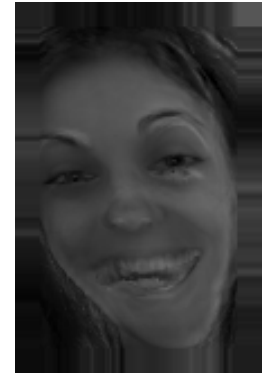
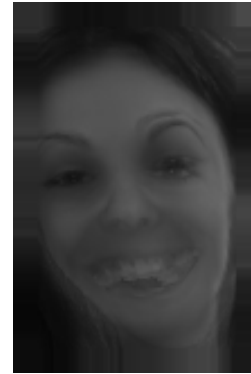
# Deblurring: Multiple Possible Solutions



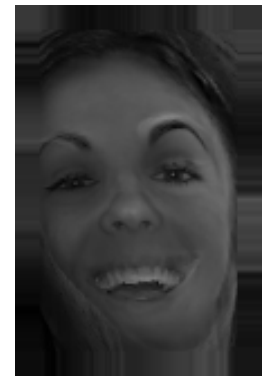
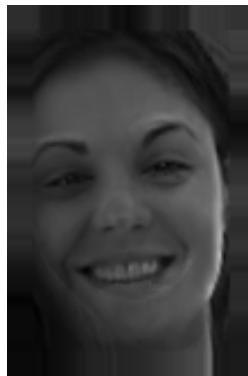
**Mean Face**



**Eigenvectors \* 3 \*  $\sigma$  + Mean Face**



**Eigenvectors \* -3 \*  $\sigma$  + Mean Face**



- Identity Specific Images are used to build an aligned eigenspace

$$I, K = \underset{I, K}{\operatorname{argmin}} \underbrace{\rho(B - I \otimes K) / \sigma^2}_{\text{Data Term}} + \underbrace{\lambda_1 \|\nabla I\|^{0.8}}_{\text{Sparse Prior}} \\ + \lambda_2 \rho\left(\left(\Lambda^T \Lambda (I - \mu) + \mu\right) - I\right) \\ + \lambda_3 \|K\|^p + \lambda_4 \|\nabla K\|^2$$

B = Blurry Image  
I = Sharp Prediction  
 $\Lambda$  = Eigenbasis vectors  
 $\mu$  = Mean Vector  
 $\rho(\cdot)$  = Robust Norm  
 $\sigma$  = Noise standard deviation  
 $\lambda$  = Regularization parameter  
 $p < 1$

- Eigenspace used as a linear constraint
- Robust norm
- Sparsity and smoothness priors on the Kernel
- Solved using an Multi-Scale EM style algorithm





- Blur



- Color/Exposure Balance



- Super-Resolution/Up-sampling



- Blur



- Color/Exposure Balance

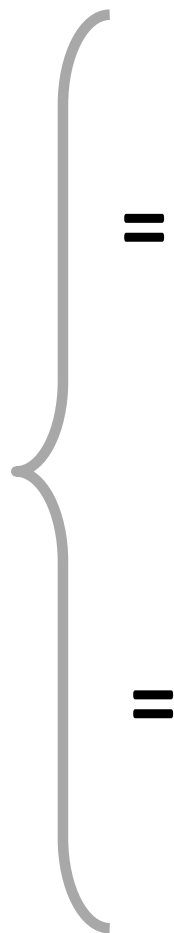


- Super-Resolution/Up-sampling

# Color Correction: Multiple Possible Solutions



Observed image



White-balanced Image

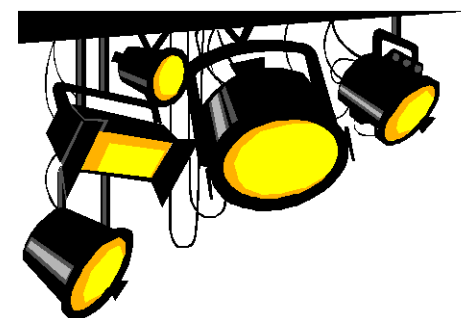


X

Lighting Color



X



# White Balance and Exposure Correction

$$C_r = \underset{C_r}{\operatorname{argmin}} \rho(\mu_r - C_r r)$$

$$C_g = \underset{C_g}{\operatorname{argmin}} \rho(\mu_g - C_g g)$$

$$C_L = \underset{C_L}{\operatorname{argmin}} \rho(\mu_L - C_L L)$$

$C_r$  = r scale  
 $C_g$  = g scale  
 $C_L$  = L scale

$\mu_r$  = Mean r Vector  
 $\mu_g$  = Mean g Vector  
 $\mu_L$  = Mean L Vector

$\rho(\cdot)$  = Robust Norm

- Diagonal white balancing matrix (scales r and g independently)
- Exposure adjustment scales lighting layer



- Blur



- Color/Exposure Balance



- Super-Resolution/Up-sampling



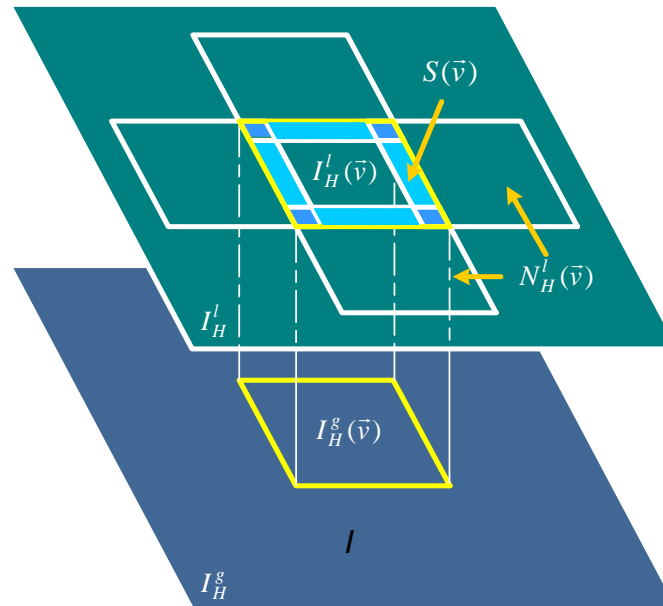
- Blur



- Color/Exposure Balance



- Super-Resolution/Up-sampling



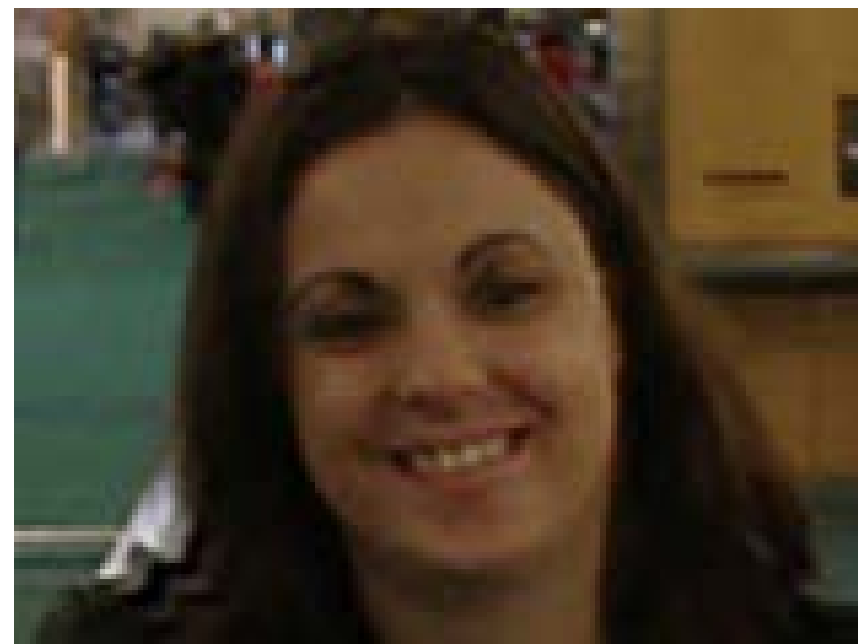
- High-frequencies hallucinated by minimizing the energy of patch-based Markov network
- Two types of energies:
  - *external potential* — to model the connective statistics between two linked patches in  $I_H^l$  and  $I_H^s$ .
  - *internal potential* — to make adjacent patches in  $I_H^l$  smooth.
- Energy minimization by raster scan [Freeman et al. 2000]



# Results

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## Good Example Images

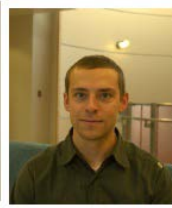
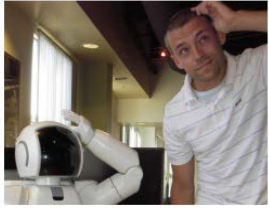


## Good Example Images



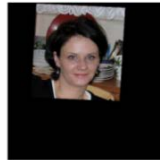
# Defocus Blur (Local Correction)

## Good Example Images



# Upsampling (Local Correction)

## Good Example Images



# Comparisons

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**Fergus et al. 2006**



**Our Result**



# Comparisons to Color Constancy [Weijer et al. 2007] <sup>30</sup>

**Grayworld**



**MaxRGB**



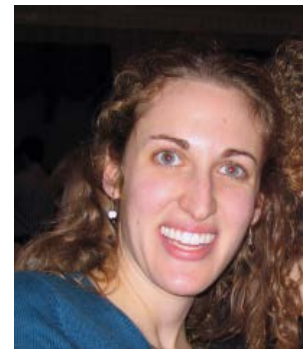
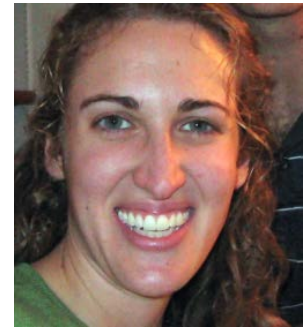
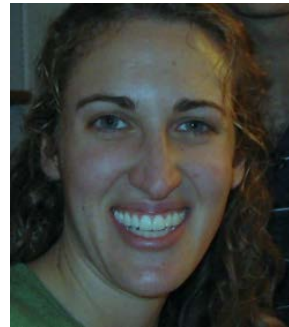
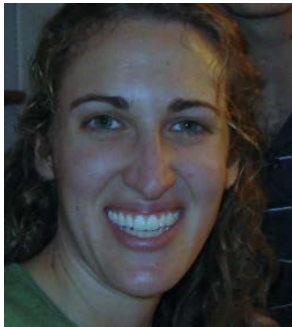
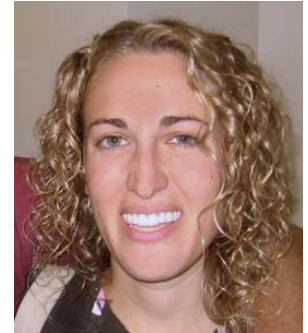
**Shades of Gray**



**Grayedge**



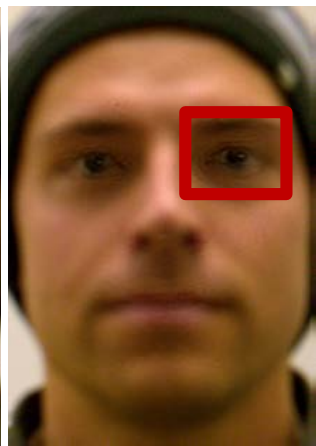
**Our Results**



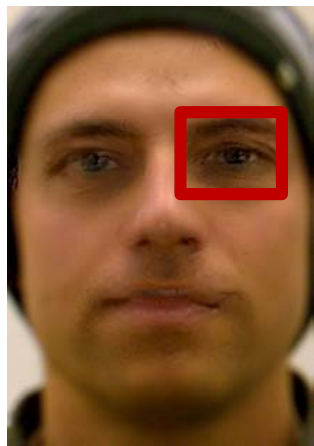
**Our Result**



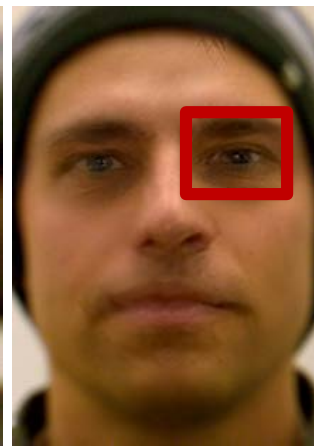
**Liu et al. 2007**



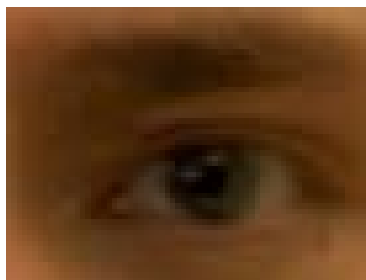
**Generic  
Faces (10)**



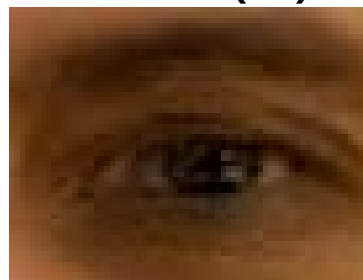
**Generic  
Faces (50)**



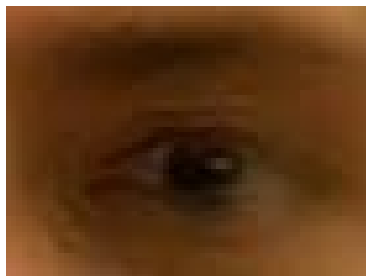
**Our Result**



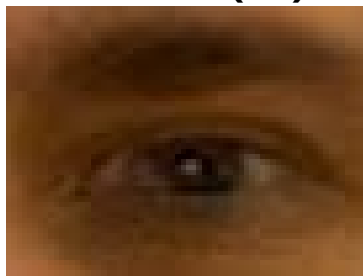
**Generic (10)**



**Liu et al.**



**Generic (50)**



**Input**



**Our Result**



**Liu et al. 2007**



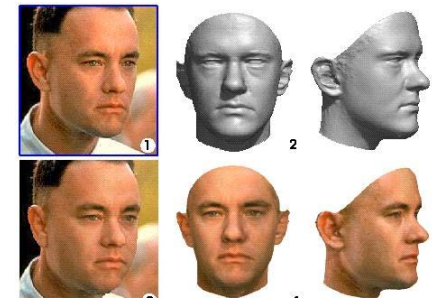
**Generic Faces (10)**



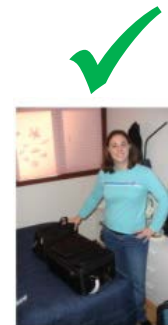
**Generic Faces (50)**



- Latent photo may not be well modeled by the Eigenspace
- All parts of the Eigenspace may not be equally likely
- A prior on the distribution within the Eigenspace
- Better non rigid alignment/morphable model
- Personalized Enhancement on camera/phone



- We use good examples of known face images for corrections
- Faces are used as calibration objects for global corrections
- We can further improve the faces in images
- Identity-specific priors out-perform generic priors





# Thank You!



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