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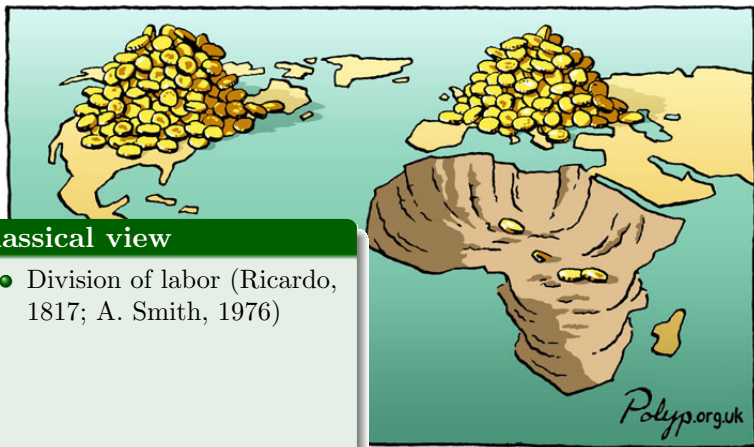
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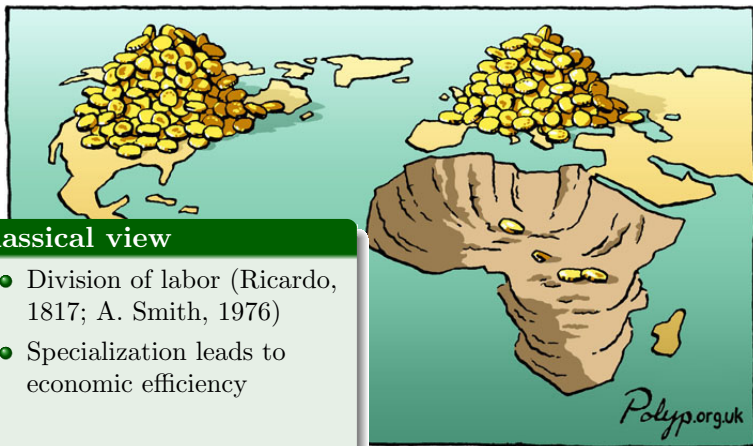


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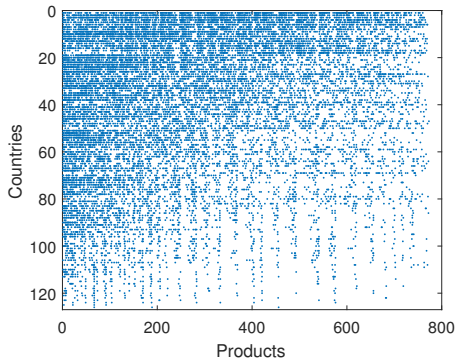
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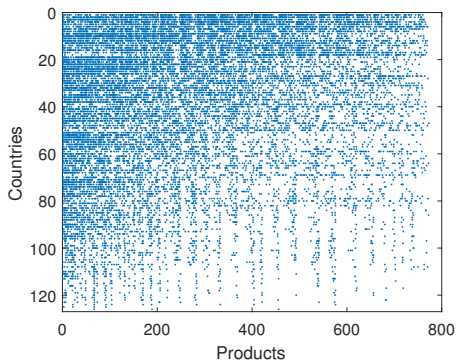
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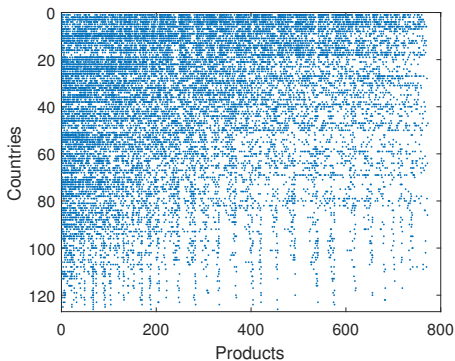
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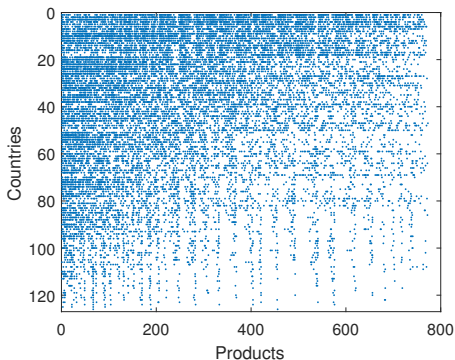


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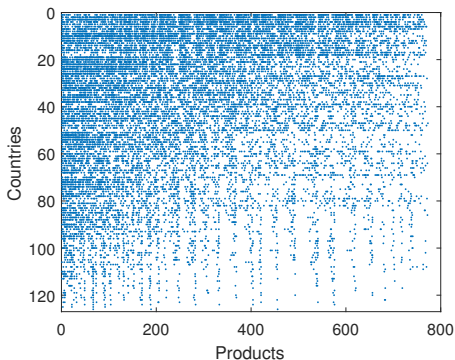


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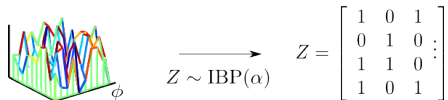
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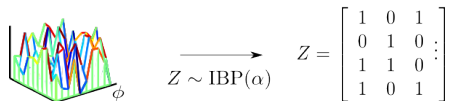
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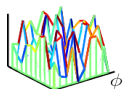
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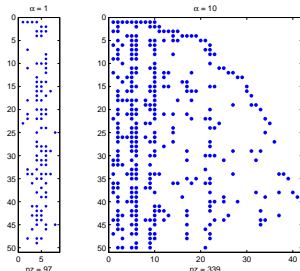
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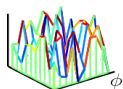


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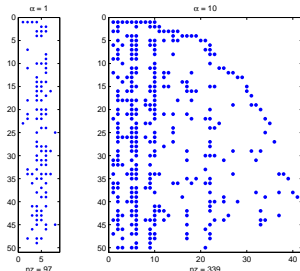
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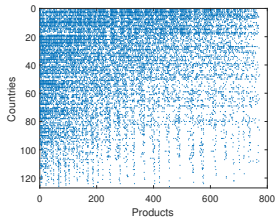
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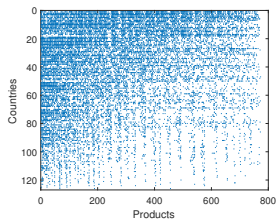
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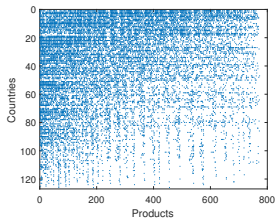
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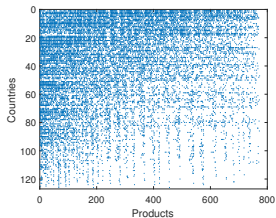
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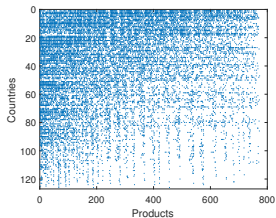
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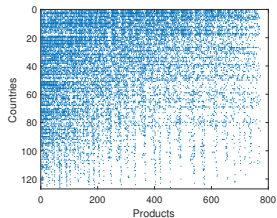
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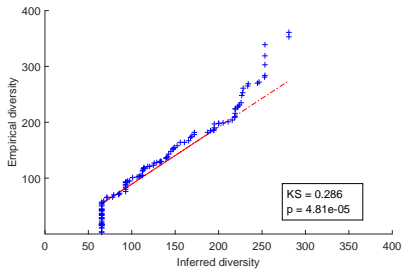
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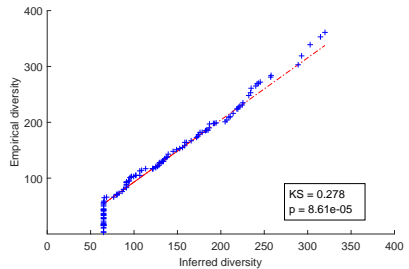
- ① 3P-IBP  $\rightarrow$  high-tech features
- ② R-IBP  $\rightarrow$  countries inequalities
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## Capturing Input Sparsity Structure



(a) S-IBP



(b) Our model S3R-IBP

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Blocks of Iron and Steel	0.41
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Animal meat, misc	0.39
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Miscellaneous Tire Parts	0.38
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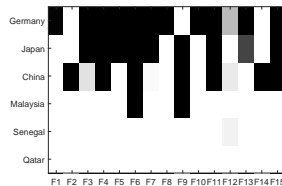
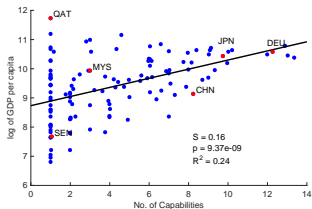
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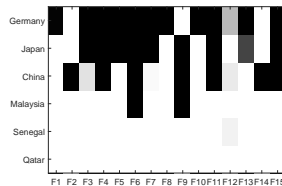
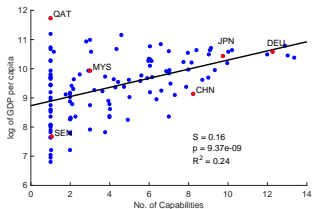


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