

Sparse Gaussian graphical models for biological network inference

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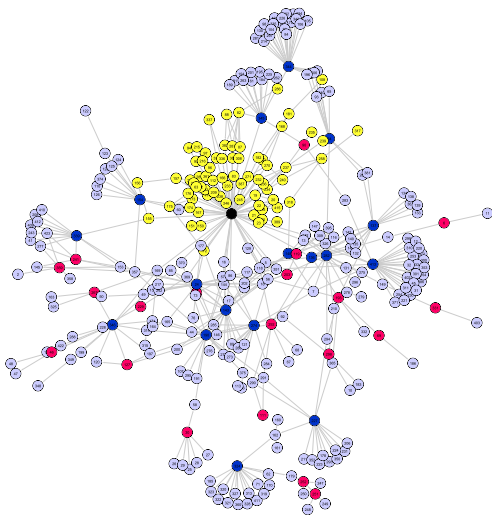
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Regulatory networks

E. coli regulatory network

- ▶ relationships between gene and their products
- ▶ inhibition/activation
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- ▶ always incomplete



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¹and are presumably *wrongly* assumed to be

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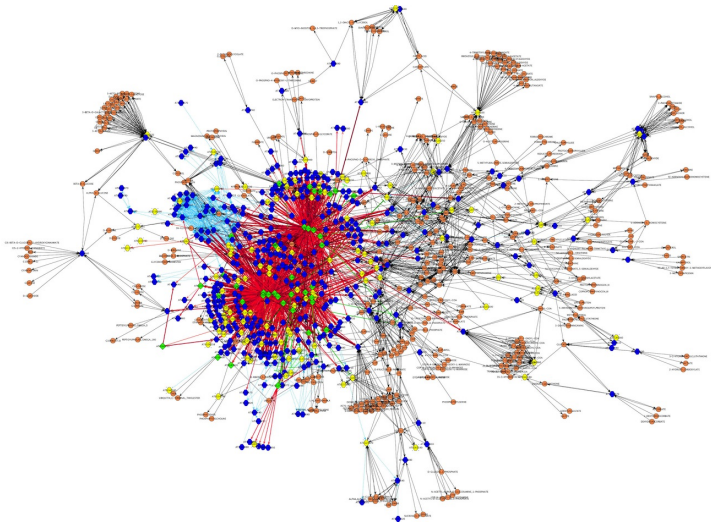


Figure: Regulatory network identified in mammalian cells: **highly structured**

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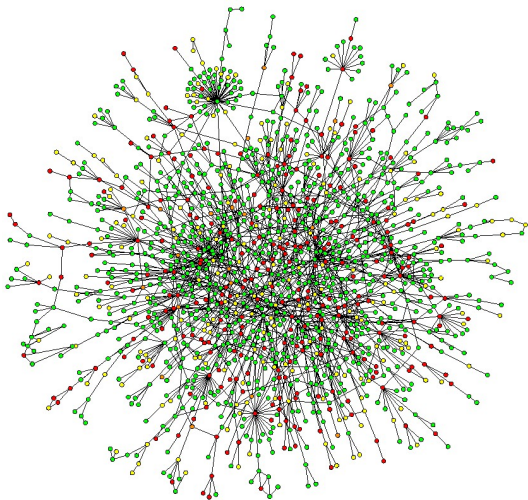


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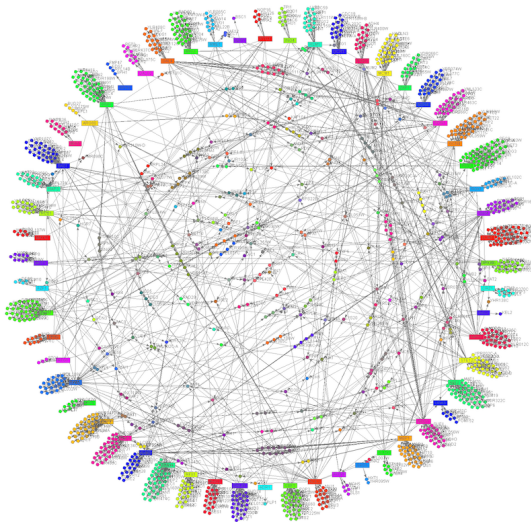


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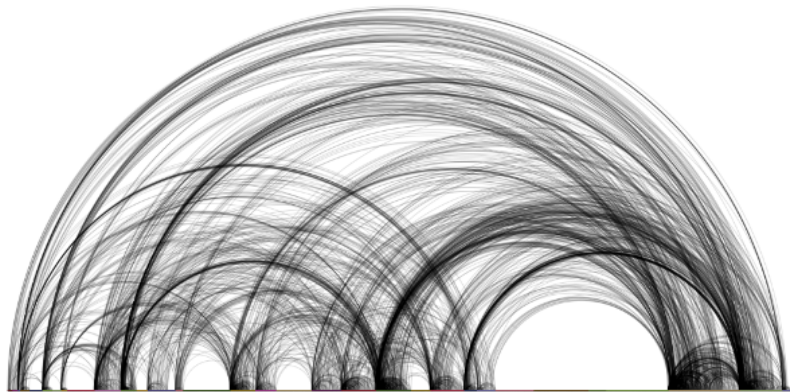


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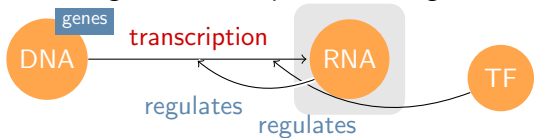
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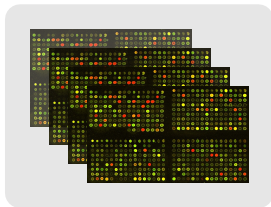
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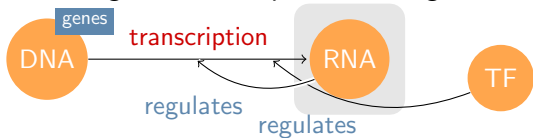
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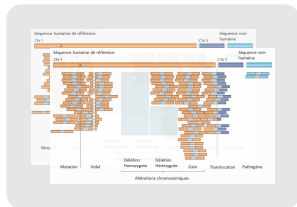
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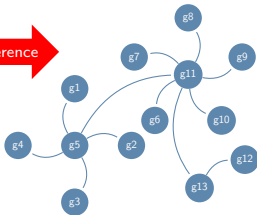
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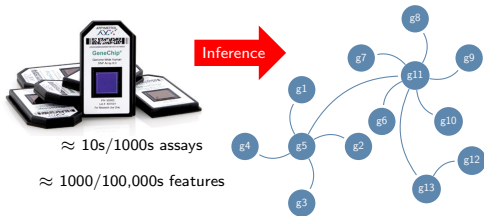
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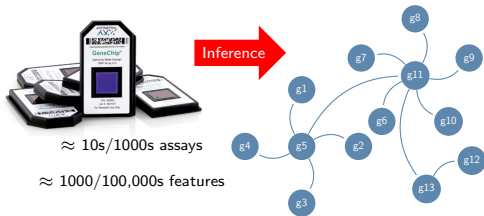
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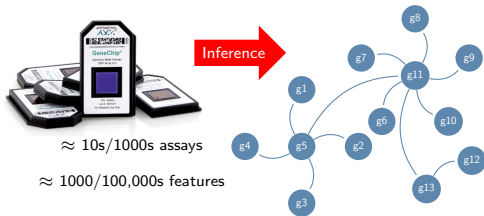
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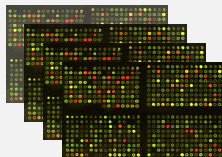
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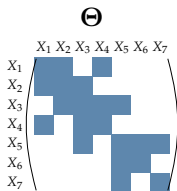
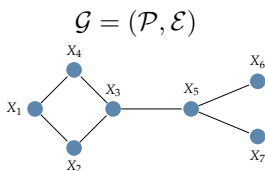
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Graphical interpretation



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Conditional on its neighborhood, other profiles do not give additional insights

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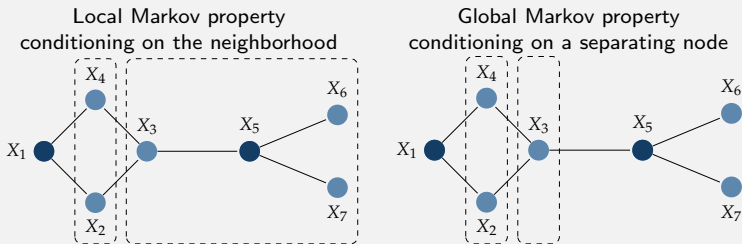
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- solved by the “Graphical-Lasso” ($\mathcal{O}(p^3)$, Friedman *et al.*, 2007).

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Variants and recent improvements

'13 NIPS submissions

- ▶ Use square-root Lasso in place of Lasso for tuning insensitive property package
- ▶ Solve CLIME for $p = 10^6$ (on 400 cores).

See R package huge, fastclime, flare, QUIC.



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Model selection

Cross-validation

Optimal in terms of **prediction**, not in terms of selection

Information based criteria

Since, $df(\hat{\beta}_\lambda^{\text{lasso}}) = \left\| \hat{\beta}_\lambda^{\text{lasso}} \right\|_0$ (Zou, Hastie, 2008)

- ▶ Straightforward application of BIC/AIC
- ▶ Adaptation for the sparse high dimensional problem (eBIC, AICc, . . .),
- ▶ GGMSelect (Girault *et al*, '12) selects among a family of candidates.

Stability selection (Meinshausen and Bühlman, 2010, Bach 2008)

Keep edges frequently selected on an range of λ after sub-samplings

- + Selecting “the” right λ is not a problem anymore
- + **Works well for network inference** (see Haury *et al.* 2012).

Limitations towards biological network inference

- ▶ Sparse GGM

- + very solid **statistical** and **computational** framework
- + extend to non strictly normal distribution (NGS)

- ▶ DREAM 5 benchmark, 2012.

- + **competitive** to other inference methods
- performances remain **questionable on real data**, as for other methods

Idea: try to take into account biological/data features

Three tentatives follow to **strengthen the inference** by handling with

1. **structure** of the network (organization of biological mechanisms)
2. sample **heterogeneity** (patient heterogeneity)
3. horizontal **integration** (use multiple data and platforms)

↪ Illustration on cancer data sets.

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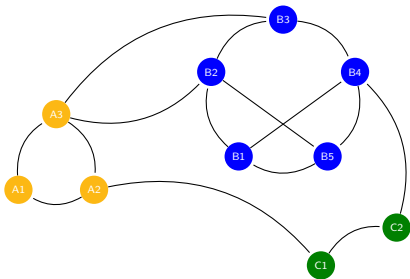
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Handling with the data structure and scarcity

By introducing some prior

Priors should be biologically grounded

1. no too many genes effectively interact: **sparsity**,
2. networks are organized: **latent clustering**.



Structured regularization

SIMoNe: Statistical Inference for MOdular NEtworks

$$\arg \max_{\Theta, \mathbf{Z}} \ell(\Theta; \mathbf{X}) - \lambda \|\mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{Z}} \star \Theta\|_{\ell_1},$$

where $\mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{Z}}$ is a matrix of weights depending on a **underlying** latent structure \mathbf{Z} (depicted through a stochastic block model).

↪ **Cluster-driven inference** via an EM-like strategy.



Ambroise, Chiquet, Matias. Inferring sparse GGM with latent structure, EJS, 2009.



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Chiquet et al., SIMoNe R-package (*needs updates...*), Note Bioinformatics, 2009.

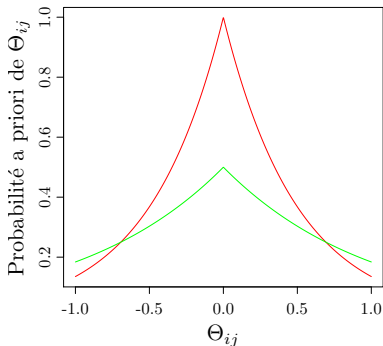
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“Bayesian” interpretation of ℓ_1 regularization

Laplacian prior on Θ depends on the clustering \mathbf{Z}

$$\mathbb{P}(\Theta|\mathbf{Z}) \propto \prod_{i,j} \exp \left\{ -\lambda \cdot \mathbf{P}_{ij}^{\mathbf{Z}} \cdot |\Theta_{ij}| \right\}.$$

$\mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{Z}}$ summarizes prior information on the position of edges



How to come up with a latent clustering?

Biological expertise

- ▶ Build \mathbf{Z} from prior biological information
 - ▶ transcription factors vs. regulatees,
 - ▶ number of potential binding sites,
 - ▶ KEGG pathways, ...
- ▶ Build the weight matrix from \mathbf{Z} .

Inference: Erdős-Rényi **Mixture** for **Networks** (Daudin et al., 2008; Latouche et al., 2011)

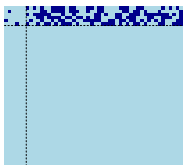
- ▶ Equivalent to the Stochastic Bloc Model (SBM);
- ▶ Spread the nodes into Q classes;
- ▶ Connexion probabilities depend upon node classes:

$$\mathbb{P}(i \leftrightarrow j | i \in \text{class } q, j \in \text{class } \ell) = \pi_{q\ell}.$$

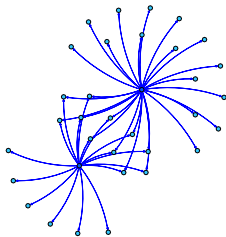
- ▶ Build $P_{\mathbf{Z}} \propto 1 - \pi_{q\ell}$.

Learning scheme

Suppose you want to recover a clustered network:



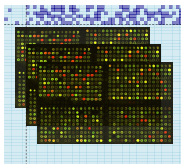
Target Adjacency Matrix



Target Network

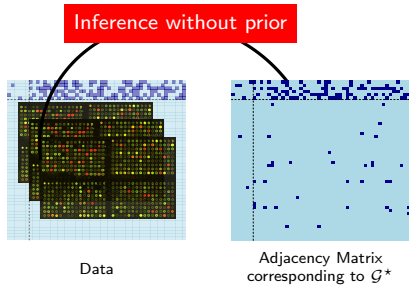
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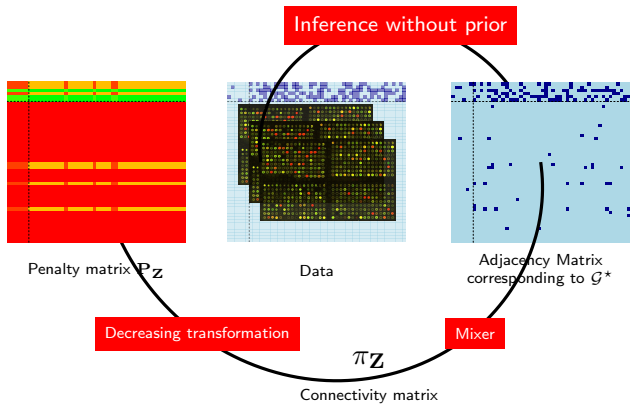


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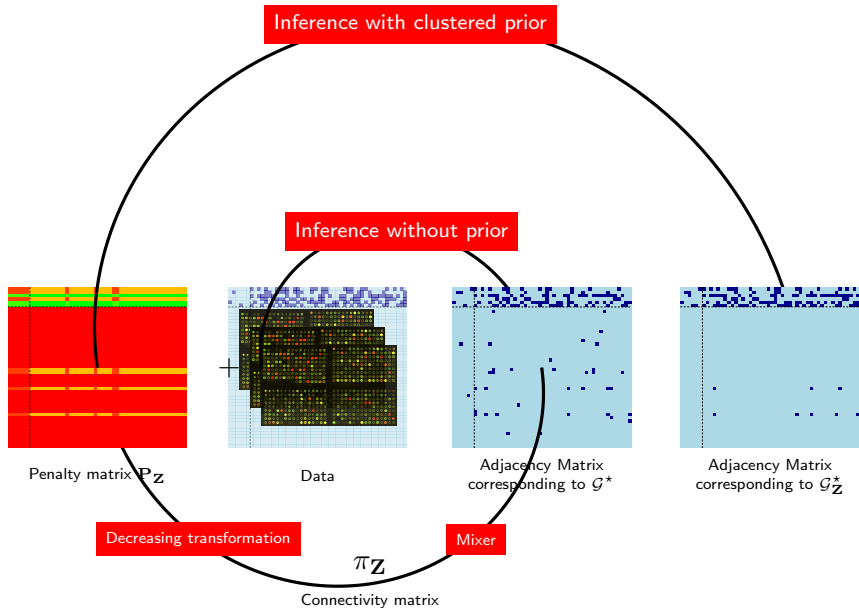


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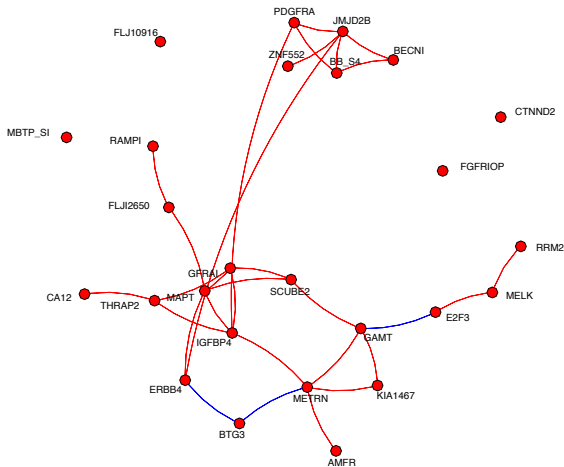


Figure: Pooling the data, Neighborhood Selection

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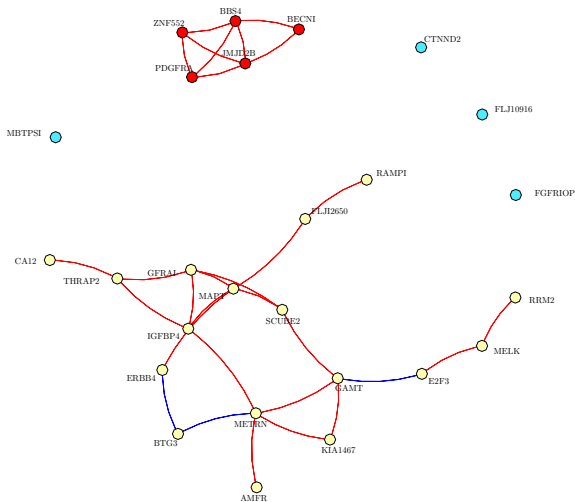


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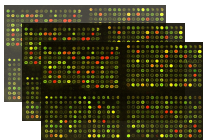
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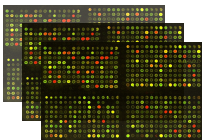
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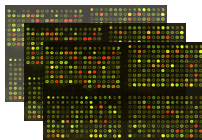
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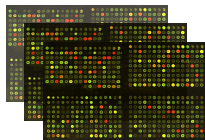
Multiple inference of GGM

$$\arg \max_{\Theta^{(c)}, c=1, \dots, C} \sum_{c=1}^C \ell(\Theta^{(c)}; \mathbf{S}^{(c)}) - \lambda \text{pen}_{\ell_1}(\Theta^{(c)}).$$

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Inferring each graph **independently** does not help

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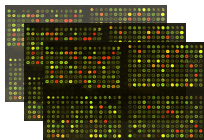
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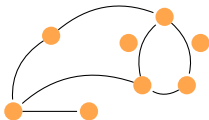
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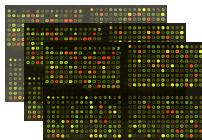
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inference



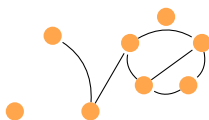
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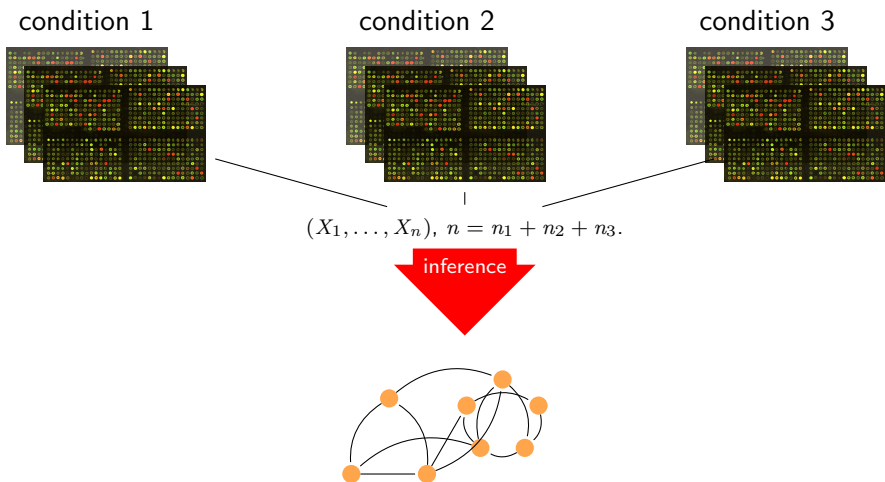
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Multiple inference of GGM

Handling the scarcity of data

By **pooling** all the available data (like we just have with Hess' data set)



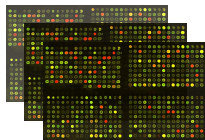
Multiple inference of GGM

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \mu_i(x_i) = \mu(x)$$

Handling the scarcity of data

By **breaking** the separability

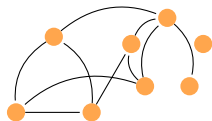
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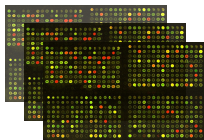
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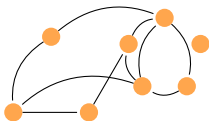
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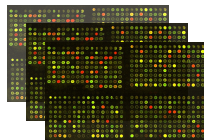
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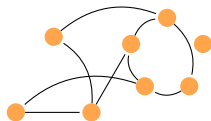
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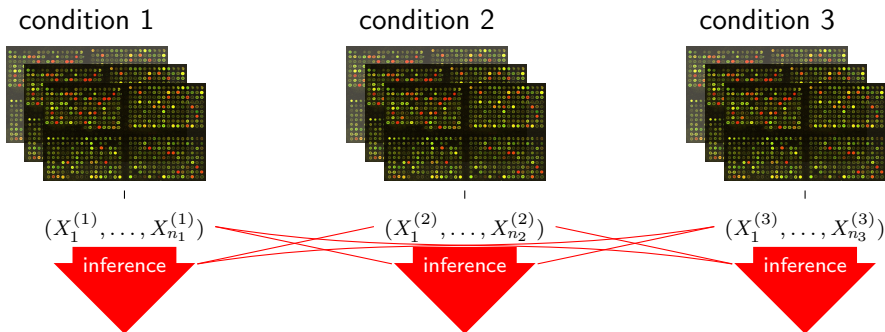
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Multiple inference of GGM

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By **breaking** the separability



Multiple inference of GGM

$$\arg \max_{\Theta^{(c)}, c=1, \dots, C} \sum_{c=1}^C \ell(\Theta^{(c)}; \mathbf{S}^{(c)}) - \lambda \text{pen}_{\ell_1}(\Theta^{(c)}).$$

A multitask approach

Chiquet, Grandvalet, Ambroise, Statistics and Computing 2010/11

Break the separability

Joint the optimization problem by either modifying

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Intertwined-Lasso

- ▶ $\bar{\mathbf{S}} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^T n_t \mathbf{S}^{(t)}$ is the “pooled-tasks” covariance matrix.
- ▶ $\tilde{\mathbf{S}}^{(t)} = \alpha \mathbf{S}^{(t)} + (1 - \alpha) \bar{\mathbf{S}}$ is a mixture between specific and pooled covariance matrices.

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Sparsity with grouping effect

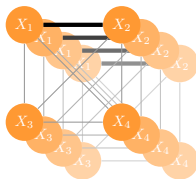
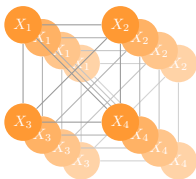
- ▶ Group-Lasso (Yuan and Lin 2006, Grandvalet and Canu, 1998),
- ▶ Cooperative-Lasso (Chiquet et al, AoAS, 2012),

Grouping effects induced

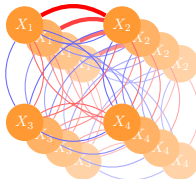
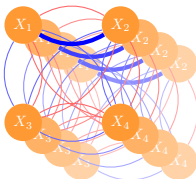
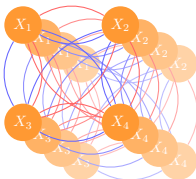
Potential groups

Group(s) induced by edges (1, 2)

Group-Lasso



Cooperative-Lasso



Grouping effects induced

Recent works

- ▶ Use Fused-Lasso, sparse group-Lasso
- ▶ Adapted several time to the **Graphical Lasso framework**
 - ▶ See, e.g. D. Witten's team works.
 - ▶ The multitask/neighborhood selection's approach remains competitive.
- ▶ Promising manuscript (Mohan et al. arXiv, 2013)
 - ▶ Networks differences are only due to **perturbations at the node level**.
 - ▶ For instance, a hub is encouraged to be shared across tasks.

Revisiting the Hess *et al.* data set

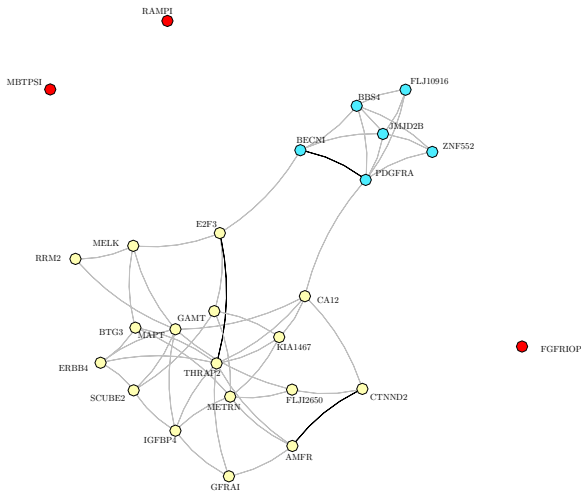


Figure: Cooperative-Lasso applied on the two sets of patients (PCR/noPCR). Bold edges are different in the finally selection graph.

Application: ER status in Breast cancer

Dataset: 466 patients with breast cancer

provided by Guedj *et al.*,

A refined molecular taxonomy of breast cancer, *Oncogene*, 2011.

Objective: identify changes in regulatory mechanisms

- ▶ ER^+ / ER^- : breast cancer growth stimulated by estrogen hormones,
- ▶ ER^+ tackled with anti-hormonal therapies,
- ▶ ER^- found clinically more aggressive.



Jeanmougin, Charbonnier, Guedj and Chiquet, Network inference in breast cancer with Gaussian graphical models and extensions.

Probabilistic graphical models for genetics, Oxford University Press, to appear.

Application: ER status in Breast cancer

Network inference with cooperative-Lasso on 200 candidate genes (partial view)

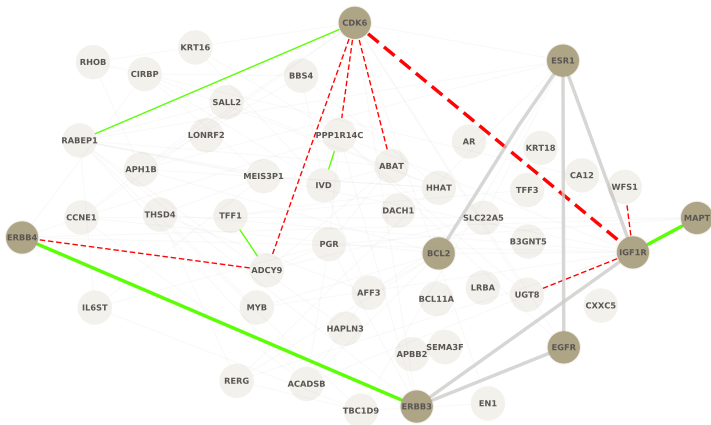


Figure: The dashed black edges are inferred only under the ER- condition and the solid black edges are only predicted under the ER+ condition. Gray are common to both conditions

Application: ER status in Breast cancer

Network inference with the cooperative-Lasso fits known anti-apoptotic mechanisms

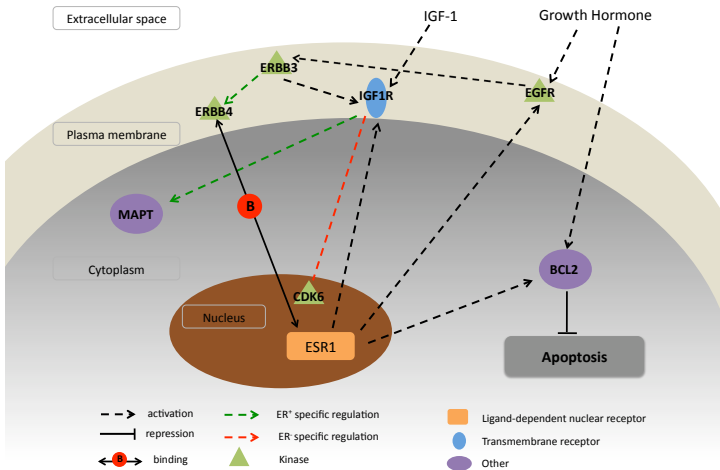


Figure: Most edges are supported by the literature (except two)

Outline

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Statistical framework: sparse GGM

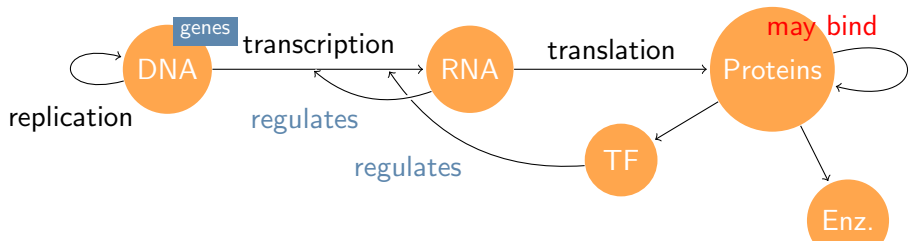
GGM with latent structure

Inferring Multiple Graphical Structures

Multiattribute GGM

Why Multi-attribute Networks?

Joint work with E. Kolaczyk (Boston) and C. Ambroise (Évry)



Data integration

- ▶ Omic technologies can profile cells at **different levels**: DNA, RNA, protein, chromosomal, and functional.
- ▶ **multiple** molecular profiles **combined** on the same set of biological samples can be *synergistic*.

Remark: a close independent work of Kolar and Xing appeared late 2012...

Multiattribute GGM

Consider e.g. some p genes of interest and the $K = 2$ omic experiments

1. X_{i1} is the expression profile of gene i (transcriptomic data),
2. X_{i2} is the corresponding protein concentration (proteomic data).

Define a block-wise precision matrix

- ▶ $X = (X_1, \dots, X_p)^T \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \Sigma)$ in \mathbb{R}^{pK} ,
- ▶ $X_i = (X_{i1}, \dots, X_{iK})^T \in \mathbb{R}^K$.

$$\Theta = \Sigma^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \Theta_{11} & & \Theta_{1p} \\ & \ddots & \\ \Theta_{p1} & & \Theta_{pp} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \Theta_{ij} \in \mathcal{M}_{K,K}, \quad \forall (i,j) \in \mathcal{P}^2.$$

Graphical Interpretation

Define $\mathcal{G} = (\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{E})$ as **the multivariate analogue** of the *conditional graph*:

$$(i,j) \in \mathcal{E} \Leftrightarrow \Theta_{ij} \neq \mathbf{0}_{KK}.$$

Multiattribute GGM as Multivariate regression

Multivariate analysis view point

Straightforward algebra and we have

$$X_i | X_{\setminus i} = x \sim \mathcal{N}(-\Theta_{ii}^{-1} \Theta_{i \setminus i} x, \Theta_{ii}^{-1}) .$$

or equivalently, letting $\mathbf{B}_i^T = -\Theta_{ii}^{-1} \Theta_{i \setminus i}$,

$$X_i | X_{\setminus i} = \mathbf{B}_i^T X_{\setminus i} + \varepsilon_i \quad \varepsilon_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \Theta_{ii}^{-1}), \quad \varepsilon_i \perp X.$$

Remembering the univariate case?

$$X_i | X_{\setminus i} = - \sum_{j \in \text{neighbors}(i)} \frac{\Theta_{ij}}{\Theta_{ii}} X_j + \varepsilon_i, \quad \varepsilon_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma_{ii}), \quad \varepsilon_i \perp X.$$

So once the data set as been carefully reshaped...

The Data

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}^1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{x}^N \end{bmatrix} = [\mathbf{X}_1 \quad \dots \quad \mathbf{X}_p] = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_1^1 & \dots & \mathbf{x}_p^1 \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \mathbf{x}_1^N & \dots & \mathbf{x}_p^N \end{bmatrix} \\ = \begin{bmatrix} x_{11}^1 & x_{1K}^1 & \dots & x_{p1}^1 & \dots & x_{pK}^1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & & & \\ x_{11}^N & x_{1K}^N & \dots & x_{1K}^N & \dots & x_{pK}^N \end{bmatrix},$$

- ▶ \mathbf{x}^n , is a pK -size row vector containing the data related to the n th individual.
- ▶ $\mathbf{X}_i \in \mathcal{M}_{N,K}$ is $N \times K$ bloc matrix containing the data related to the i th gene.

Multivariate Neighborhood selection

The penalized multivariate regression approach

For each node /gene, recover its neighborhood by solving

$$\arg \min_{\mathbf{B}_i \in \mathcal{M}_{(p-1)K, K}} \frac{1}{2N} \|\mathbf{X}_i - \mathbf{X}_{\setminus i} \mathbf{B}_i\|_F^2 + \lambda \Omega(\mathbf{B}_i),$$

Choice of Penalty

Group-based penalty to activate the set of attributes simultaneously on a given link:

$$\Omega(\mathbf{B}_i) = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{P} \setminus i} \|\mathbf{B}_{ij}\|, \quad \mathbf{B}_{ij} \in \mathcal{M}_{KK}$$

- ▶ $\|M\| = \|M\|_F = \left(\sum_{i,j} M_{ij}^2 \right)^{1/2}$, the Frobenius norm,
- ▶ $\|M\| = \|M\|_\infty = \max_{i,j} |M_{ij}|$, the sup norm (shared magnitude),
- ▶ $\|M\| = \|M\|_* = \sum \text{eig}(M)$, the nuclear norm (rank penalty).

Simulation Study Design

Small study, set up as follows.

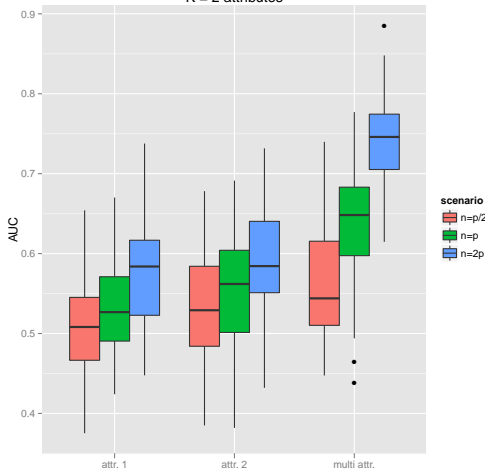
1. Simulation of an Erdős-Renyi graph;
2. Expand the adjacency matrix to multivariate space

$$\mathbf{A} = (\mathbf{A} + I) \otimes \mathbb{I}_{K \times K};$$

3. Compute Θ a positive definite approximation of \mathbf{A} by replacing null and negative eigenvalues by a small constant
4. $\Theta = \Theta + \gamma I$ with γ a parameter controlling the difficulty of the problem;
5. Draw an i.i.d. sample \mathbf{X} of $X \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma)$.

Simulation Results

K = 2 attributes



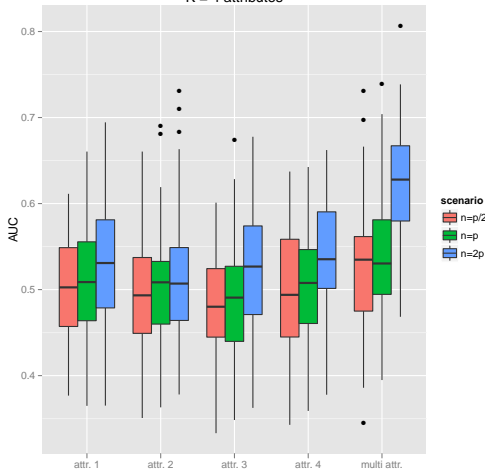
Settings

- ▶ **K=2** attributes
- ▶ $p = 20$ (small networks),
- ▶ 20 edges on average,
- ▶ vary n from $p/2$ to $2p$,
- ▶ AUC averaged over 50 runs.

Aggregation improves upon single-attribute methods for learning networks

Simulation Results

K = 4 attributes



Settings

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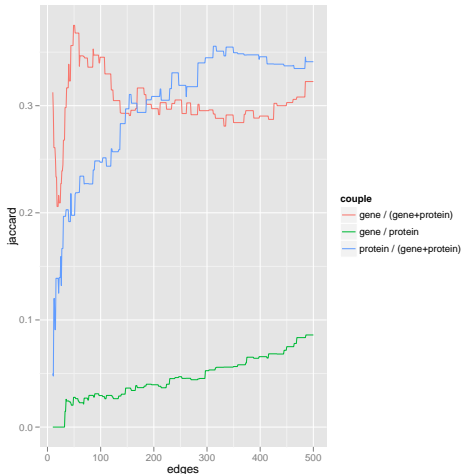
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Illustration on the NCI-60 data set

Molecular profile data on a panel of 60 diverse human cancer cell lines

1. **Protein**: reverse-phase lysate arrays (RPLA) for 92 antibodies;
2. **Gene** : Human Genome U95 affymetrix ($\sim 9,000$ genes).

\rightsquigarrow **consensus set with 91** protein and corresponding gene profiles.

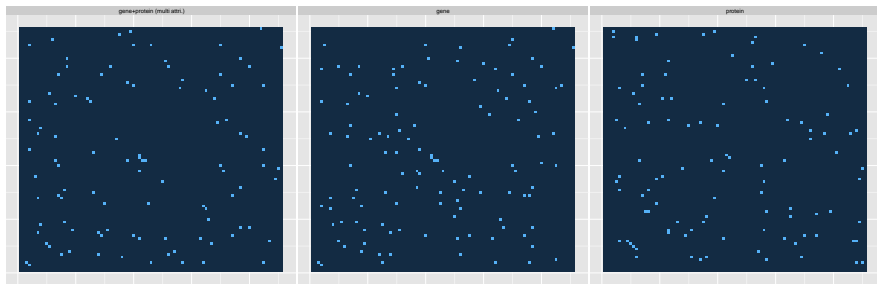


Jaccard's similarity index

$$J(A, B) = \frac{|A \cap B|}{|A \cup B|}$$

\rightsquigarrow multiattribute network shares a high Jaccard index with both uni attribute networks.

Illustration: Three Types of Regulatory Networks

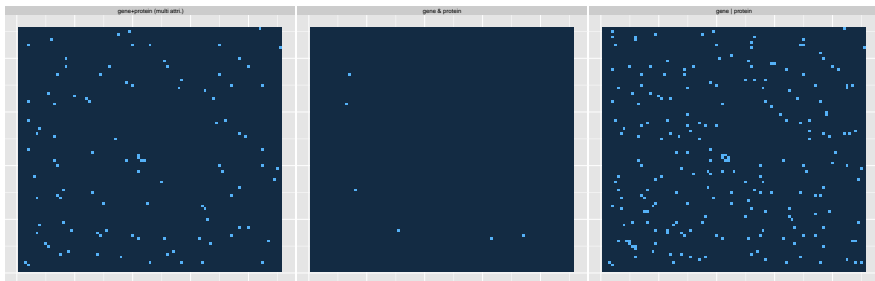


multi attribute
gene + protein

attribute 1
gene

attribute 2
protein

Illustration: Three Types of Regulatory Networks



multi attribute
gene + protein

attribute 1 & 2
gene AND protein

attribute 1 | 2
gene OR protein

Conclusion

Sparse Gaussian Graphical Model

Well established framework with a vast, growing literature

1. Nice modeling tool (conditional dependencies),
2. Good theoretical framework (which I have not much talked about),
3. Powerful algorithms (screening, first-order, homotopy)
 - ▶ that scale the dimension (large p large n)
 - ▶ that allow resampling/parallelization (for robustness)

↪ Great tool for covariance **estimation/selection** in a **reasonably** high dimensional settings.

Still . . .

- ▶ phenomena are quite complex: a biological **interaction** is not even well defined
- ▶ more data is coming . . .

↪ Need for methods with data integration and to solve couple problems

Perspectives/Ongoing work

Joint network inference to the estimation of a related biological feature

Enhance network reconstruction by simultaneously identifying TF

Knowledge of TF is crucial to achieve good network reconstruction



Haury *et al.*, BMC Bioinformatics, 2012.

↪ With **S. Robin**, we are working on TF elucidation at large scale from transcriptomic data through penalized multivariate regression.

Couple differential analysis (DA) to network inference

Introducing network knowledge is of great benefit for DA



F. Rapaport *et al.*, BMC Bioinfo, 2007 / L. Jacob *et al.*, Ann. Appl. Stat., 2012.

↪ With **P. Gutierrez** and **G. Rigaille** we proposed fused-ANOVA, a penalized model for differential analysis

↪ A unifying convex method is planned to be part of **Trung Ha's** PhD Thesis (with Guillem and **M-L Martin-Magnette**).

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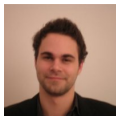
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