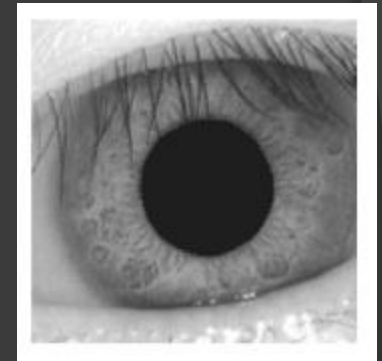


Comparative Study on Securing Biometrics Data



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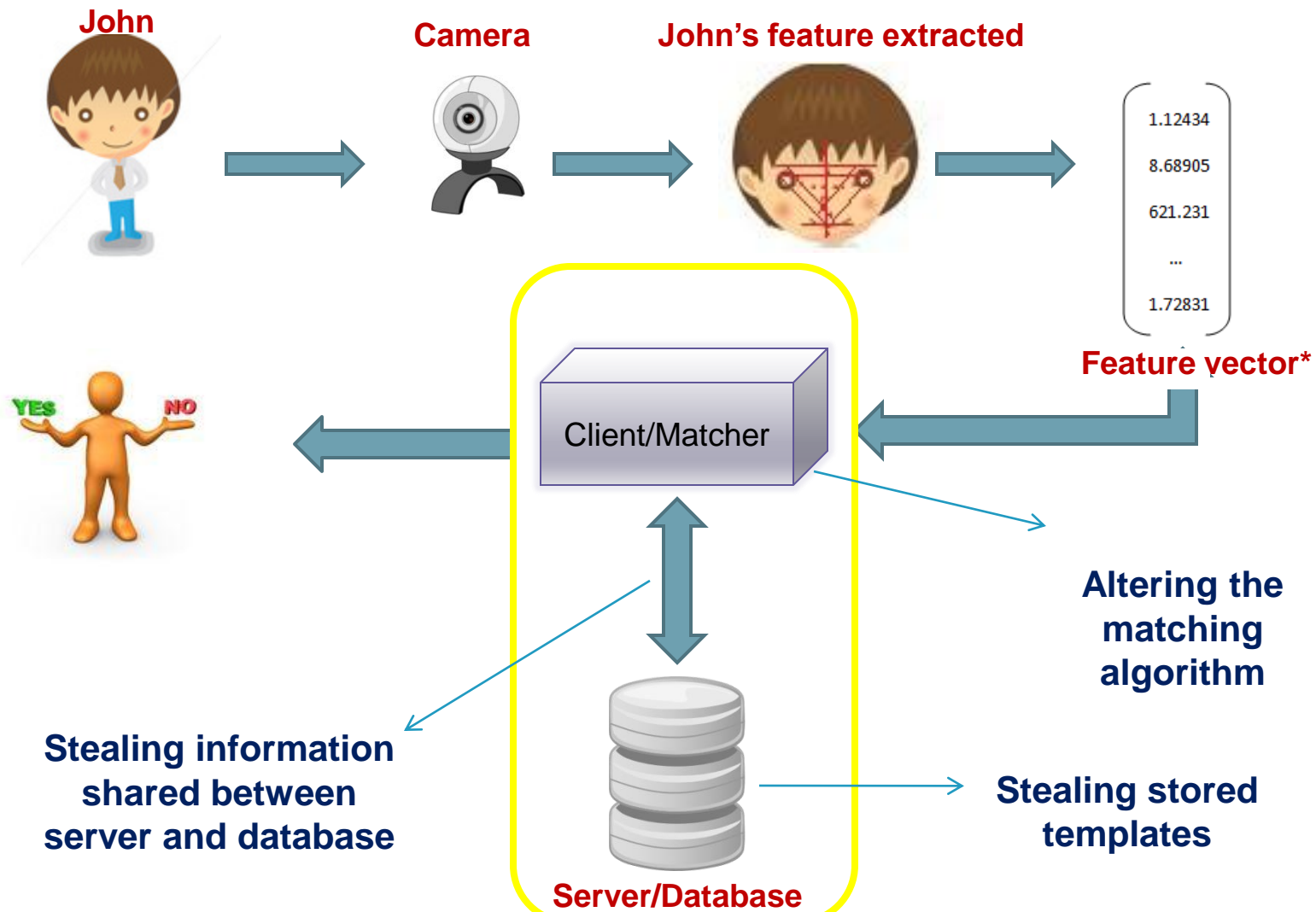
Password: ●●●● 6l

Useful but difficult to replace
when compromised

Easy to crack, easy to steal,
easy to replace

- Implementation of methods:
 1. Homomorphic Encryption & cryptographic protocol
 2. Random Projections
- Contribution: comparison and trade-off of methods
 1. Communication bandwidth
 2. Runtime
 3. Security strength & Matching accuracy
- Applications: Forensics, Identification, etc.

Points of Attacks



- Traditional Encryptions: scramble to hide plaintext
- What is special about Homomorphic encryption?
Enables certain processing/operations of encrypted data

$$a = 5 \quad b = 7 \quad a + b = 12$$

$[x]$ = encryption of x

$$[a] = 5643526$$

$$[b] = 7868123$$

$$[a] * [b] = 4433891881698$$

decryption

$$12$$



Alice (Client)



Bob (Server)



Gives Bob
[feature vector]

Euclidean
Distance protocol

Minimum/Match
Finding protocol

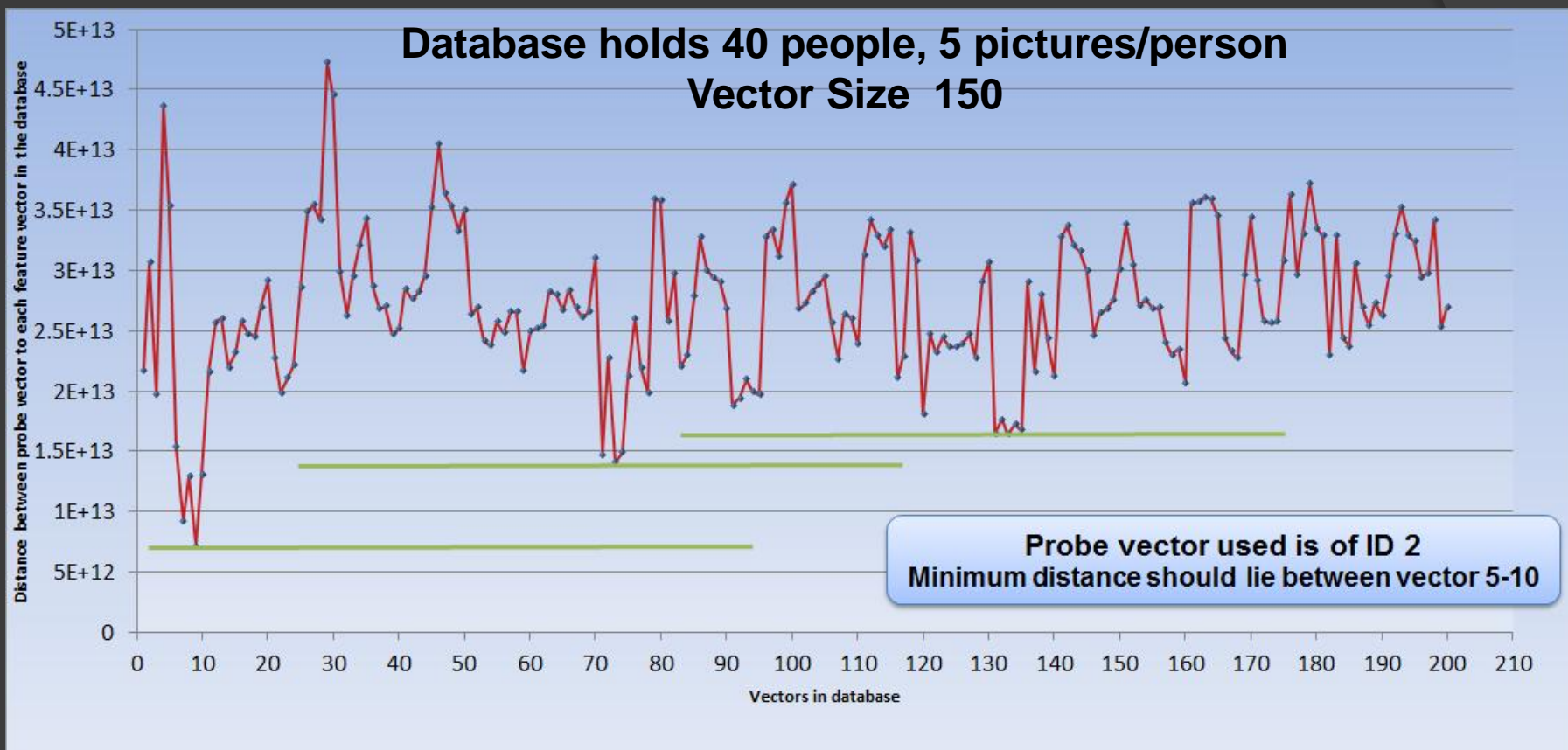
*Area of Secure communication over an encrypted
domain*

Give [Id] to Alice or 0

Alice decrypts
the ID



Distance Verification

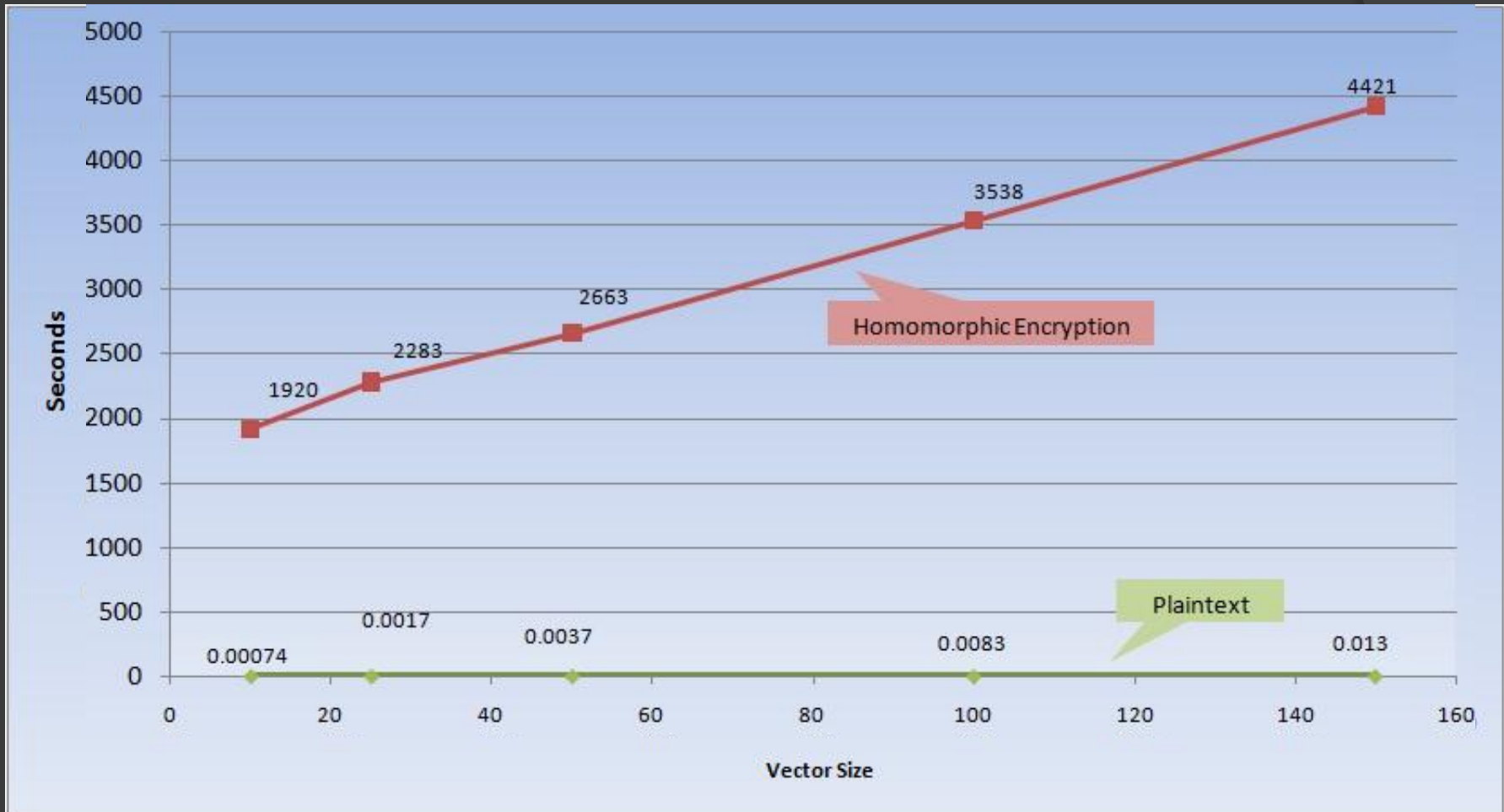


Example of face variations/person:

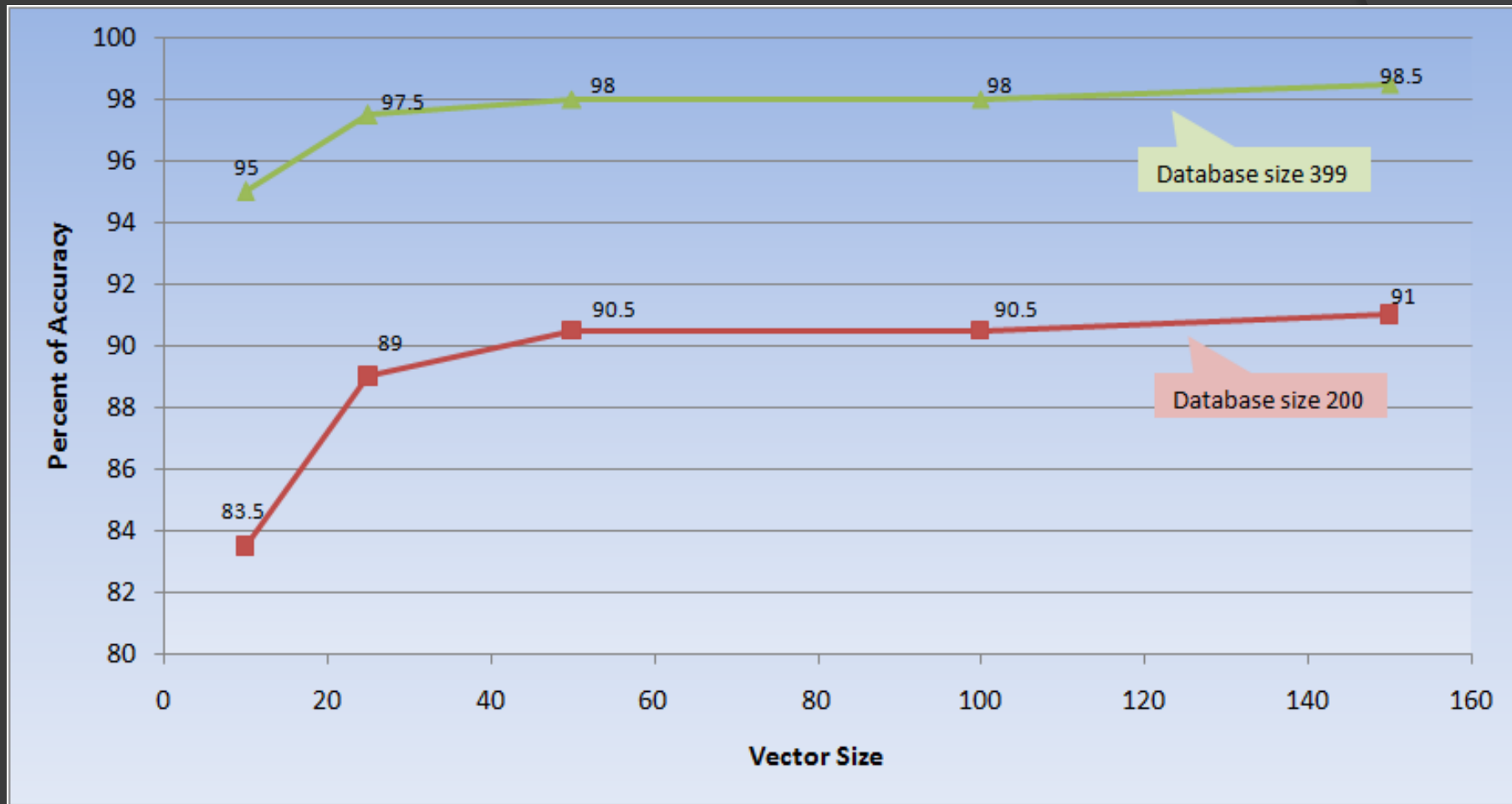


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HE: Vector Size v. Time

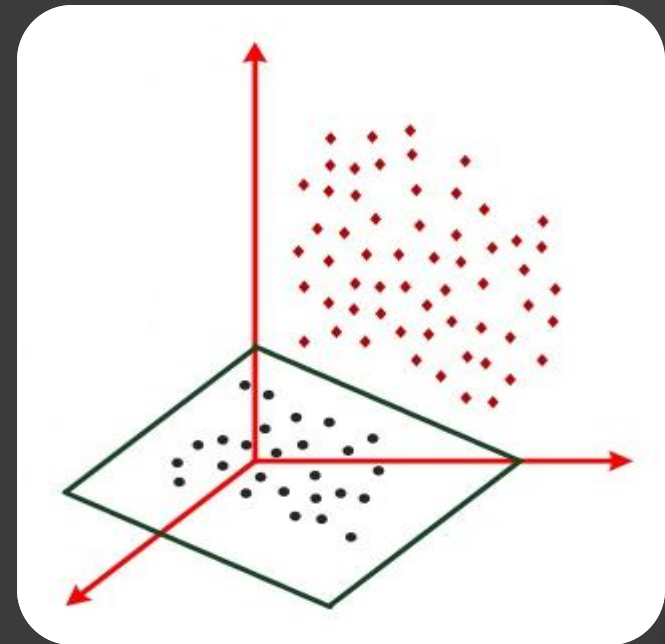


Database Size = 200 (40 people, 5 vectors per ID)
Average time for one query out of 200 queries(runs)

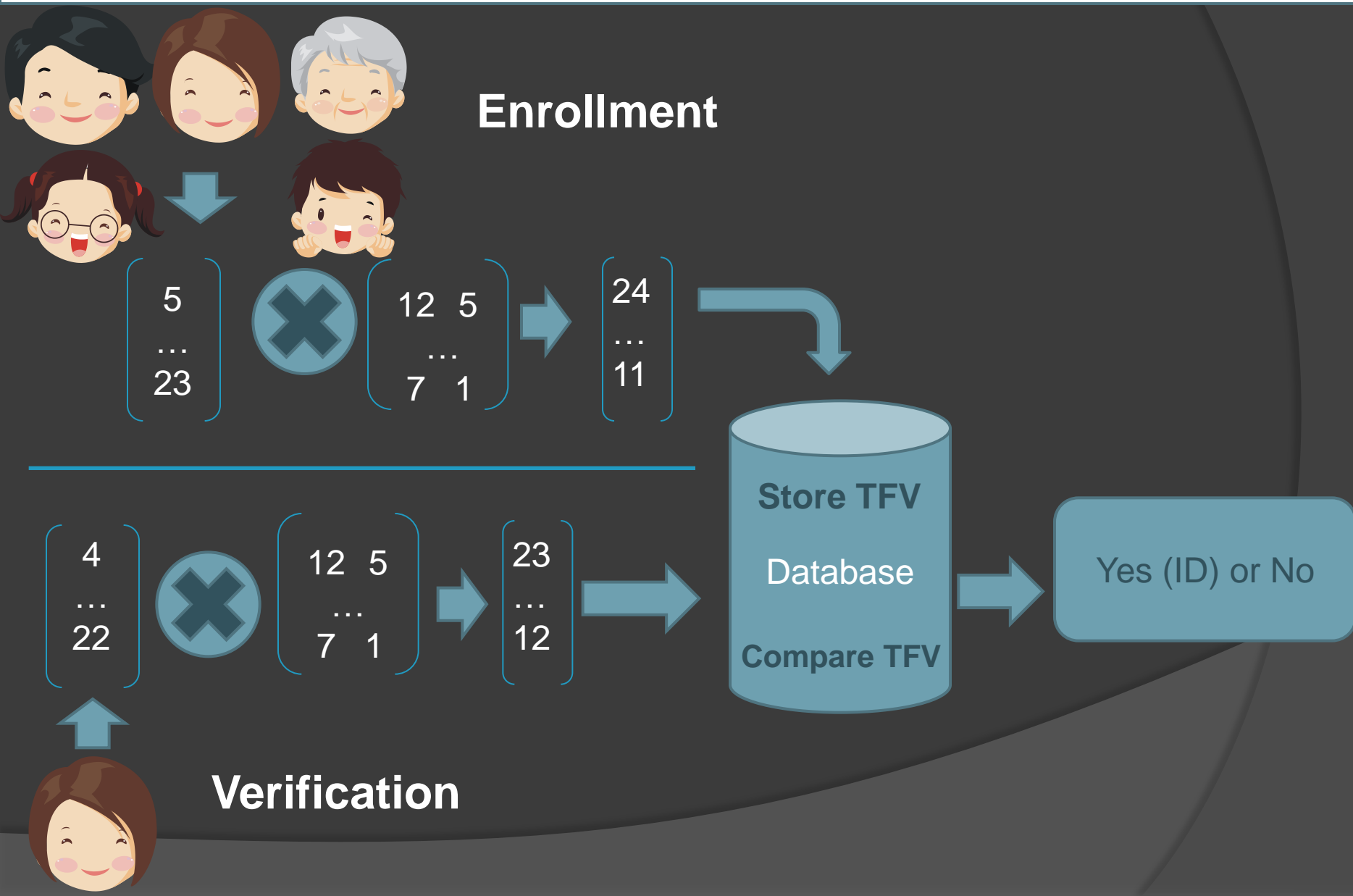


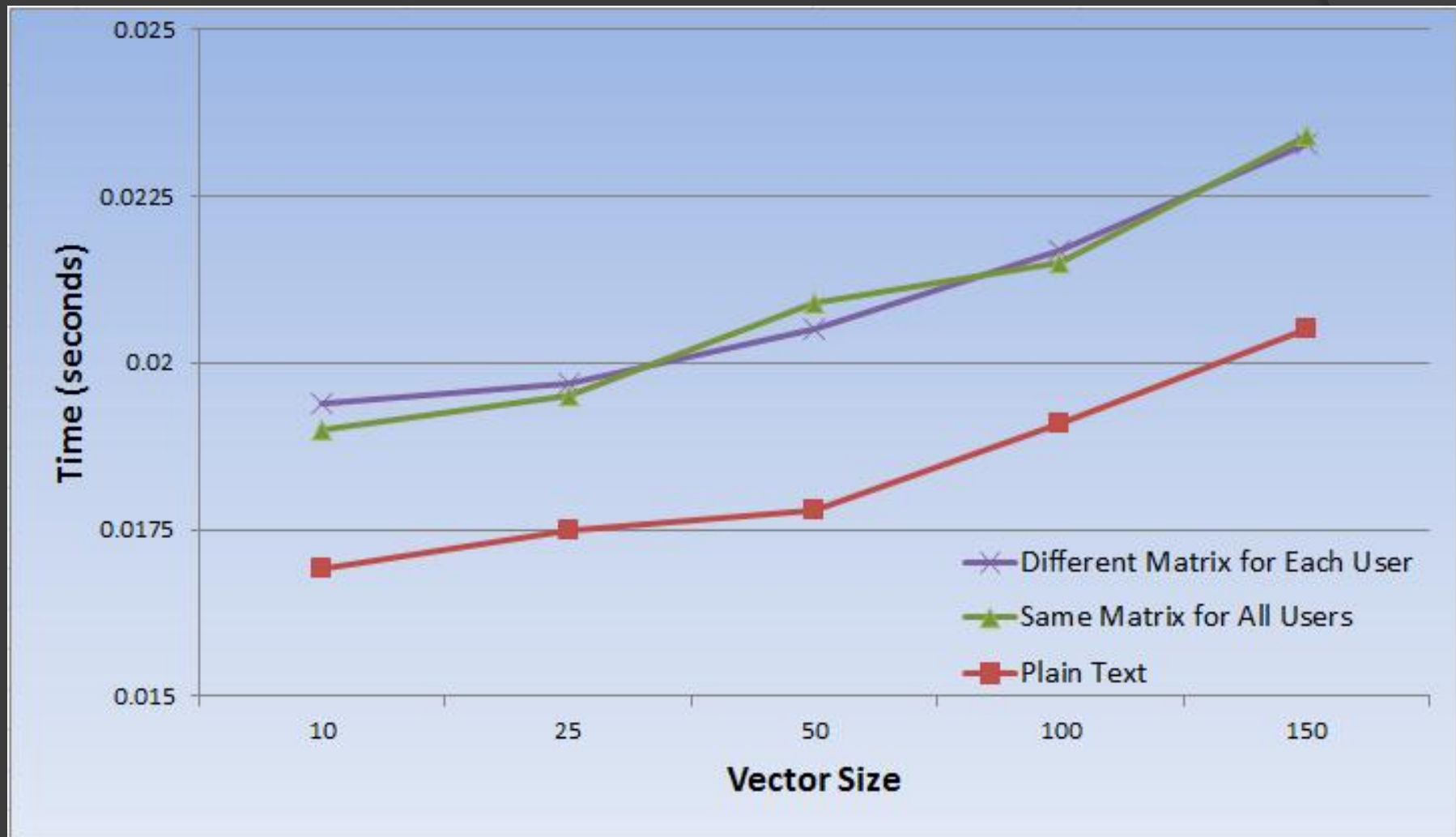
Database 200: 40 people, 5 representative variation pictures/person
Database 399: 40 people, 10 representative variation pictures/person

- The core computational method involved in Random Projection is matrix multiplication
- Gaussian, Bernoulli, or other random distribution matrix

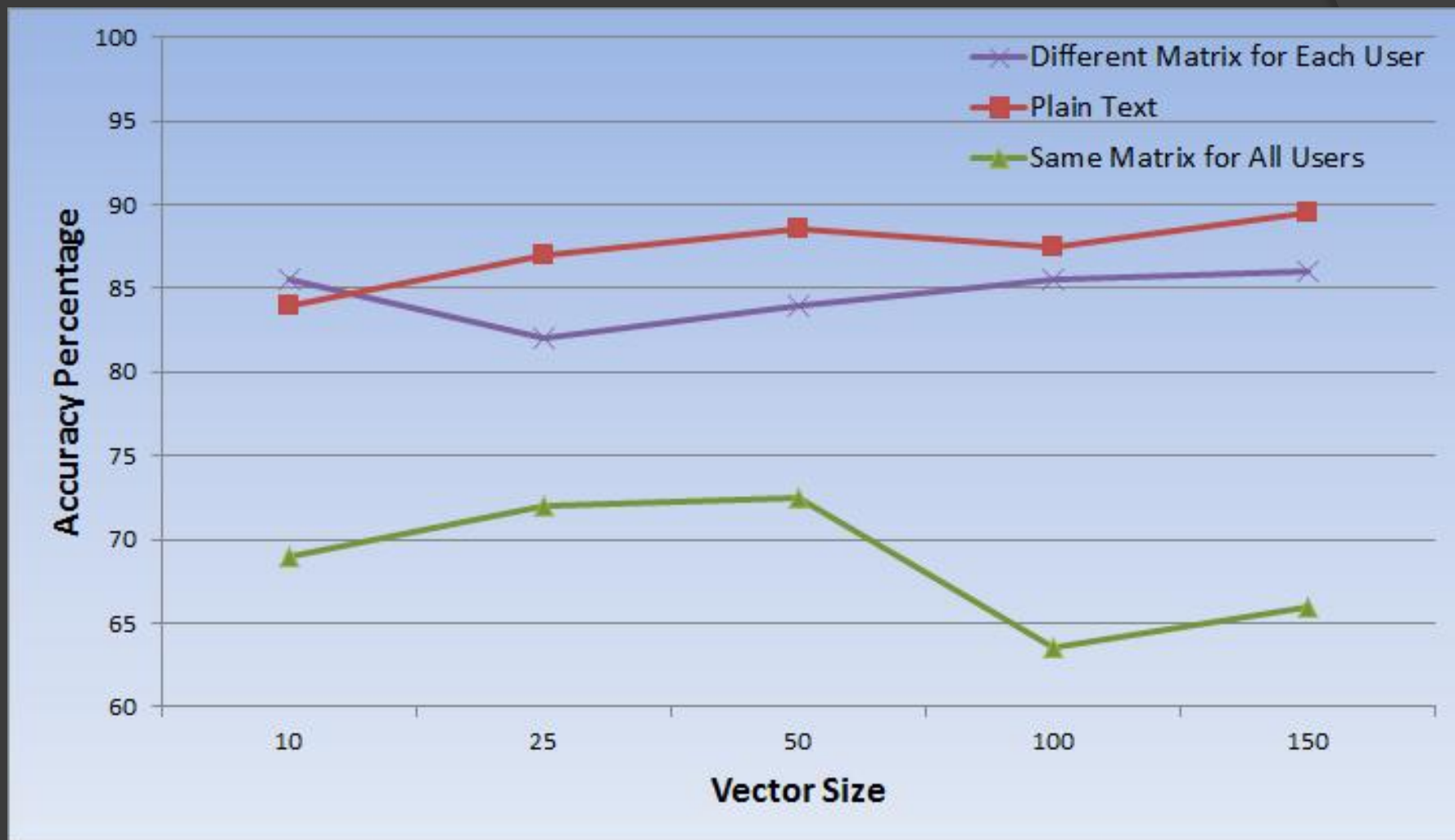


$$\mathbf{y} = \Phi \mathbf{g}$$



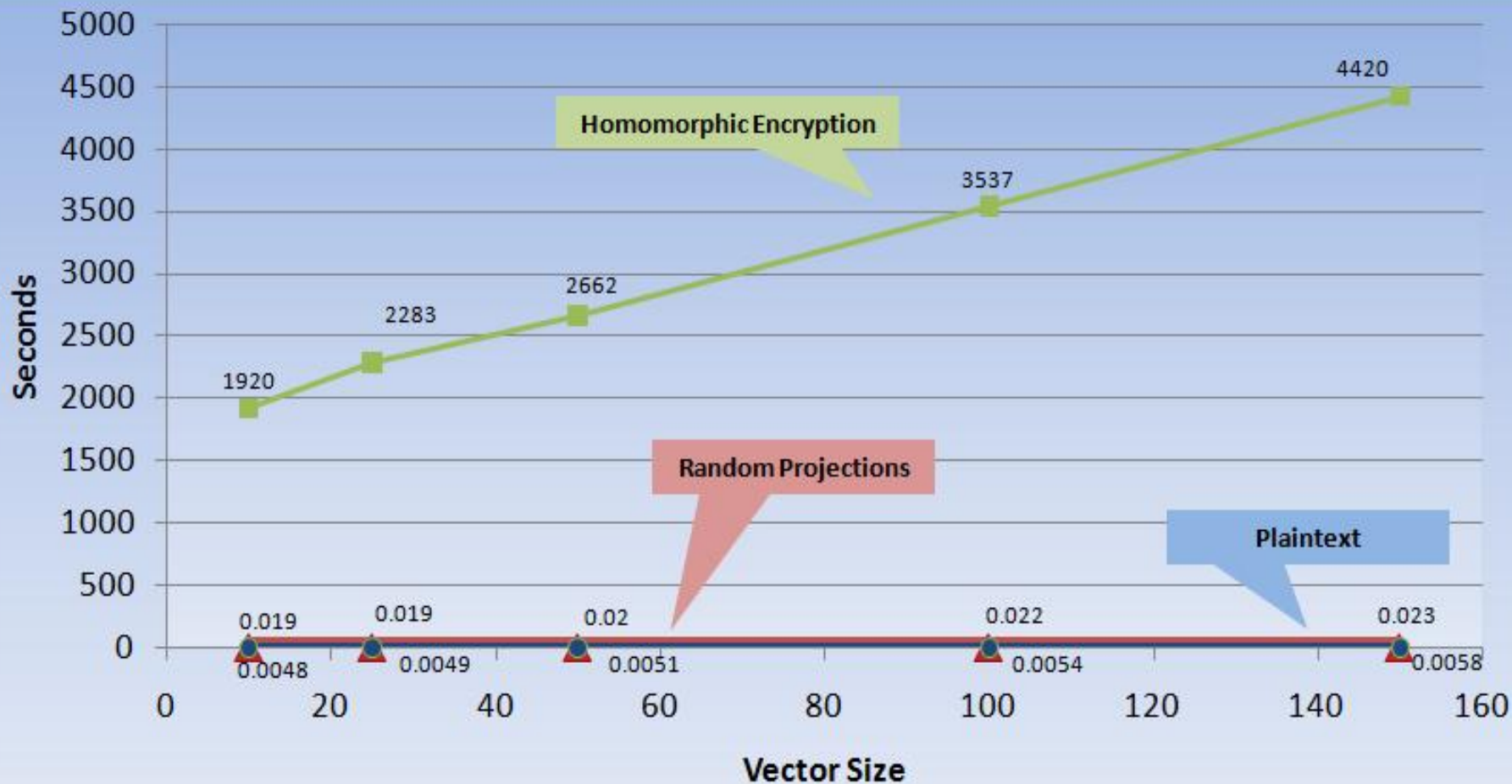


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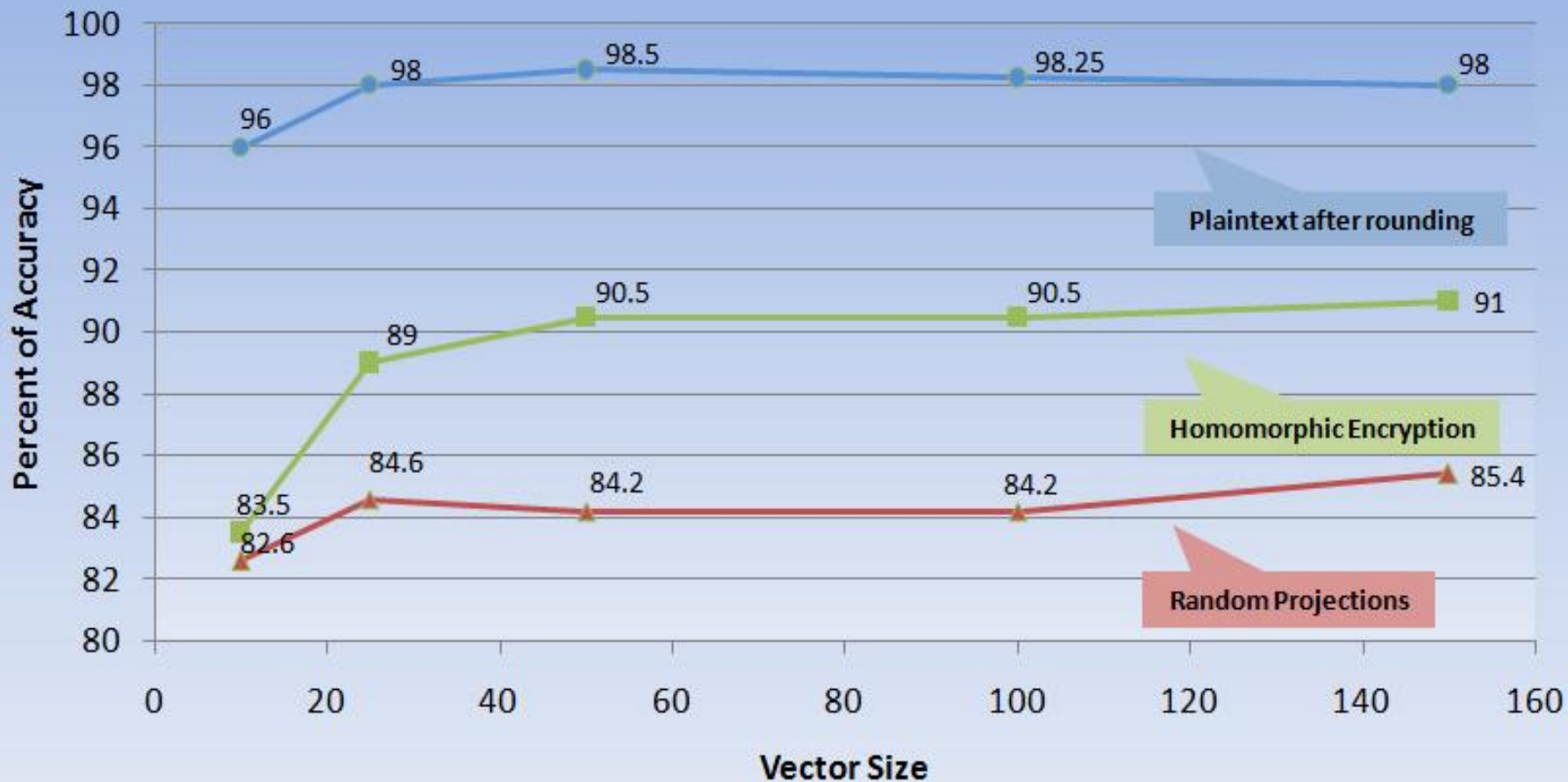


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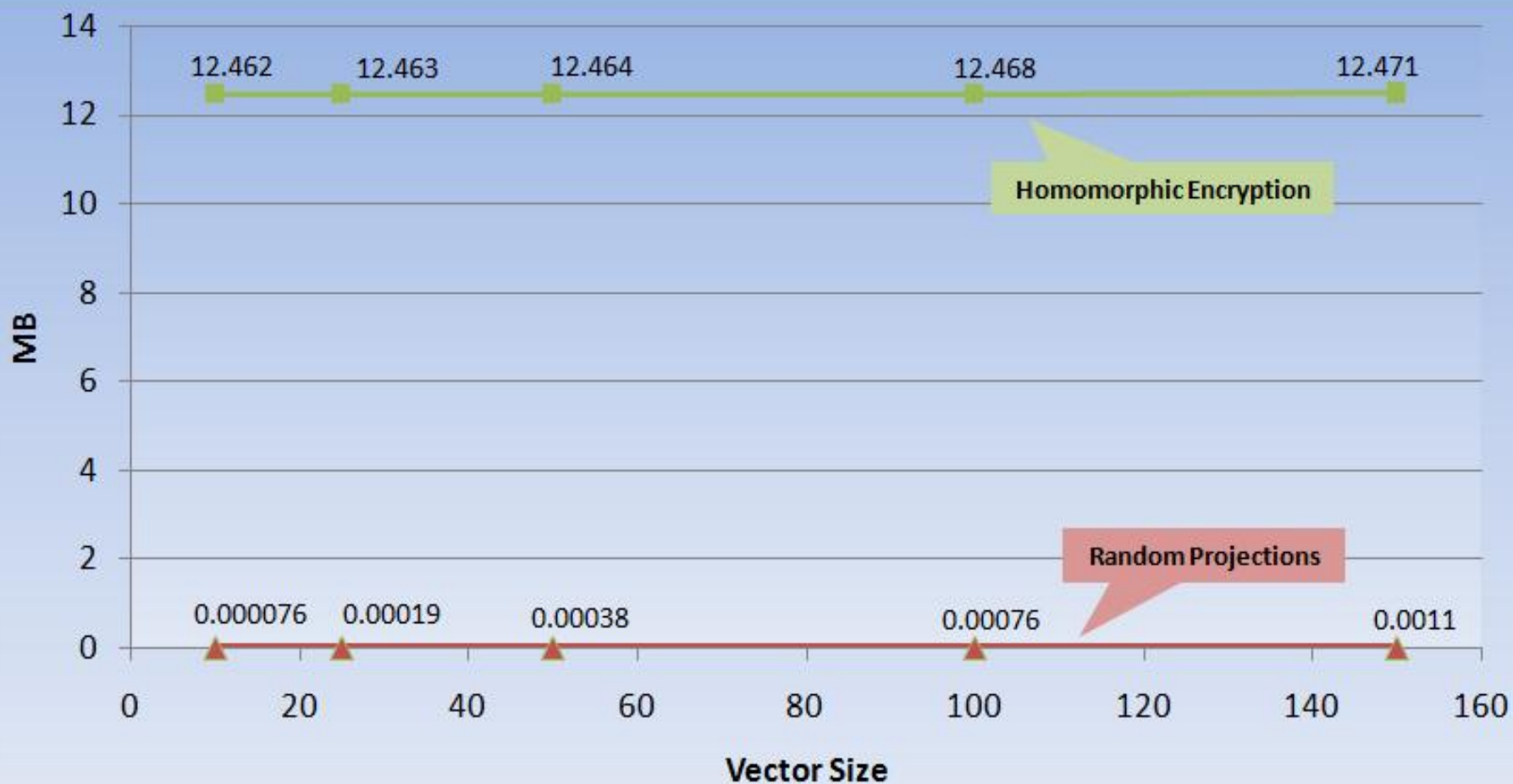
Vector Size v. Runtime



Vector Size v. Matching Accuracy



Vector Size v. Bandwidth





Conclusion & Future Work



- Homomorphic Encryption: security and accuracy
most secure communication method, database in plaintext
- Random Projections: easy to use and fast
communication is not as secure, database doesn't store plaintext
- Current and Future Work:
 1. Implementation & testing of Error Correction Code
 2. Implementation of Garbled Circuit – ~40% faster



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