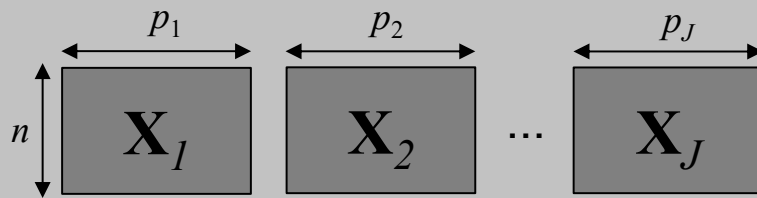


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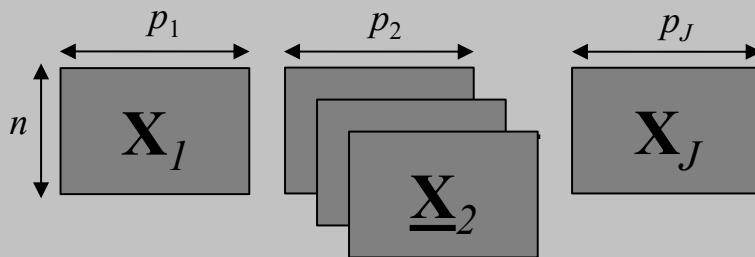
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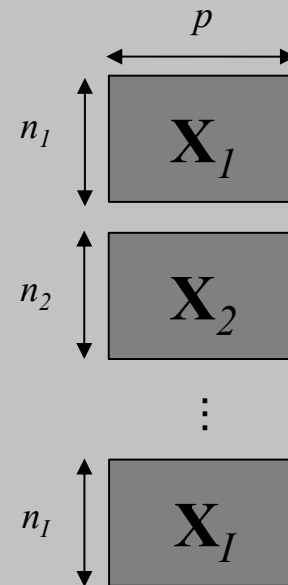
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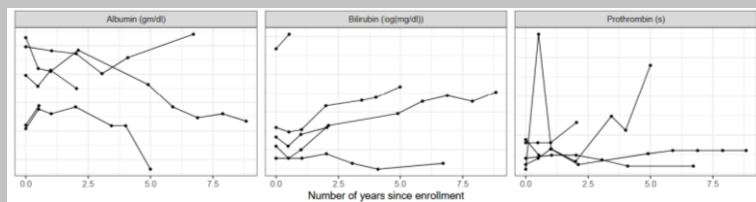
(a) multiblock structure



(b) multiblock/multiway structure



(c) multigroup structure



(c) longitudinal multiblock structure

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# Economic inequality and political instability

## Data from Russett (1964)

### Economic inequality

#### Agricultural inequality

**GINI** : Inequality of land distributions

**FARM** : % farmers that own half of the land ( $> 50$ )

**RENT** : % farmers that rent all their land

#### Industrial development

**GNPR** : Gross national product per capita (\$ 1955)

**LABO** : % of labor force employed in agriculture

### Political instability

**INST** : Instability of executive (45-61)

**ECKS** : Nb of violent internal war incidents (46-61)

**DEAT** : Nb of people killed as a result of civic group violence (50-62)

**D-STAB** : Stable democracy

**D-UNST** : Unstable democracy

**DICT** : Dictatorship

# Economic inequality and political instability

(Data from Russett, 1964)

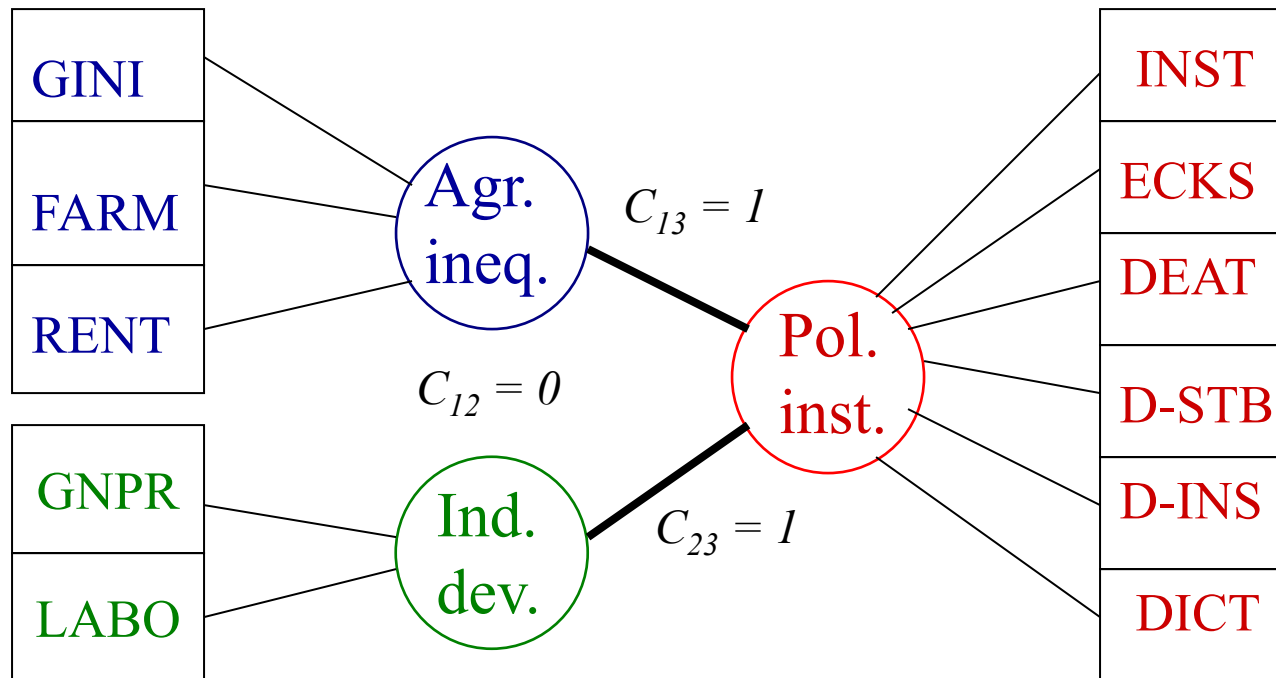
	$X_1$			$X_2$		$X_3$			
	Gini	Farm	Rent	Gnpr	Labo	Inst	Ecks	Deat	Demo
Argentina	86.3	98.2	32.9	374	25	13.6	57	217	2
Australie	92.9	99.6	*	1215	14	11.3	0	0	1
Autriche	74.0	97.4	10.7	532	32	12.8	4	0	2
⋮									
France	58.3	86.1	26.0	1046	26	16.3	46	1	2
⋮									
Yougoslavie	43.7	79.8	0.0	297	67	0.0	9	0	3

1 = Stable democracy  
 2 = Unstable democracy  
 3 = Dictatorship

Three data blocks

# Path diagram

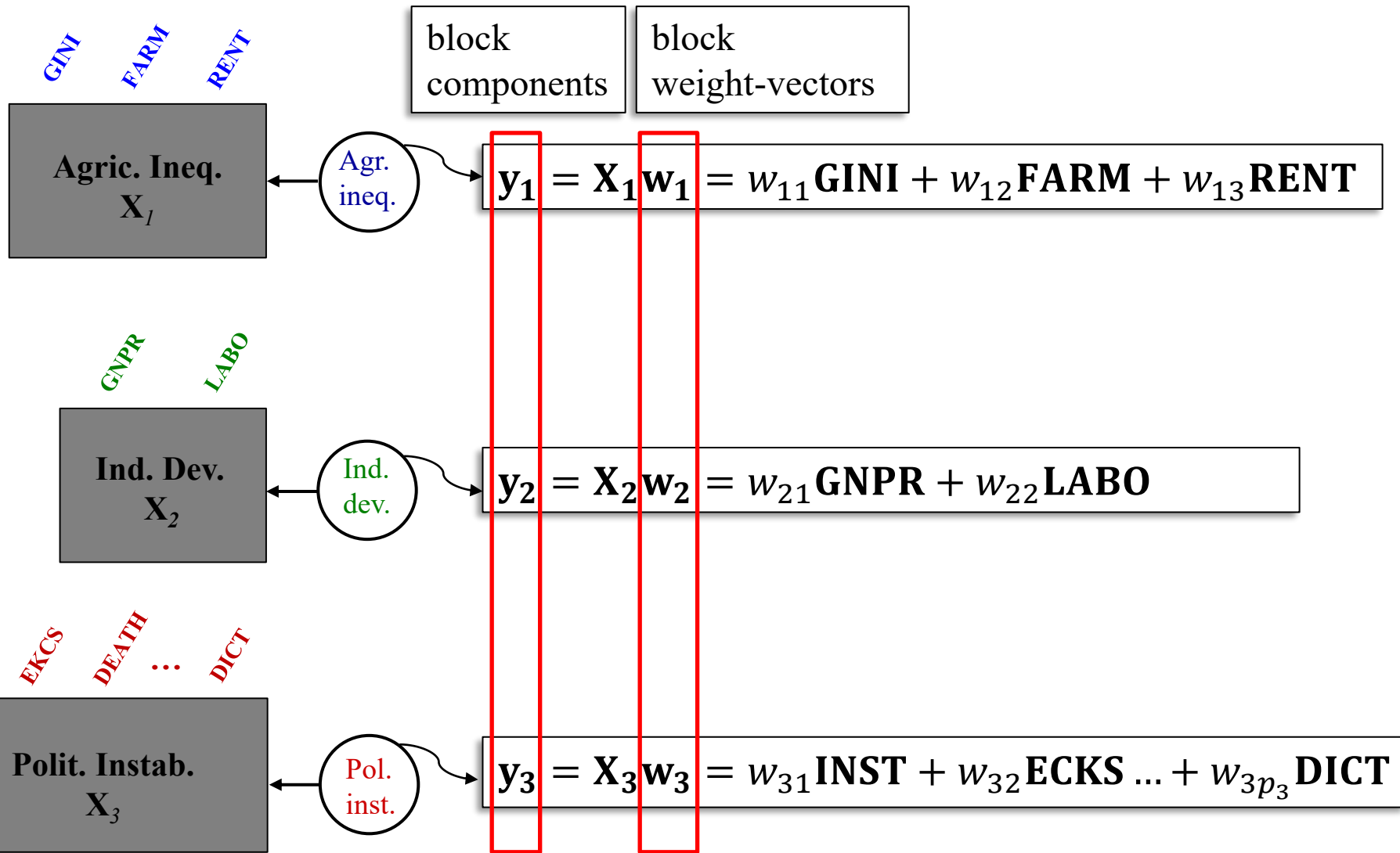
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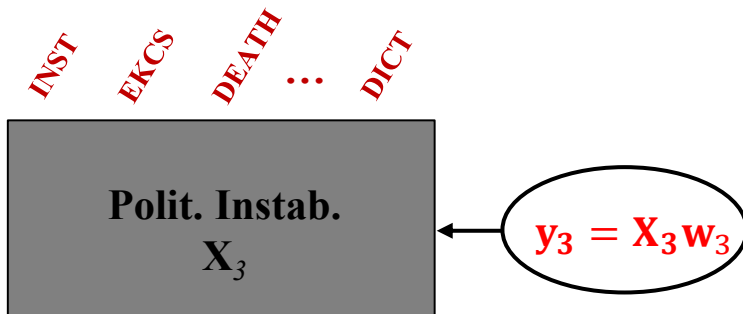
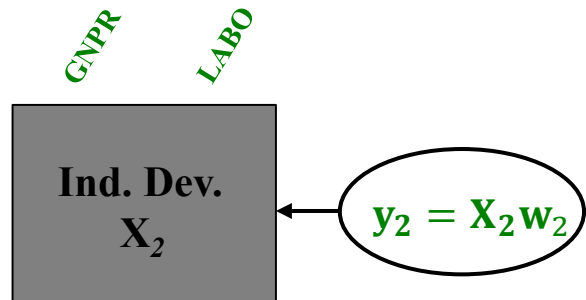
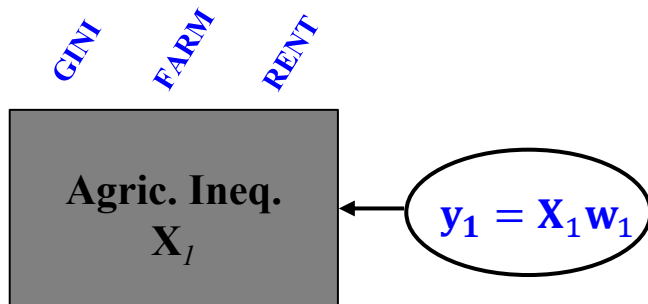
Industrial development ( $X_2$ )

Political instability ( $X_3$ )

# The philosophy of multiblock component methods



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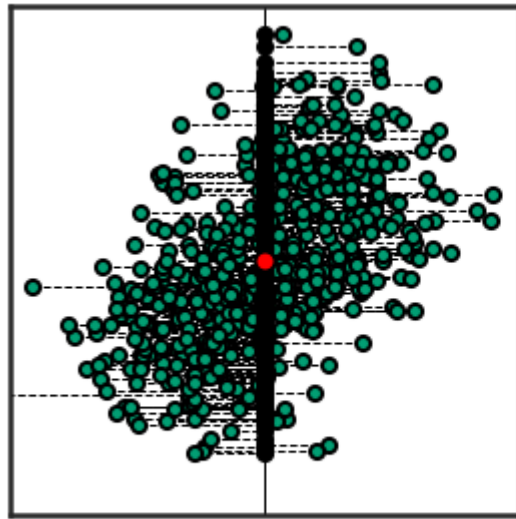
Block components should verify two properties at the same time:

1. Block components well explain their own block.
2. Block components are as correlated as possible for connected blocks.

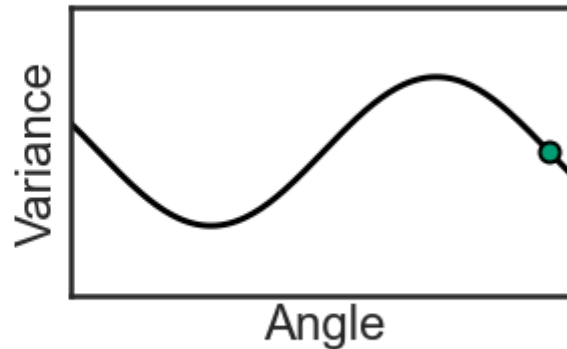
# Block components well explain their own block?

Principle of Principal Component Analysis(PCA)

⇒ find direction of maximum variance



f Data, mean and projection

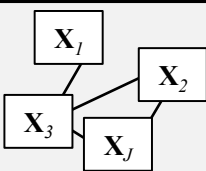


Block components well explain their own block = find direction of high variance!



**BLOCKS ARE PARTIALLY CONNECTED**

$c_{jk} = 1$  if  $\mathbf{X}_j \leftrightarrow \mathbf{X}_k$ , 0 otherwise



SUMCOR	$\max_{\text{var}(\mathbf{X}_j \mathbf{w}_j)=1} \sum_{j,k} c_{jk} \text{cov}(\mathbf{X}_j \mathbf{w}_j, \mathbf{X}_k \mathbf{w}_k)$
SSQCOR	$\max_{\text{var}(\mathbf{X}_j \mathbf{w}_j)=1} \sum_{j,k} c_{jk} \text{cov}^2(\mathbf{X}_j \mathbf{w}_j, \mathbf{X}_k \mathbf{w}_k)$
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# RGCCA for multiblock analysis

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{\mathbf{w}_1, \dots, \mathbf{w}_J} h(\mathbf{w}_1, \dots, \mathbf{w}_J) &= \sum_{j,k}^J c_{jk} g(\text{cov}(\mathbf{X}_j \mathbf{w}_j, \mathbf{X}_k \mathbf{w}_k)) \\ \text{s. t. } (1 - \tau_j) \text{var}(\mathbf{X}_j \mathbf{w}_j) + \tau_j \|\mathbf{w}_j\|_2^2 &= 1, j = 1, \dots, J \end{aligned}$$

- $c_{jk} = 1$  if  $\mathbf{X}_j \leftrightarrow \mathbf{X}_k$ , 0 otherwise
- $g =$  any convex function – e.g.  $\begin{cases} g(x) = x & \text{(Horst scheme)} \\ g(x) = x^2 & \text{(Factorial scheme)} \\ g(x) = |x| & \text{(Centroid scheme)} \end{cases}$
- $0 \leq \tau_j \leq 1$  continuum between correlation and covariance

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## Two key ingredients:

- (i) Block relaxation
- (ii) Majorization by Minorization (MM)

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# Block relaxation: from $\mathbf{w}^s$ to $\mathbf{w}^{s+1}$

$$\mathbf{w}^s = (\mathbf{w}_1^s, \mathbf{w}_2^s, \dots, \mathbf{w}_j^s)$$

$$\operatorname{argmax}_{\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_1^\top \mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{w}_1 = 1} h(\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2^s, \dots, \mathbf{w}_j^s)$$

$$\rightarrow \mathbf{w}_1^{s+1}$$

$$\rightarrow \mathbf{w}_2^{s+1}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\rightarrow \mathbf{w}_j^{s+1}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\rightarrow \mathbf{w}_j^{s+1}$$



primal algorithm  
 $n \geq p_j$



dual algorithm  
 $n < p_j$

# Primal/dual update for RGCCA

## Primal update



$$\mathbf{w}_j^{s+1} = \frac{\overset{p_j \times p_j}{\left( (1 - \tau_j) n^{-1} \mathbf{X}_j^\top \mathbf{X}_j + \tau_j \mathbf{I}_{p_j} \right)^{-1} \mathbf{X}_j^\top \mathbf{z}_j^s}}{\left( \mathbf{z}_j^{s\top} \mathbf{X}_j \left( (1 - \tau_j) n^{-1} \mathbf{X}_j^\top \mathbf{X}_j + \tau_j \mathbf{I}_{p_j} \right)^{-1} \mathbf{X}_j^\top \mathbf{z}_j^s \right)^{1/2}}$$

## Dual update



$$\mathbf{w}_j^{s+1} = \frac{\overset{n \times n}{\mathbf{X}_j^\top \left( (1 - \tau_j) n^{-1} \mathbf{X}_j \mathbf{X}_j^\top + \tau_j \mathbf{I}_n \right)^{-1} \mathbf{z}_j^s}}{\left( \mathbf{z}_j^{s\top} \mathbf{X}_j \mathbf{X}_j^\top \left( (1 - \tau_j) n^{-1} \mathbf{X}_j \mathbf{X}_j^\top + \tau_j \mathbf{I}_n \right)^{-1} \mathbf{z}_j^s \right)^{1/2}}$$

# Properties of the RGCCA algorithm for multiblock data

- **Monotone convergence**:  $h(\mathbf{w}_1^{s+1}, \dots, \mathbf{w}_J^{s+1}) \geq h(\mathbf{w}_1^s, \dots, \mathbf{w}_J^s)$ .

In addition, assuming uniqueness of the solution of the MM step, the following properties hold:

- The sequence  $\{\mathbf{w}^s\}$  is **asymptotically regular**:  $\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \|\mathbf{w}^{s+1} - \mathbf{w}^s\| = 0$ .
- At convergence, a **stationary point** is obtained.

# RGCCA as a general framework for multiblock analysis

Methods	$g(x)$	$\tau_j$ or $s_j$	C	Orthogonality
<b>Canonical correlation analysis</b> cca	$x$	$\tau_1 = \tau_2 = 0$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	Comp
<b>Inter-battery factor analysis or PLS regression</b> ifa/pls		$\tau_1 = \tau_2 = 1$		
<b>sparse PLS regression</b> spls		$\frac{1}{\sqrt{p_1}} < s_1 \leq 1;$ $\frac{1}{\sqrt{p_2}} < s_2 \leq 1$		
<b>Redundancy analysis</b> ra		$\tau_1 = 1 ; \tau_2 = 0$		
<b>Regularized redundancy analysis</b> rgcca		$0 \leq \tau_1 \leq 1 ; \tau_2 = 0$		
<b>Regularized canonical correlation analysis</b> rgcca		$0 \leq \tau_1 \leq 1 ;$ $0 \leq \tau_2 \leq 1$		

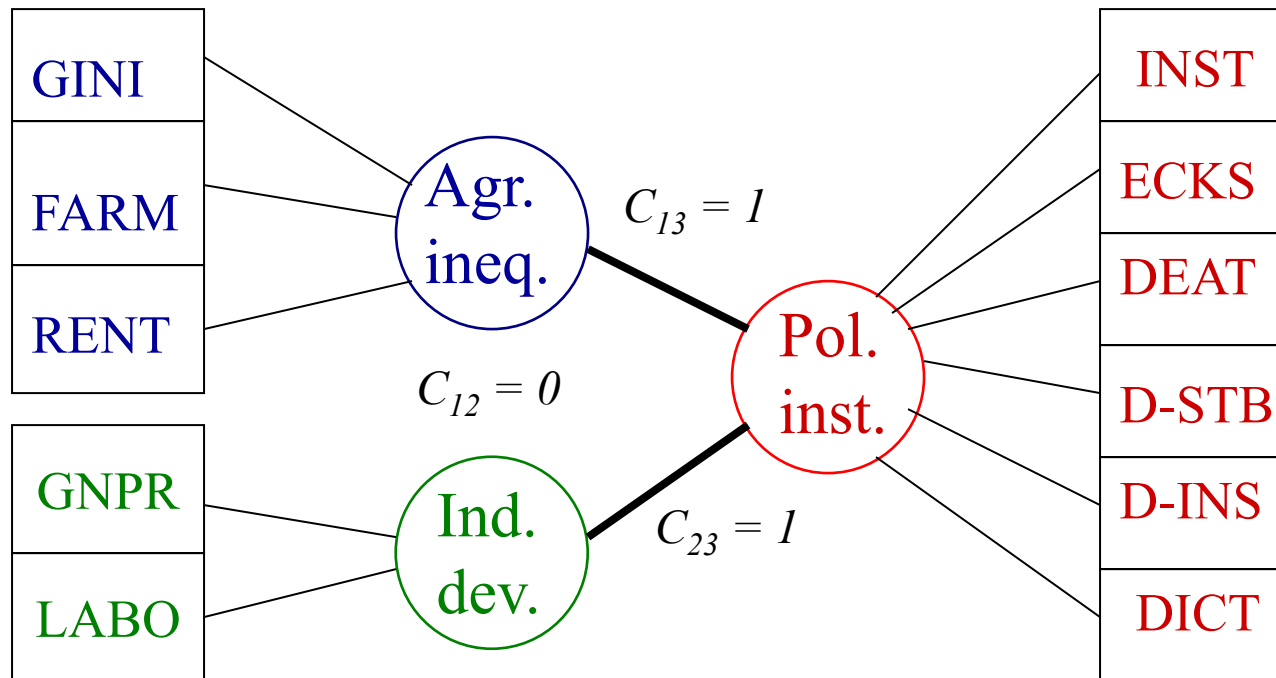
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<b>SUMCOR</b> <code>sumcor</code>	$x$	$\tau_j = 0$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & 1 \\ 1 & \cdots & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	Comp
<b>SSQCOR</b> <code>ssqcor</code>	$x^2$	$\tau_j = 0$		Comp
<b>SABSCOR</b> <code>sabscor</code>	$ x $	$\tau_j = 0$		Comp
<b>SUMCOV-1</b> <code>sumcov-1</code>	$x$	$\tau_j = 1$		Comp
<b>MAXBET</b> <code>maxbet</code>	$x$	$\tau_j = 1$		Weight
<b>SSQCOV-1</b> <code>ssqcov-1</code>	$x^2$	$\tau_j = 1$		Comp
<b>MAXBET-B</b> <code>maxbet-b</code>	$x^2$	$\tau_j = 1$		Weight
<b>SABSCOV-1</b> <code>sabscov-1</code>	$ x $	$\tau_j = 1$		Comp
<b>SABSCOV-2</b> <code>sabscov-2</code>	$x^2$	$\tau_j = 1$		Comp
<b>SUMCOV-2</b> <code>sumcov-2</code>	$x$	$\tau_j = 1$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & 1 \\ 1 & \cdots & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	Comp
<b>MAXDIFF</b> <code>maxdiff</code>	$x$	$\tau_j = 1$		Weight
<b>SSQCOV-2</b> <code>ssqcov-2</code>	$x^2$	$\tau_j = 1$		Comp
<b>MAXDIFF-B</b> <code>maxdiff-b</code>	$x^2$	$\tau_j = 1$		Weight
<b>PLS path modeling - mode B</b> <code>rgcca</code>	$ x $	$\tau_j = 0$	$c_{jk} \neq 0$ for two connected blocks and 0 otherwise	Comp
<b>DIABLO</b> <code>sgcca</code>	$g$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{p_j}} \leq s_j \leq 1$		Comp
<b>Regularized Generalized Canonical Correlation Analysis</b> <code>rgcca</code>	$g$	$0 \leq \tau_j \leq 1$		Comp/Weight
<b>Sparse Generalized Canonical Correlation Analysis</b> <code>sgcca</code>	$g$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{p_j}} \leq s_j \leq 1$		Comp/Weight



# The Russett dataset

## Agricultural inequality ( $\mathbf{X}_1$ )



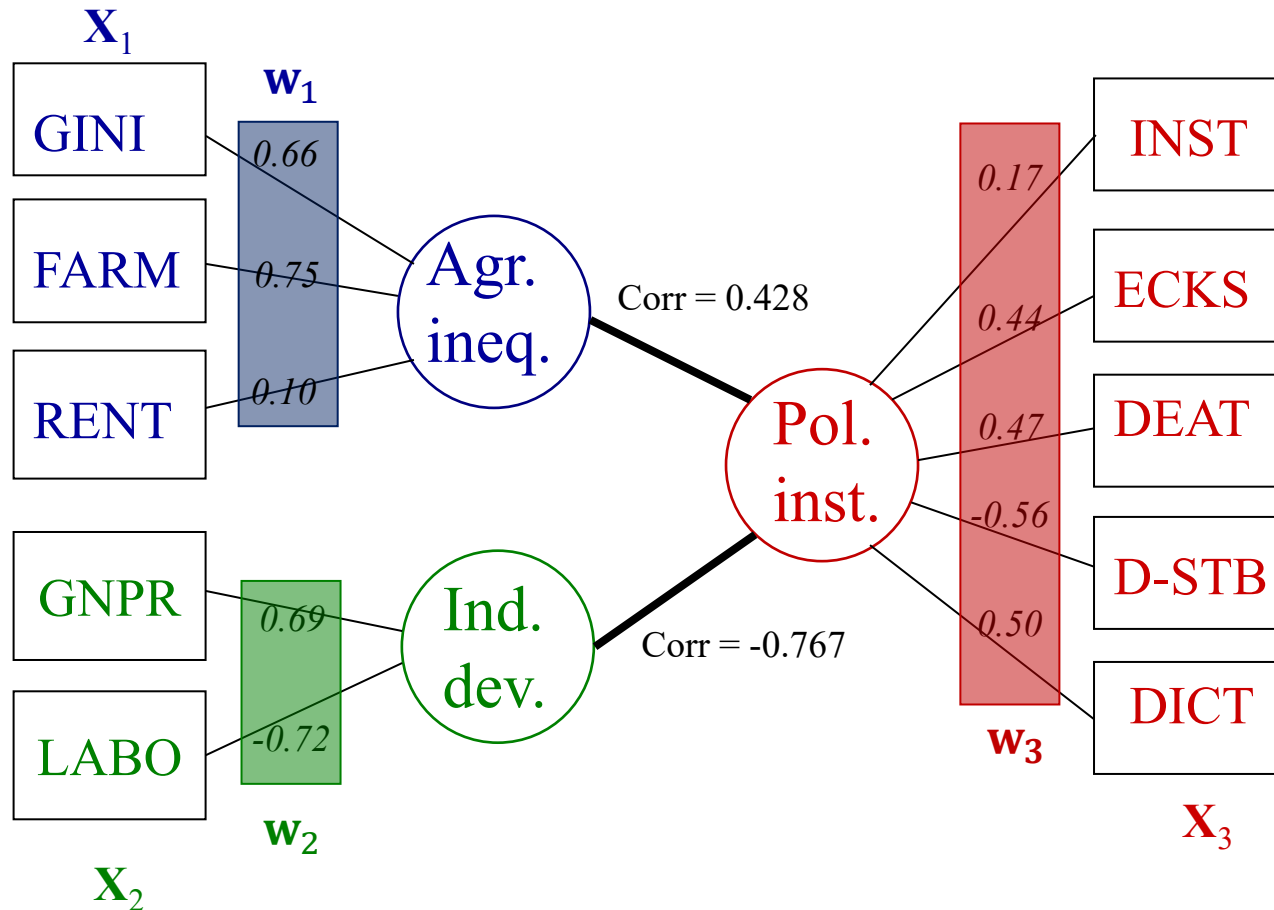
## Industrial development ( $\mathbf{X}_2$ )

## Political instability ( $\mathbf{X}_3$ )

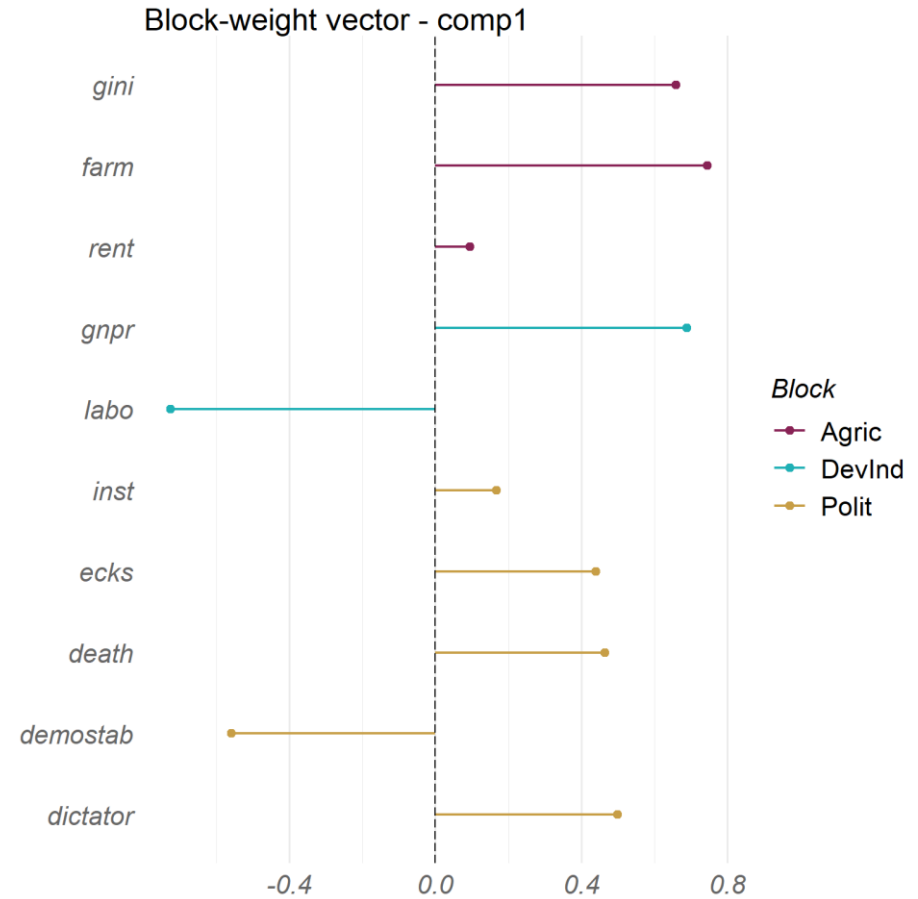
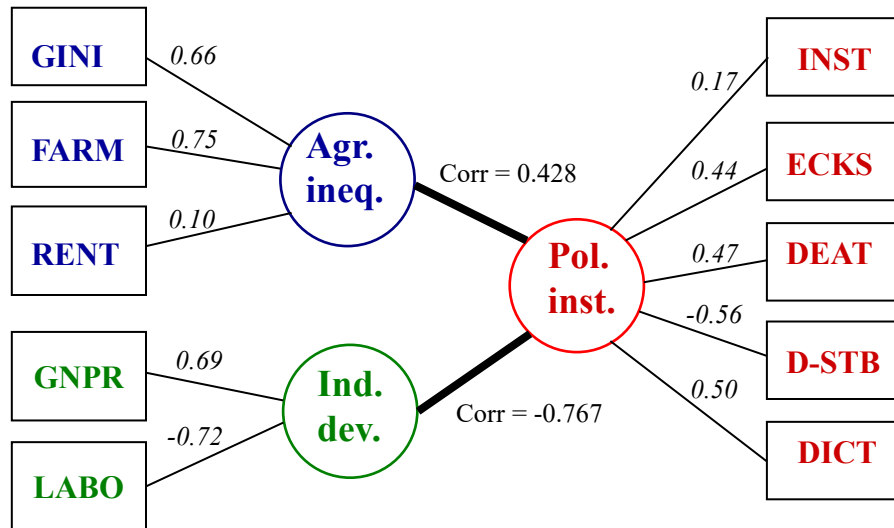
# RGCCA on Russett data

Block-weight vectors with  $\tau_j = 1$  and  $g(x) = x^2$

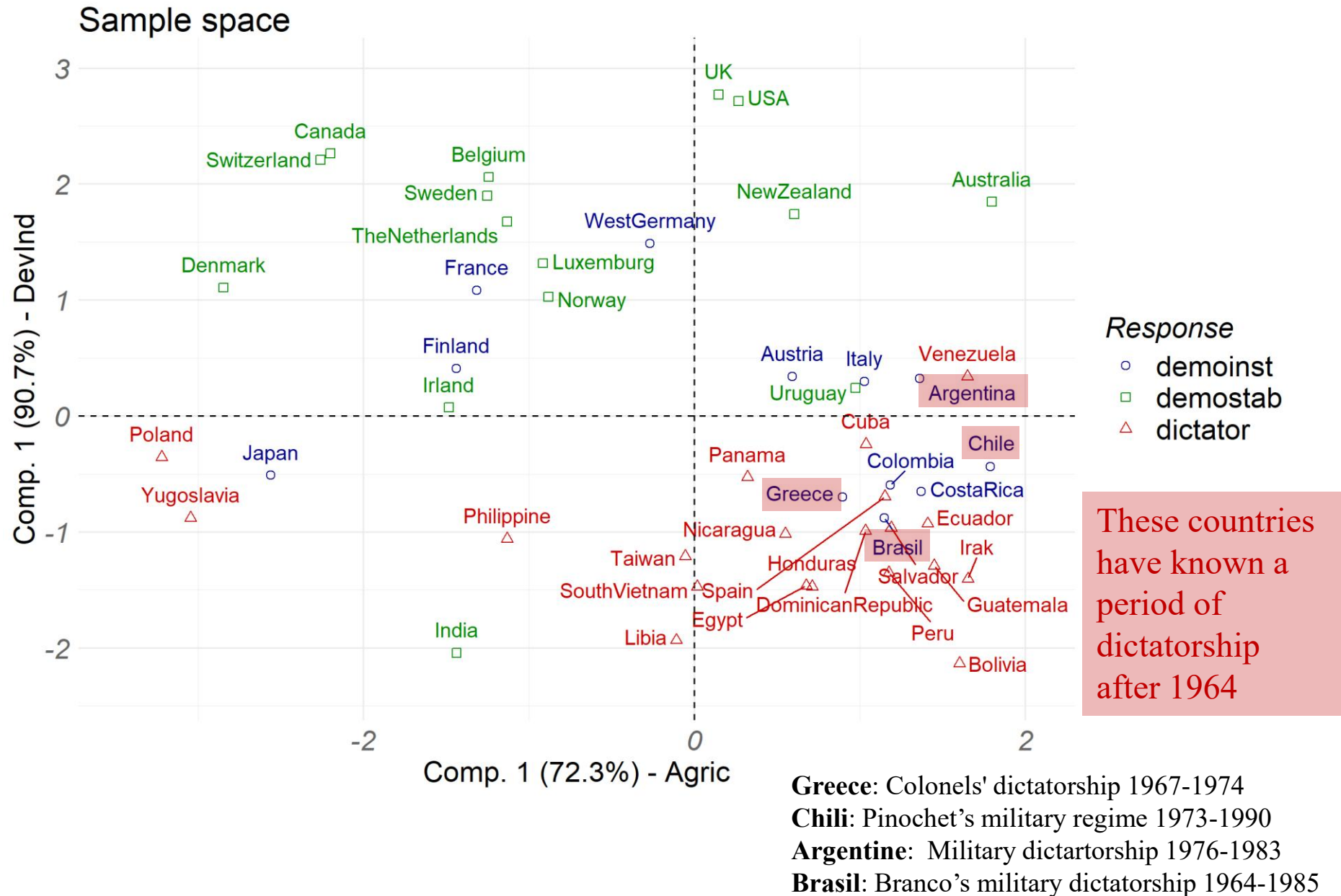
$$\max_{\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2, \mathbf{w}_3} \text{cov}^2(\mathbf{X}_1 \mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{X}_3 \mathbf{w}_3) + \text{cov}^2(\mathbf{X}_2 \mathbf{w}_2, \mathbf{X}_3 \mathbf{w}_3) \text{ s.t. } \|\mathbf{w}_j\| = 1, j = 1, 2, 3$$



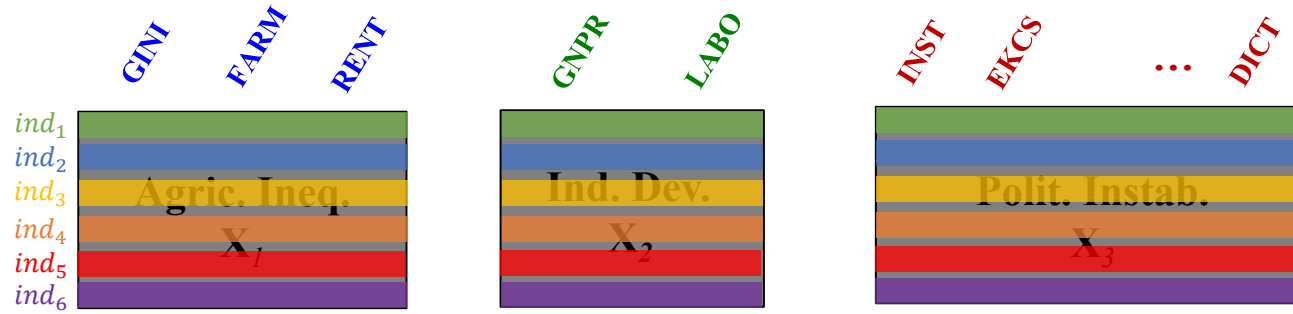
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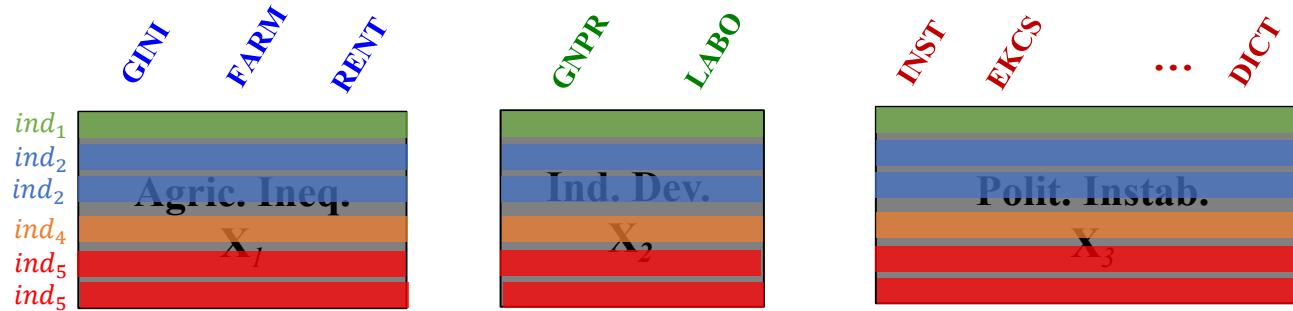
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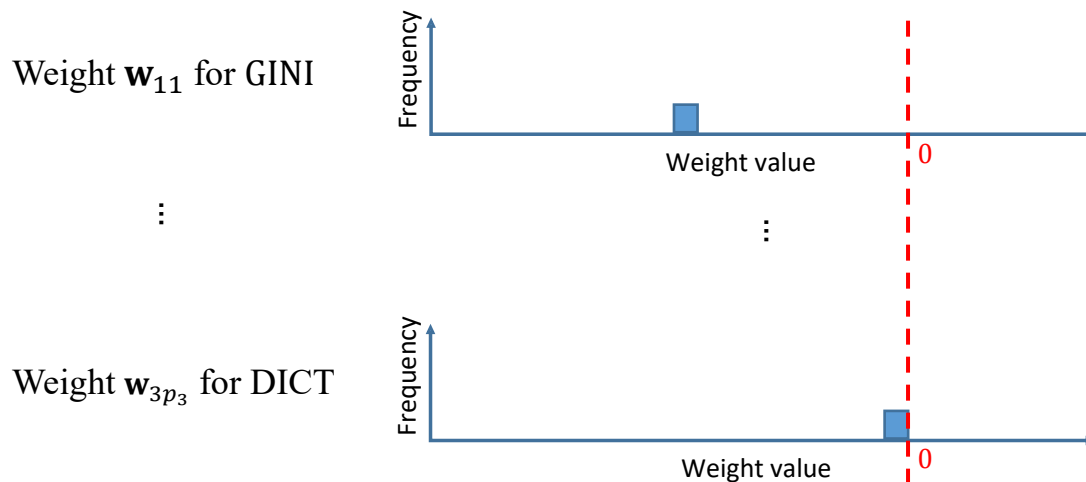
# Evaluation of the model by bootstrapping



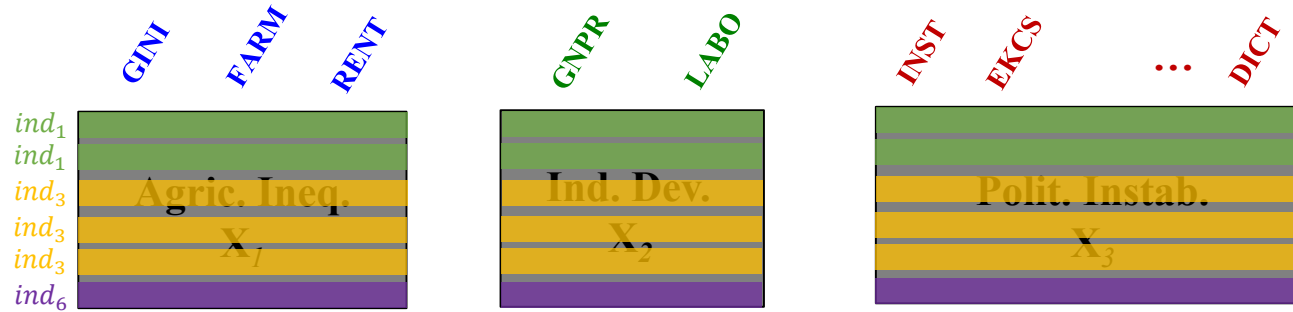
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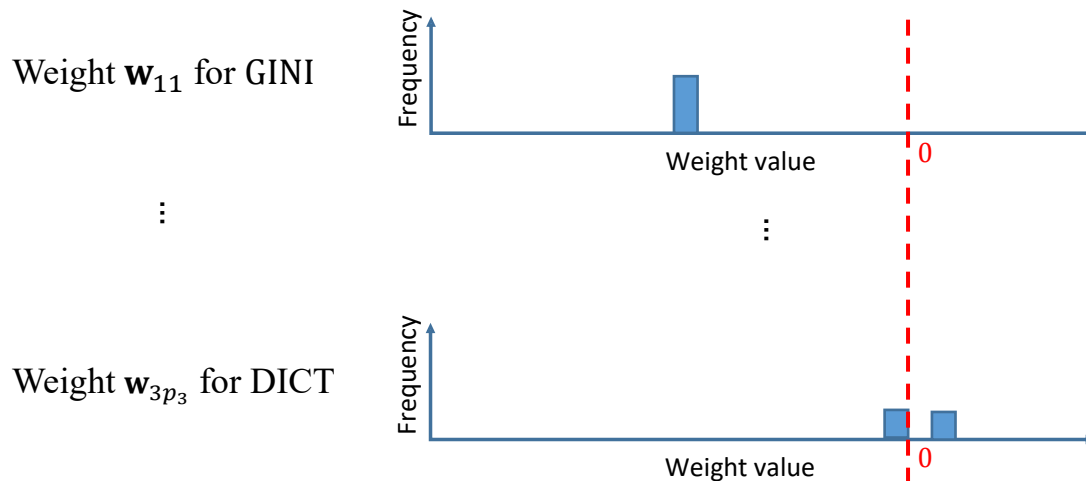
Bootstrap sample #1



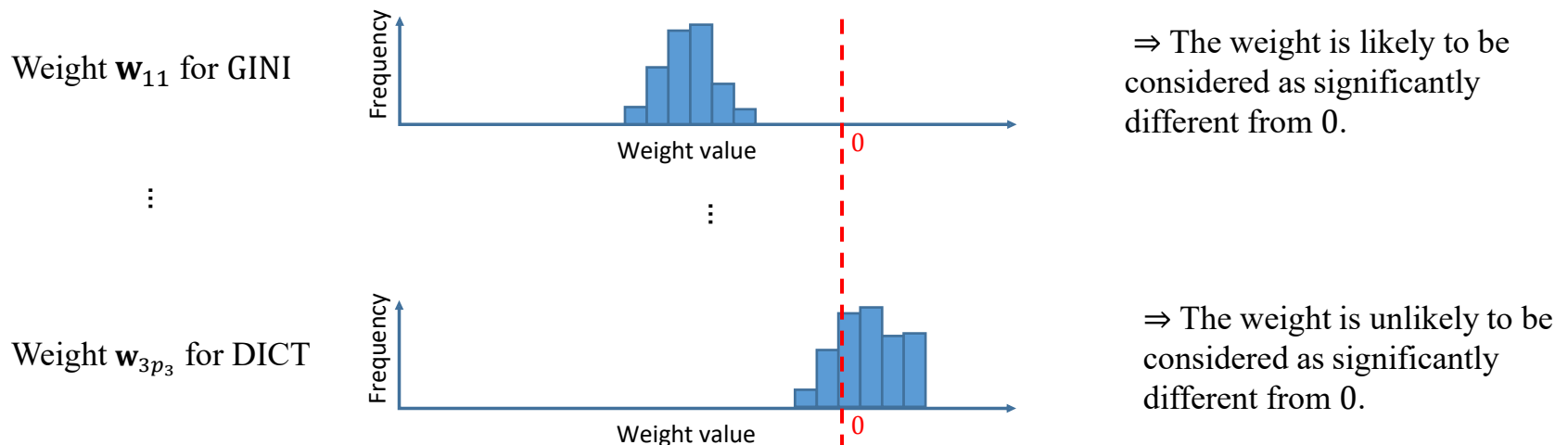
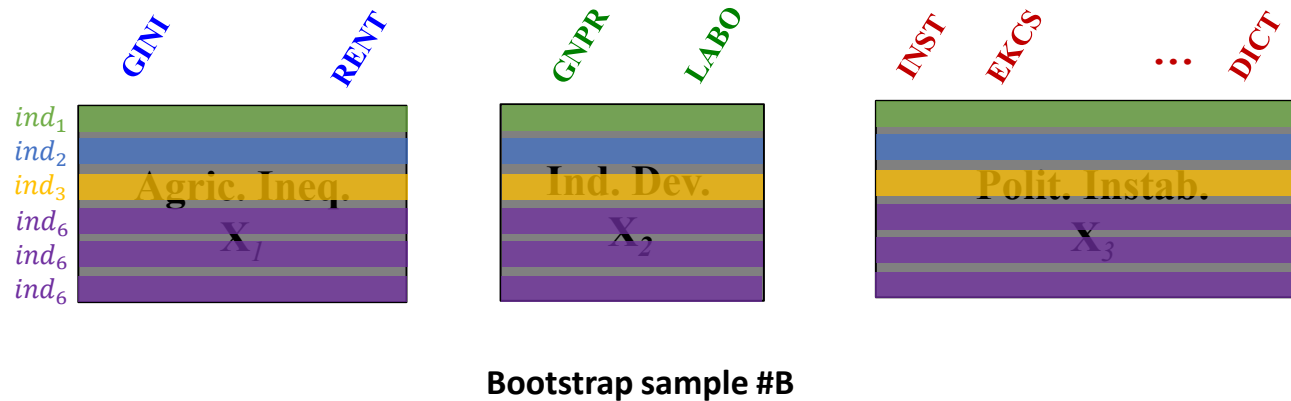
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Bootstrap sample #2



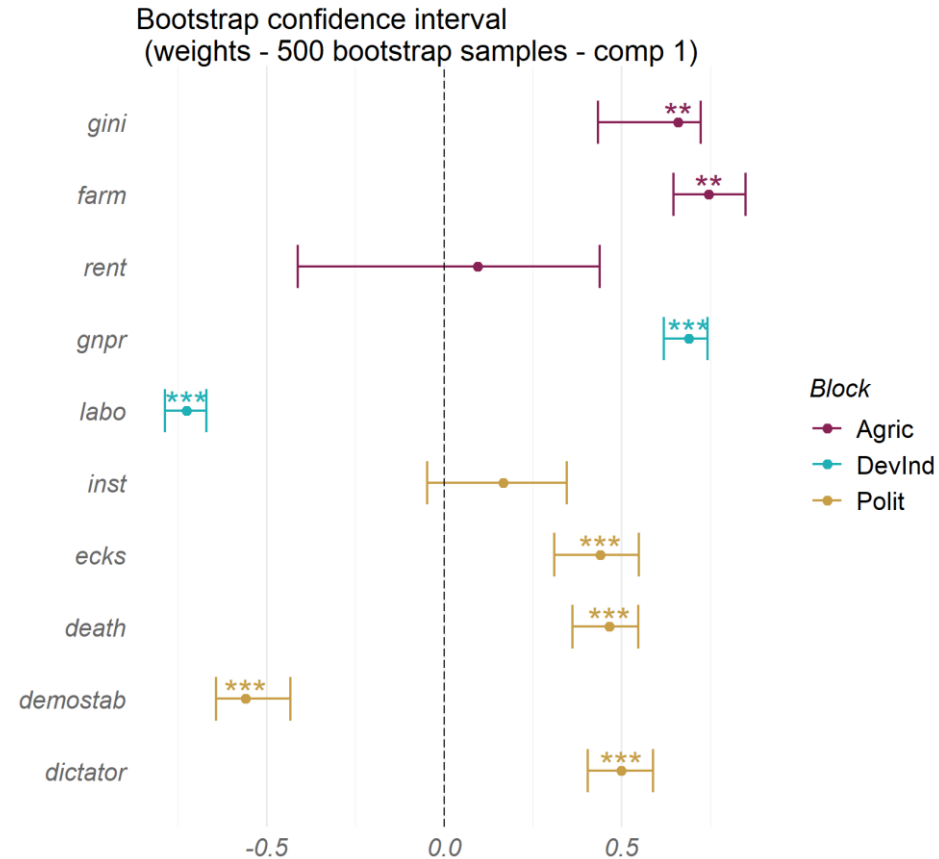
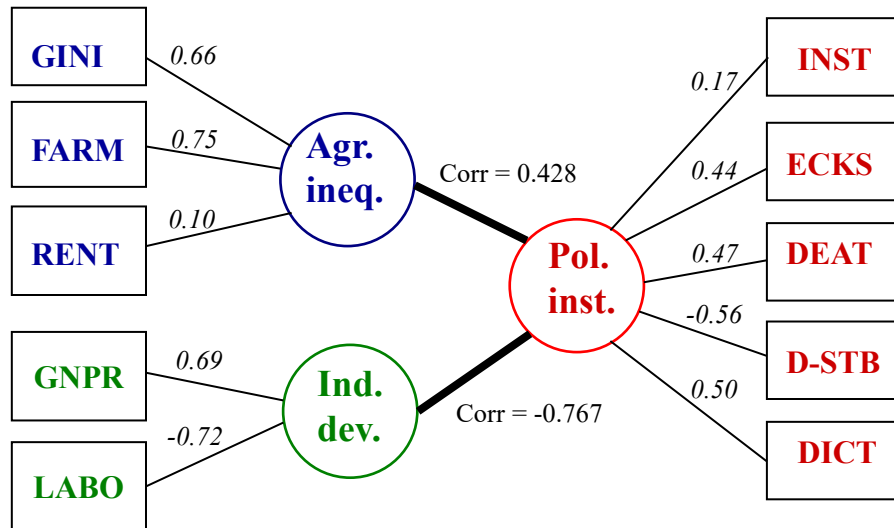
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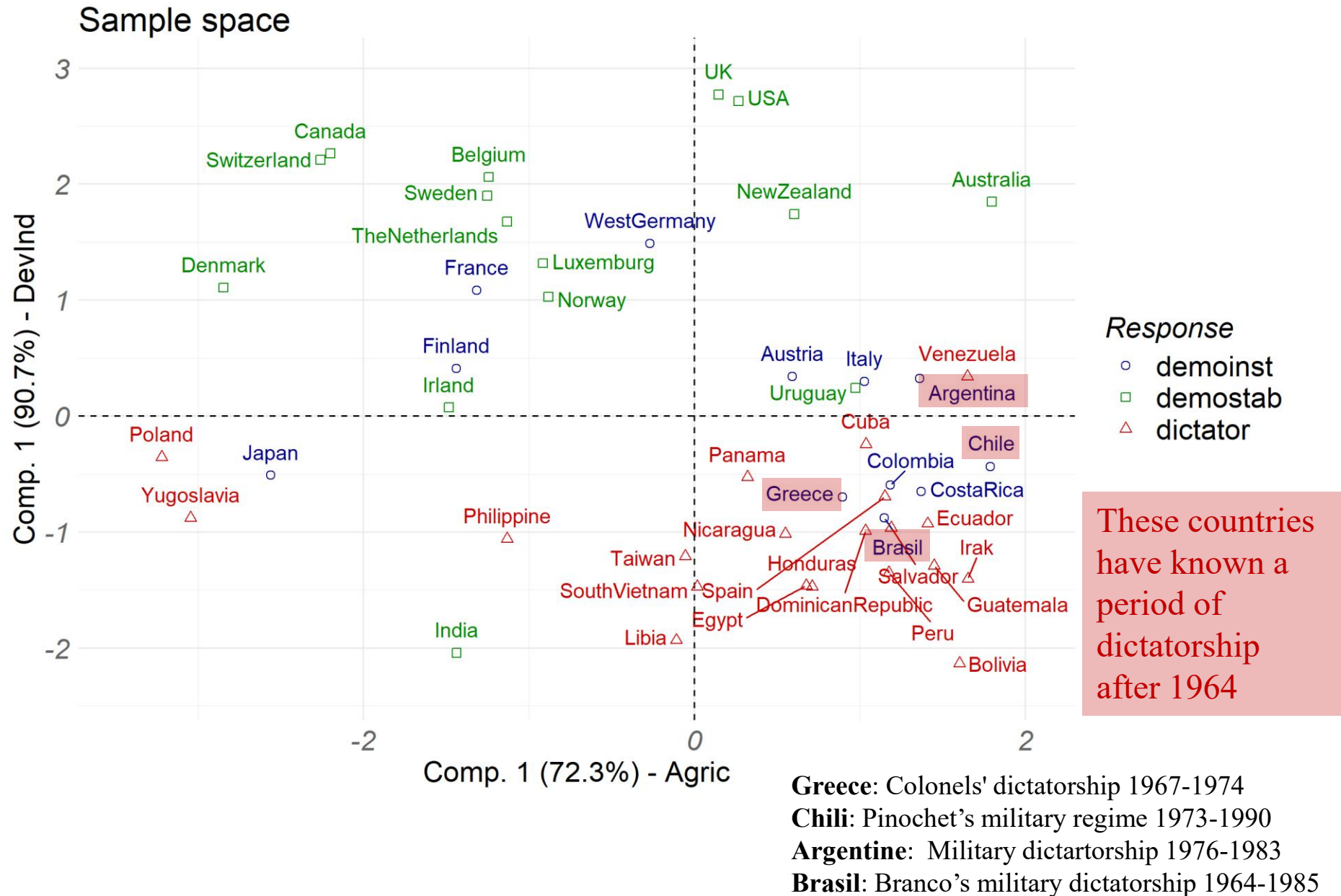
From these distributions, we can derive non-parametric confidence intervals  $[q_{0.025}, q_{0.975}]$



# Bootstrap confidence intervals



# Data vizualization





# Higher-level block components

$$\mathbf{w}_1^{(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{w}_J^{(1)} = \underset{\mathbf{w}_1, \dots, \mathbf{w}_J}{\operatorname{argmax}} \sum_{j,k}^J c_{jk} g \left( \operatorname{cov}(\mathbf{X}_j \mathbf{w}_j, \mathbf{X}_k \mathbf{w}_k) \right) \text{ s. t. } \mathbf{w}_j^\top \mathbf{M}_j \mathbf{w}_j = 1, j = 1, \dots, J$$

Higher level block components are obtained by considering the following optimization problem:

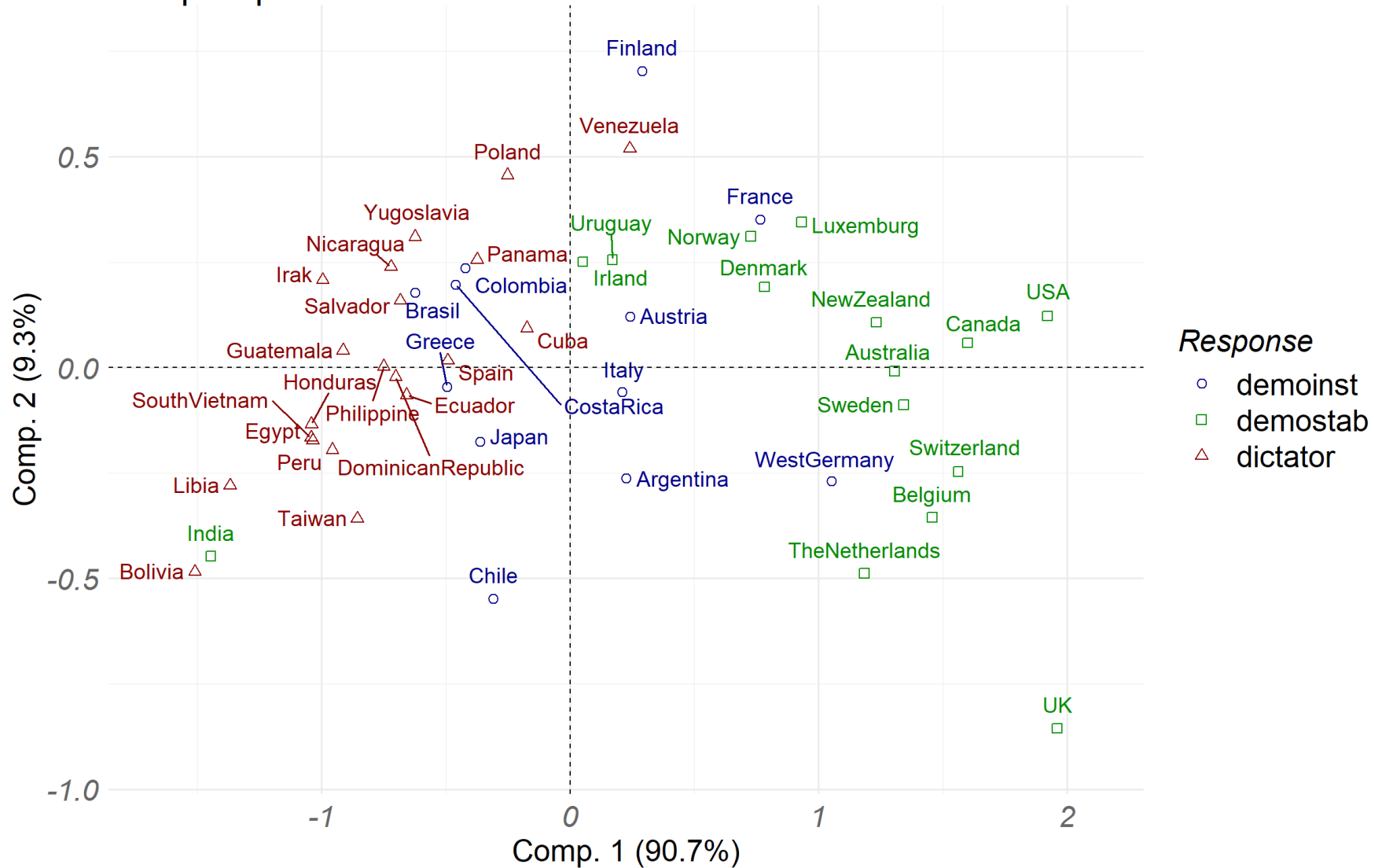
$$\mathbf{w}_1^{(2)}, \dots, \mathbf{w}_J^{(2)} = \underset{\mathbf{w}_1, \dots, \mathbf{w}_J}{\operatorname{argmax}} \sum_{j,k}^J c_{jk} g \left( \operatorname{cov}(\mathbf{X}_j \mathbf{w}_j, \mathbf{X}_k \mathbf{w}_k) \right) \text{ s. t. } \begin{aligned} &\mathbf{w}_j^\top \mathbf{M}_j \mathbf{w}_j = 1, j = 1, \dots, J \\ &\mathbf{y}_j^{(1)\top} \mathbf{X}_j \mathbf{w}_j = 0, j = 1, \dots, J \end{aligned}$$

⇒ Solved by deflation

Orthogonality constraints

# Higher-level block components

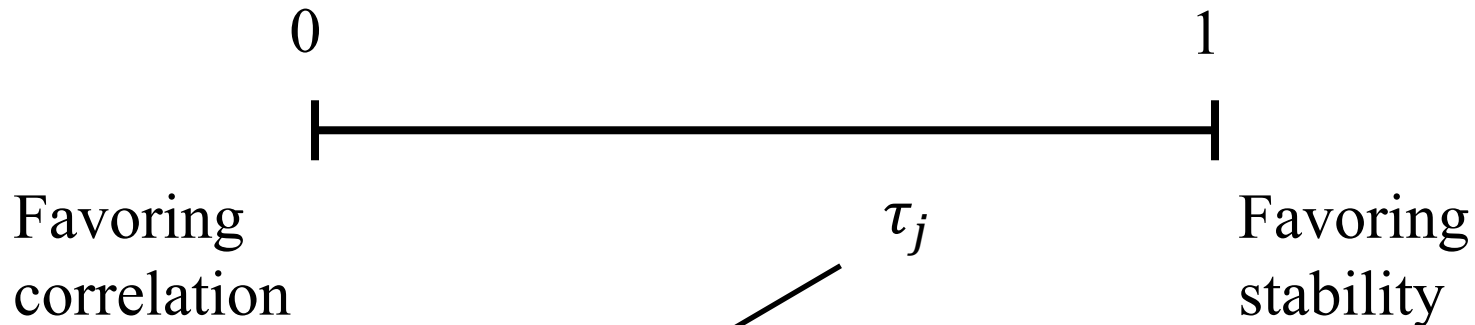
Sample space: DevInd



# Choice of the shrinkage constant : $\tau_j$ (analytical formula)

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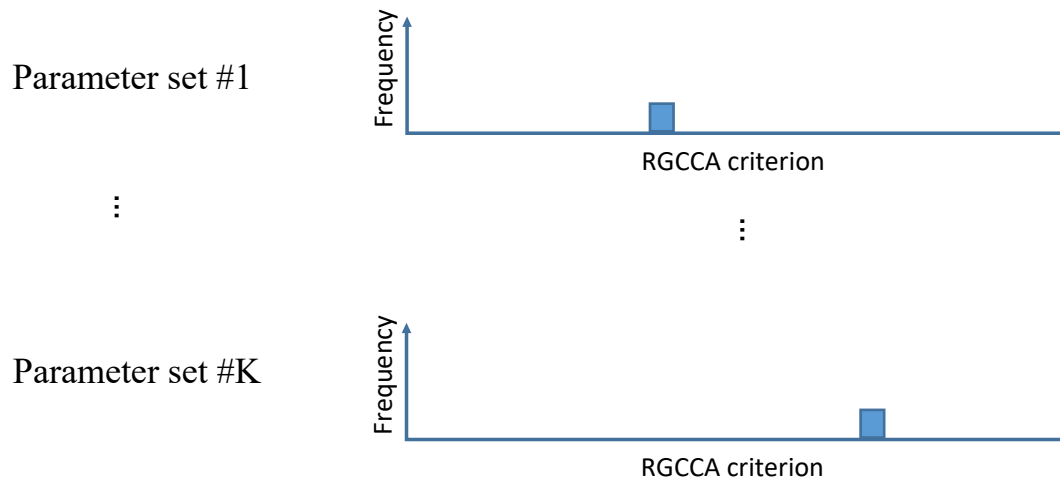
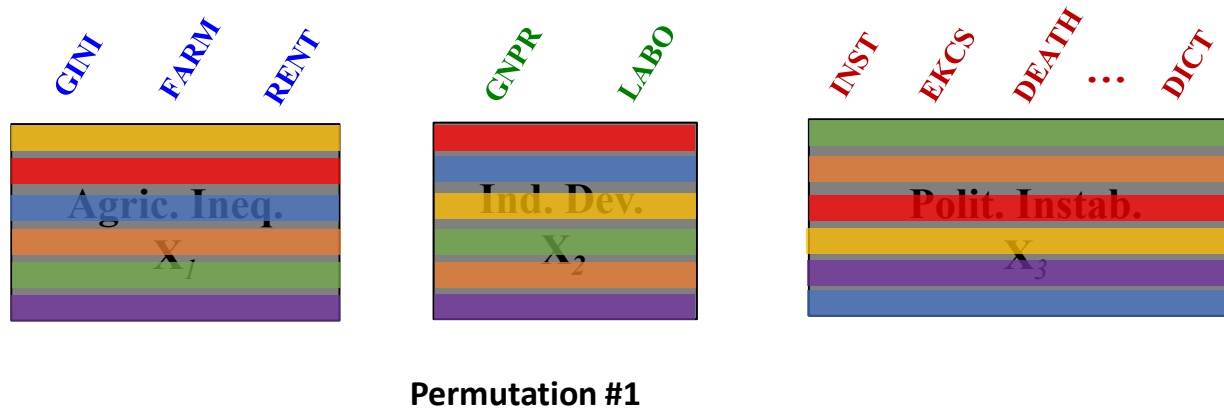
$$\tau_j^* = \underset{\tau_j}{\operatorname{argmin}} \mathbb{E} \left[ \left\| \hat{\Sigma}_j(\tau_j) - \Sigma_j \right\|_F^2 \right]$$

Schäfer & Strimmer formula can be used for an optimal determination of the shrinkage constants

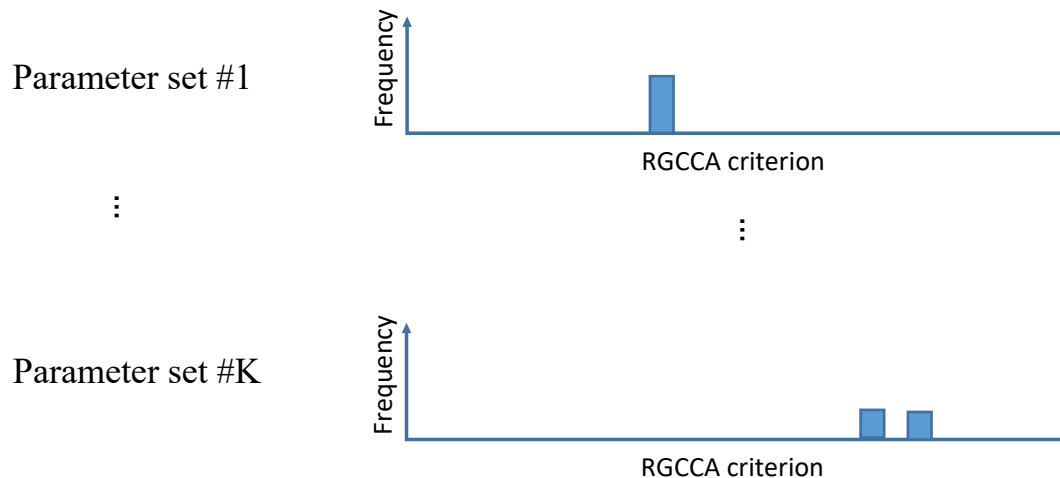
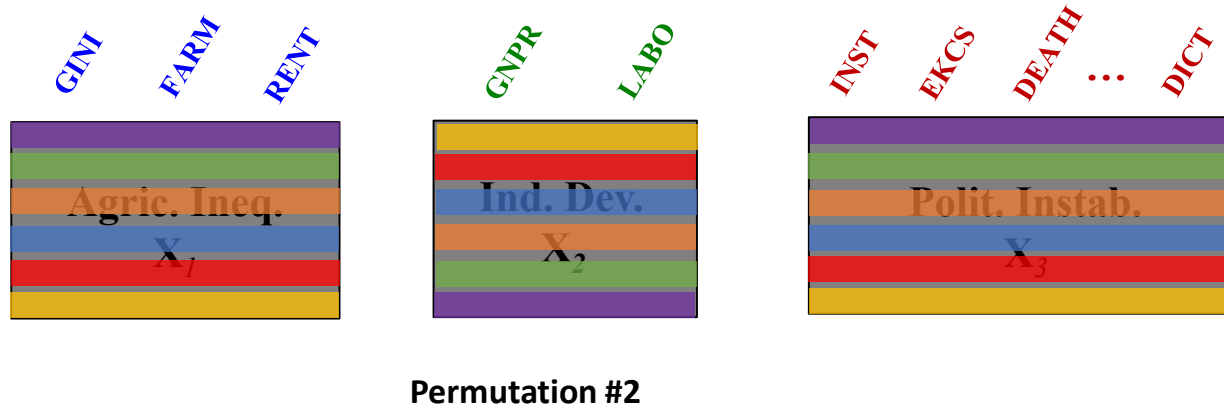
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(permutation procedure)



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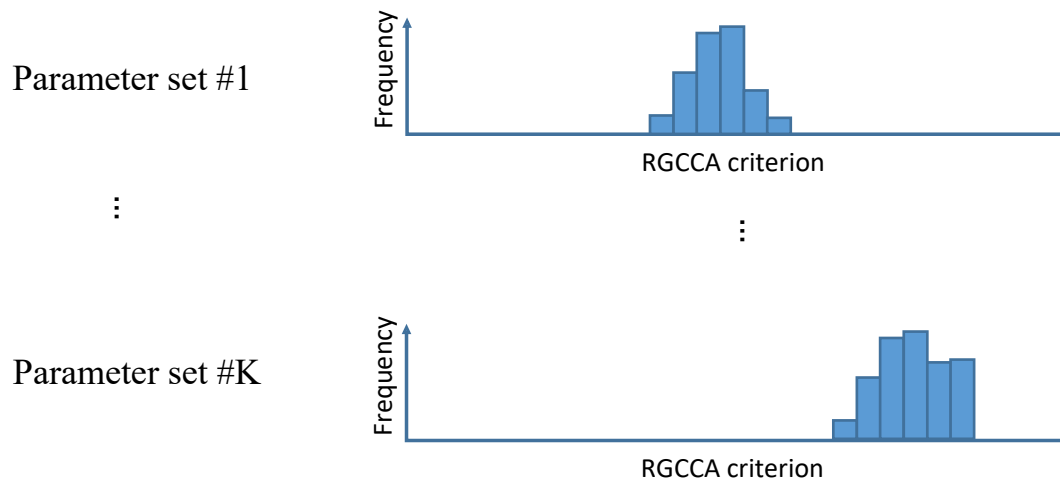
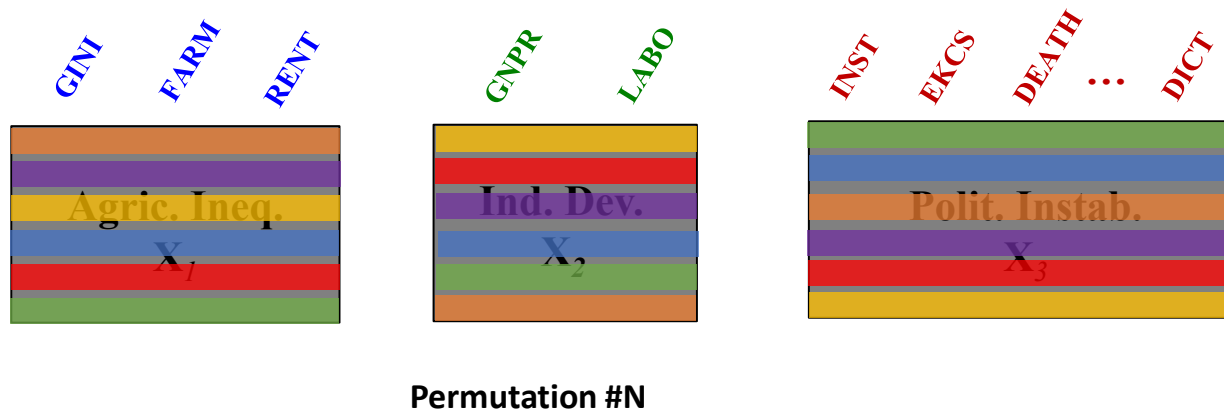


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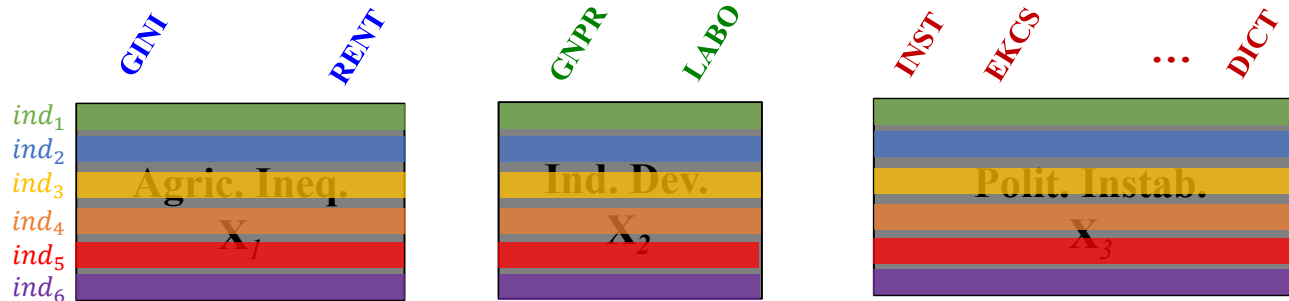




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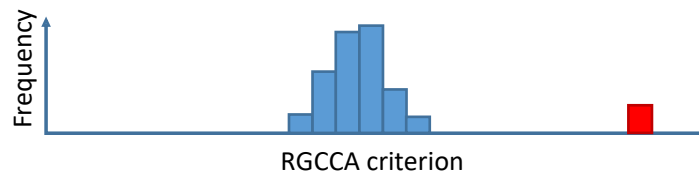


# Choice of the shrinkage constant : $\tau_j$ (permutation procedure)



No permutation

Parameter set #1



$$\Rightarrow z_1 = \frac{\text{crit} - \mu_{\text{crit\_perm}}}{\sigma_{\text{crit\_perm}}}$$

⋮

⋮

Parameter set #K



$$\Rightarrow z_K = \frac{\text{crit} - \mu_{\text{crit\_perm}}}{\sigma_{\text{crit\_perm}}}$$

The best set of parameters is associated with the highest z-value

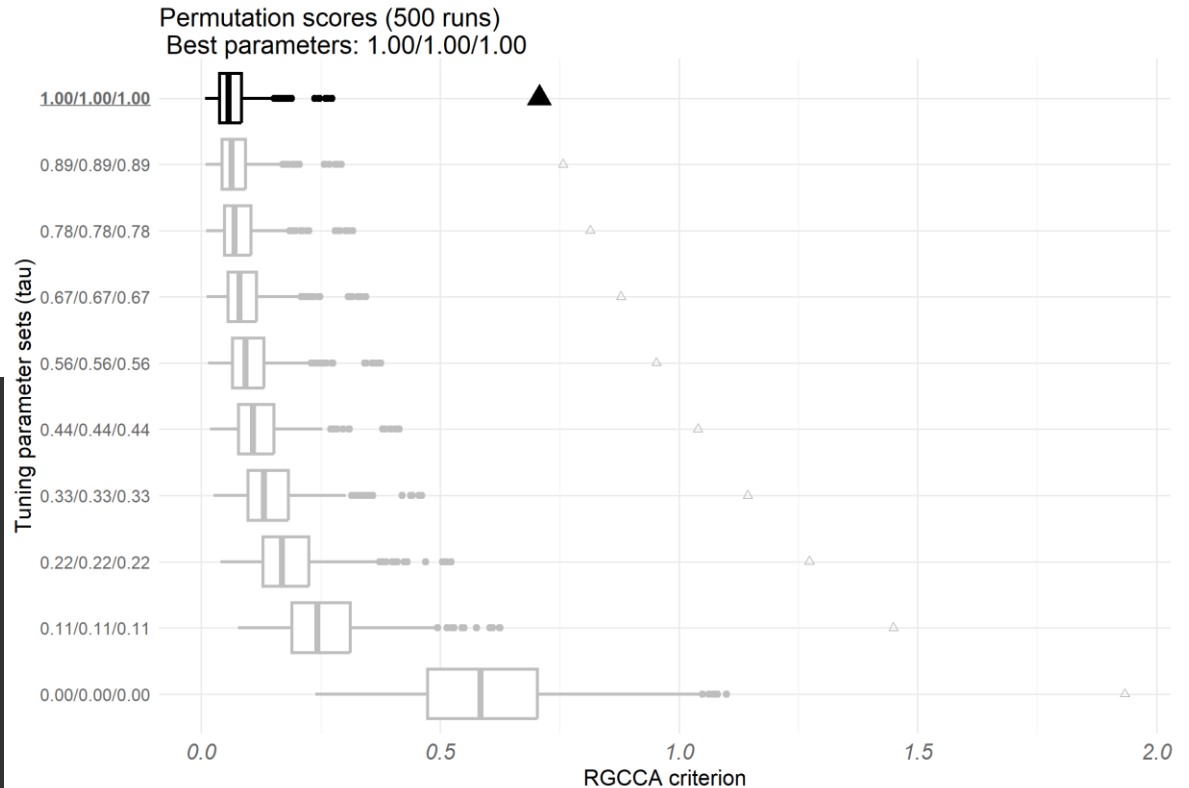
# Determination of $\tau_j$ by permutation

Tuning parameters (tau) used:

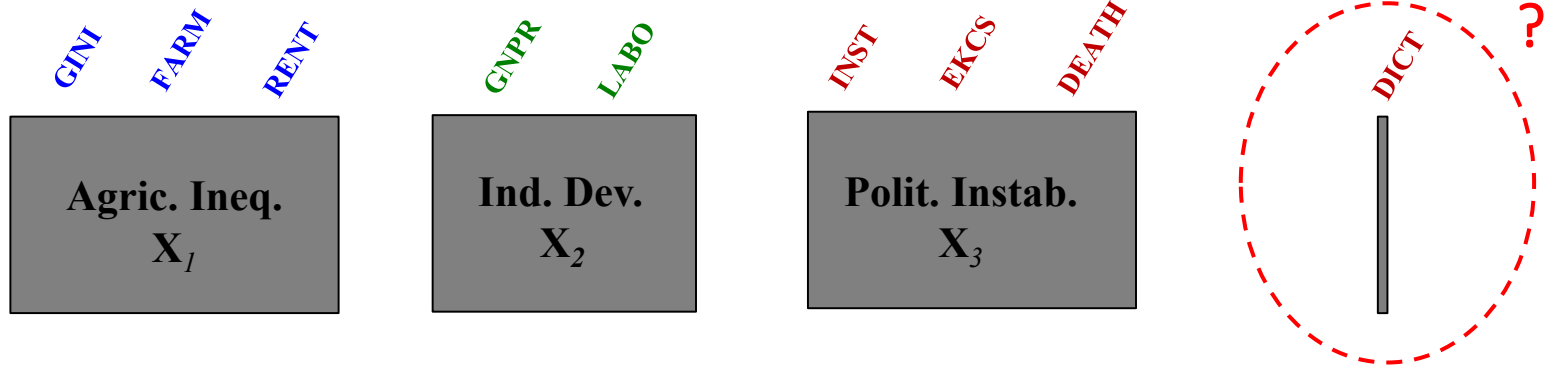
	Agric	DevInd	Polit
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2	0.889	0.889	0.889
3	0.778	0.778	0.778
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6	0.444	0.444	0.444
7	0.333	0.333	0.333
8	0.222	0.222	0.222
9	0.111	0.111	0.111
10	0.000	0.000	0.000

	Tuning parameters	Criterion	Permuted criterion	sd	zstat	p-value
1	1.00/1.00/1.00	0.708	0.0671	0.0402	15.93	0
2	0.89/0.89/0.89	0.758	0.0738	0.0433	15.81	0
3	0.78/0.78/0.78	0.814	0.0819	0.0467	15.66	0
4	0.67/0.67/0.67	0.878	0.0919	0.0508	15.49	0
5	0.56/0.56/0.56	0.953	0.1046	0.0555	15.27	0
6	0.44/0.44/0.44	1.040	0.1216	0.0613	14.98	0
7	0.33/0.33/0.33	1.144	0.1456	0.0685	14.57	0
8	0.22/0.22/0.22	1.273	0.1837	0.0783	13.92	0
9	0.11/0.11/0.11	1.449	0.2586	0.0942	12.64	0
10	0.00/0.00/0.00	1.934	0.5953	0.1660	8.06	0

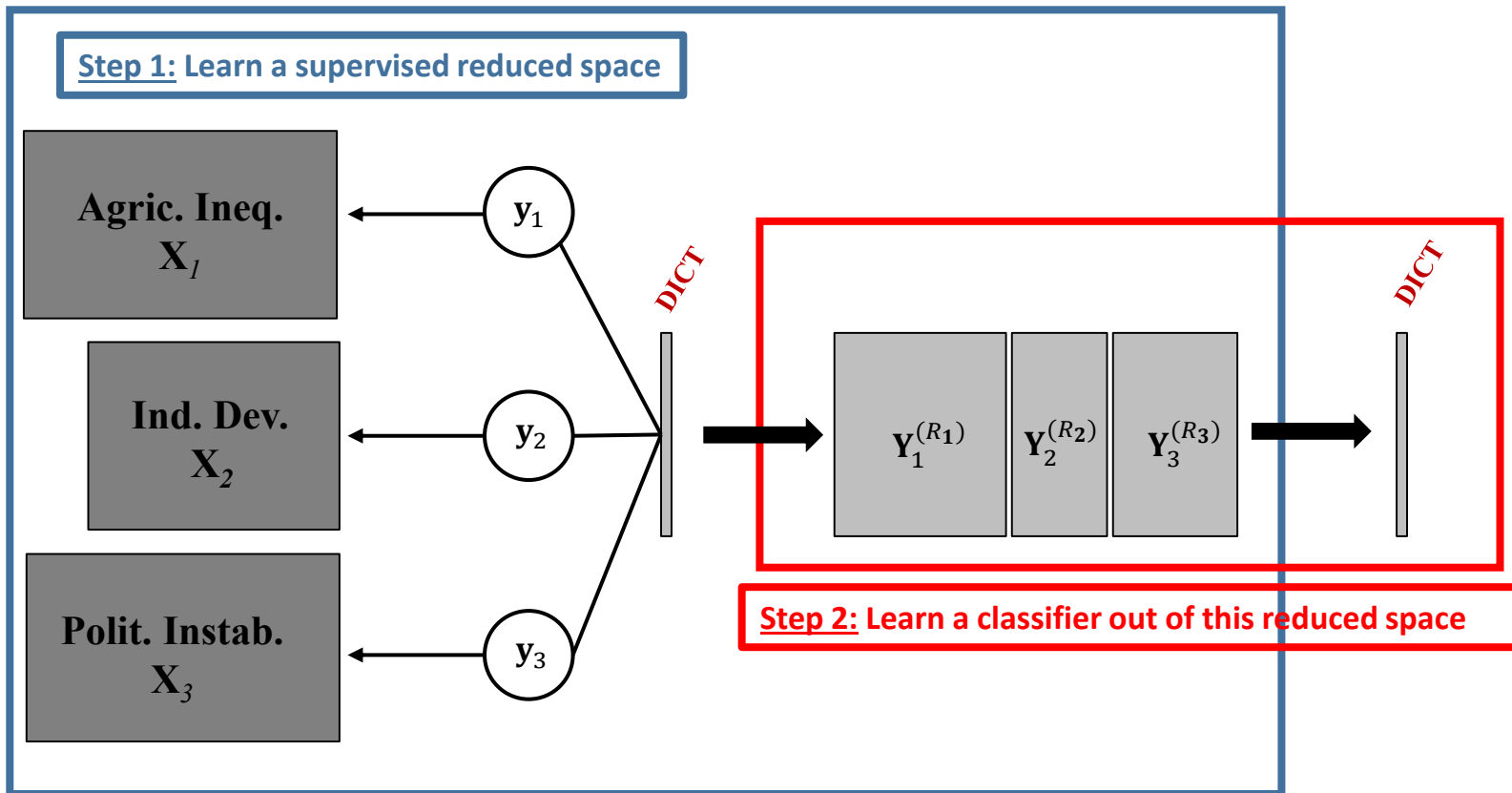
The best combination is: 1.00/1.00/1.00 for a z score of 15.9 and a p-value of 0



# Supervised RGCCA



# Supervised RGCCA



Standard Cross-Validation (K-Fold, LOO) can be performed to tune hyperparameters.

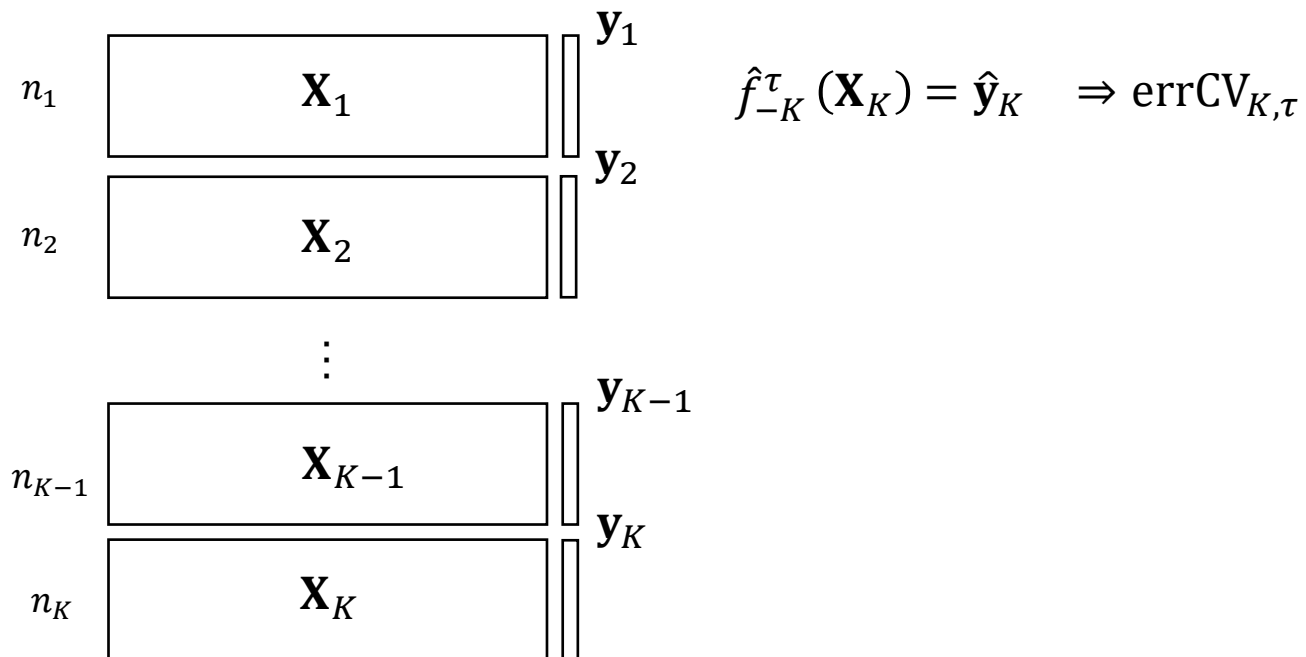
# Choice of the shrinkage parameter: $\tau_j$

## (Cross-validation)

Leitmotiv: a good model should predict efficiently samples not used for its construction.

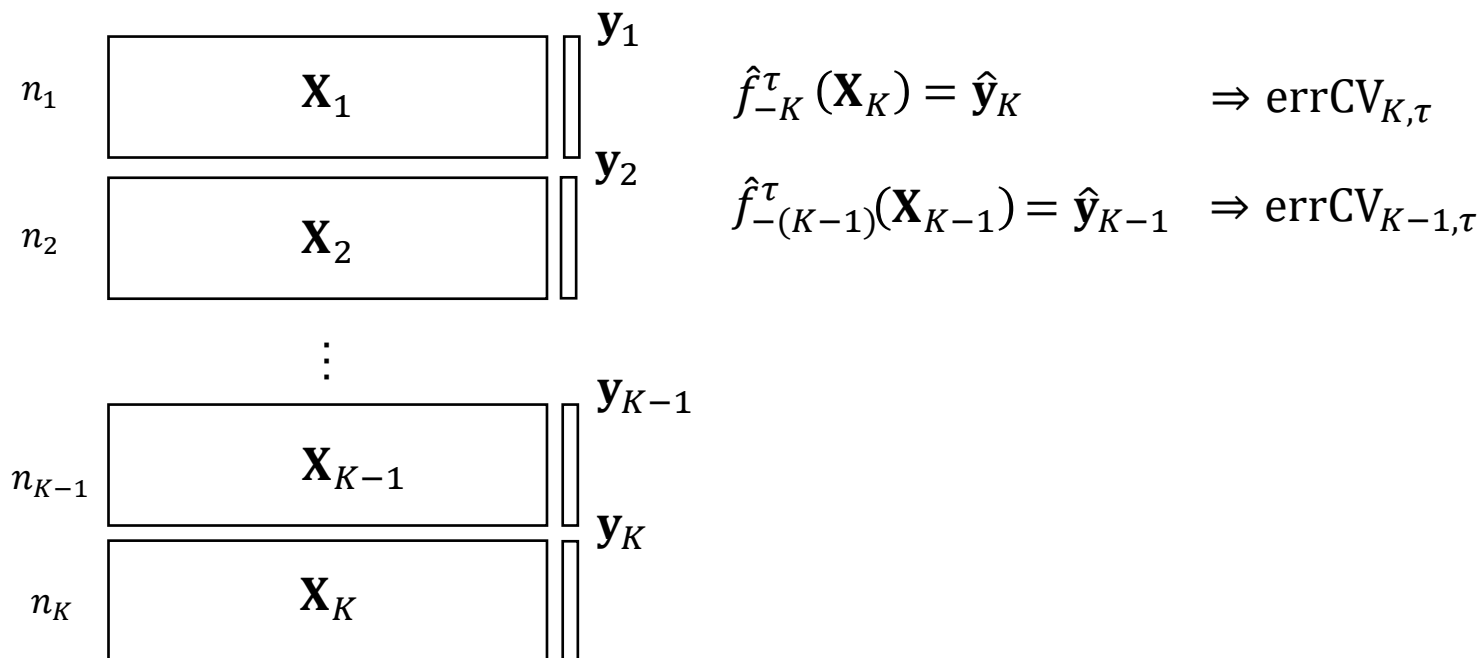
# $K$ -fold cross-validation

**K-fold cross validation.** Split the data into  $K$  segments of equal size.



# K-fold cross-validation

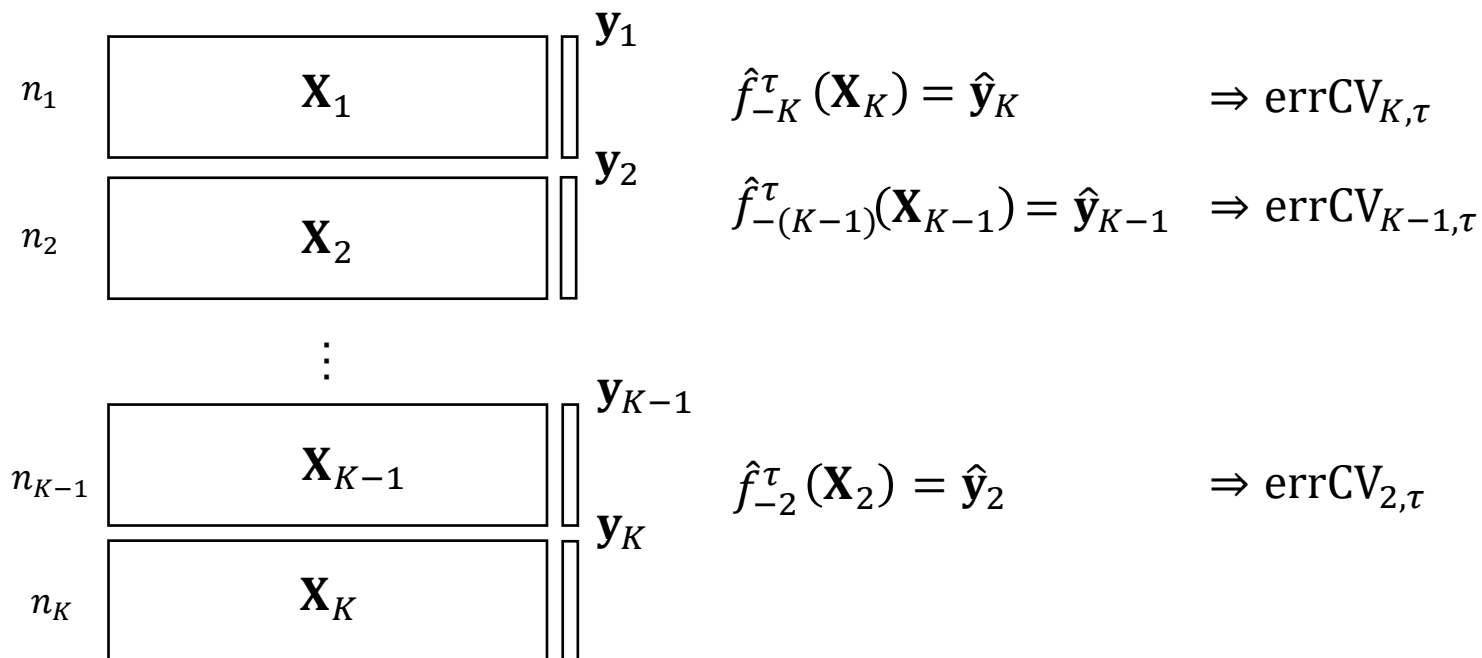
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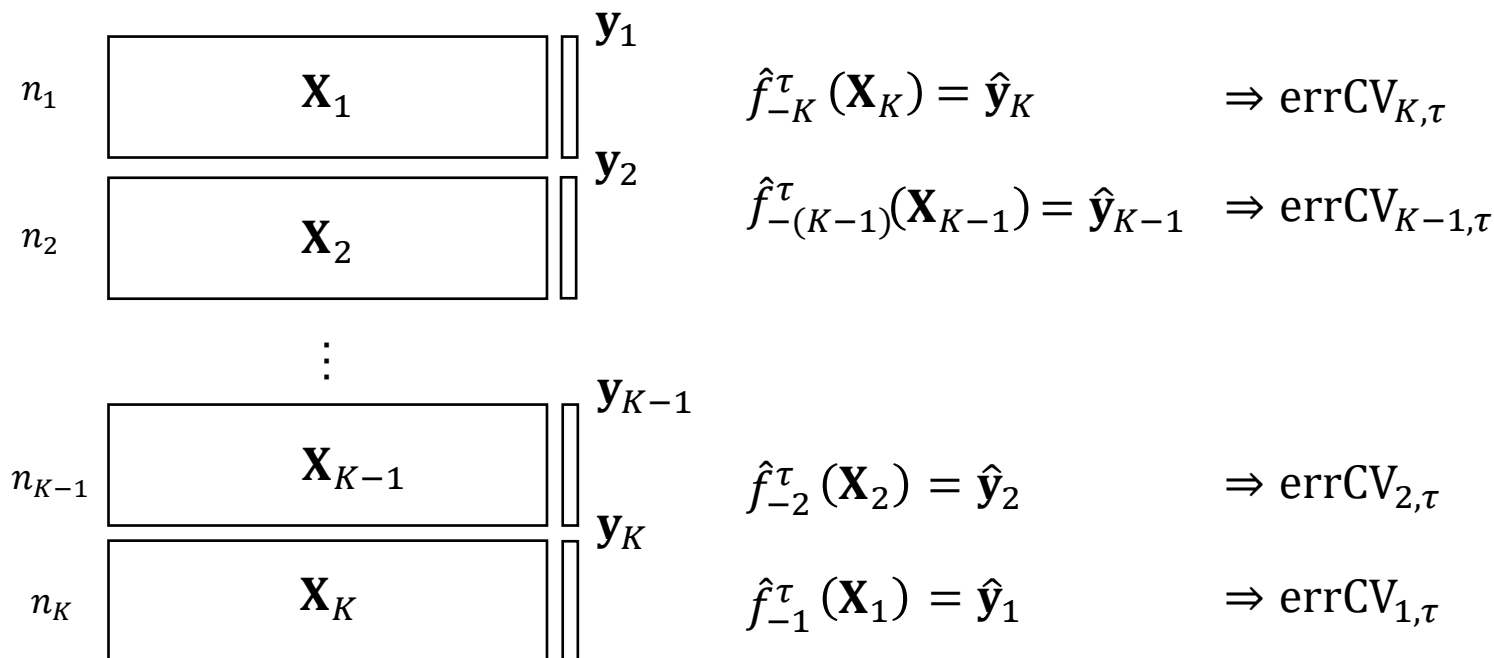
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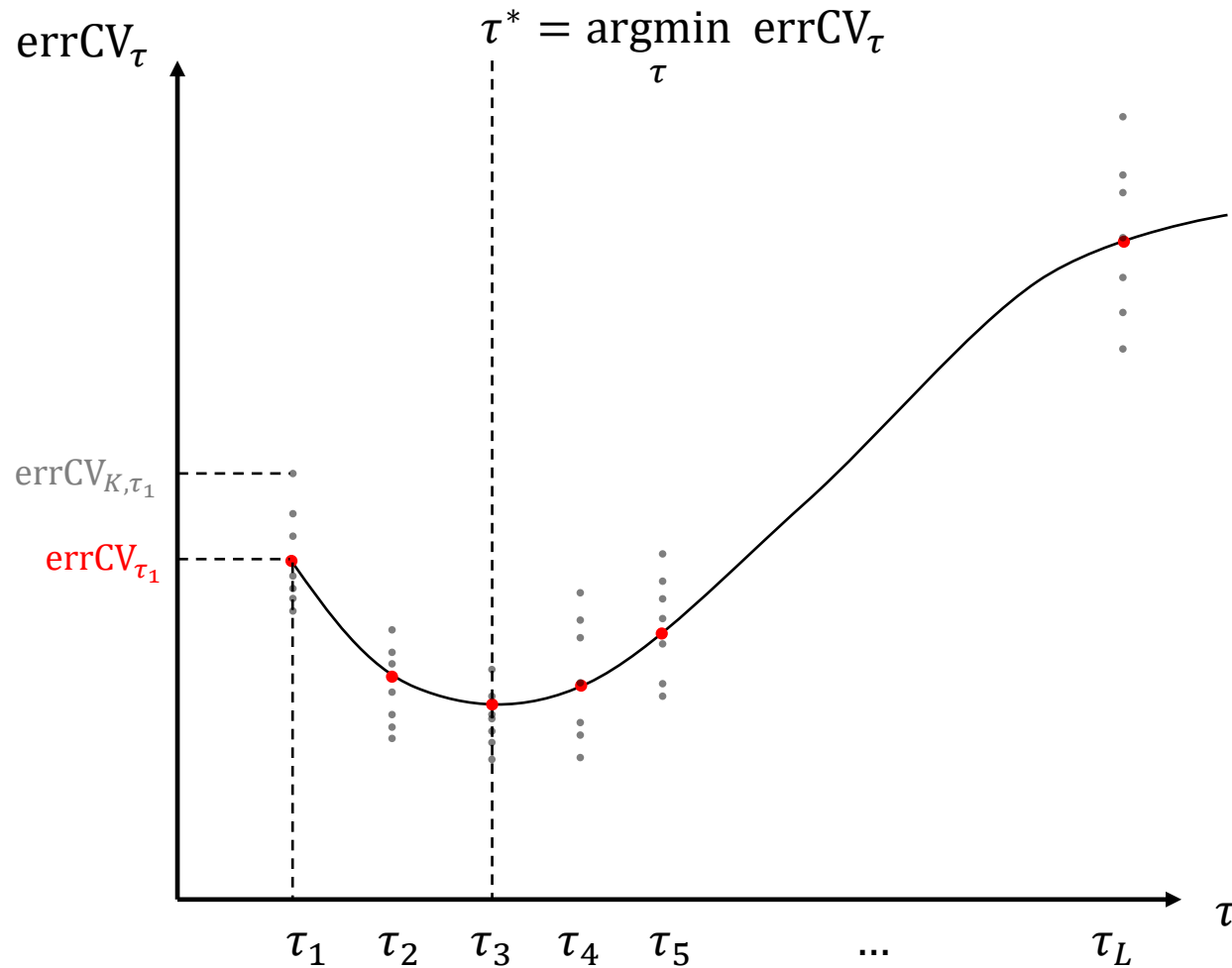
# K-fold cross-validation

**K-fold cross validation.** Split the data into  $K$  segments of equal size.



$$\text{errCV}_{\tau} = K^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^K \text{errCV}_{k,\tau}$$

# Model selection by cross validation: $\tau^*$



# Model selection by cross-validation

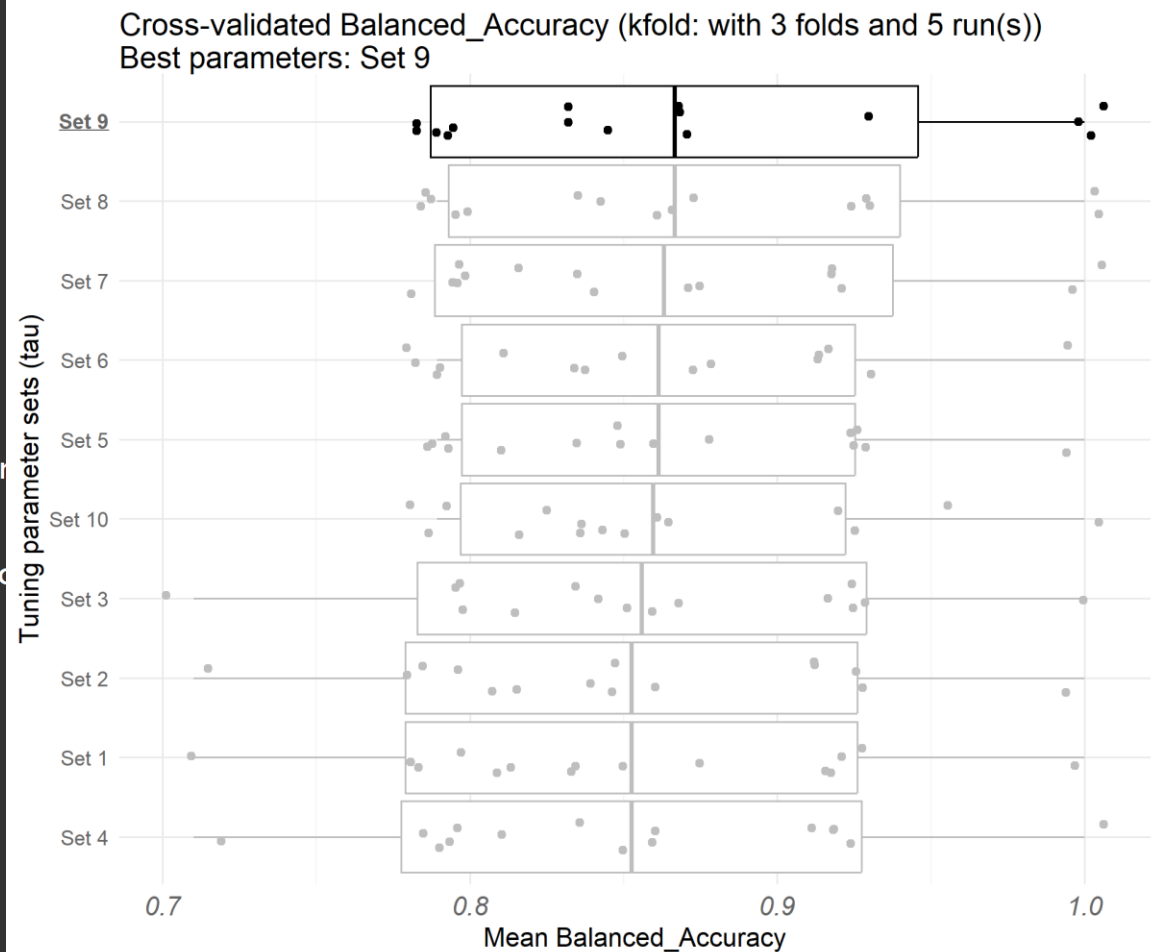
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validation: kfold with 3 folds and 5 runs  
Prediction model: lda

Tuning parameters	Mean Balanced_Acc
1	Set 1
2	Set 2
3	Set 3
4	Set 4
5	Set 5
6	Set 6
7	Set 7
8	Set 8
9	Set 9
10	Set 10

The best combination is: Set 9 for a mean Balanced\_Accuracy of 0.867





# Consensus space with RGCCA

The goal is to find jointly a global component  $\mathbf{y}$  and block components  $\mathbf{y}_1 = \mathbf{X}_1 \mathbf{w}_1, \dots, \mathbf{y}_J = \mathbf{X}_J \mathbf{w}_J$ .

- The global block component is obtained by considering the following optimization problem

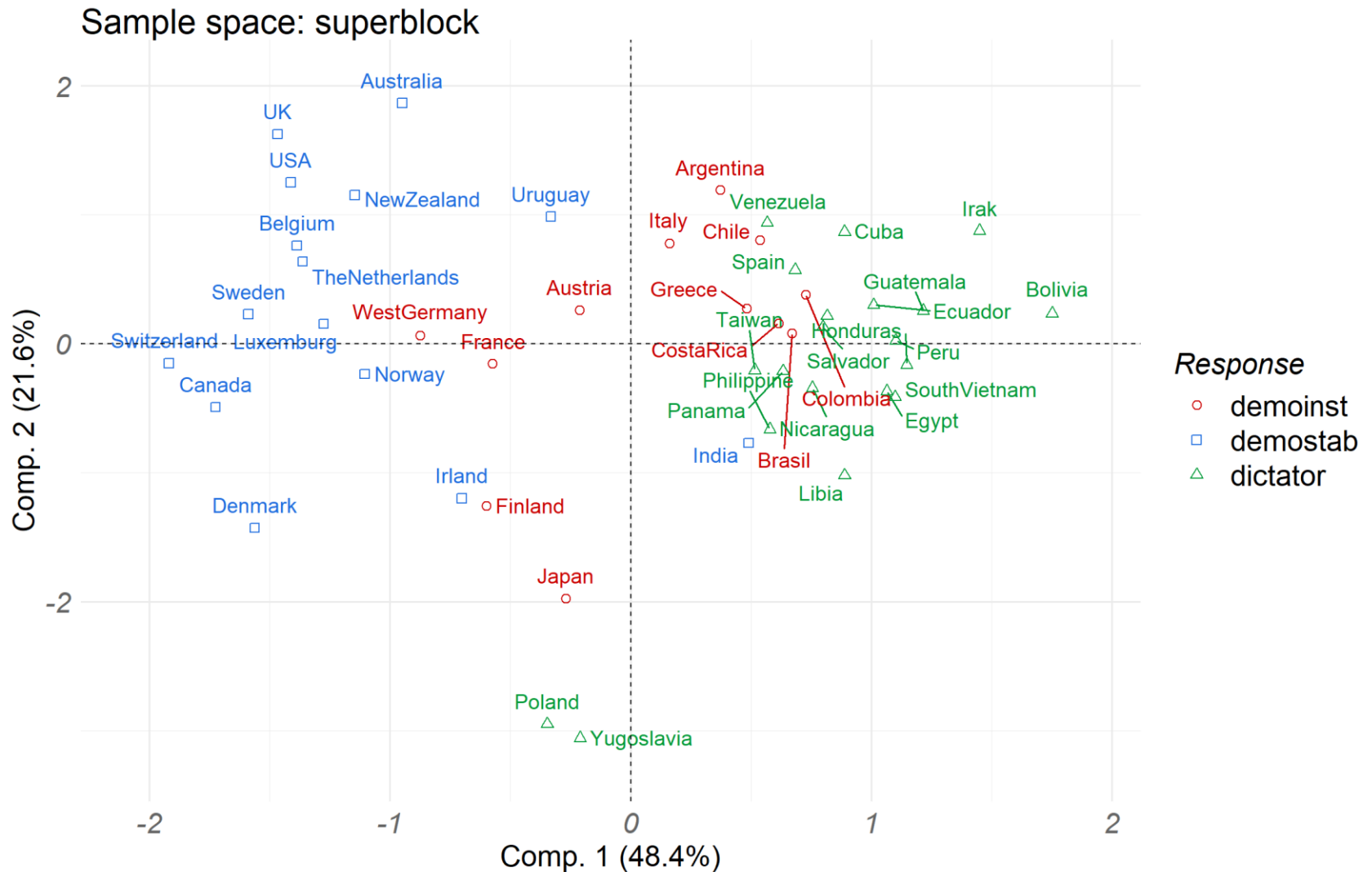
$$\max_{\mathbf{w}_1, \dots, \mathbf{w}_{J+1}} \sum_{j=1}^J g \left( \text{cov}(\mathbf{X}_j \mathbf{w}_j, \mathbf{X}_{J+1} \mathbf{w}_{J+1}) \right) \text{ s. t. } \mathbf{w}_j^\top \mathbf{M}_j \mathbf{w}_j = 1, \forall j$$

- **Important result:** The optimal global component is obtained as linear combination of the variable of the so-called superblock defined as:  $\mathbf{X}_{J+1} = [\mathbf{X}_1, \dots, \mathbf{X}_J]$

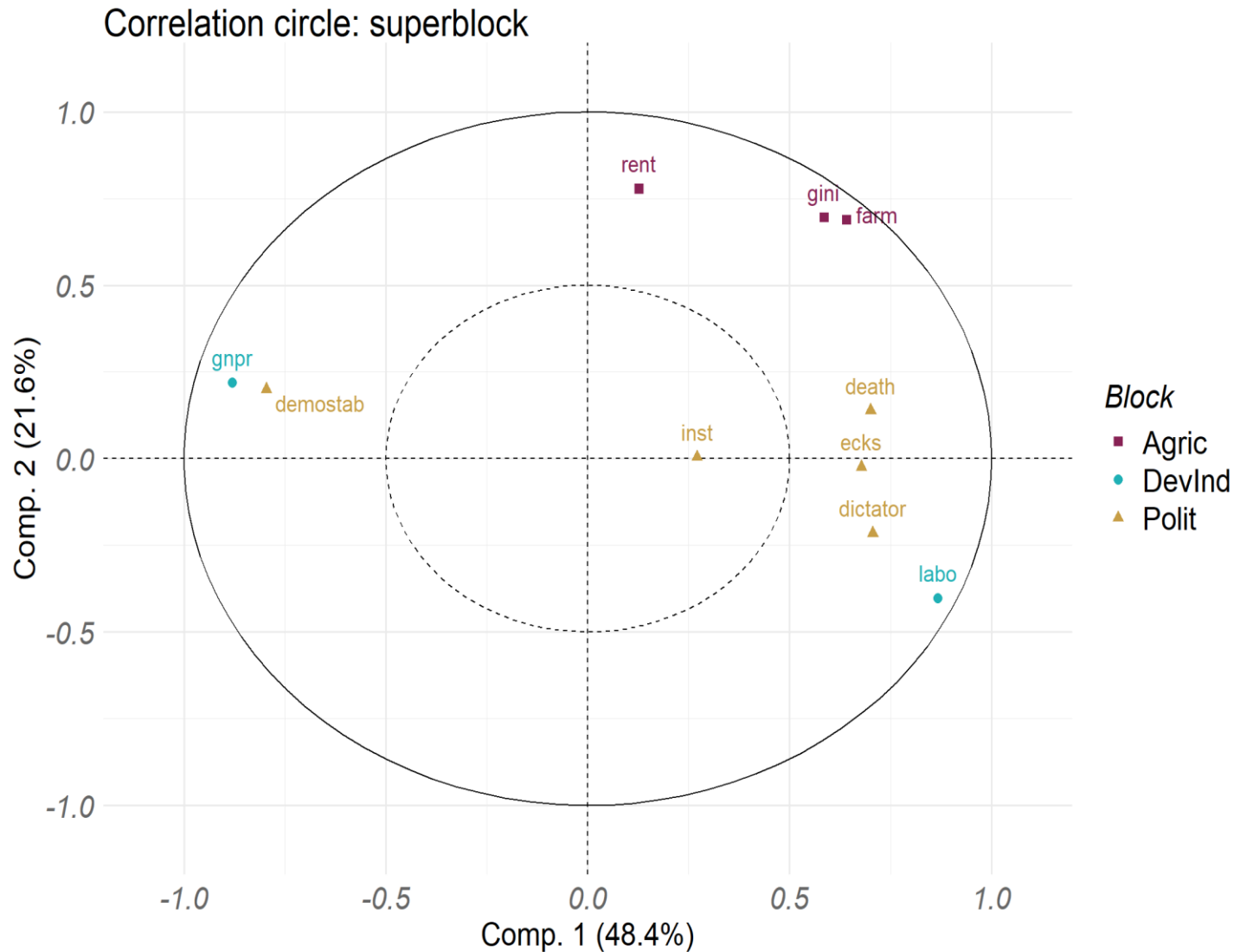
# RGCCA as a general framework for multiblock analysis

Methods	$g(x)$	$\tau_j$	C	Orthogonality
<b>Generalized CCA</b> gccca/maxvar/maxvar-b	$x^2$	$\tau_j = 0, j = 1, \dots, J + 1$		Comp
<b>(mixed) Generalized CCA</b> rgcca	$x^2$	$\tau_j = 0, j = 1, \dots, J_1 ;$ $\tau_j = 1, j = J_1 + 1, \dots, J$		Comp
<b>Multiple co-inertia analysis</b> mcoa/mcia	$x^2$	$\tau_j = 1, j = 1, \dots, J ;$ $\tau_{J+1} = 0$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & \dots & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	Weight
<b>Multiple factor analysis</b> mfa	$x^2$	$\tau_j = 1, j = 1, \dots, J + 1$		Comp
<b>Consensus PCA(1)</b> cpca-1	$x$	$\tau_j = 1, j = 1, \dots, J ;$ $\tau_{J+1} = 0$		Comp
<b>Consensus PCA(2)</b> cpca-2/maxvar-a	$x^2$	$\tau_j = 1, j = 1, \dots, J ;$ $\tau_{J+1} = 0$		Comp
<b>Hierarchical PCA</b> hpca/cpca-4	$x^4$	$\tau_j = 1, j = 1, \dots, J ;$ $\tau_{J+1} = 0$		Comp

# Consensus space of Russett (sample plot)

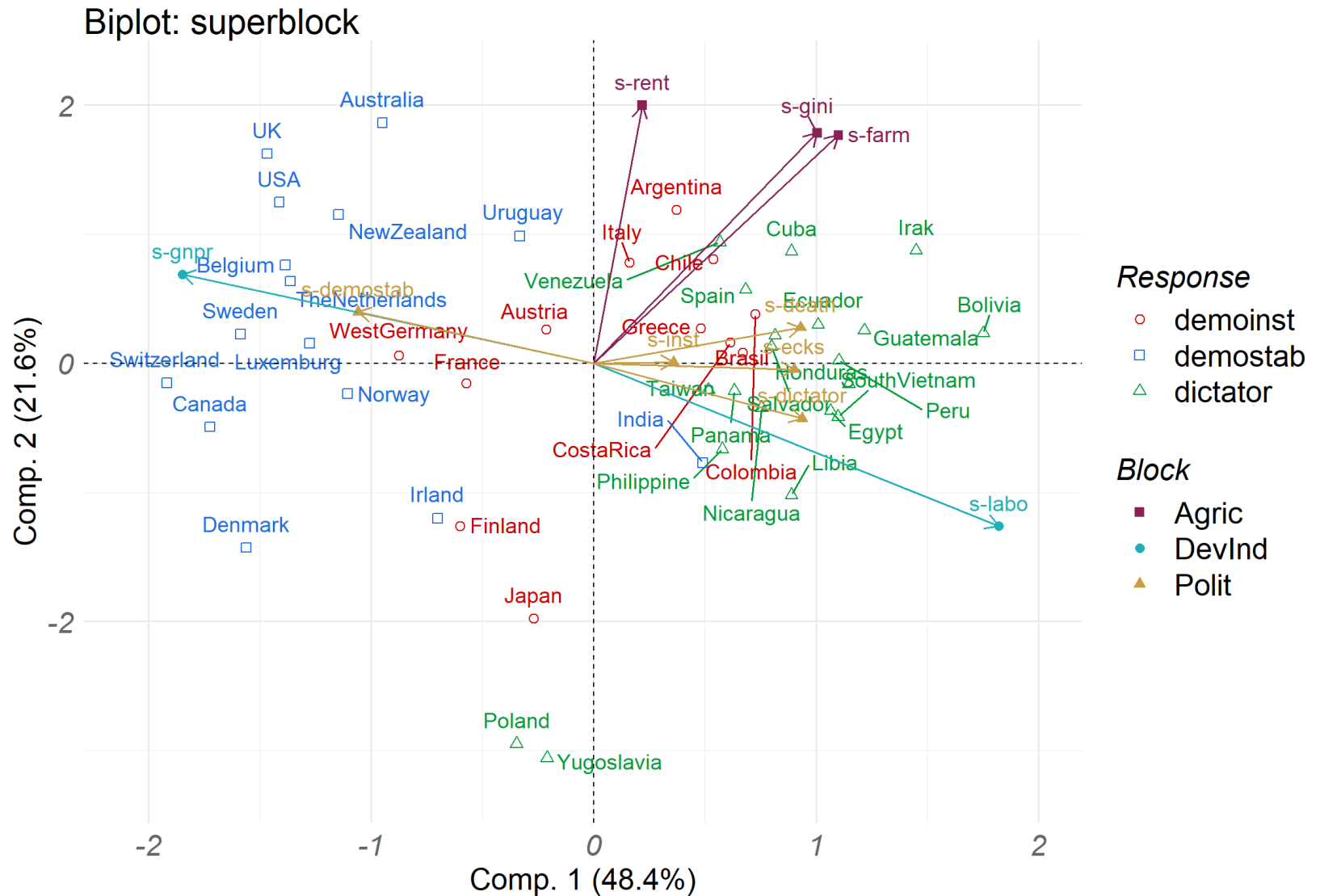


# Consensus space of Russett (correlation circle)

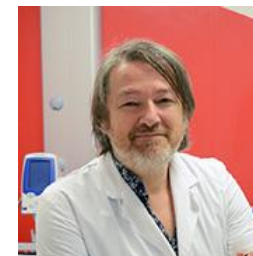




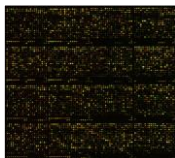
# Consensus space of Russett (biplot)



# Pediatric glioma data

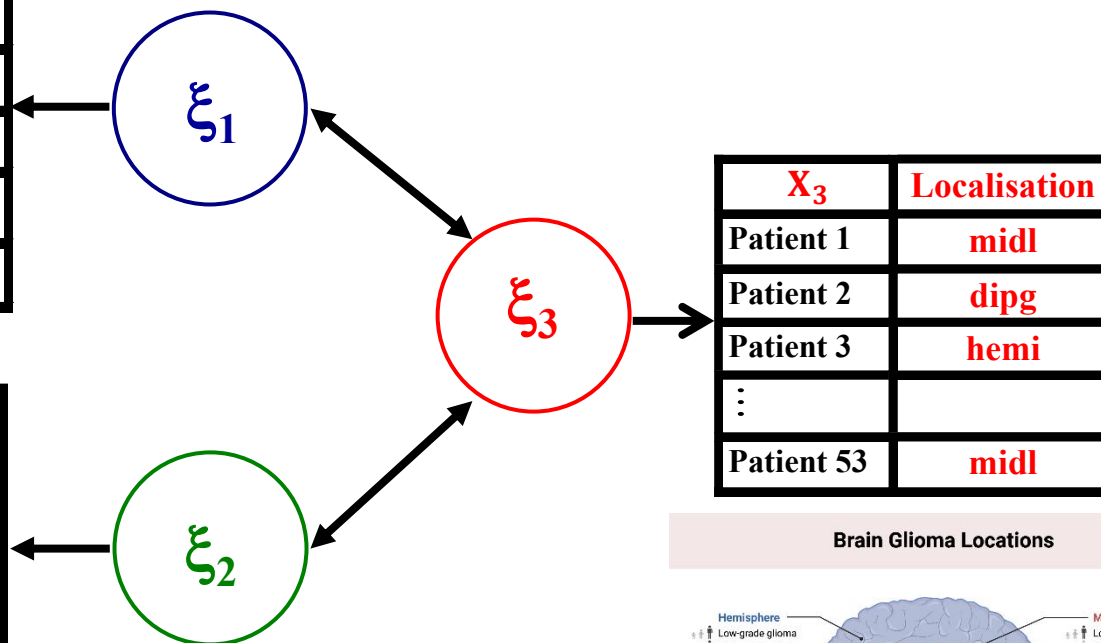
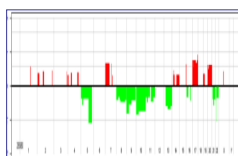


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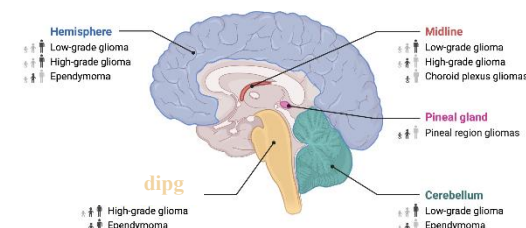


$X_1$	Gene 1	...	Gene 15201
Patient 1	0.18		-0.73
Patient 2	1.15		0.27
Patient 3	1.35		0.22
⋮			
Patient 53	1.39		-0.17

$X_2$	CGH1	...	CGH 1229
Patient 1	0.00		-0.55
Patient 2	-0.30		0.00
Patient 3	0.33		0.64
⋮			
Patient 53	0.00		0.43



Brain Glioma Locations



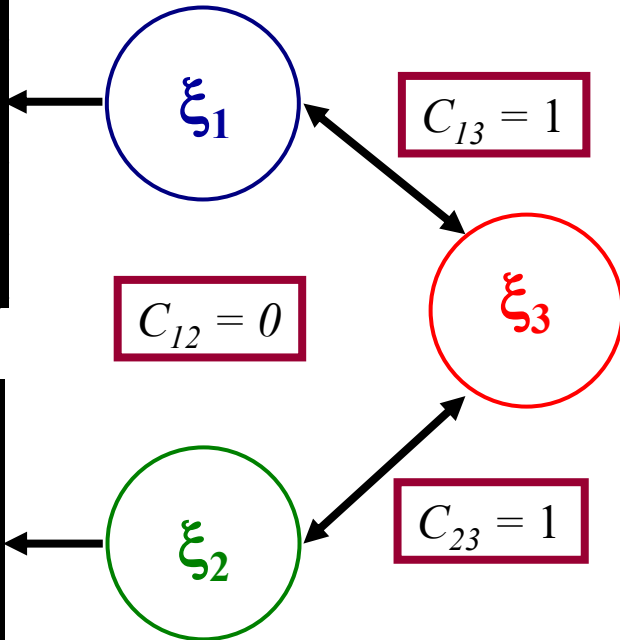
# Glioma Cancer Data: from an RGCCA viewpoint

(Department of Pediatric Oncology of the Gustave Roussy Institute)

RGCCA with factorial scheme -  $\tau_1 = 1$ ,  $\tau_2 = 1$  and  $\tau_3 = 0$

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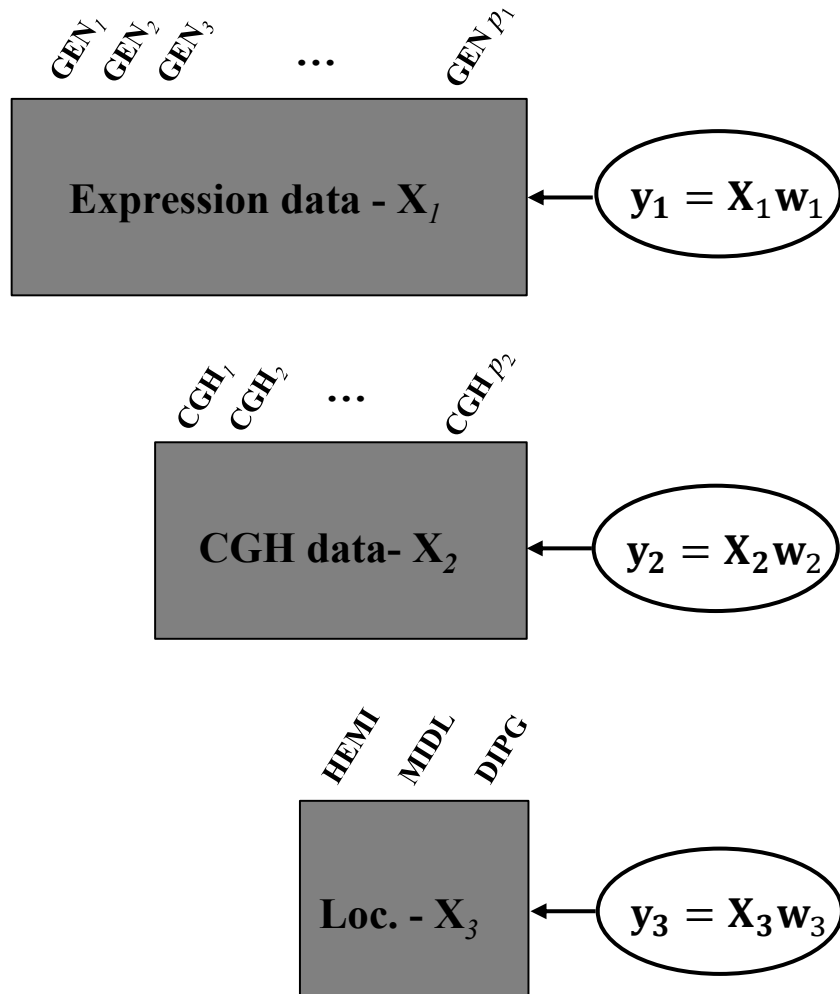


	Hemisphere	DIPG
Patient 1	1	0
Patient 2	0	0
Patient 3	0	1
⋮		
Patient 53	1	0

High dimensional block settings  $\Rightarrow$  dual algorithm for RGCCA

# THE CORNER: KGCCA ON GLIOMA DATA

# Multiblock component methods with sparsity



Block components should verified three properties at the same time:

1. Block components well explain their own block.
2. Block components are as correlated as possible for connected blocks.
3. Block components are built from sparse  $w_j$

# RGCCA for multiblock analysis

$$\max_{\mathbf{w}_1, \dots, \mathbf{w}_J} \sum_{j,k}^J c_{jk} g \left( \text{cov}(\mathbf{X}_j \mathbf{w}_j, \mathbf{X}_k \mathbf{w}_k) \right)$$

$$\text{s. t. } \|\mathbf{w}_j\|_2^2 = 1 \quad \& \quad \|\mathbf{w}_j\|_1 \leq s_j = 1, \dots, J$$



## Block components

$$\mathbf{y}_1 = \mathbf{X}_1 \mathbf{w}_1 = w_{11} \mathbf{Gene}_1 + \cdots + w_{1,15201} \mathbf{Gene}_{15201}$$

$$\mathbf{y}_2 = \mathbf{X}_2 \mathbf{w}_2 = w_{21} \mathbf{CGH}_1 + \cdots + w_{2,1909} \mathbf{CGH}_{1909}$$

$$\mathbf{y}_3 = \mathbf{X}_3 \mathbf{w}_3 = w_{31} \mathbf{Hemisphere} + w_{32} \mathbf{DIPG}$$

Block components should verify three properties at the same time:

- (i) Block components explain their block well.
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- (iii) Block components are built from sparse  $\mathbf{w}_j$

# Block relaxation: from $\mathbf{w}^s$ to $\mathbf{w}^{s+1}$

$$\mathbf{w}^s = (\mathbf{w}_1^s, \mathbf{w}_2^s, \dots, \mathbf{w}_J^s)$$

$$\operatorname{argmax}_{\|\mathbf{w}_1\|_2=1 \ \& \ \|\mathbf{w}_1\|_1 \leq s_1} h(\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2^s, \dots, \mathbf{w}_J^s)$$

$$\rightarrow \mathbf{w}_1^{s+1}$$

$$\operatorname{argmax}_{\|\mathbf{w}_2\|_2=1 \ \& \ \|\mathbf{w}_2\|_1 \leq s_2} h(\mathbf{w}_1^{s+1}, \mathbf{w}_2, \mathbf{w}_3^s, \dots, \mathbf{w}_J^s)$$



$$\rightarrow \mathbf{w}_2^{s+1}$$

⋮

$$\operatorname{argmax}_{\|\mathbf{w}_j\|_2=1 \ \& \ \|\mathbf{w}_j\|_1 \leq s_j} h(\mathbf{w}_1^{s+1}, \dots, \mathbf{w}_{j-1}^{s+1}, \mathbf{w}_j, \mathbf{w}_{j+1}^s, \dots, \mathbf{w}_J^s)$$



$$\rightarrow \mathbf{w}_j^{s+1}$$

⋮

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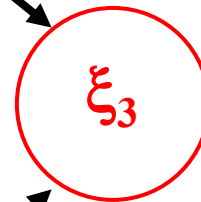
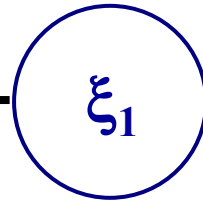
$$\mathbf{w}_j^{s+1} = \frac{\max\left(0, \left|\frac{1}{n} \mathbf{X}_j^\top \mathbf{z}_j\right| - \lambda_j\right)}{\left\|\max\left(0, \left|\frac{1}{n} \mathbf{X}_j^\top \mathbf{z}_j\right| - \lambda_j\right)\right\|_2}$$

$$\mathbf{w}^{s+1} = (\mathbf{w}_1^{s+1}, \mathbf{w}_2^{s+1}, \dots, \mathbf{w}_J^{s+1})$$

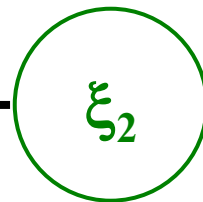


# THE CORNER: SGCCA ON GLIOMA DATA

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Patient 3	1.35		0.22
⋮			
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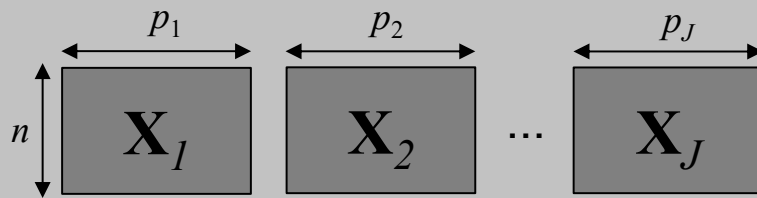
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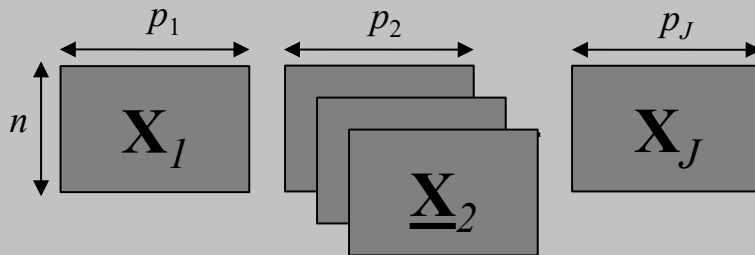
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High dimensional block settings  $\Rightarrow$  sparse GCCA

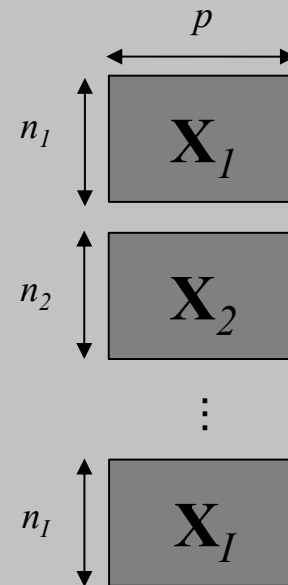
# The RGCCA framework



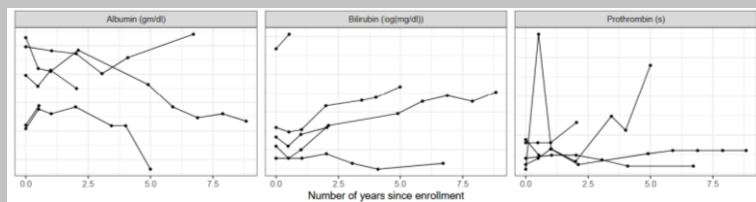
(a) multiblock structure



(b) multiblock/multiway structure



(c) multigroup structure



(c) longitudinal multiblock structure

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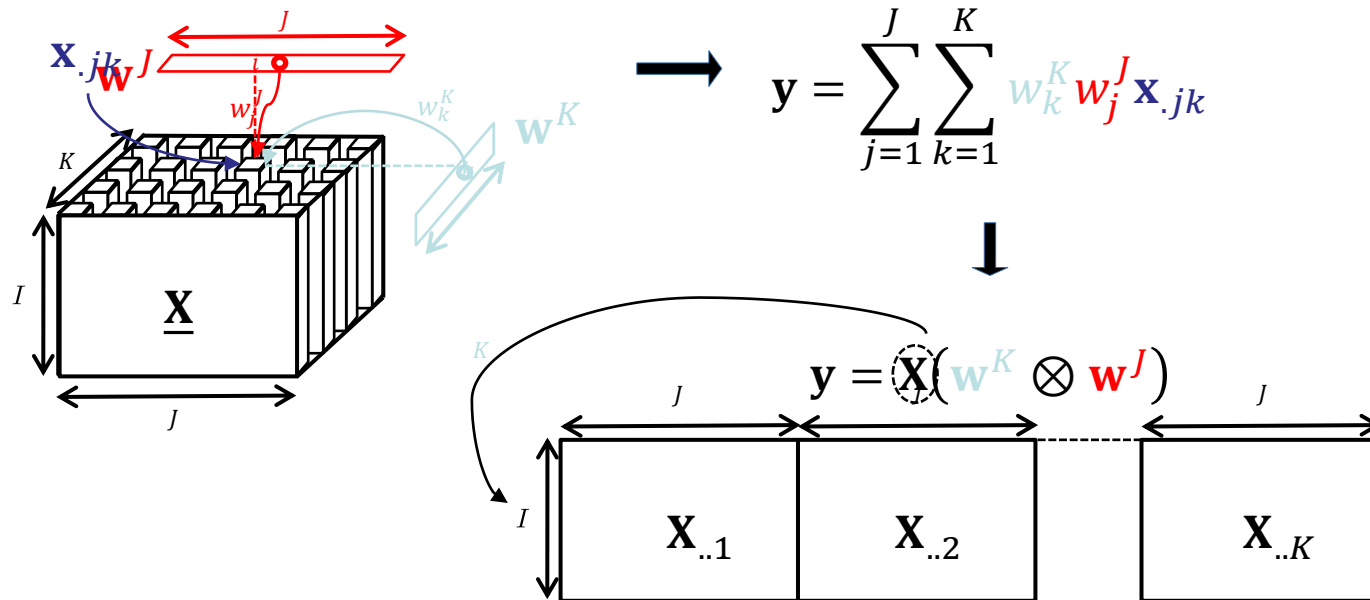
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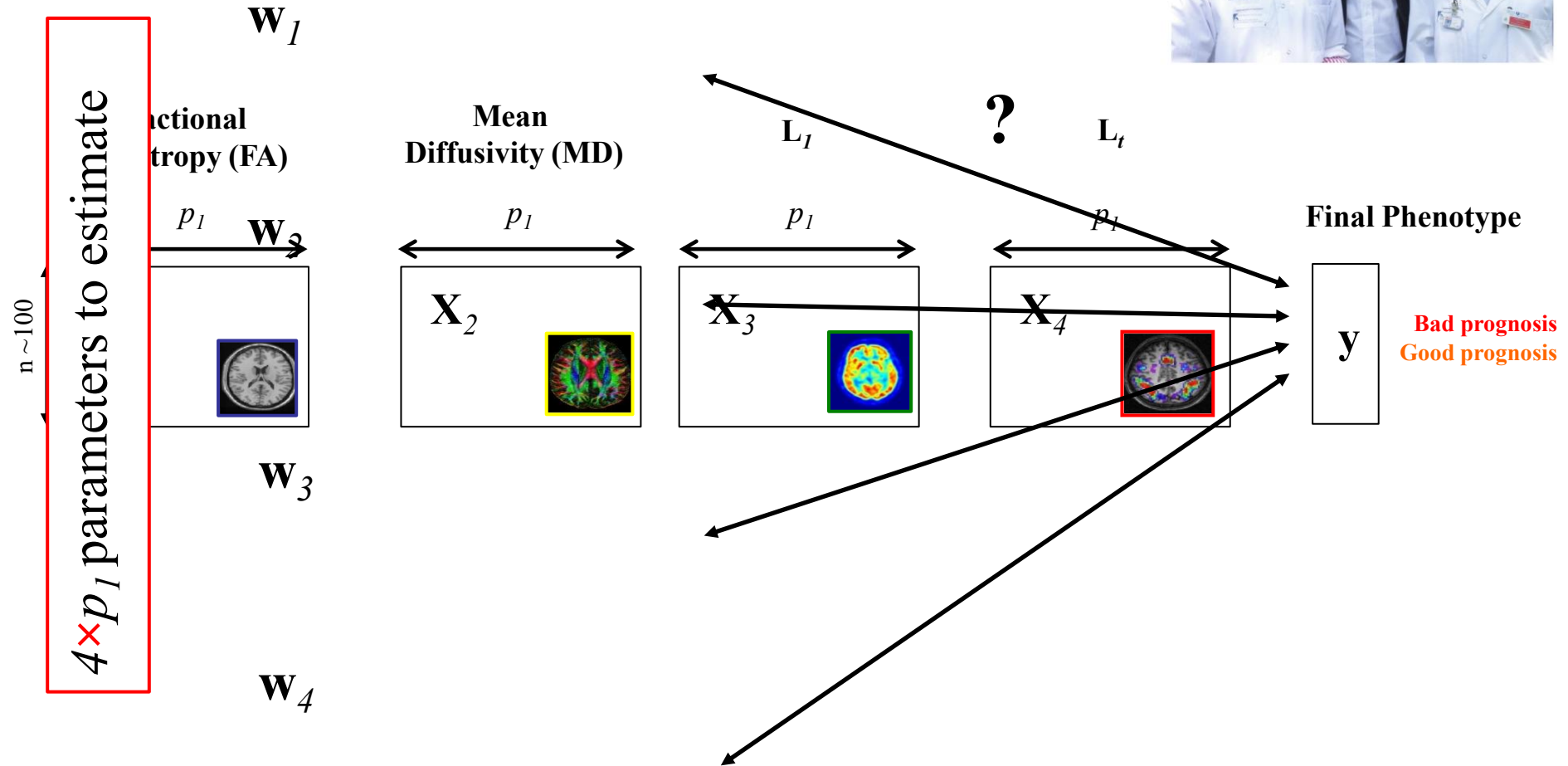
# How to handle multiway data in RGCCA





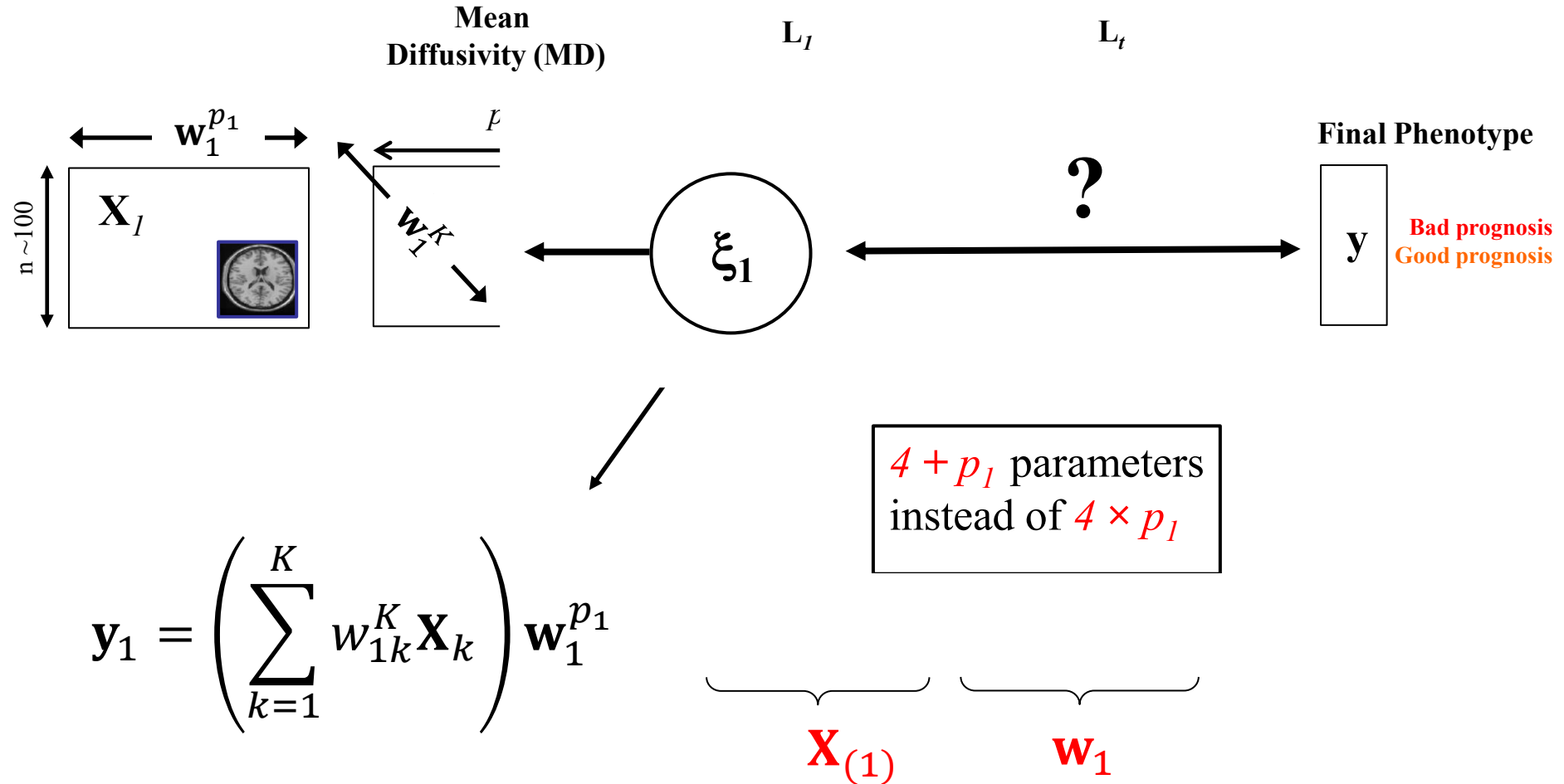
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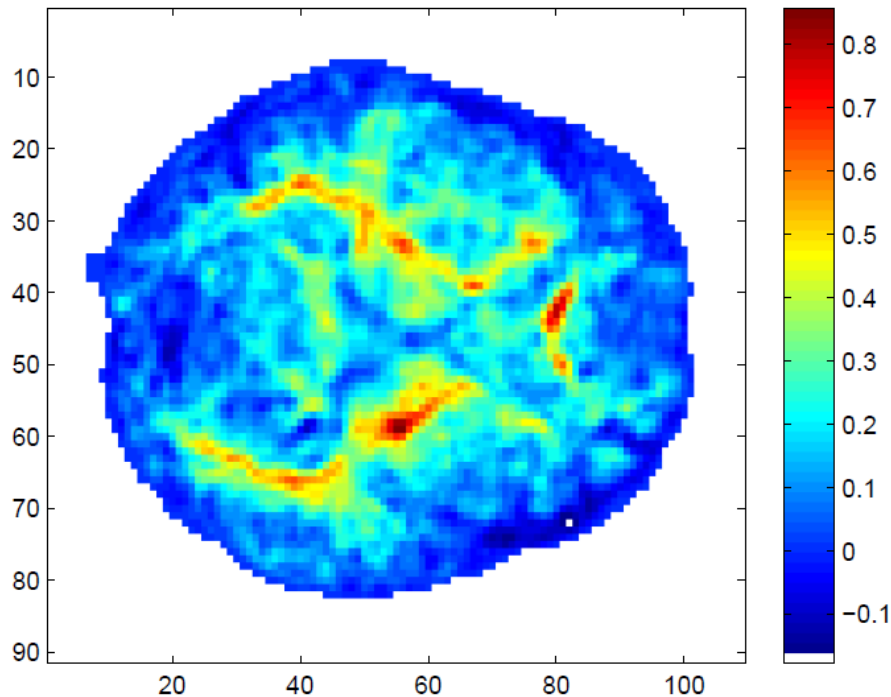
$$\mathbf{y}_1 = \left( \sum_{k=1}^K \mathbf{w}_{1k}^K \mathbf{X}_k \right) \mathbf{w}_1^{p_1}$$

$$\max_{\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2} \text{cov}(\mathbf{X}_{(1)} \mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{y}) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \begin{cases} \mathbf{w}_1^\top \mathbf{w}_1 = 1 \\ \mathbf{w}_1 = \mathbf{w}_1^K \otimes \mathbf{w}_1^J \end{cases}$$

# COMA project

Contribution of the voxels and the modalities to predict the long term recovery of patients after traumatic brain injury can be studied separately.

Influence of spatial positions:  $w_1^{p_1}$

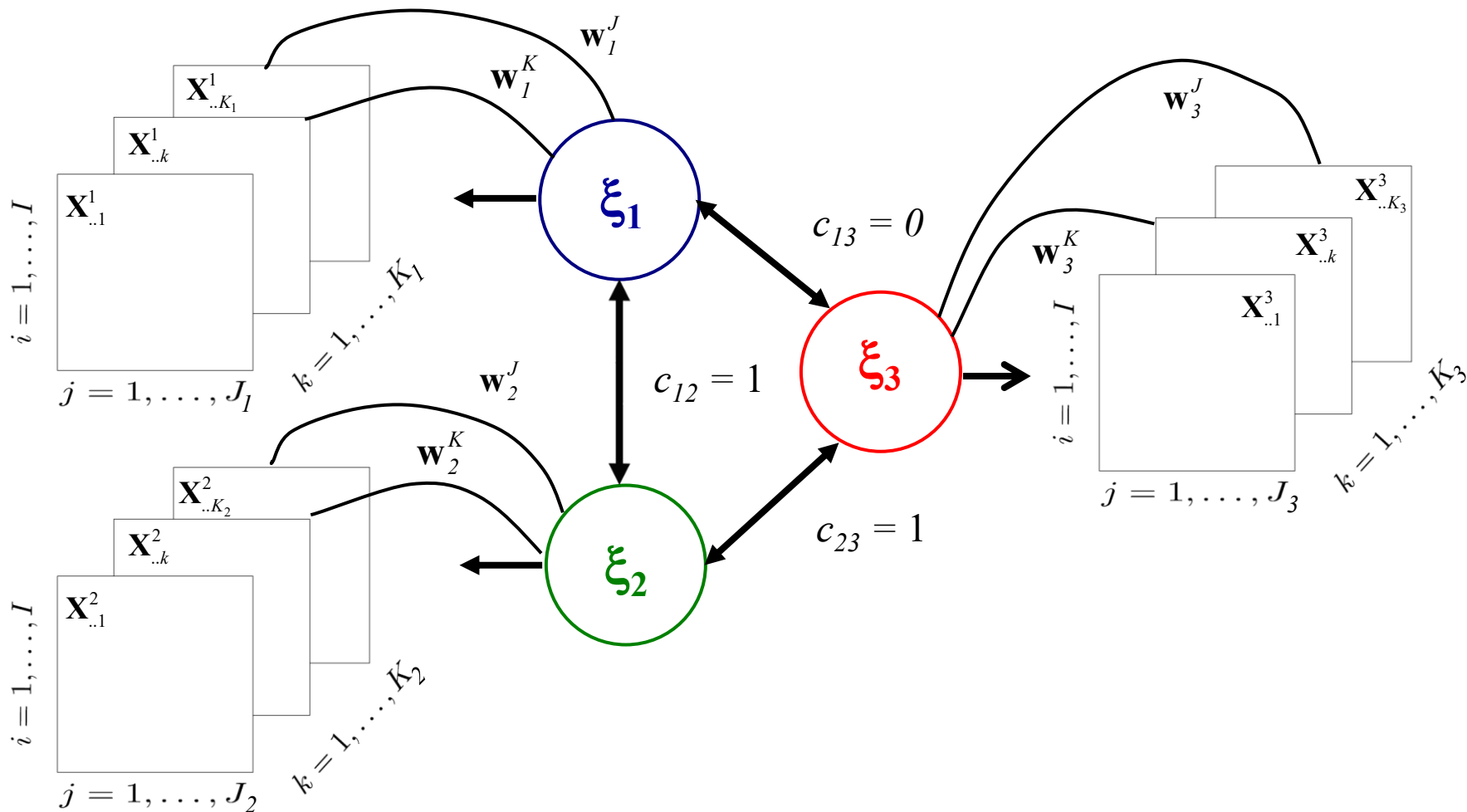


Influence of spatial positions:  $w_1^K$

Modality	$w_1^K$
<b>FA</b>	<b>0.9887</b>
<b>MD</b>	0.0036
<b>L<sub>1</sub></b>	0.0046
<b>L<sub>t</sub></b>	0.0031

Discriminating voxels within the white matter bundles

# MGCCA optimization problem



$$\max_{\mathbf{w}_1, \dots, \mathbf{w}_J} \sum_{j,k=1}^J c_{jk} g(\text{cov}(\mathbf{X}_j \mathbf{w}_j, \mathbf{X}_k \mathbf{w}_k)) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \mathbf{w}_j^\top \mathbf{M}_j \mathbf{w}_j = 1 \text{ and } \mathbf{w}_j = \mathbf{w}_j^K \otimes \mathbf{w}_j^J, j = 1, \dots, J$$

# Block relaxation: from $\mathbf{w}^s$ to $\mathbf{w}^{s+1}$

$$\mathbf{w}^s = (\mathbf{w}_1^s, \mathbf{w}_2^s, \dots, \mathbf{w}_j^s)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{\substack{\mathbf{w}_1^\top \mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{w}_1 = 1 \\ \mathbf{w}_1 = \mathbf{w}_1^K \otimes \mathbf{w}_1^J}}{\operatorname{argmax}} h(\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2^s, \dots, \mathbf{w}_j^s) \end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow \mathbf{w}_1^{s+1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{\substack{\mathbf{w}_2^\top \mathbf{M}_2 \mathbf{w}_2 = 1 \\ \mathbf{w}_2 = \mathbf{w}_2^K \otimes \mathbf{w}_2^J}}{\operatorname{argmax}} h(\mathbf{w}_1^{s+1}, \mathbf{w}_2, \mathbf{w}_3^s, \dots, \mathbf{w}_j^s) \end{aligned}$$

$\vdots$

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$$\rightarrow \mathbf{w}_2^{s+1}$$



$$\rightarrow \mathbf{w}_j^{s+1}$$



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where  $\mathbf{w}_j^K$  and  $\mathbf{w}_j^J$  are obtained as the first left and right singular vector of a certain matrix of dimension  $K_j \times J_j$

$$\mathbf{w}_j^{s+1} = \mathbf{w}_j^K \otimes \mathbf{w}_j^J$$

$$\mathbf{w}^{s+1} = (\mathbf{w}_1^{s+1}, \mathbf{w}_2^{s+1}, \dots, \mathbf{w}_j^{s+1})$$





# Work in Progress

We propose a general statistical framework for analyzing heterogeneous and structured data

1. Adjustment for **confounding effect**.
2. Handling **missing values**:
  - Ponctual missing values
  - Blockwise missing values
3. **Causality** inference or discovery.
4. Development/maintenance of the RGCCA **package**



# Consensus space with RGCCA

$$\max_{\mathbf{w}_1, \dots, \mathbf{w}_{J+1}} \sum_{j=1}^J \left( \text{cov}(\mathbf{X}_j \mathbf{w}_j, \mathbf{X}_{J+1} \mathbf{w}_{J+1}) \right)^m \text{ s.t. } \mathbf{w}_j^\top \mathbf{M}_j \mathbf{w}_j = 1, \forall j$$

The superblock component  $\mathbf{y}_{J+1}$  is proportional to:

$$\mathbf{y}_{J+1} \propto \mathbf{X}_{J+1} \mathbf{M}_{J+1}^{-1} \mathbf{X}_{J+1}^\top \sum_{j=1}^J \left( \text{cov}(\mathbf{y}_j, \mathbf{y}_{J+1}) \right)^{m-1} \mathbf{y}_j$$

When  $\mathbf{M}_{J+1} = n^{-1} \mathbf{X}_{J+1}^\top \mathbf{X}_{J+1}$ , it reduces to

$$\mathbf{y}_{J+1} \propto \sum_{j=1}^J \left( \text{cov}(\mathbf{y}_j, \mathbf{y}_{J+1}) \right)^{m-1} \mathbf{y}_j$$

weighted sums of  
block components

# Consensus space with RGCCA

$$\max_{\mathbf{w}_1, \dots, \mathbf{w}_J} \sum_{j=1}^J \text{cov}(\mathbf{X}_j \mathbf{w}_j, \mathbf{X}_{J+1} \mathbf{w}_{J+1})^m \quad \text{s. t.} \quad \begin{cases} \|\mathbf{w}_j\| = \dots = \|\mathbf{w}_J\| = 1 \\ \text{var}(\mathbf{X}_{J+1} \mathbf{w}_{J+1}) = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$m = 1$$

$$\mathbf{y}_{J+1} \propto \sum_{j=1}^J \mathbf{y}_j$$

$$m = 2$$

$$\mathbf{y}_{J+1} \propto \sum_{j=1}^J \text{cov}(\mathbf{y}_j, \mathbf{y}_{J+1}) \mathbf{y}_j$$

$$m = 4$$


$$\mathbf{y}_{J+1} \propto \sum_{j=1}^J \text{cov}(\mathbf{y}_j, \mathbf{y}_{J+1})^2 \mathbf{y}_j$$

# Fairness and block selection behavior

*Will a solution be accepted as a good one even if it is dominated by only a few of the  $J$  sets, ignoring the other sets? Or do we require that all  $J$  sets have equal share in the solution? (Van de Geer, 1984)*

The stationary equations of CPCA(m) give some information:

$$\mathbf{y}_{J+1} \propto \mathbf{X}_{J+1} \mathbf{M}_{J+1}^{-1} \mathbf{X}_{J+1}^{\top} \sum_{j=1}^J \left( \text{cov}(\mathbf{y}_j, \mathbf{y}_{J+1}) \right)^{m-1} \mathbf{y}_j$$

weighted sums of  
block components 

The influence of the various blocks  $\mathbf{X}_j$  on the solution is related to the scale of the block component  $\mathbf{y}_k$  and to the weights  $\text{cov}(\mathbf{y}_j, \mathbf{y}_{J+1})^{m-1}$ .

# Fairness and block selection behavior

weighted sums of  
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$$\mathbf{y}_{J+1} \propto \mathbf{X}_{J+1} \mathbf{M}_{J+1}^{-1} \mathbf{X}_{J+1}^{\top} \sum_{j=1}^J \left( \text{cov}(\mathbf{y}_j, \mathbf{y}_{J+1}) \right)^{m-1} \mathbf{y}_j$$

► Methods with equal block component scales are fairer than methods with unequal block component scales

⇒ Correlation-based methods are fairer than covariance-based methods

► Methods with equal weights are fairer than methods with unequal weights.

⇒ Using  $g(x) = x$  or  $g(x) = |x|$  scheme functions lead to fair methods. Block selection behavior is favored by using the scheme function  $g(x) = x^m$  where  $m$  is a positive even integer.



## From sequential to global RGCCA

$$\mathbf{w}_1^{(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{w}_J^{(1)} = \underset{\mathbf{w}_1, \dots, \mathbf{w}_J}{\operatorname{argmax}} \sum_{j,k}^J c_{jk} g \left( \operatorname{cov}(\mathbf{X}_j \mathbf{w}_j, \mathbf{X}_k \mathbf{w}_k) \right) \text{ s.t. } \mathbf{w}_j^\top \mathbf{M}_j \mathbf{w}_j = 1, j = 1, \dots, J$$

The second stage RGCCA is defined as the following optimization problem:

$$\mathbf{w}_1^{(2)}, \dots, \mathbf{w}_J^{(2)} = \underset{\mathbf{w}_1, \dots, \mathbf{w}_J}{\operatorname{argmax}} \sum_{j,k}^J c_{jk} g \left( \operatorname{cov}(\mathbf{X}_j \mathbf{w}_j, \mathbf{X}_k \mathbf{w}_k) \right) \text{ s.t. } \begin{aligned} &\mathbf{w}_j^\top \mathbf{M}_j \mathbf{w}_j = 1, j = 1, \dots, J \\ &\mathbf{y}_j^{(1)\top} \mathbf{X}_j \mathbf{w}_j = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Sequential strategy appears to be very useful in practice but is sub-optimal from an optimization point of view.


# From sequential to global RGCCA

Global RGCCA is defined as the following optimization problem:

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{\mathbf{w}_1^{(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{w}_1^{(R)}, \dots, \mathbf{w}_J^{(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{w}_J^{(R)}} & \sum_{j,k} c_{jk} \sum_{r=1}^R g\left(\text{cov}\left(\mathbf{X}_j \mathbf{w}_j^{(r)}, \mathbf{X}_k \mathbf{w}_k^{(r)}\right)\right) \\ \text{s. t. } & \mathbf{w}_j^{(r)\top} \mathbf{M}_j \mathbf{w}_j^{(s)} = \delta_{rs}, j = 1, \dots, J, r, s = 1, \dots, R \end{aligned}$$

Global RGCCA can be written more compactly as follows:

$$\max_{\mathbf{w}_1, \dots, \mathbf{w}_J} \sum_{j,k} c_{jk} \text{Tr} \left( \boxed{g\left(n^{-1} \mathbf{w}_j^\top \mathbf{X}_j \mathbf{X}_k \mathbf{w}_k\right)} \right) \text{ s. t. } \mathbf{w}_j^\top \mathbf{M}_j \mathbf{w}_j = \mathbf{I}_R, j = 1, \dots, J$$



$$\begin{pmatrix} g\left(\text{cov}\left(\mathbf{X}_j \mathbf{w}_j^{(1)}, \mathbf{X}_k \mathbf{w}_k^{(1)}\right)\right) & \dots & g\left(\text{cov}\left(\mathbf{X}_j \mathbf{w}_j^{(1)}, \mathbf{X}_k \mathbf{w}_k^{(R)}\right)\right) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ g\left(\text{cov}\left(\mathbf{X}_j \mathbf{w}_j^{(R)}, \mathbf{X}_k \mathbf{w}_k^{(1)}\right)\right) & \dots & g\left(\text{cov}\left(\mathbf{X}_j \mathbf{w}_j^{(R)}, \mathbf{X}_k \mathbf{w}_k^{(R)}\right)\right) \end{pmatrix}$$

# Block relaxation: from $W^S$ to $W^{S+1}$

$$\boxed{W^S = (W_1^S, W_2^S, \dots, W_J^S)} \quad \underset{W_1, W_1^T M_1 W_1 = I_R}{\operatorname{argmax}} \quad h(W_1, W_2^S, \dots, W_J^S) \quad \rightarrow \quad W_1^{S+1}$$

$$\underset{W_2, W_2^T M_2 W_2 = I_R}{\operatorname{argmax}} \quad h(\mathbf{W}_1^{S+1}, W_2, W_3^S, \dots, W_J^S) \quad \rightarrow \quad W_2^{S+1}$$

⋮

$$\underset{W_j, W_j^T M_j W_j = I_R}{\operatorname{argmax}} \quad h(\mathbf{W}_1^{S+1}, \dots, \mathbf{W}_{j-1}^{S+1}, W_j, W_{j+1}^S, \dots, W_J^S) \quad \rightarrow \quad W_j^{S+1}$$

⋮

$$\underset{W_J, W_J^T M_J W_J = I_R}{\operatorname{argmax}} \quad h(\mathbf{W}_1^{S+1}, \dots, \mathbf{W}_{j-1}^{S+1}, W_J) \quad \rightarrow \quad W_J^{S+1}$$



rank-R SVD of a specific matrix  
of dimension  $p_j \times R$ .

$$\boxed{W^{S+1} = (W_1^{S+1}, W_2^{S+1}, \dots, W_J^{S+1})}$$