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High Performance Computing in Biomedical Informatics



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Biosciences will never be the same



- IT changed the world forever
- So much biological data is currently available
- The availability of data shifted many branches in Biosciences from pure experimental disciplines to knowledge based disciplines
- Integrating Computational Sciences and Biosciences is not easy
- The answer is Bioinformatics

It is all about the data



- How it all began:
 - Advances in medical instruments and computational technologies led to
 - Massive accumulation of Biomedical data led to
 - The availability of enormous various types of public/private Biomedical data
 - How to take advantage of the available data
- Bioinformatics vs. Health Informatics vs. Biomedical Imaging vs. Public Health Informatics

Bioinformatics & the Future of Personalized Medicine



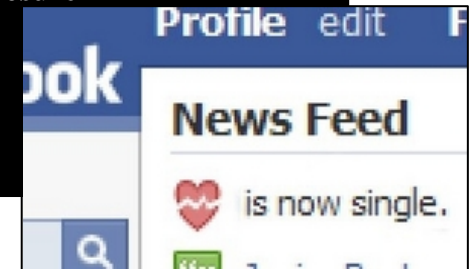
Health Data

- Patient history
- Allergies
- Prescription history
- Family history
- Surgeries



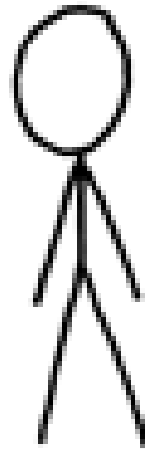
Social Data?

- Relationship/friendship data
- Location
- Smog
- Light Exposure



Genetic Data

- Personalized genome
- Genome *over time*?
- Susceptibilities
- Preventative therapeutics



Wellness Data

- Sleep habits
- Eating habits
- Daily activity
- Stress levels



Personalized Medicine



- Not so easy to obtain: Health data

Genome, patient history, family history, D.Y.

LIFE & STYLE

A Little Digging Unmasks DNA Donor Names

Experts Identify People by Matching Y-Chromosome Markers to Genealogy Sites, Obits; Researchers' Privacy Promises 'Empty'

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By AMY DOCKSER MARCUS

Updated Jan. 17, 2013 3:18 p.m. ET

Genetic information stored anonymously in databases doesn't always stay that way, a new study revealed, raising concern about how much privacy participants in research projects can expect in the Internet era.

Tension has long existed between the need to share data to drive medical discoveries and the fact many people don't want personal health information disclosed. The growing use of genetic sequencing makes this even more challenging because genetic data reveals information not only about an individual, but also about his or her relatives.



Enlarge Image

In a paper published Thursday in the journal Science, researchers were able to determine the identities of nearly 50 people who had submitted genetic information as part of scientific studies. The people were told that no identifying information would be included in the studies but were warned of the remote possibility that at some point in the future, their identities might become



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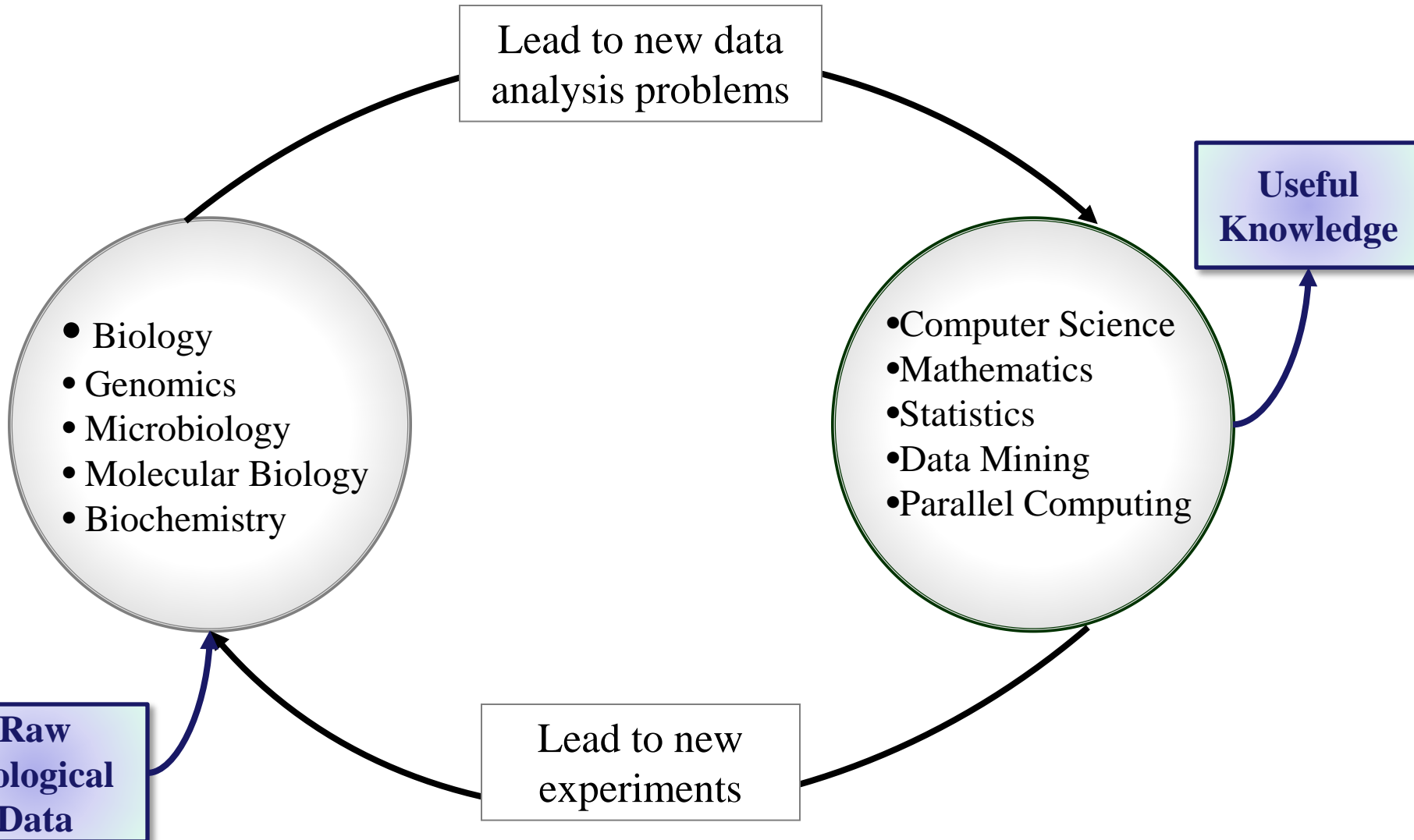


What is Bioinformatics?

NCBI: “Bioinformatics is the field of science in which biology, computer science, and information technology merge into a single discipline. The ultimate goal of the field is to enable the discovery of new biological insights as well as to create a global perspective from which unifying principles in biology can be discerned.”

The screenshot shows the NCBI website homepage. At the top, there is a navigation bar with "NCBI Resources" and "How To" dropdown menus, and a "My NCBI Sign In" link. Below this is a search bar with a dropdown menu set to "All Databases" and a "Search" button. The main content area is divided into three columns. The left column contains a "Resource List (A-Z)" menu with items like "All Resources", "Chemicals & Bioassays", "Data & Software", "DNA & RNA", "Domains & Structures", "Genes & Expression", "Genetics & Medicine", "Genomes & Maps", "Homology", "Literature", "Proteins", "Sequence Analysis", and "Taxonomy". The middle column features a "Welcome to NCBI" section with a description of the center's mission and a list of links: "About the NCBI", "Mission", "Organization", "Research", and "RSS Feeds". Below this is a "Get Started" section with a list of links: "Tools", "Downloads", "How-To's", and "Submissions". At the bottom of the middle column is a section titled "Genotypes and Phenotypes" with a brief description and a diagram showing a family tree with boxes for "Grandpa", "Grandma", "Gramps", and "Mam". The right column contains a "Popular Resources" section with links to "PubMed", "Bookshelf", "PubMed Central", "PubMed Health", "BLAST", "Nucleotide", "Genome", "SNP", "Gene", "Protein", and "PubChem". At the bottom of the right column is an "NCBI Announcements" section with a link to "New Microbial BLAST Page".

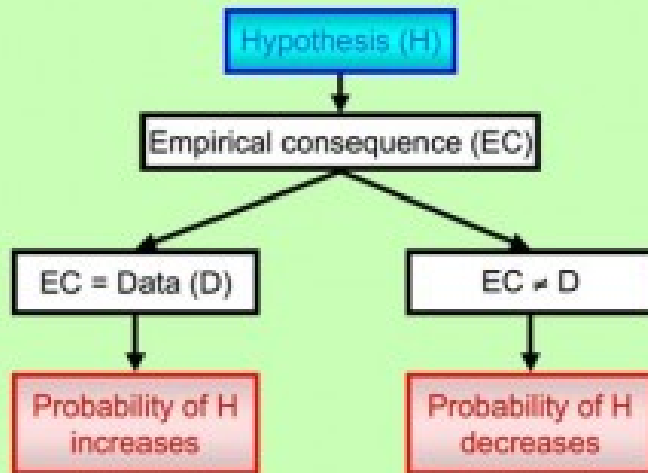
Interactive Aspect of Bioinformatics



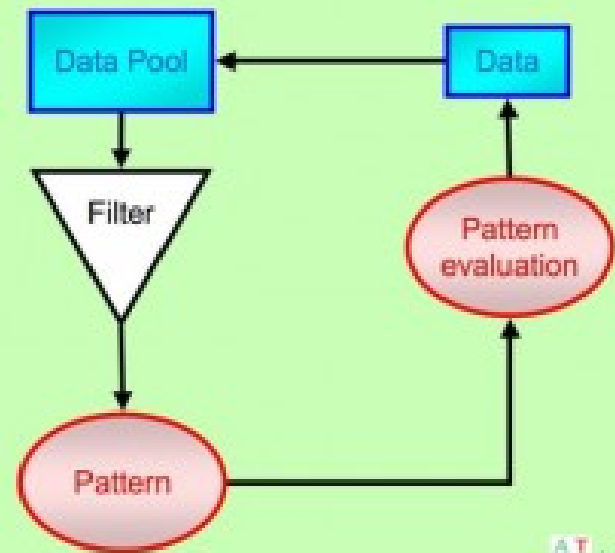
A Potential Major Change

Data driven research vs. Hypothesis driven research

Hypothesis driven research - Concept



Data driven research -Concept



Bioinformatics technology: Where are we?



- High throughput data
- Microarrays
- Next generation sequencing
- Differentially expressed genes
- Biomarkers
- Single position polymorphism and copy number variants
- Genome-wide association studies
- ...

Simple Question



Where is the cure for cancer?

Why don't we have personalized medicine?

Why is AIDS still misunderstood?

Can effectively be boiled down to:

Why hasn't high-throughput data been effectively harnessed yet?

Answer

It is not that easy:

- Complexity of the system
- Complexity of the organisms
- Size of the data (“big data”)
- Search space of inter-data relationships
- Heterogeneity of the data
- Computing power
- Lack of integration of data
-

Impact on Industry



- Increasing number of Biotech companies
- Increasing sales of Biotech drugs
- The emergence of genetic tests
- Emergence of a new paradigm for drugs: right dose of the right drug for the right patient (Pharmacogenomics)

A Spreading Field



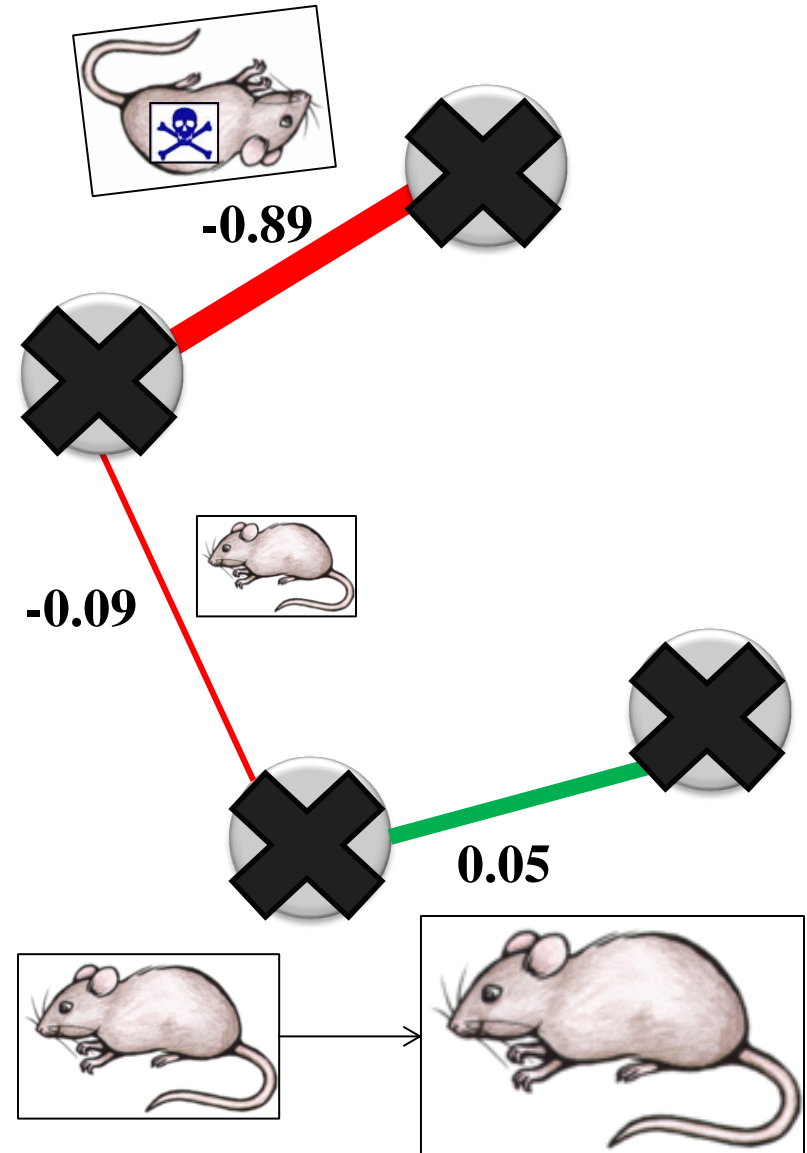
- Although a new field, bioinformatics has spread quickly. No longer just a theory or an interesting concept, it has moved into the media, research institutes, and threatens to forever alter our lives.
- There is something big related to Bioinformatics almost every day in the digital media:
 - Prince William has a recent Indian ancestry – mitochondrial genome
 - Donation of a mitochondrial genome and legal ramifications
 - Birds with higher number of variants had better survival rate in the Chernobyl crisis
 - There is a group of HIV infected people who don't develop full fledged AIDS – they are likely to be descendants of those who survived the big Plaque

Example: Bioinformatics in Health

The Genetic Interaction Network



- Protein-protein interaction network
- Metabolome
- Correlation/co-expression network
- Synthetic lethality
- Signal transduction



Genetic Interaction Networks: Applications

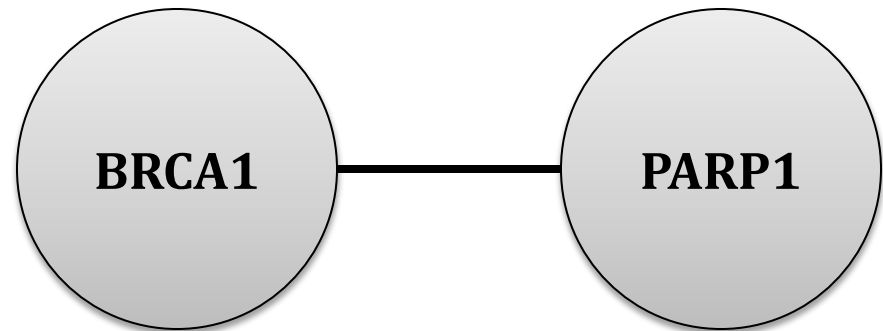


BRCA1 + PARP1 \rightarrow synthetic lethal interactors
Tumor cells only

Normal



Diseased



PARP1 only
expressed in
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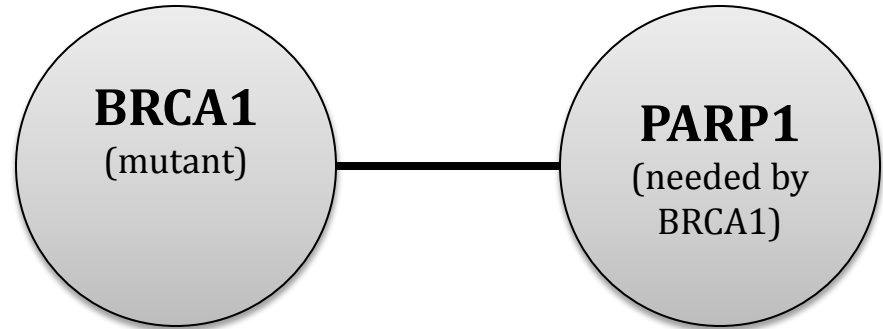
Normal



Cell death by apoptosis

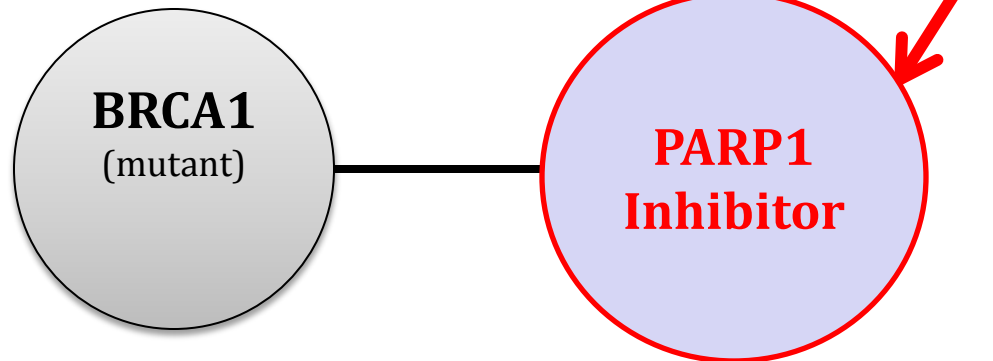


Diseased



Uncontrolled cell
growth

Treated



Cell death by apoptosis

In cancer drug battle, both sides appeal to ethics

By William Hudson, CNN

updated 5:38 PM EDT, Sat September 28, 2013



Andrea Sloan's situation raises the question: When should patients get access to experimental drugs?

STORY HIGHLIGHTS

- Andrea Sloan, 45, has ovarian cancer
- She is seeking "compassionate use" of a new drug that's not FDA approved

(CNN) -- Andrea Sloan is dying of ovarian cancer. Having exhausted all standard treatment options, her doctors say her best hope now is a new class of cancer drugs called PARP inhibitors.

The California pharmaceutical company BioMarin makes one

US Supreme Court says human DNA cannot be patented



Human genes may not be patented, but artificially copied DNA can be claimed as intellectual property, the US Supreme Court has ruled unanimously



Currently, around 40% of the human genome is patented

Patenting DNA?

Companies attempt to patent DNA they isolate to study disease and cancer, genomes of cancer patients are sequenced to better understand the illness, asthma treatments are catered to different genetic groups, and people marvel at the brilliance of the versatile DNA molecule that has made this all possible.



More News: Asthma and Genes



- Professors at the Brighton and Sussex Medical School as well as the University of Dundee, did research on severely asthmatic children with a different gene for whom the conventional drug doesn't work.
- Salmeterol, the drug found in inhalers, acts on beta-2 receptors in the lining of the airways, but as many as 1-in-7 kids have a gene variant: arginine-16 that makes salmeterol ineffective.
- However, for these kids, an anti-inflammatory substitute called montelukast was able to do the job: quality of life increased, attendance at school went up, and visits to out-of-hours GPs' surgeries went down.

Potential Implications

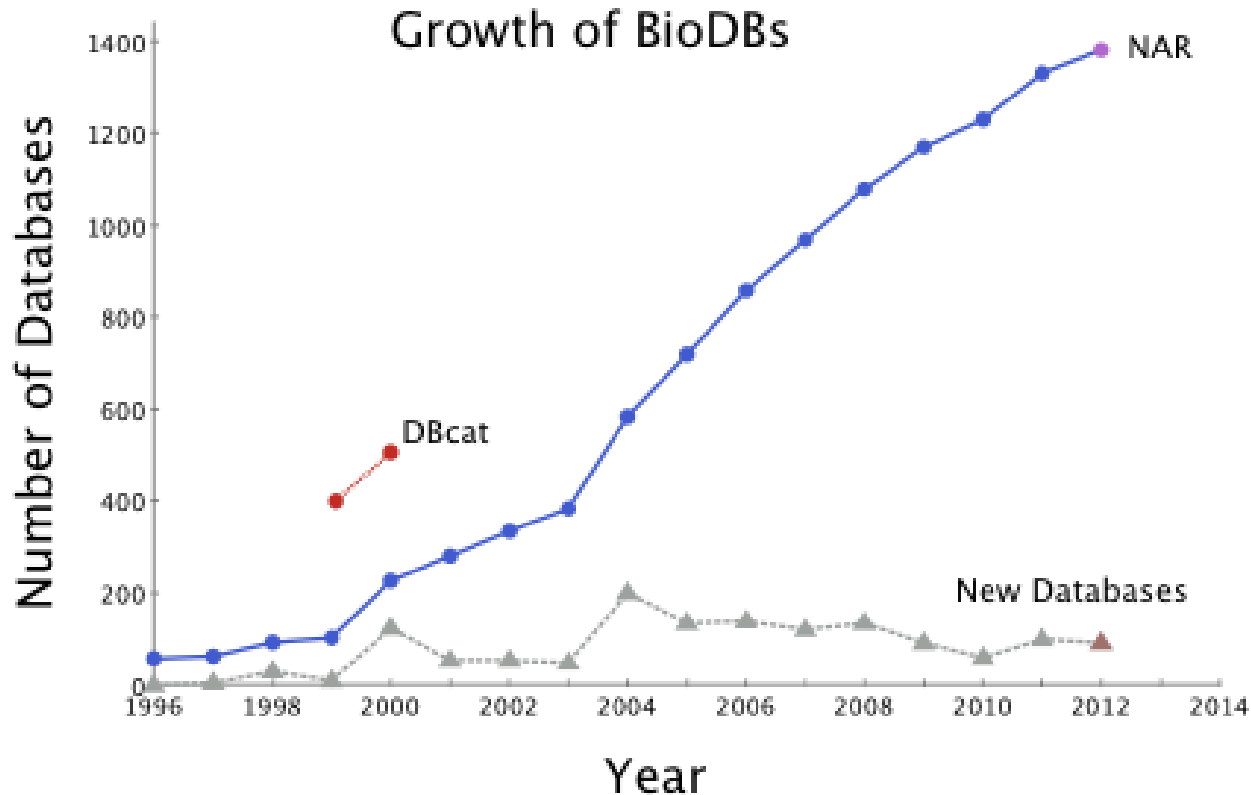
- For a small price, the gene of the asthmatic kid can be determined and the proper treatment administered.
- Different treatments for a condition can be tailored to different genetic sub-groups of a population.
- This paves the way for future medicine to be personalized, based on genetic make-up.

Back to “Biological” Database



- Bioinformatics is a DATA-DRIVEN scientific discipline
- Mainly large set of catalogues sequences
- No extra capabilities of fast access, data sharing or other features found in standard database management systems
- Collection of sequences complemented with additional information such as origin of the data, bibliographic references, sequences function (if known) and others
- Results of many experiments like Microarray Data

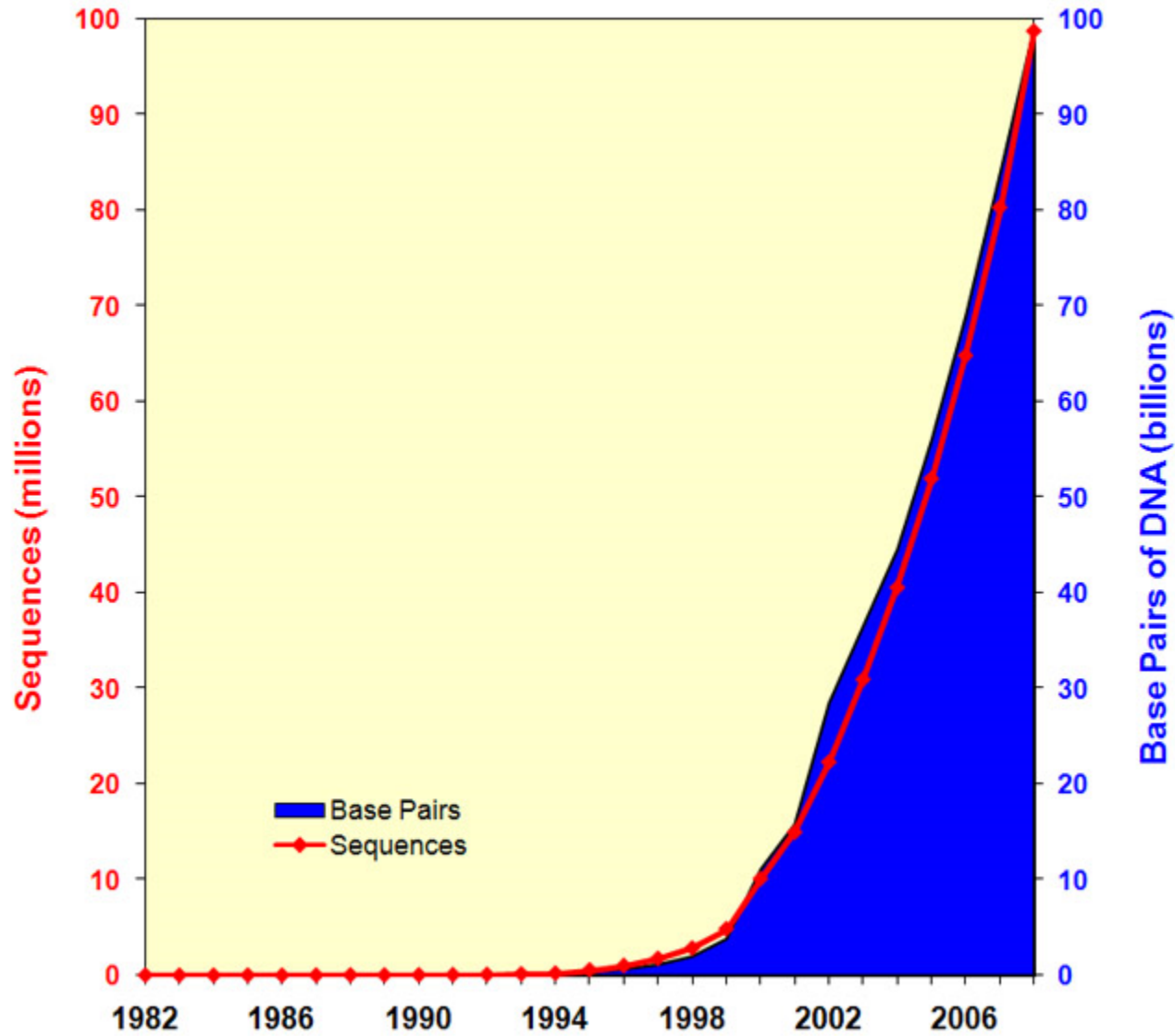
Growth of Biological Databases



Number of existing (circles) and new databases (triangles) are plotted from 1996 to 2011. New databases are difference between the number of existing databases for each year. DBcat (red) is shown with NAR (blue) counts.



Growth of GenBank (1982 - 2008)



Issues: Current Biological Databases



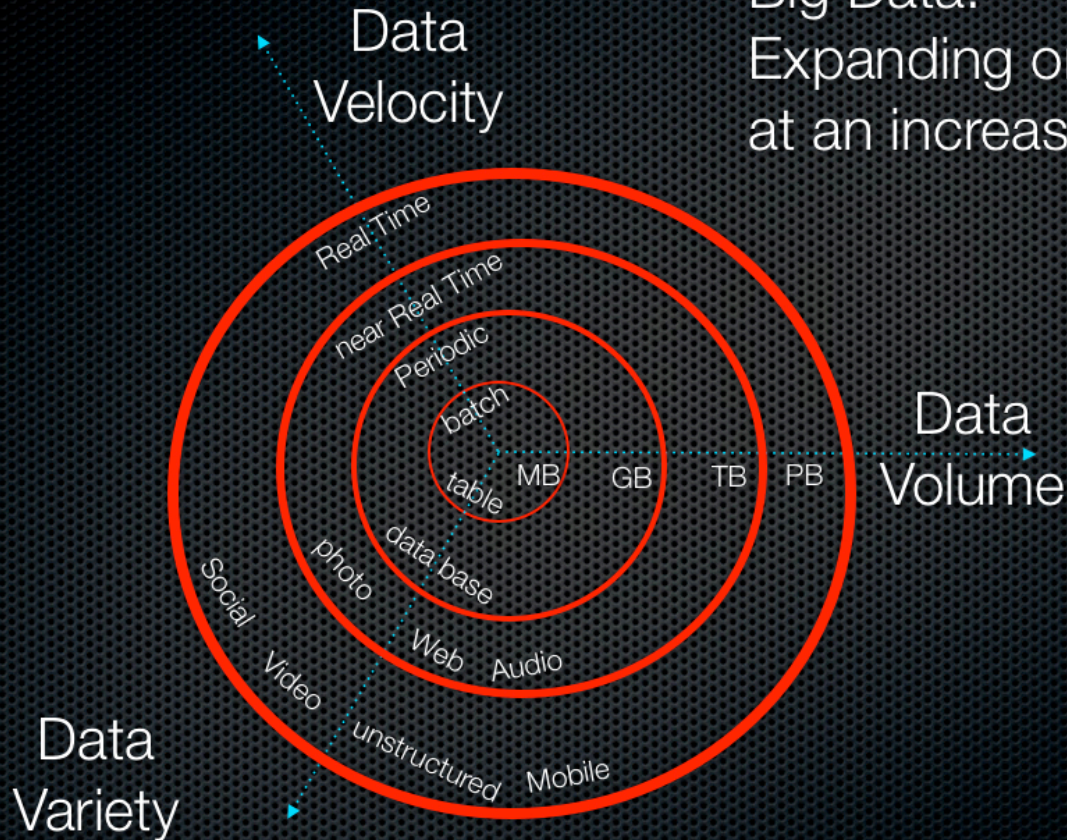
- The large degree of heterogeneity of the available data in terms of quality, completeness and format
- The available data are mostly in raw format and significant amount of processing is needed to take advantage of it
- Archival data used for research - mostly available in semi flat files – hence the lack of structure that support advanced searching and data mining

Bioinformatics Solutions

- Develop new inventive database models
 - Custom database for specific domains
 - Centralized Structured integrated data
- Develop innovative Bioinformatics tools
 - Clustering/classification algorithms
 - Advanced motif finding approaches
- Systems Biology Approach

“Big Data”

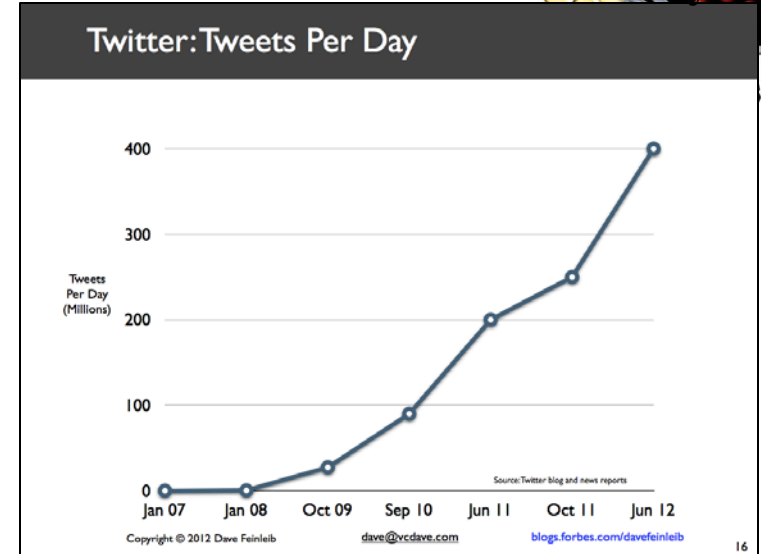
Big Data:
Expanding on 3 fronts
at an increasing rate.



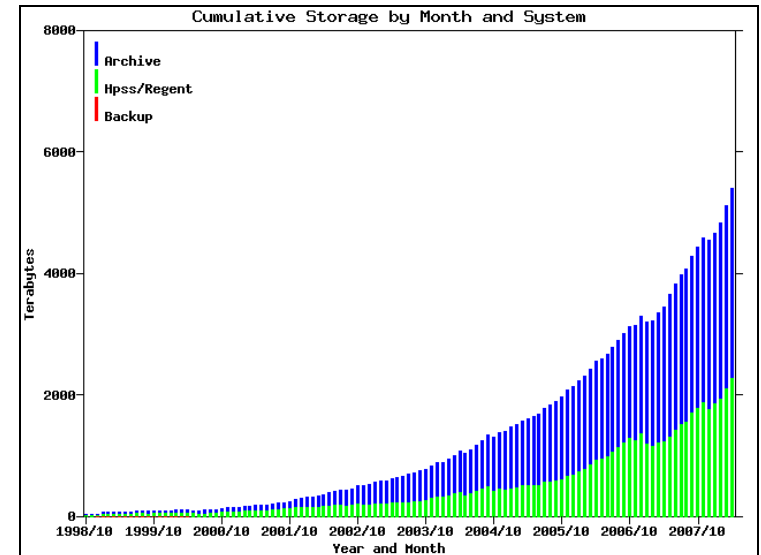
“Big Data”

- “Any data too big to be handled by one computer” – Scientist John Rauser¹
- 90% of worlds data created in last 2 years²
- The four V’s of Big Data:
 1. **Volume** – tera to petabytes of info
 2. **Velocity** – Time-sensitive processes
 3. **Variety** – Images, text, database records, ontologies, networks
 4. **Veracity** – Noise vs. signal
- Requires a new set of tools and methods to *store, search, analyze, share, and visualize*.³

Forbes: 400 million Tweets/Day



NERSC: 6PB of data since 1998



¹<http://www.networkworld.com/news/2012/051012-big-data-259147.html>

²<http://www-01.ibm.com/software/data/bigdata/>

³http://www.economist.com/node/15557443?story_id=15557443

What *isn't* Big Data Research?

- Just having more data (inevitable and boring!)
- A problem that can be solved by just more storage space
- Just producing or using large amounts of data
- Traditional schema-aware data and analysis
- Traditional 4-tier Architectures

What drives Big Data?

- Volume



- Velocity



- Variety



- Veracity



Big Data Information Systems

- Interactive and Creative
 - Structure and relationships among data are not figured out upfront
 - Data is and its relationships are all unstructured and being produced constantly at a massive rate
 - Model needs to *adapt* which is why networks work so well
- Iterative and value driven
 - What is the business initiative?
 - What are you trying to find out? Use case?



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State of the Field - Bioinformatics



- Availability of many large useful database systems; private and public
- Availability of numerous helpful software packages
- Lack of data integration and trendiness of the discipline
- Fragmented efforts by computational scientists and bioscientists
- Advances in new technologies as high throughput next generation sequencing
- Increasing interest among researchers and educators

Data versus Knowledge



- With high throughput data collection, Biology needs ways not only to store data but also to store knowledge (Smart data)
- Data: Things that are measured
- Information: Processed data
- Knowledge: Processed data plus meaningful relationships between measured entities
- Decision support systems

Data Generation vs. Data Analysis/Integration



- New technologies lead to new data:
 - Competition to have the latest technology
 - Focus on storage needs to store yet more data
- Bioinformatics community needs to move from a total focus on data generation to a blended focus of measured data generation (to take advantage of new technologies) and data analysis/interpretation/visualization
- How do we leverage data? Integratable? Scalable?
- From Data to Information to Knowledge to Decision making

Bioinformatics Data Cycle

- Data Generation and Collection
- Data Access, Storage and Retrieval
- Data Integration
- Data Visualization
- Analysis and Data Mining
- Decision Support
- Validation and Discovery

Smart Data Data-Driven Decisions

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Tipping the Balance



Simple Tools
Storage
Infrastructure

Innovative Methods
Integrated Data
Interdisciplinary
Approach



So what do we really need?



- Advanced Tools – a new model:
 - Beyond surface-level adaptation of previous algorithms
- Systems approach
 - Take into consideration relationships and interactions among the various biological processes
- Genuine integration of computational methods and Bioinformatics data

The New Advantage

- The new research paradigm gives a new edge to small to midsize research groups
- Ties between established research groups and medical industries present a two-edge sword
- The focus on new instruments and the contact need to generate new medical data
- Who is better positioned to focus on interdisciplinary scholarly activities
- Emerging Opportunities for everyone!!!

Focus on Algorithms

- It is all about solving problems – lead to new knowledge
- Integration problem solving techniques with hypothesis based research
- Bioinformatics Algorithms, along with innovative data models, are the central component of Bioinformatics discoveries
- The HPC factor

First Generation Bioinformatics Tools



- Filled an important gap
- Mostly data independent
- Based on standard computational techniques
- Has little room for incorporating biological knowledge
- Developed in isolation
- Focus on trendy technologies
- Lack of data integration
- Lack of embedded assessment

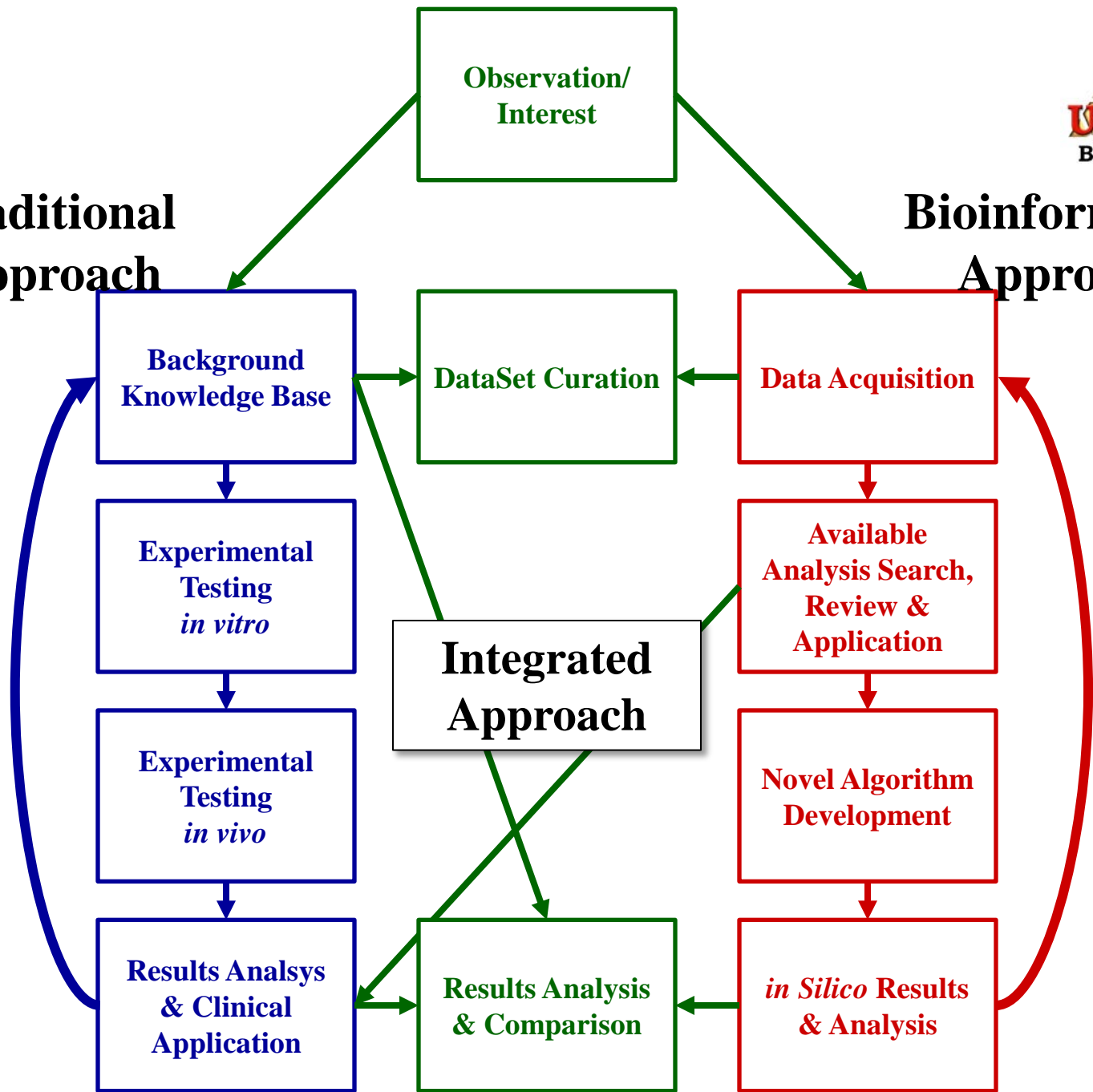
Examples of First Generation Bioinformatics Tools



- Sequence comparison (alignment) tools
- Phylogenetic trees generation tools
- Microarray data statistical tools
- Clustering tools
- Hidden Markov Model (HMM) Based Tools

Traditional Approach

Bioinformatics Approach



Next Generation Tools



- Dynamic: Custom built and domain dependent
- Collaborative: Incorporate biological knowledge and expertise
- Intelligent: based on a learning model that gets better with additional data/information

Intelligent Collaborative Dynamic (ICD) Tools

A Sample of ICD Tools

- Grammar Based Identification and Classification Tool
- Using Data Compression to Compare Sequences
- Using Cut Orders in the Recognition and Classification of Biological Sequences
- Next Generation Sequencing: A Graph-Theoretic Assembly Tool of Short Reads
- ICD Tools for the Identification of Similarities and Differences in Correlation Networks
- ICD Bioinformatics Tool for Finding Structural Motifs in Proteins

Case Study: The Sequence Identification Problem

- Identification of organisms using obtained sequences is a very important problem
- Relying on wet lab methods only is not enough
- Employing identification algorithms using signature motifs to complement the experimental approaches
- Currently, no robust software tool is available for aiding researchers and clinicians in the identification process
- Such a tool would have to utilize biological knowledge and databases to identify sequences
- Issues related to size of data and quality of data are suspect and would need to be dealt with

The Computational Approach

- Sequence similarity and graph clustering are employed to identify unknown sequences
- Earlier results were not conclusive
- Local similarity in specific regions rather than global similarity is used, in particular, test validity of identifying *Mycobacterium* based on ITS region and 16S region
- Graph Clustering based on region similarity produced very good results, particularly when using ITS region
- Grammar based description of selected regions is used for identification

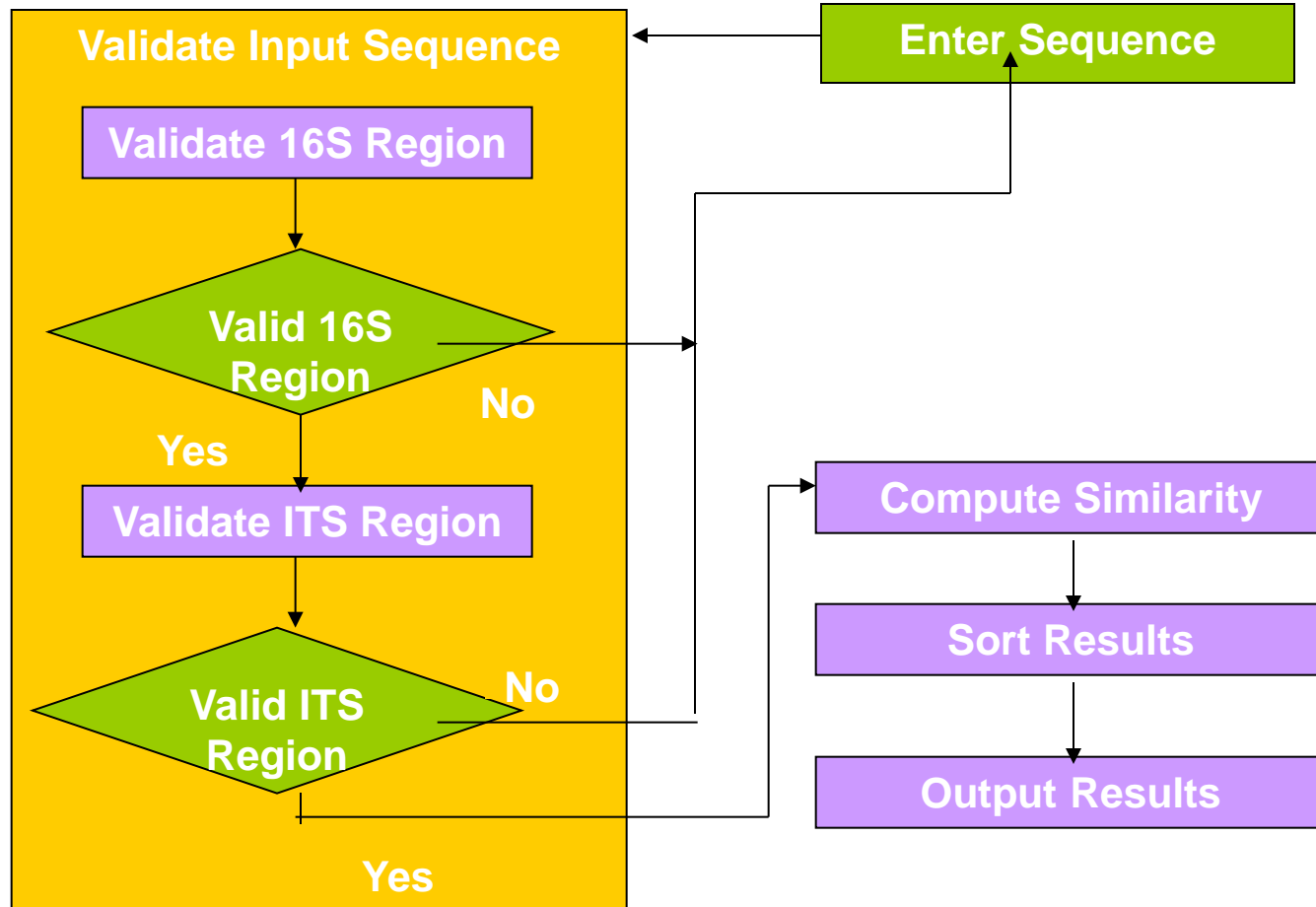
The Mycobacterium Case Study

- 30 species associated with variety of human and animal diseases such as tuberculosis
- Certain pathogenic species specific to humans. Some only affect animals
- Certain pathogenic species are drug-resistant
- Laboratory identification slow, tedious, and error-prone
- Sequencing provides an alternative to laboratory methods
- Researchers wanted to test validity of identifying *Mycobacterium* based on ITS region and 16S region

How to Define Region Preferences

- Simple Definition
 - Letters (ACGT)
 - Wild Card (N)
 - Limits (wild cards, mismatches, Region Size)
- Grammar Based Definition
 - Employs regular expression for flexible region definitions
 - Powerful and Robust but a bit more complex

Case Study: *Mycobacterium*

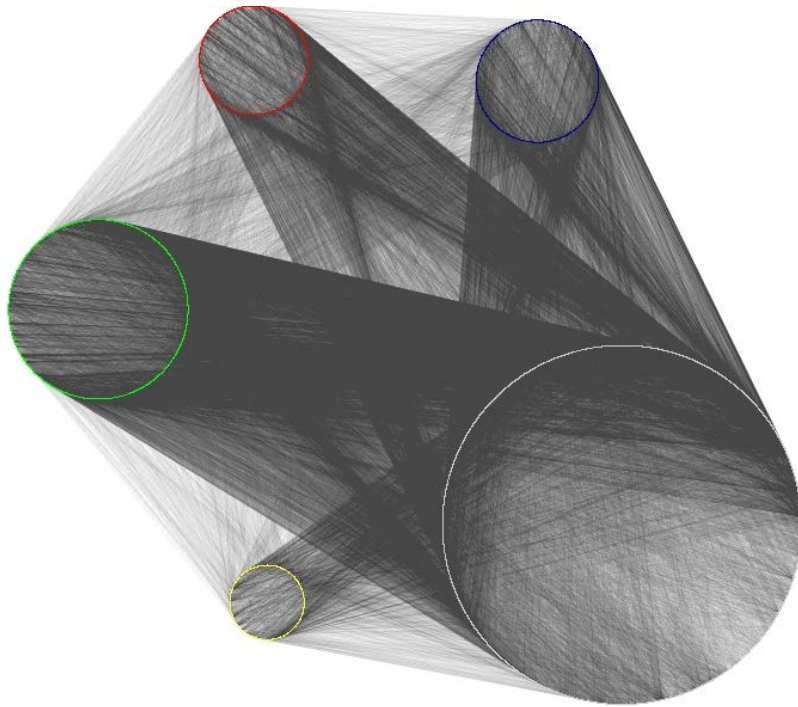


Nebraska gets its very own organism

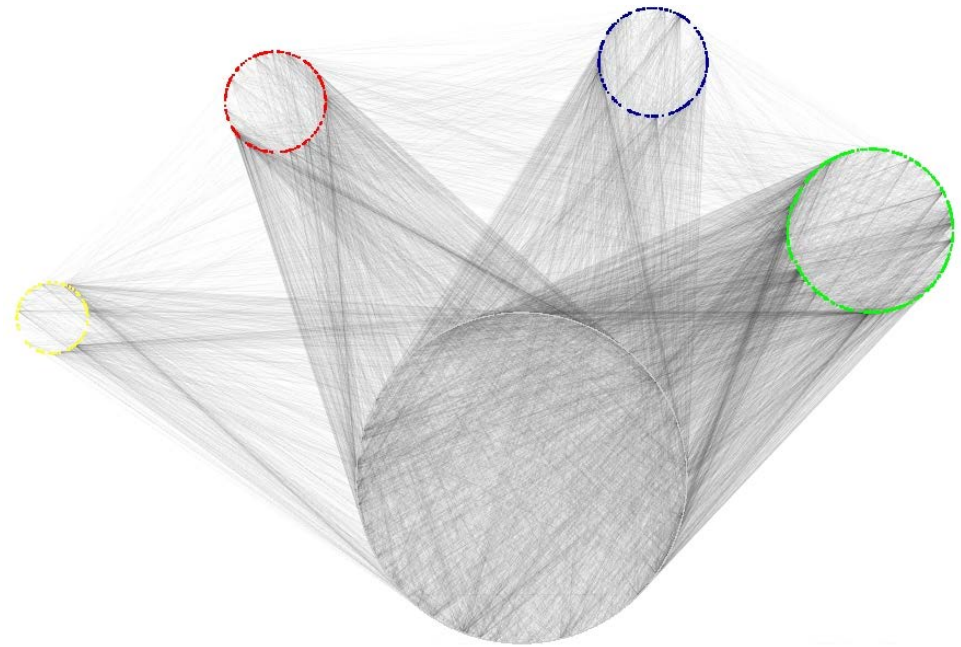
- ✚ While trying to pinpoint the cause of a lung infection in local cancer patients, they discovered a previously unknown micro-organism. And they've named it "mycobacterium nebraskense," after the Cornhusker state.
- ✚ It was discovered few weeks ago using Mycoalign: A Bioinformatics program developed at PKI



Aging and Biological Networks



[young]



[aged]

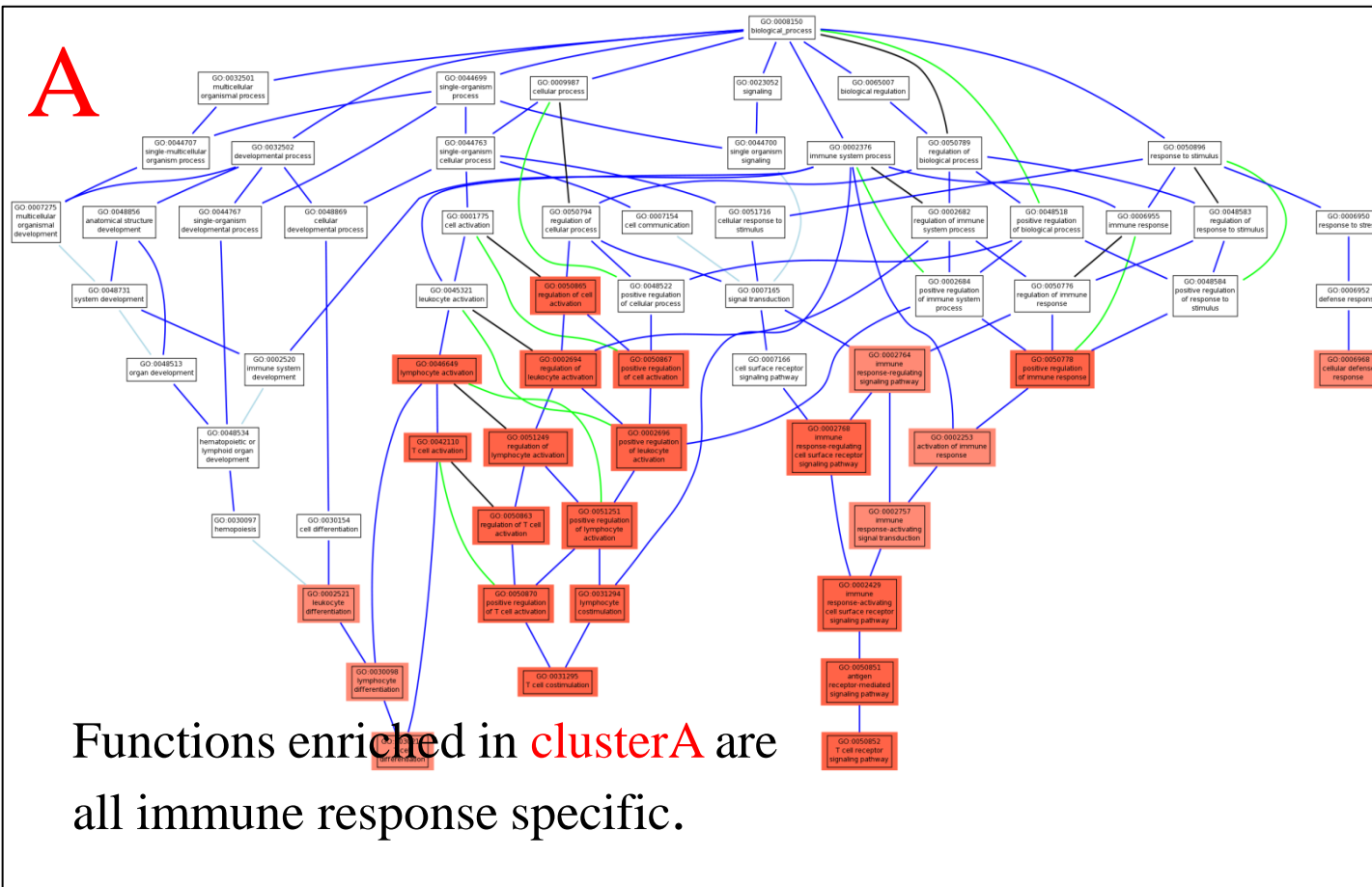
Clusters Enriched in Specific Functions



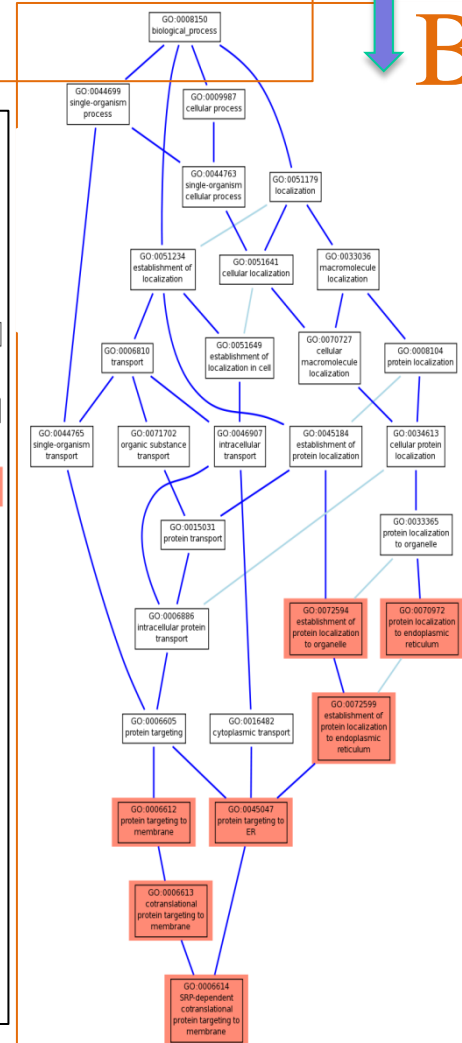
Functions enriched in clusterB are protein targeting and localization.



A



Functions enriched in clusterA are all immune response specific.



GO:000614 SRP-dependent cotranslational protein targeting to membrane

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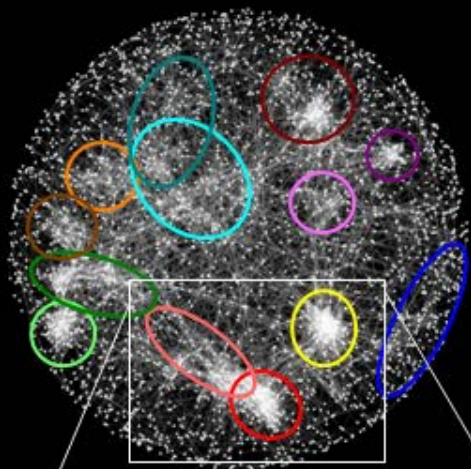
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The “Systems Biology” Approach

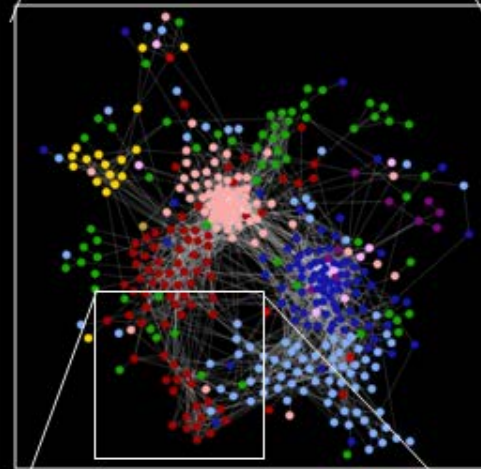


- Integrated Approach:
 - Networks model relationships, not just elements
 - Discover groups of relationships between genes
- Discovery
 - Examine changes in systems
 - Normal vs. diseased
 - Young vs. old
 - Stage I v. State II v. Stage III v. Stave IV

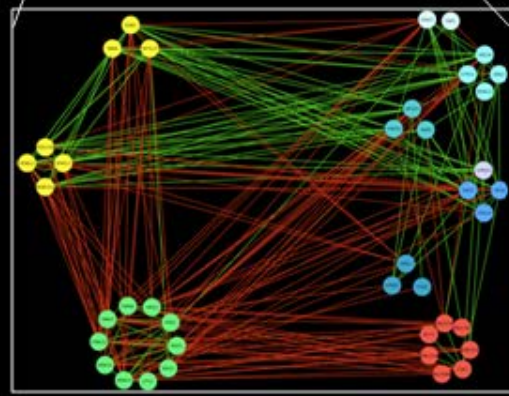
Global level



Process level



Pathway/complex level




- Network
- System
 - Inter
 - Use
 - Pers

Why Networks?



- Explosion of biological data

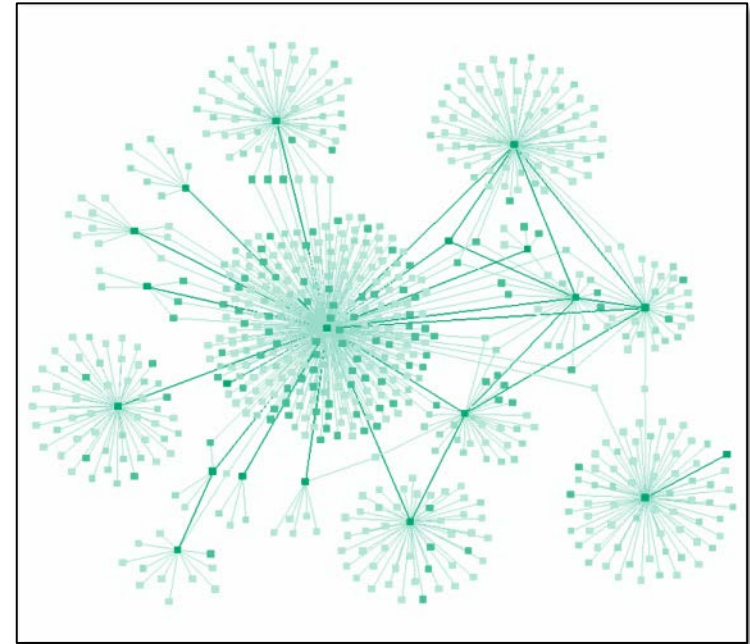
Site contents	
Public data	
Platforms	9,267
Samples	611,215
Series 	24,571
DataSets	2,720

Each sample can have over 40,000 genes

- Average microarray experiment: 1200 pages of data*
- How can we extract information from data?

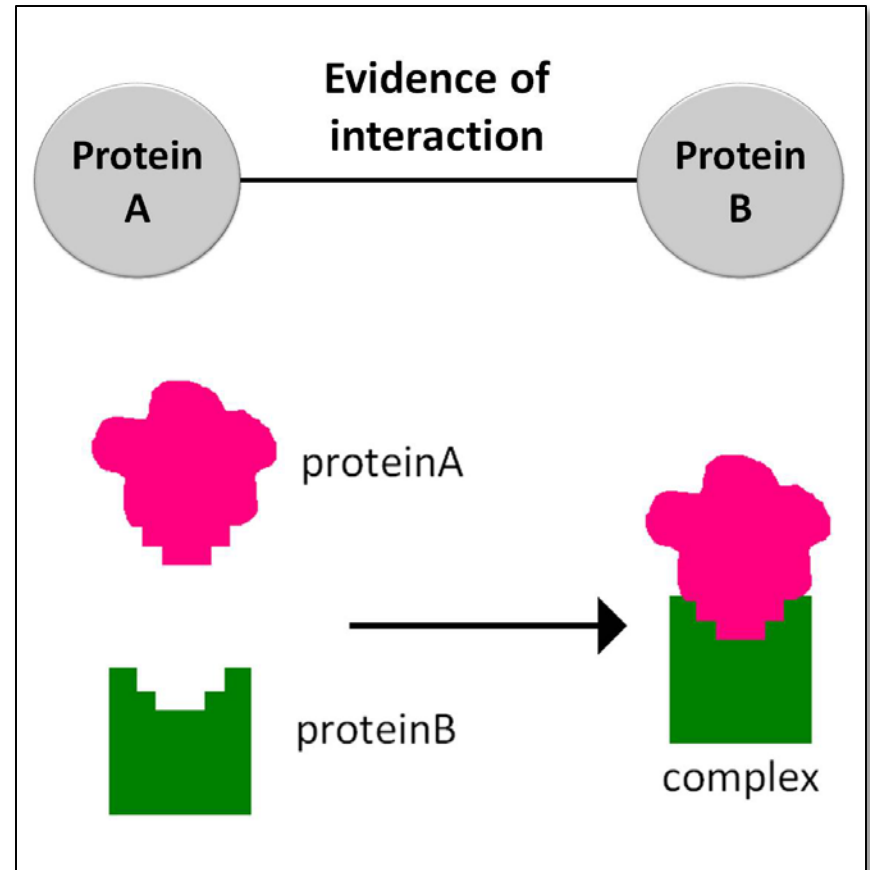
Biological Networks

- A biological network represents elements and their interactions
- Nodes → elements
- Edges → interactions
- Can represent multiple types of elements and interactions



Types of Biological Networks

- Protein-protein interaction network
- Metabolome
- Correlation/co-expression network
- Synthetic lethality
- Signal transduction



PPI Networks



- Built directly from Y2H, Co-IP, TAP
 - Physical detection of interactions
- Databases house PPI data
 - Pathway commons (warehouse)
 - BioGrid
 - HumanCyc
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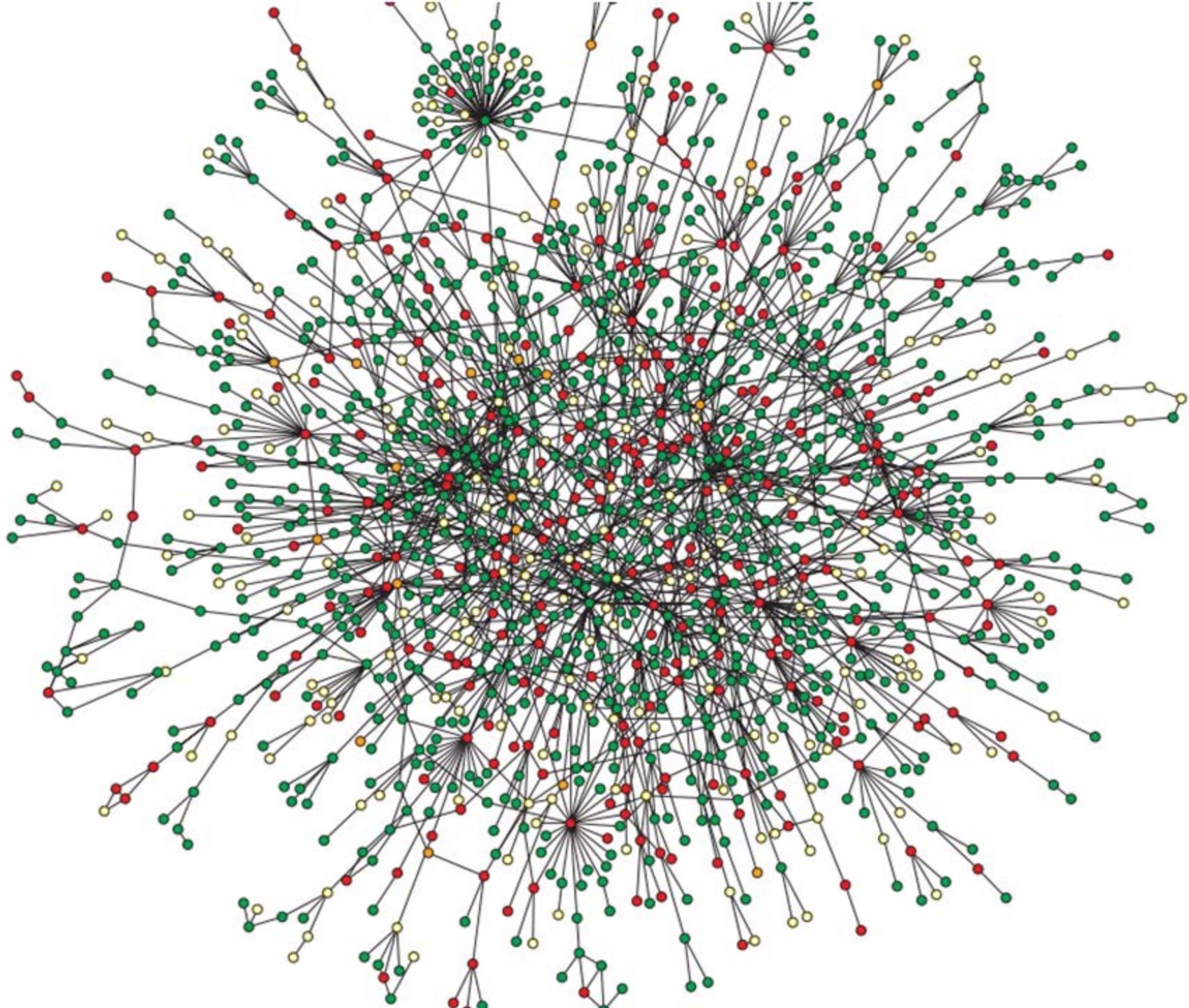
Pathway Commons Quick Stats:

Number of Pathways:	1,623
Number of Interactions:	585,237
Number of Physical Entities:	105,949
Number of Organisms:	564

PPI Networks

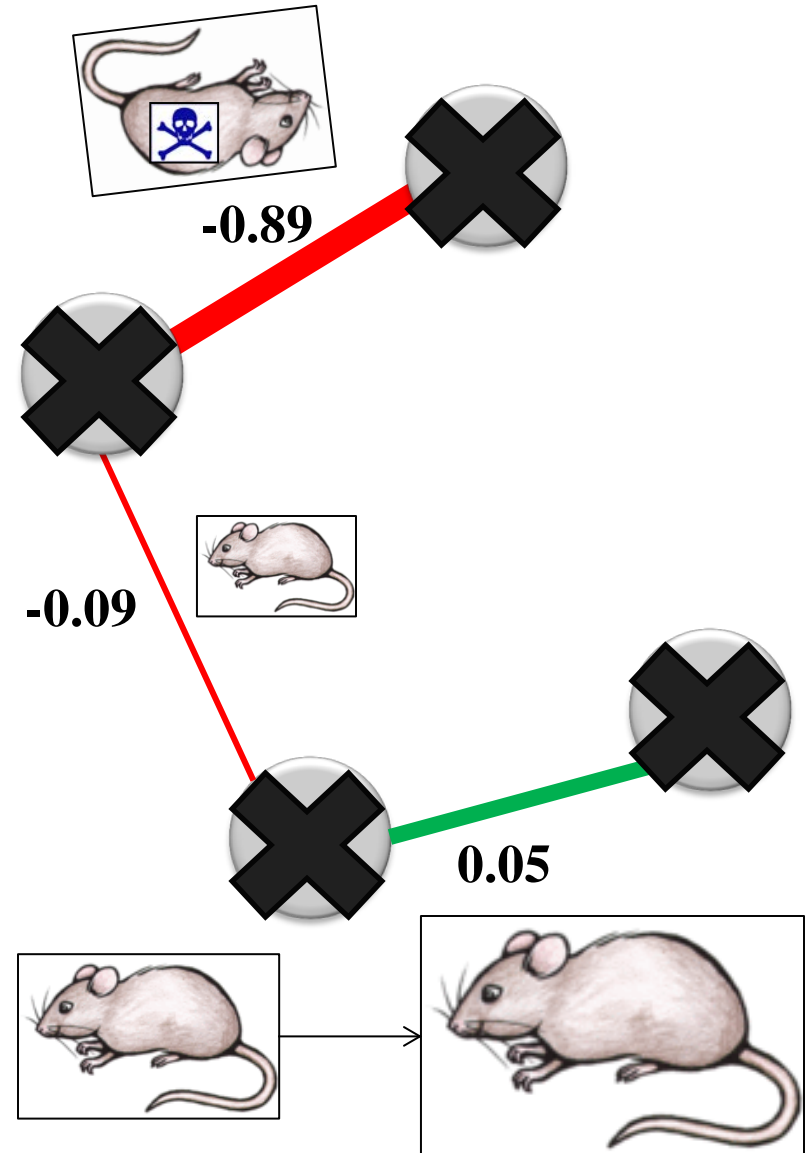


- “Hub” proteins in biological networks began from the study of PPI’s
- Study done by Jeong (2001)
 - 1870 proteins (nodes)
 - 2240 interactions (edges)
- Forms a scale-free network (*incomplete*)



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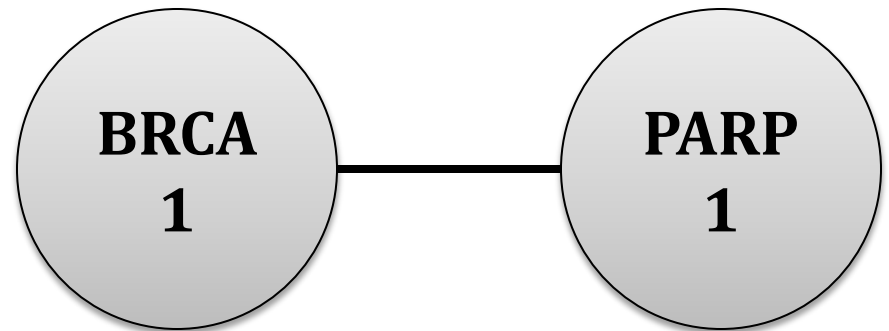


BRCA1 + PARP1 → synthetic lethal interactors
Tumor cells only

Normal

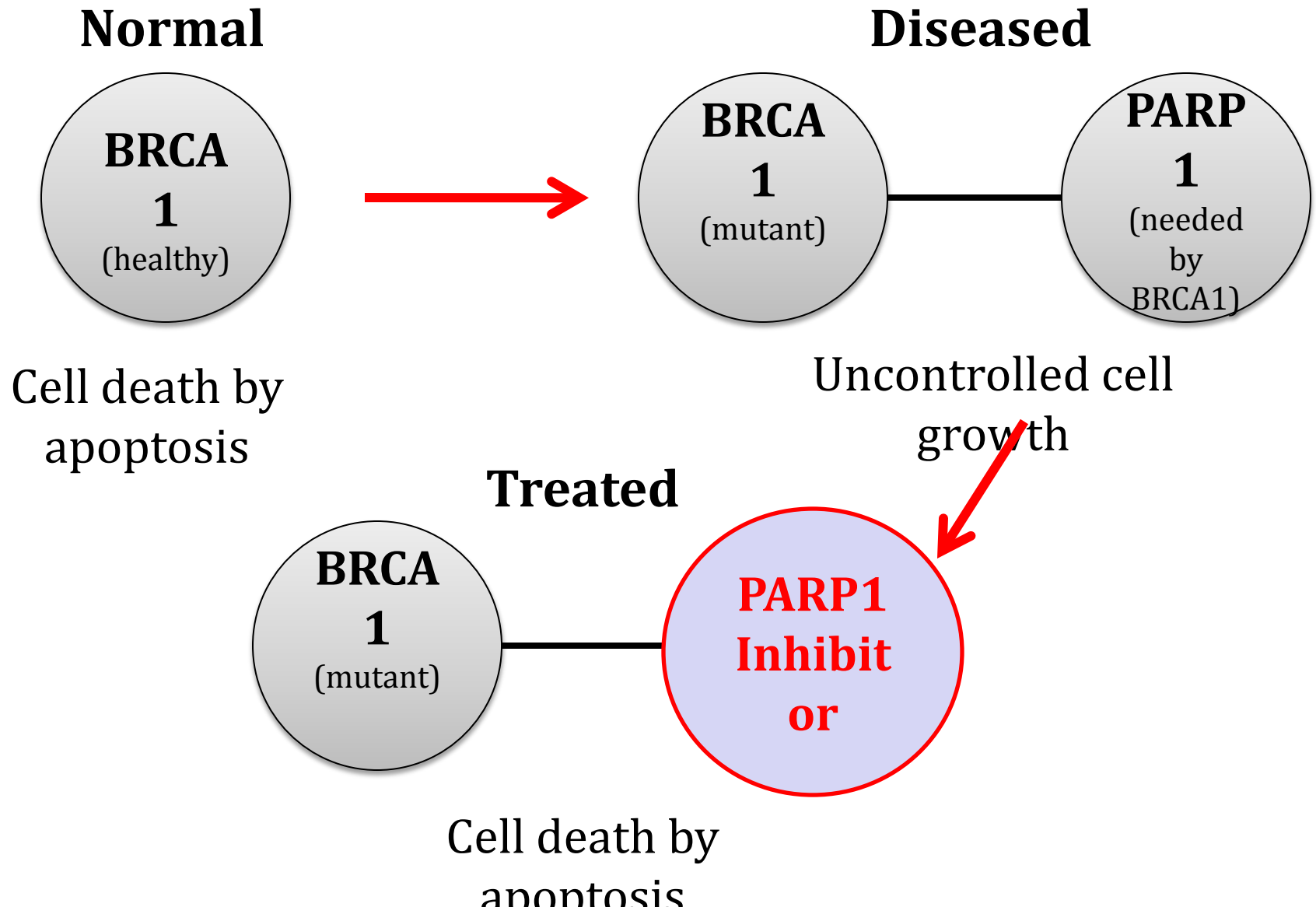


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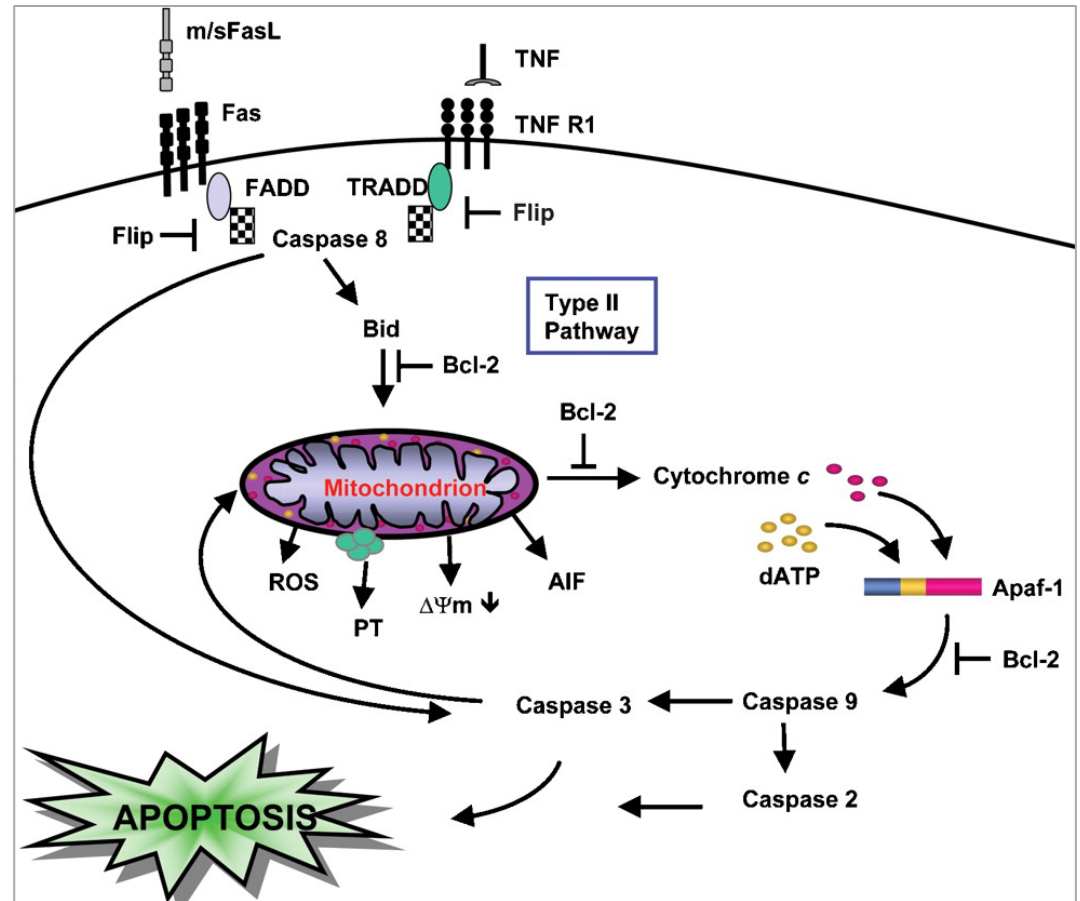
PARP1 only
expressed in
tumor cells

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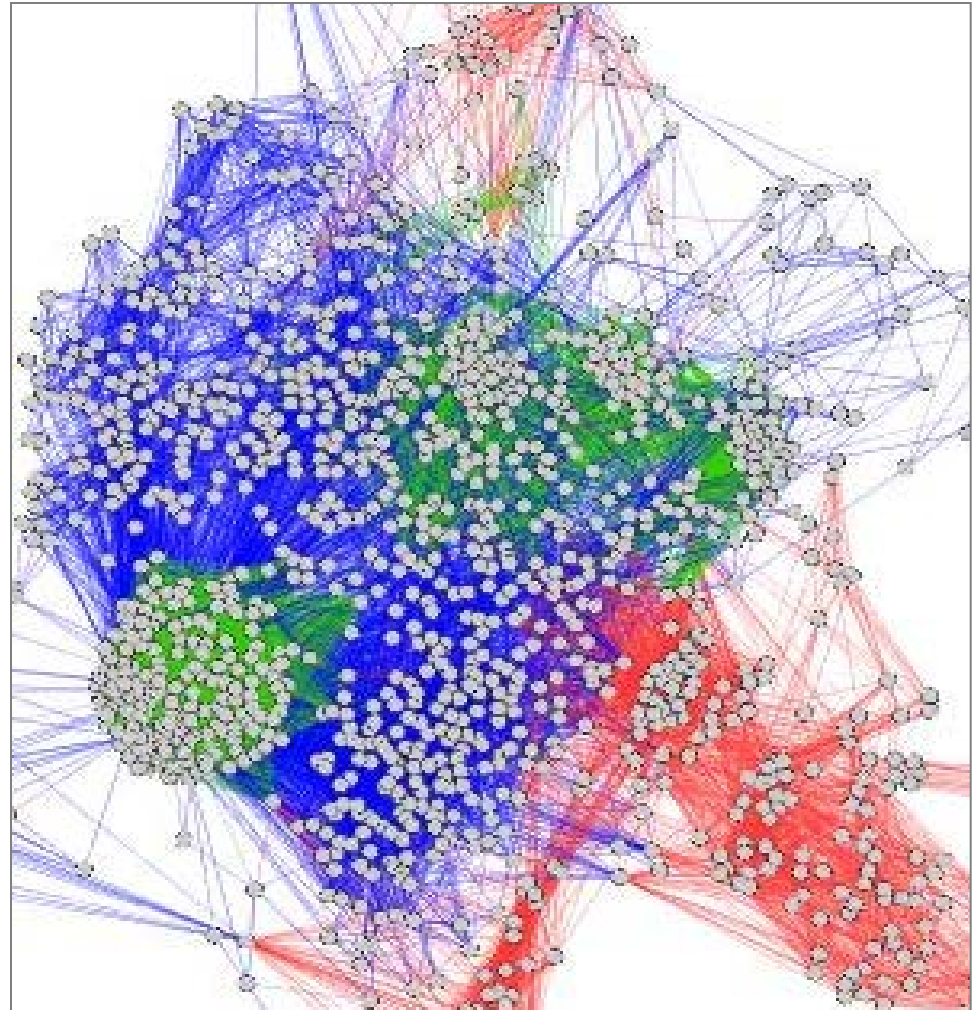
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- Correlation networks

- What are they? How are they made?
- How can they be used in biomedical research?

- Network Comparison

- Identifying common & unique network elements
- Filtering noise from causative relationships

- Case study

- Proof of concept using sample expression data
- What kinds of questions can we ask?

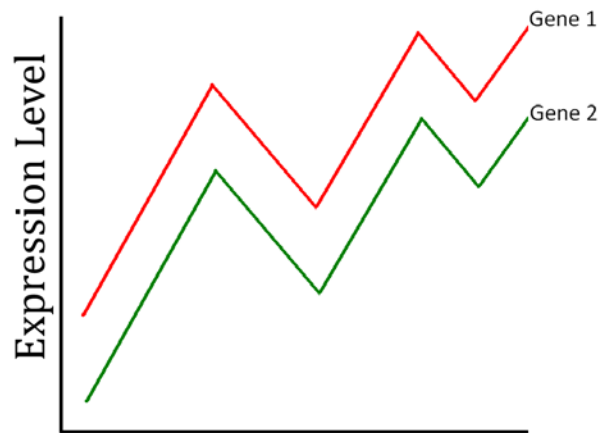
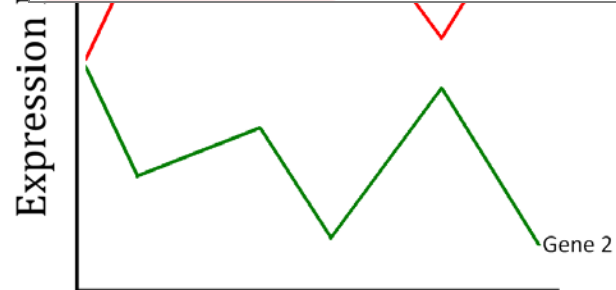
Correlation Networks



Gene ID	Sample1	Sample2	Sample3	Sample4	Sample5
A_52_P616356	5.9813	6.0079	5.9525	7.2753	6.2
A_52_P580582	7.7845	7.7512	8.0943	8.3608	8.1
A_52_P403405	5.9301	6.5153	6.0526	7.1707	6.1
A_52_P819156	6.5748	6.8645	6.981	7.4937	6.9
A_51_P331831	7.1732	7.8754	7.7632	8.1875	7.6
A_51_P430630	6.0661	6.4009	5.9525	7.1208	6.6
A_52_P502357	5.936	6.3206	5.9525	7.1819	6.2
A_52_P299964	6.3452	6.8025	6.6457	7.3445	6.7
A_51_P356389	6.5088	7.0545	7.2346	7.631	7.6
A_52_P684402	10.0915	10.7124	10.2245	10.377	10.3

- 10,000-45,000+ probes
- UNO Blackforest cluster
- HCC Firefly

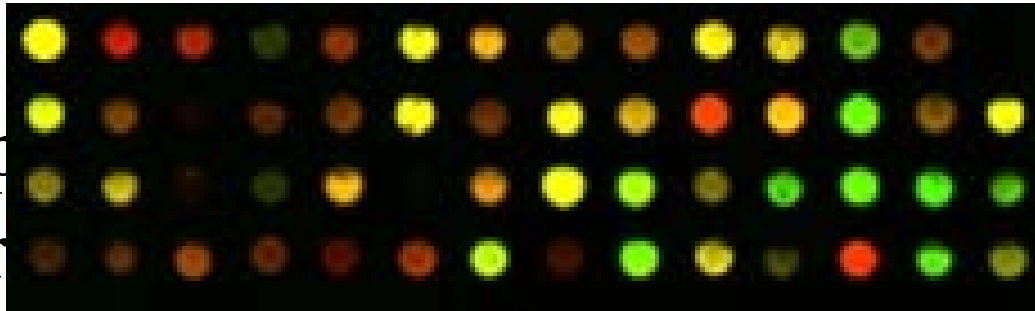
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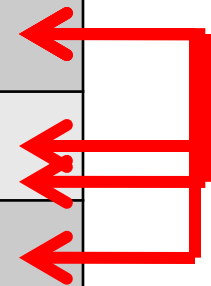
Sample

Correlation Networks

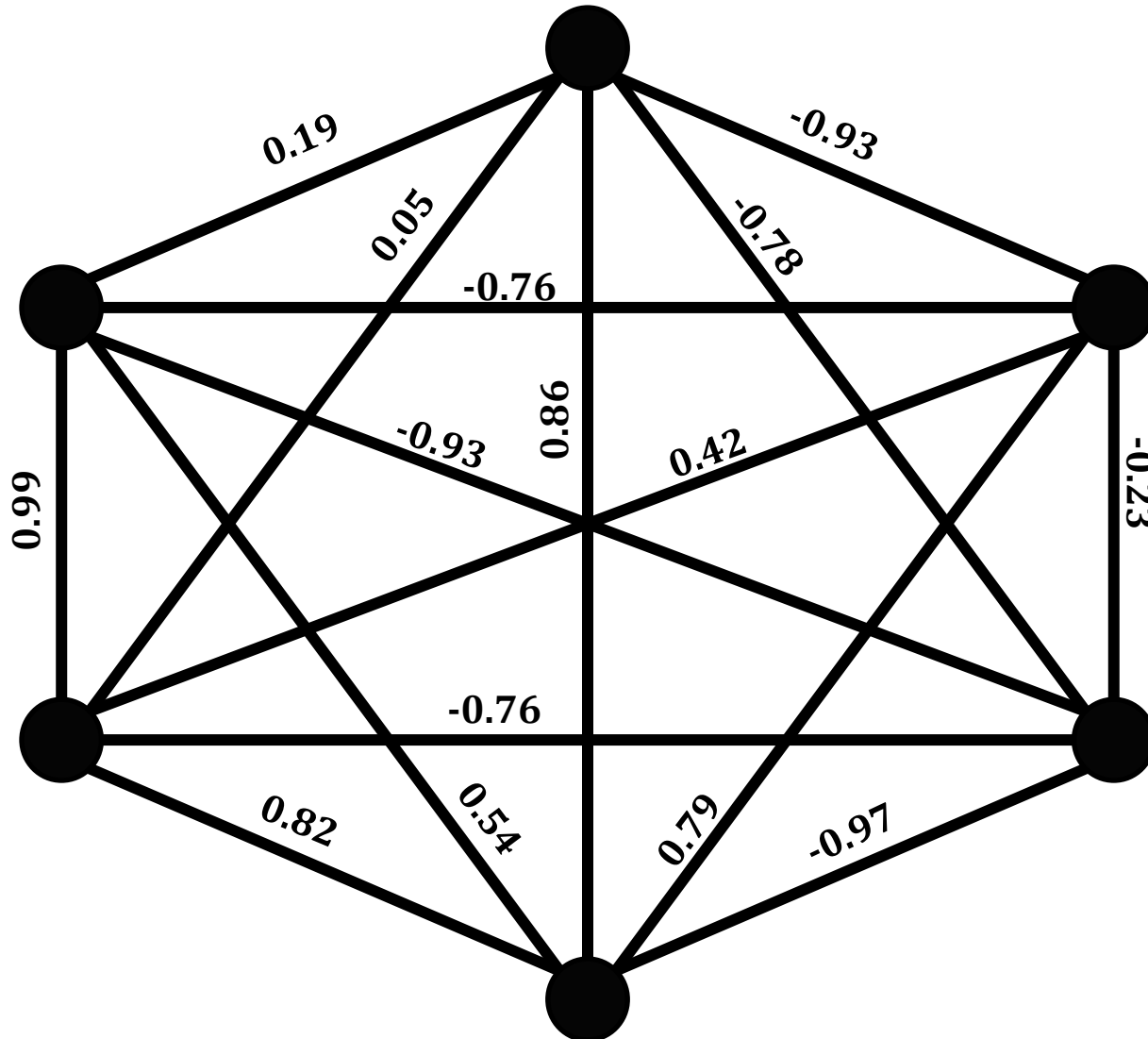
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	Sample 1	Sample 2	Sample 3
Gene 1	10.5	11.0	12.1
Gene 2	3.2	3.3	2.9
Gene 3	1.4	1.5	0.9
Gene 4	7.8	7.1	8.2



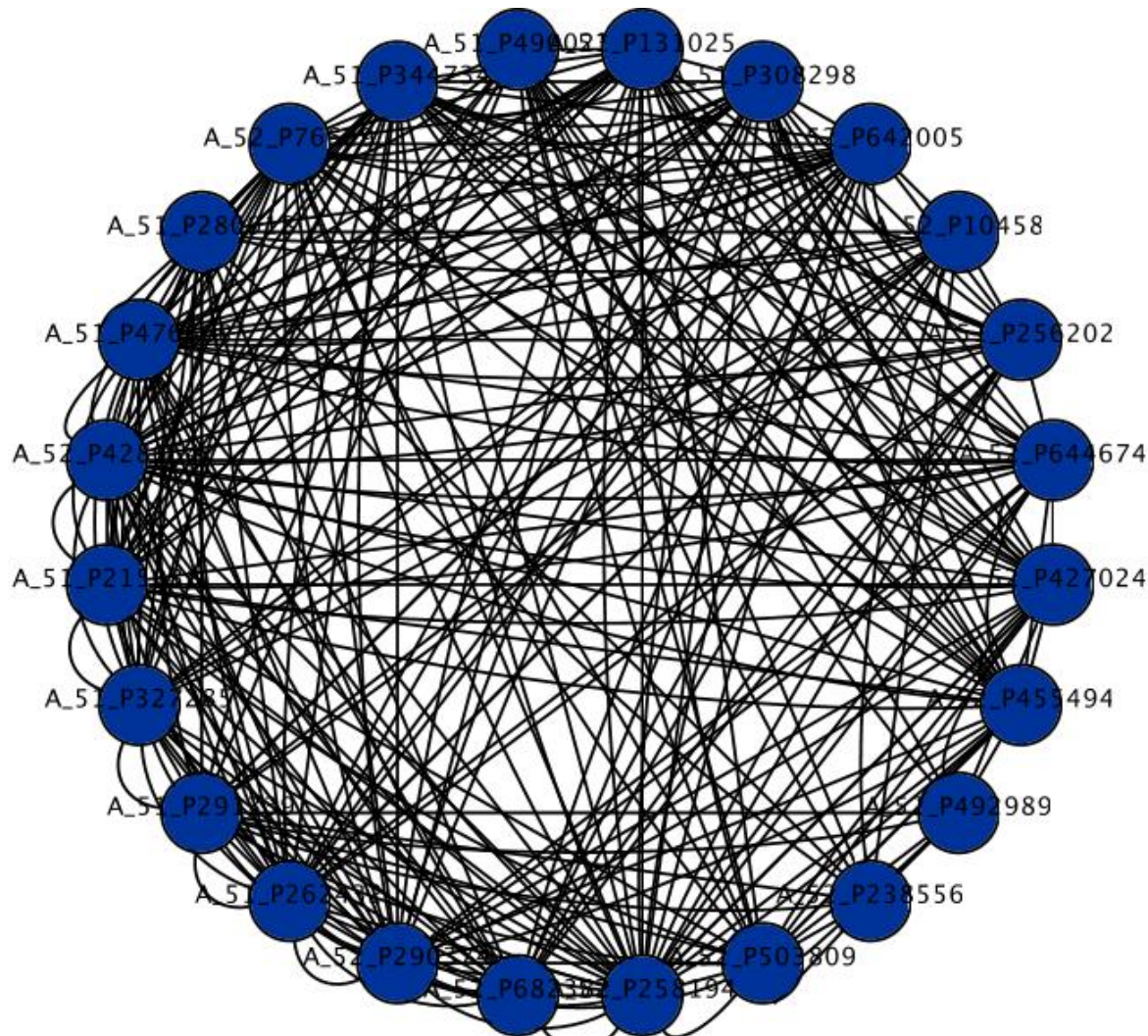
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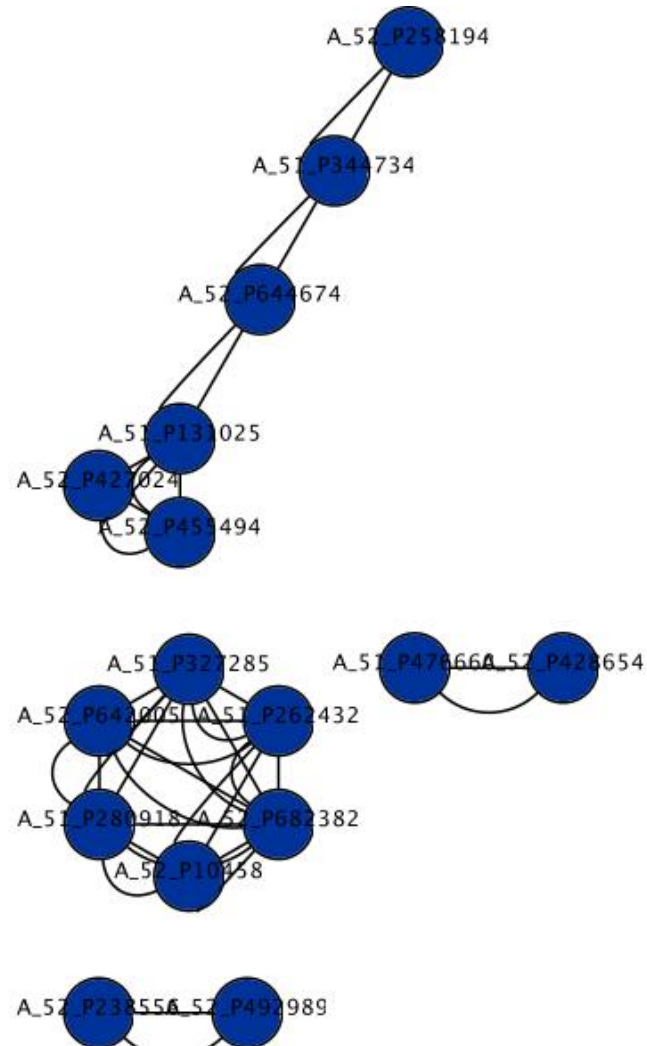


24 node sample
Threshold: 0.00-1.00



Correlation Networks

24 node sample
Threshold: 0.80-1.00



Correlation Network Applications



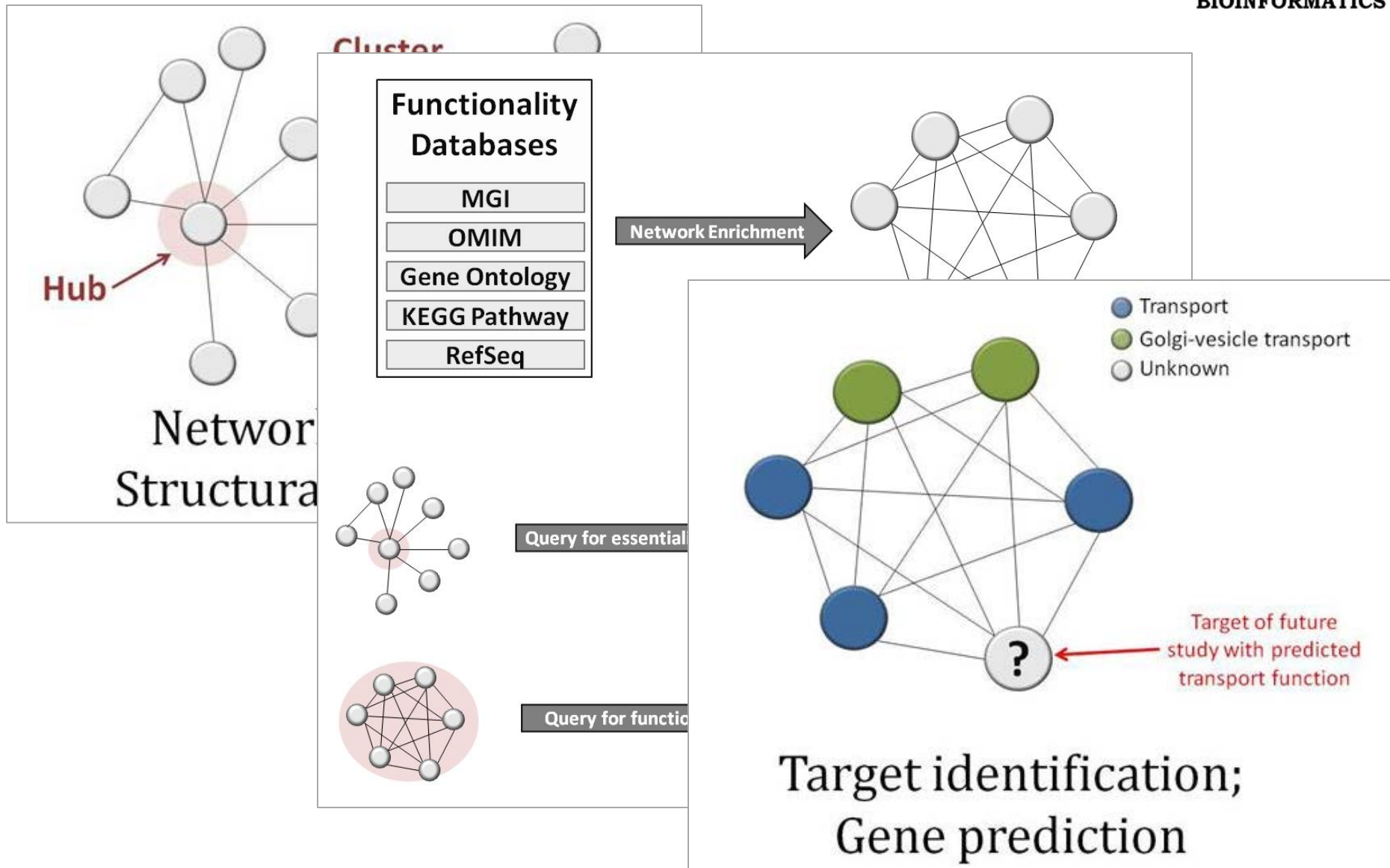
- “Versus” analysis
 - Normal vs. disease
 - Times/environments
- Model for high-throughput data
 - Especially useful in microarrays
- Identification of groups of causative genes
 - Ability to rank based on graph structure
 - Identify sets of co-regulated, co-expressed genes

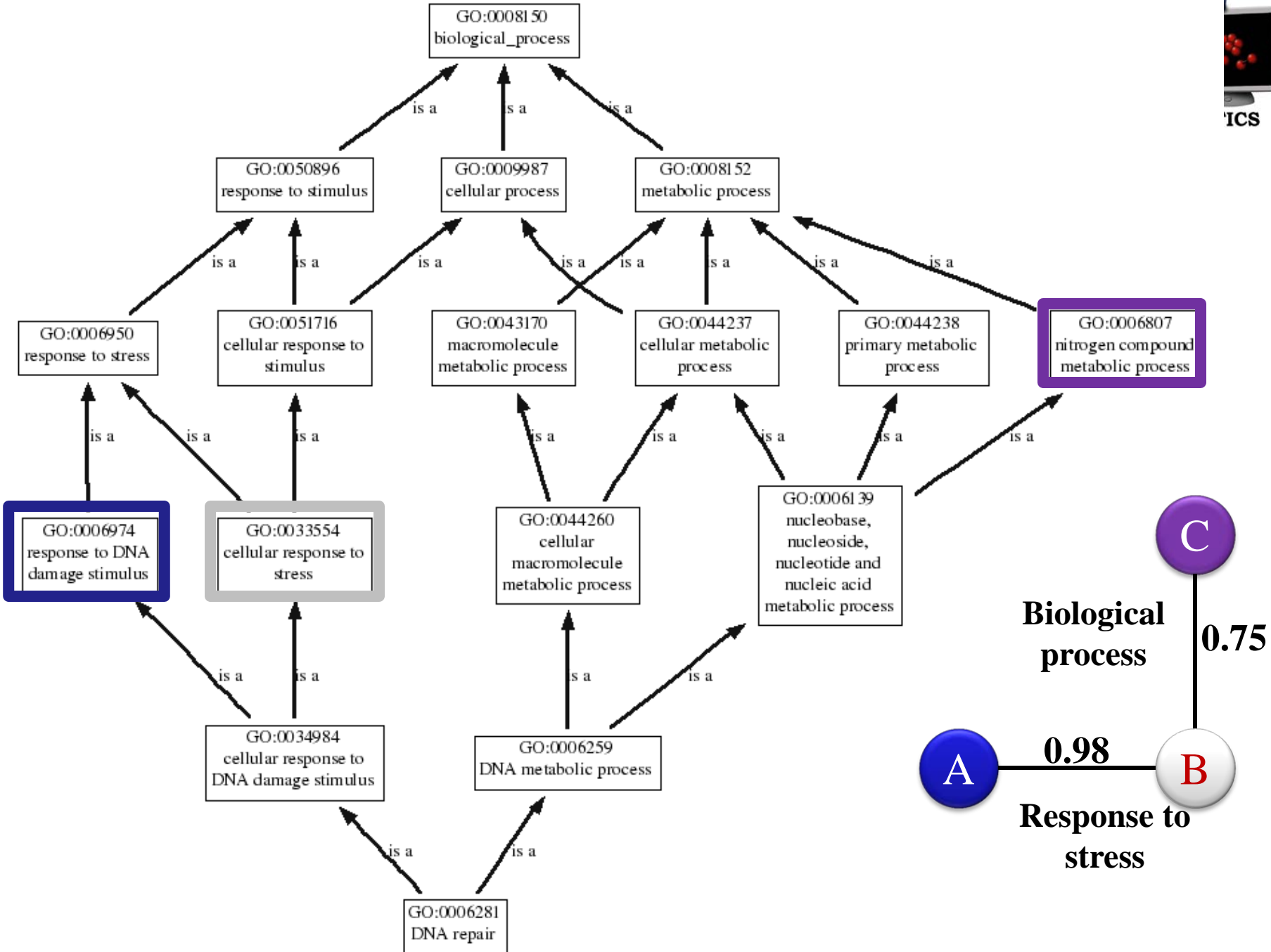
Power of Correlation Analysis



- Correlation versus Causation
- Correlation networks
- Casting the net wide – signal and noise
- The use of enrichment before obtaining information and after for validation

Integrated Data Model





Tutorial Outlines

- Biomedical Informatics - Challenges and Opportunities
- Next Generation Bioinformatics Tools – Focus on Data Analysis and Integration
- Systems Biology and Network Analysis
- *Biomedical Informatics and the Cloud: Models and Security*
- Case Studies of Discoveries using Biological Networks
- HPC in Network Analysis of High Throughput Biological Data
- Integration of different aspects of Biomedical Informatics
- Next Steps – where to go from here?

How to implement this stuff?

Computer Science Issues

- High Performance Computing
 - Beyond surface-level adaptation of previous algorithms
- Security and Privacy
 - Cloud Security
- Wireless Networks
- Graph Algorithms

HPC and the Cloud



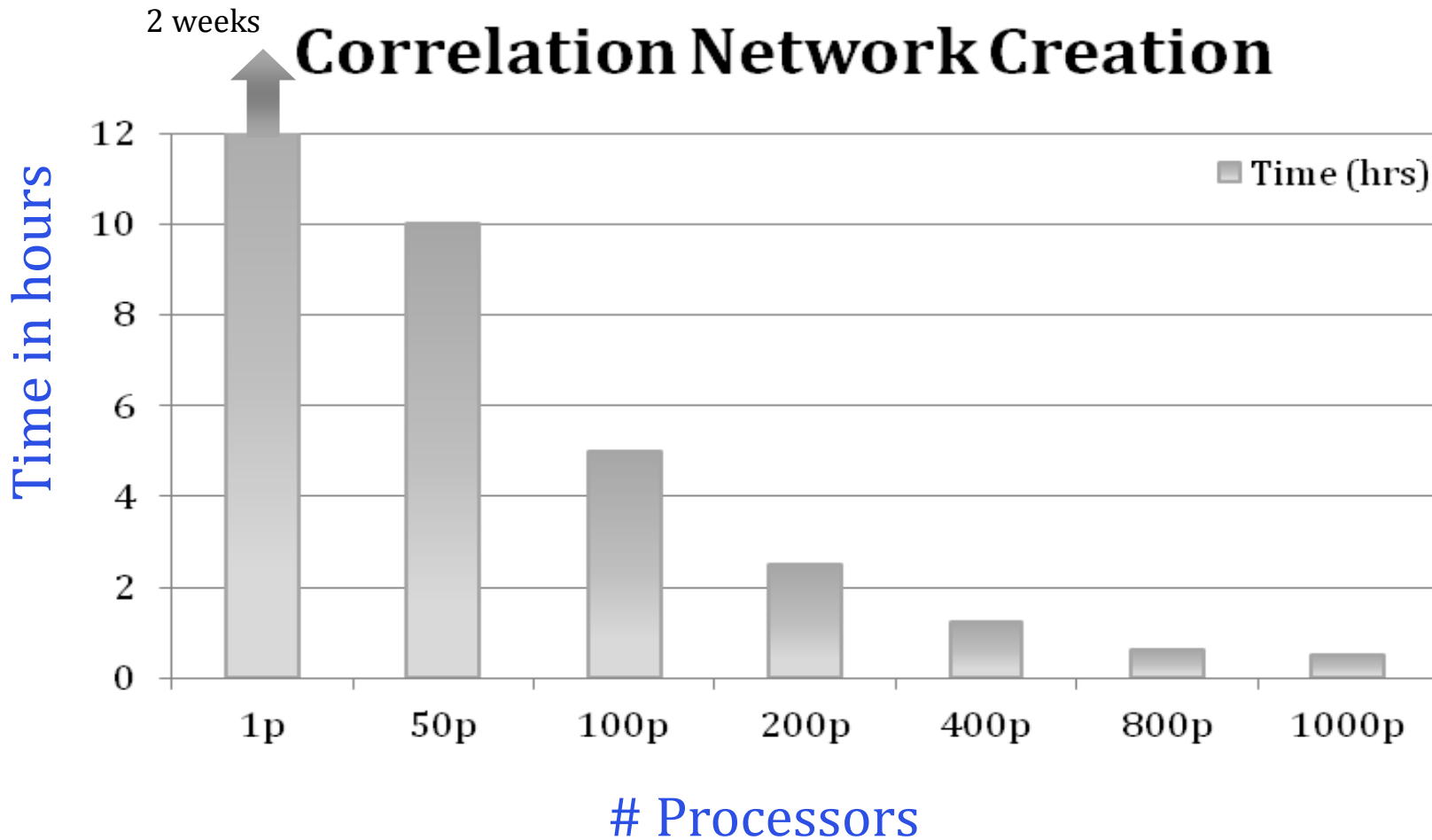
- Cloud for storage versus cloud for computation
 - Network analysis is now possible for everyone
- The dynamic nature of the required infrastructure
 - Outsource versus build
- Wise utilization of cloud computing facilities

HPC and Big Data in Biological Networks



- Network creation: 2 weeks on PC
 - 10 hours in parallel, 50 nodes
 - 40,000 nodes = 800 million edges (pairwise)
 - 40,000 ! Potential relationships
 - Big data or big relationship domain
- Network analysis: Best in parallel
 - Only 3% of entire genome forms complexes
- Holland Computing Center: Firefly 1150 8-core cluster – from weeks to hours/minutes

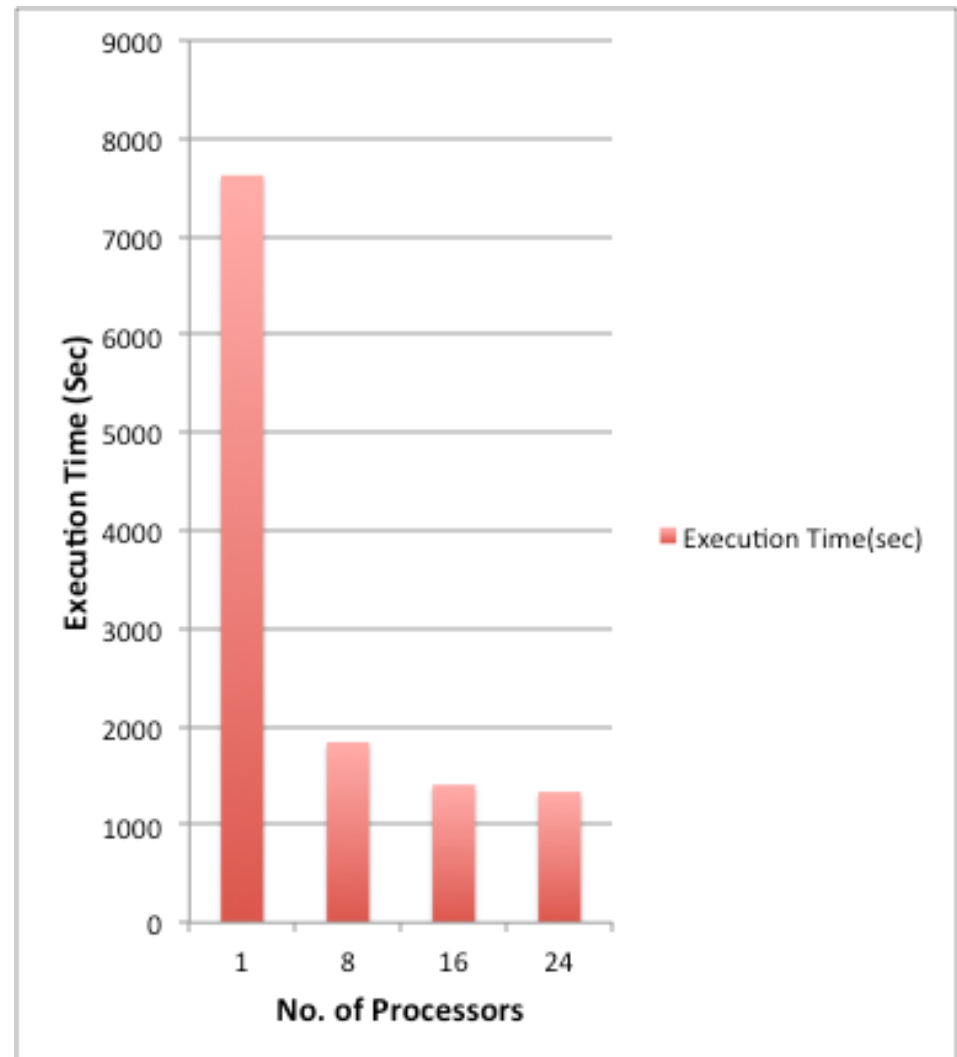
The Need for HPC



Differentially Expressed Genes Analysis



- Implement baySeq method to find differentially expressed genes
- Input: 19K genes, HIV Infected and Uninfected RNA seq counts
- Significantly faster when processors are added. After 16 processors, not much of improvement

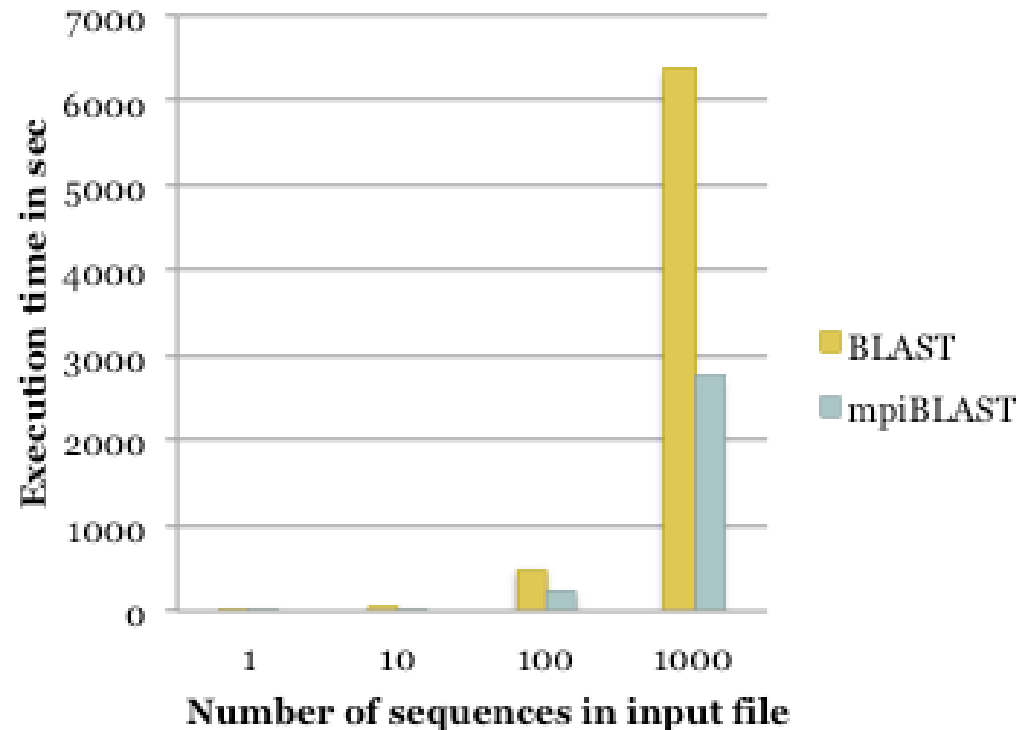


mpiBLAST

- Parallel implementation of NCBI BLAST
- Option1: Query Segmentation
 - One query can have many sequences
 - mpiBLAST divides the input query to send to separate processors
 - Small input means faster result
- Option2: Database Fragmentation
 - Database is created using separate method to produce ‘n’ fragments of database
 - Each processor gets small fragment of the database (reduces page swaps)

Input Size vs. Execution Time

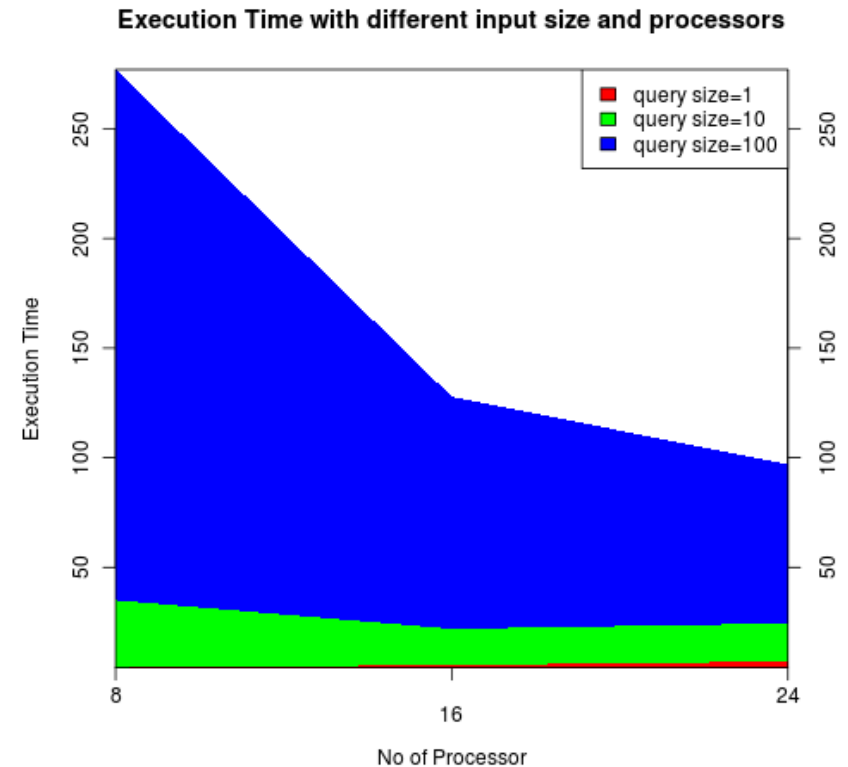
- Input Database: 1 GB sequence data for all the viruses
- For large input, mpiBLAST is significantly faster than the regular BLAST
- Parameters:
 - No. of Processors = 8
 - Database fragmentation = 20



Does it scale up?



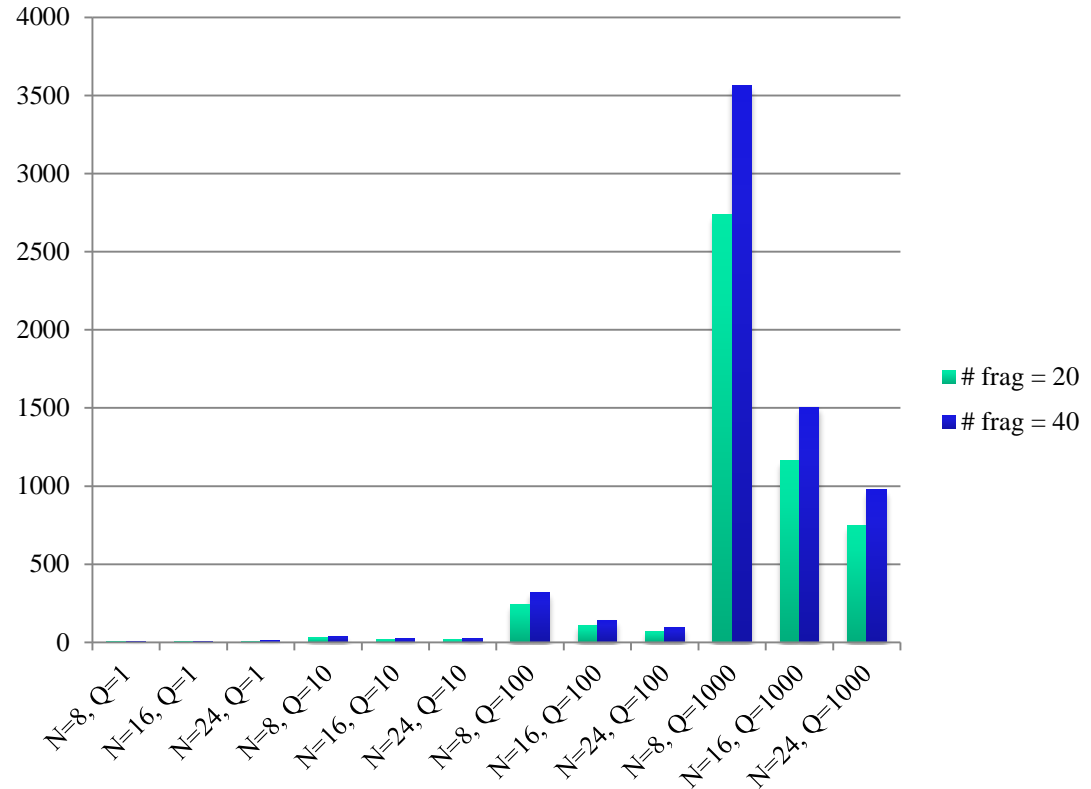
- When query size = 1:
 - Increasing Processors -> slower
 - More communication between processes
- When query size = 10:
 - Increasing from 8 to 16 processors reduced total time
 - Increasing from 16 to 24 processors increased 1 sec of execution time
- When query size = 100:
 - Increasing from 8 to 16 reduced execution time
 - Increasing from 16 to 24 only produced slight improvement
- Increasing Processors does NOT always imply faster results



Database Fragments vs. Execution Time



- The objective is to check if making more fragments of the database gives faster results
- higher fragmentation resulted slower performance
- $N = \#$ of processors
- $Q =$ Input $\#$ of Sequences



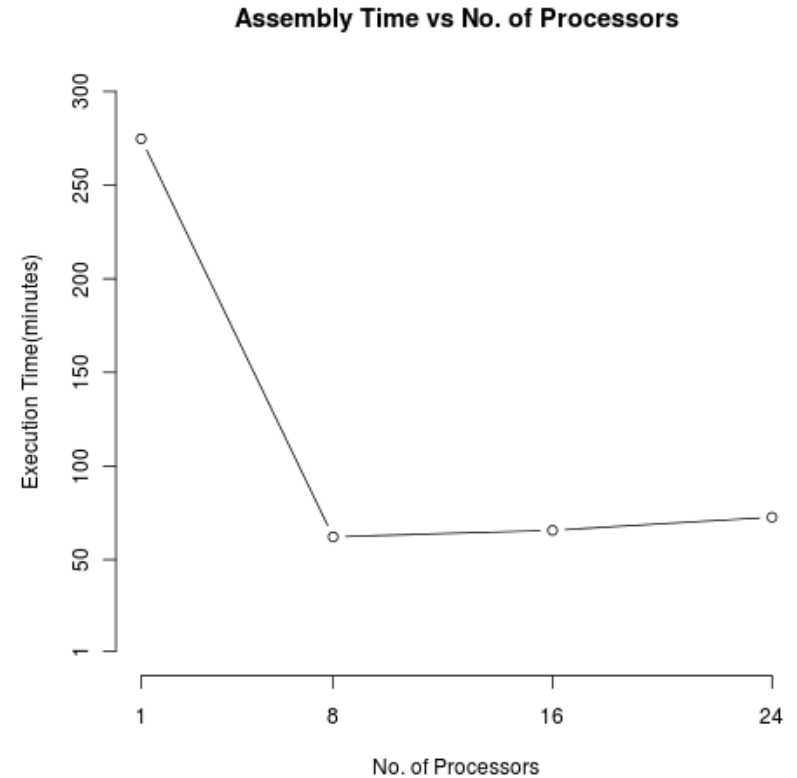
Assembly of Next Gen Sequence Data



- High throughput sequencing generates millions to billions of reads
 - Each read can be sub-divided into k-mers
- Two main approaches:
 - de Bruijn Graphs
 - Compact representation of reads based on k-mers
 - Parallelize overlap calculations of k-mers
 - Example: Velvet, SOAPdenovo, ABySS
 - Overlap-layout consensus
 - Find overlap, build unitig based on overlap graph and then contigs based on unitig graph
 - Example: celera, edena
- Distributed joining of k-mer to give contigs

ABySS: Speed-up Pattern

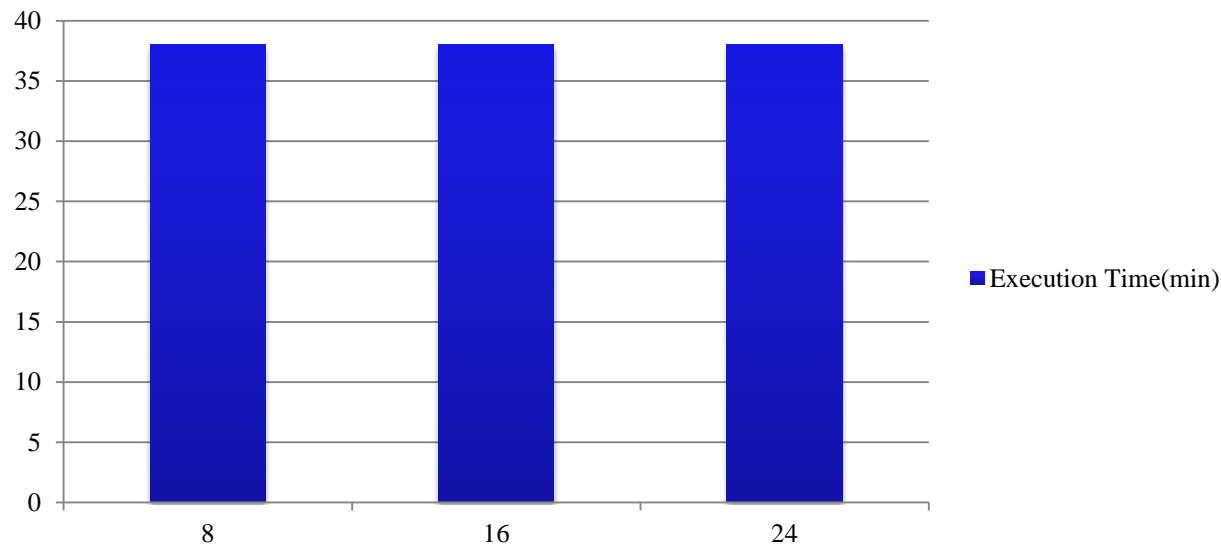
- Assembled 49 Million reads
- Great improvement from single processor to 8.
- Not much improvement adding processors from 8 to 16 or 16 to 24.



SOAPdenovo: Speed-up Pattern

- 49 Million reads
- No. of processors 8, 16, 24
- No improvement from adding processors from 8 to 24.

**Execution Time(min) in
8, 16, 24 processors**



Celera, Velvet and Edena

- Celera
 - Execution Time (16 threads): 3days 3 hrs and 10 mins
 - Time and space requirement is very high as compared to others, hence didn't try with different number of threads
- Velvet and Edena are Serial-Only implementations
- Velvet: Execution Time = 2hr 9min 31sec
- Edena: Execution Time = 8hr 1min 19sec

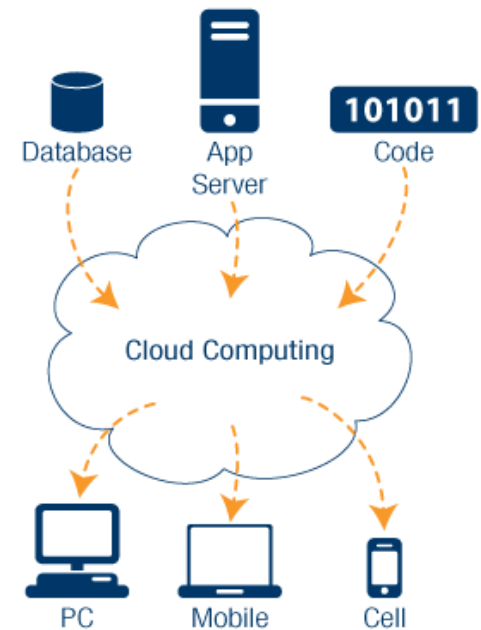
To Build or to Out-source?



- Utilize public resources or build a private infrastructure?
- What are the deciding factors?
 - Cost
 - Security/Privacy
 - Development ability
 - Customization
 - Nature of utilization
 - Systems administration
 - ...

Working in the Cloud

- Cloud computing is Web-based processing and storage. Software and equipment are offered as a service over the Web.
 - Data and applications can be accessed from any location
 - Data and applications can easily be shared through a common platform
 - Clouds need not be public; companies can introduce private cloud computing solutions



Cost Reduction & Convenience



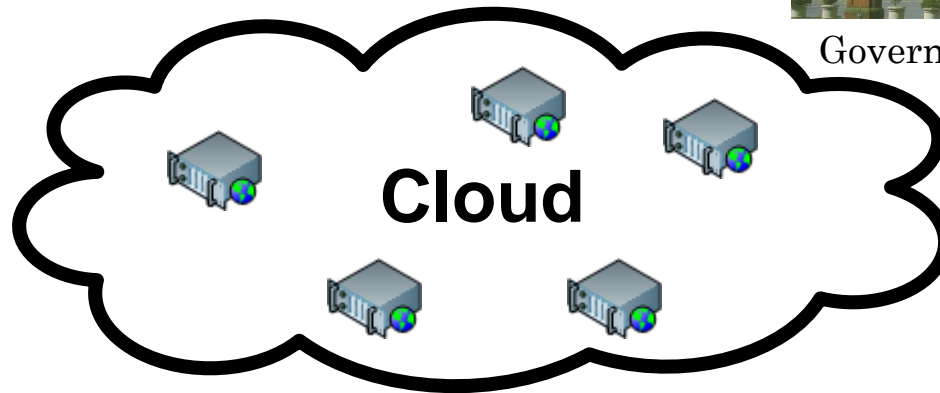
Small Business



Government Offices



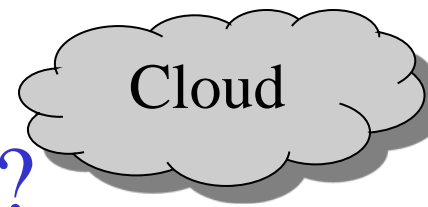
Multinational Corporations



Homes

- Flexible availability of resources
- Opportunity for developers to easily push their applications
- Targeted advertising
- Easy Software Upgrades for customers
 - Example: Webmail

What is Cloud Computing?



- **Cloud Computing** is a general term used to describe a new class of network based computing that takes place over the Internet,
 - **Commoditised** - basically a step on from Utility Computing
 - a collection/group of integrated and networked hardware, software and Internet infrastructure (platform).
 - Using the Internet for communication and transport provides hardware, software and networking services to clients
- **Abstraction** – They hide the complexity and details of the underlying infrastructure from users and applications by providing very simple graphical interface or API.
- **Ubiquitous** - on demand services, always on, anywhere, anytime and any place.
- **Elastic** - Pay for use and as needed - scale up and down in capacity and functionalities

Cloud Computing - Characteristics

Essential

On Demand Self Service

Broad Network Access

Rapid Elasticity

Resource Pooling

Measured Services

Advanced Security

Common

Massive Scale – Low Cost

Resilient Computing

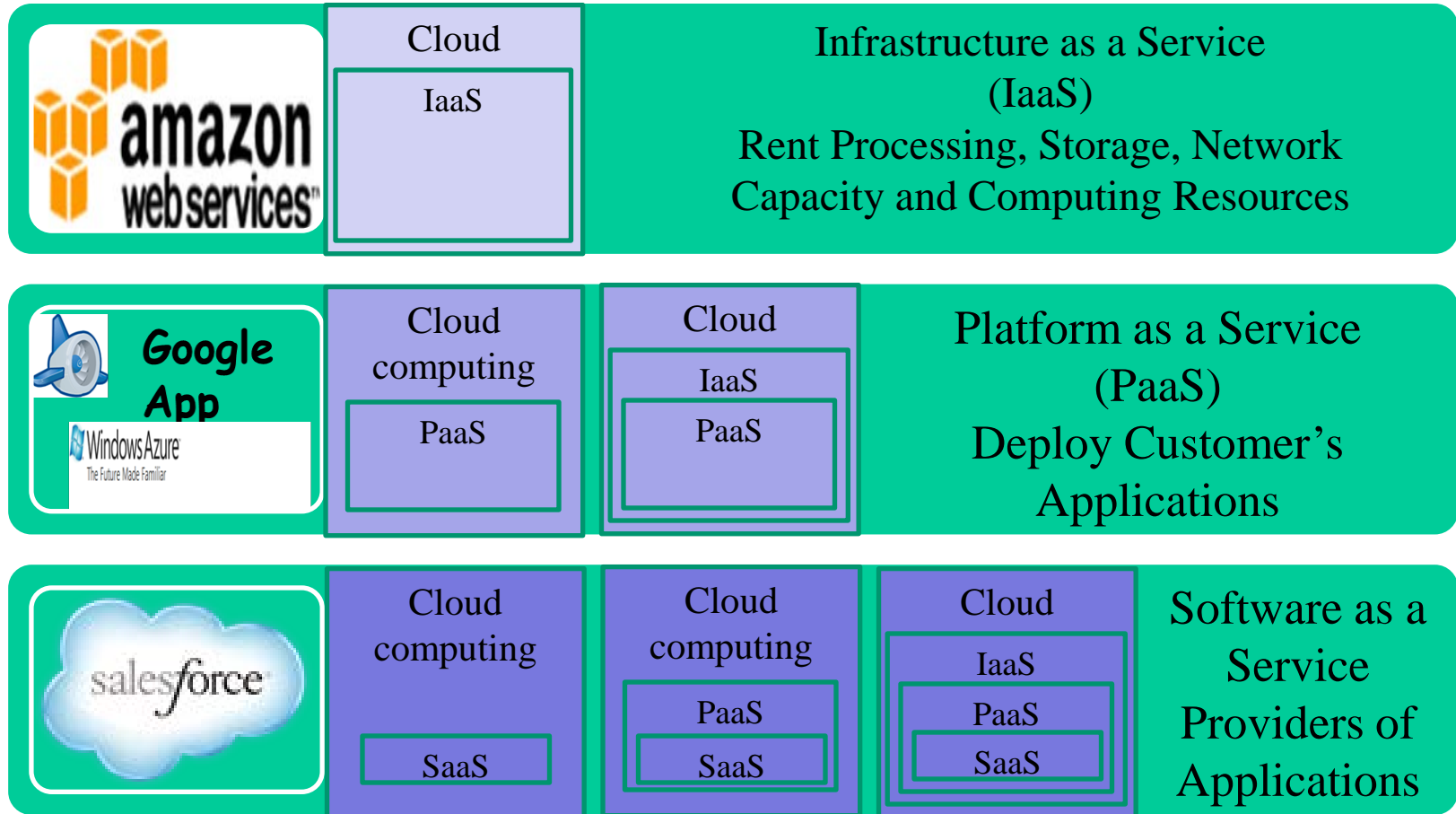
Homogeneity

Geographic Distribution

Virtualization

Service Orientation

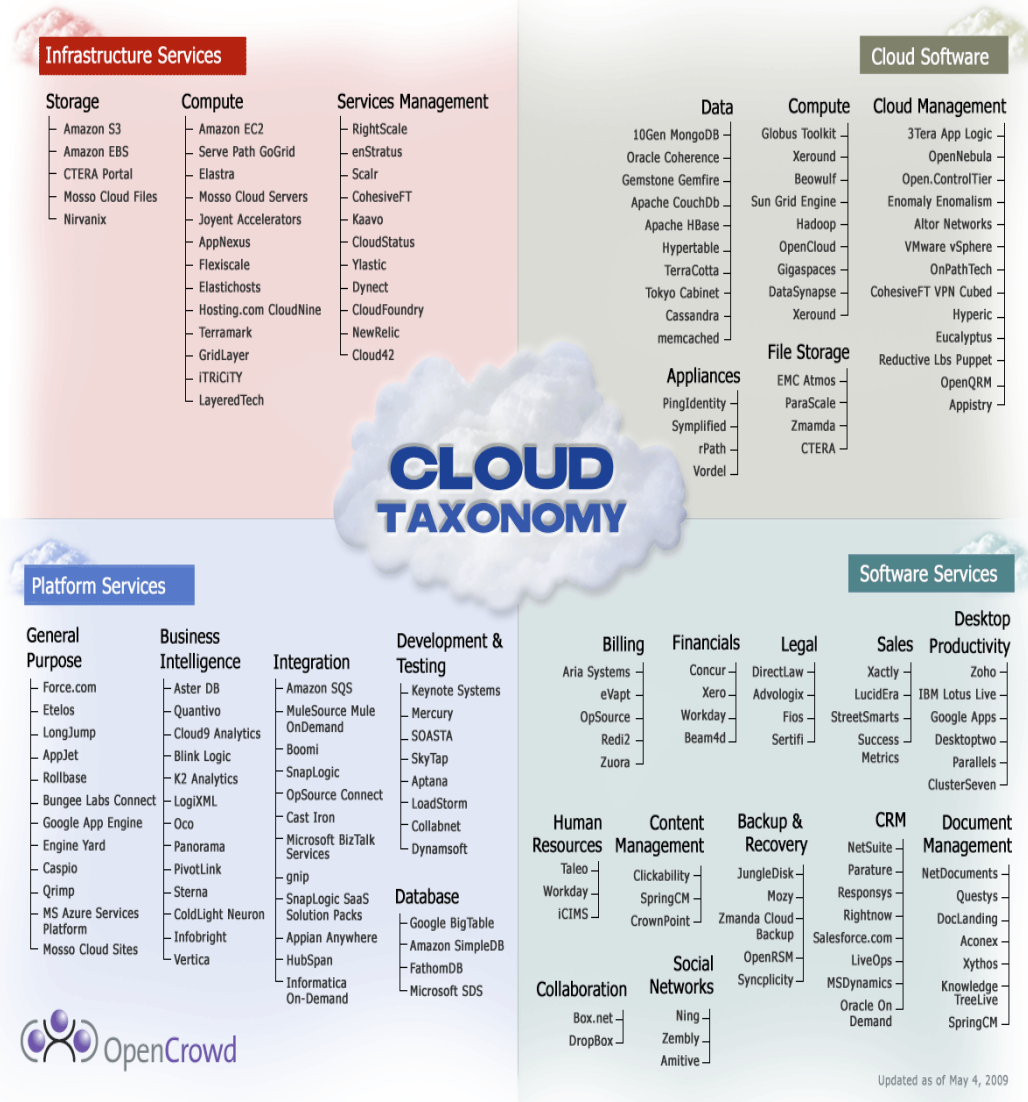
Cloud Computing - Models



Cloud Computing – Service Layers

	Services	Description
Application Focused	Services	Services - Complete business services such as PayPal, OpenID, OAuth, Google Maps, Alexa
	Application	Application - Cloud based software that eliminates the need for local installation such as Google Apps, Microsoft Online
	Development	Development - Software development Platforms used to build custom cloud based applications (PAAS & SAAS) such as SalesForce
Infrastructure Focused	Platform	Platform - Cloud based platforms, typically provided using virtualization, such as Amazon ECC, Sun Grid
	Storage	Storage - Data storage or cloud based NAS such as CTERA, iDisk, CloudNAS
	Hosting	Hosting - Physical data centers such as those run by IBM, HP, NaviSite, etc.

Cloud – Taxonomy



Infrastructure Services

- | | | |
|--|--|--|
| Storage | Compute | Services Management |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Amazon S3 — Amazon EBS — CTERA Portal — Mosso Cloud Files — Nirvanix | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Amazon EC2 — Serve Path GoGrid — Elastra — Mosso Cloud Servers — Joyent Accelerators — AppNexus — Flexiscale — ElasticHosts — Hosting.com CloudNine — Terramark — GridLayer — ITRICITY — LayeredTech | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — RightScale — enStratus — Scalr — CohesiveFT — Kaavo — CloudStatus — Ylastic — Dynect — CloudFoundry — NewRelic — Cloud42 |

Cloud Software

- | | | |
|--|--|--|
| Data | Compute | Cloud Management |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — 10Gen MongoDB — Oracle Coherence — Gemstone Gemfire — Apache CouchDb — Apache HBase — Hypertable — TerraCotta — Tokyo Cabinet — Cassandra — memcached | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Globus Toolkit — Xeround — Beowulf — Sun Grid Engine — Hadoop — OpenCloud — Gigaspaces — DataSynapse — Xeround | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — 3Tera App Logic — OpenNebula — Open.ControlTier — Enomaly Enomalism — Altor Networks — VMware vSphere — OnPathTech — CohesiveFT VPN Cubed — Hyperic — Eucalyptus — Reductive Lbs Puppet — OpenQRM — Appistry |
| Appliances | File Storage | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — PingIdentity — Symplified — rPath — Vordel | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — EMC Atmos — ParaScale — Zmanda — CTERA | |

Platform Services

- | | | | |
|--|---|---|---|
| General Purpose | Business Intelligence | Integration | Development & Testing |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Force.com — Etelos — LongJump — AppJet — Rollbase — Bungee Labs Connect — Google App Engine — Engine Yard — Caspio — Qrimp — MS Azure Services Platform — Mosso Cloud Sites | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Aster DB — Quantivo — Cloud9 Analytics — Blink Logic — K2 Analytics — LogiXML — Oco — Panorama — PivotLink — Sterna — ColdLight Neuron — Infobright — Vertica | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Amazon SQS — MuleSource Mule OnDemand — Boomi — SnapLogic — OpSource Connect — Cast Iron — Microsoft BizTalk Services — gnip — SnapLogic SaaS Solution Packs — Applan Anywhere — HubSpan — Informatica On-Demand | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Keynote Systems — Mercury — SOASTA — SkyTap — Aptana — LoadStorm — Collabnet — Dynamsoft |
| | | | Database |
| | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Google BigTable — Amazon SimpleDB — FathomDB — Microsoft SDS |

Software Services

- | | | | | |
|---|---|---|--|---|
| Billing | Financials | Legal | Sales | Desktop Productivity |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Aria Systems — eVapt — OpSource — Redi2 — Zuora | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Concur — Xero — Workday — Beam4d | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — DirectLaw — Advologix — Fios — Sertifi | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Xactly — LucidEra — StreetSmarts — Success Metrics | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Zoho — IBM Lotus Live — Google Apps — Desktoptwo — Parallels — ClusterSeven |
| Human Resources | Content Management | Backup & Recovery | CRM | Document Management |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Taleo — Workday — iCIMS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Clickability — SpringCM — CrownPoint | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — JungleDisk — Mozy — Zmanda Cloud Backup — OpenRSM — Syncplicity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — NetSuite — Parature — Responsys — Rightnow — Salesforce.com — LiveOps — MSDynamics — Oracle On Demand | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — NetDocuments — Questys — DocLanding — Aconex — Xythos — Knowledge TreeLive — SpringCM |
| Collaboration | Social Networks | | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Box.net — DropBox | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Ning — Zembly — Amitive | | | |

Cloud - Opportunities and Challenges



- Opportunities:

- It enables services to be used without any understanding of their infrastructure.
- Cloud computing works using economies of scale:
- Cost would be by on-demand pricing.
- Data and services are stored remotely but accessible from “anywhere”.

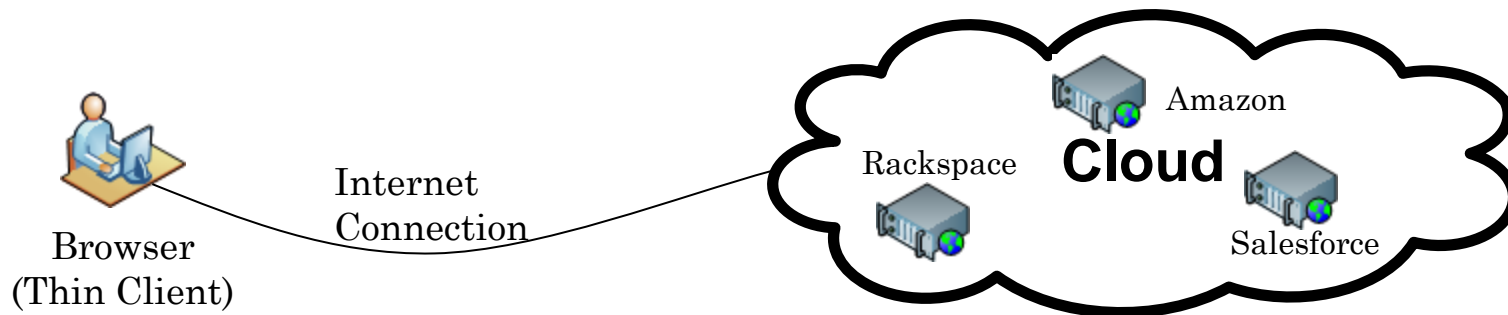
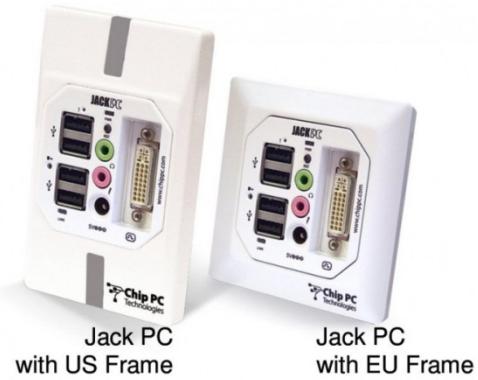
- Challenges:

- Use of cloud computing means dependence on others and that could possibly limit flexibility and innovation:
- Security could prove to be a big issue:
 - It is still unclear how safe out-sourced data is and when using these services ownership of data is not always clear.
- There are also issues relating to policy and access:
 - If your data is stored abroad whose policy do you adhere to?
 - What happens if the remote server goes down?
 - There have been cases of users being locked out of accounts and losing access to data.

Cloud - Opportunities and Challenges

- HPC Systems:
 - Not clear that you can run compute-intensive HPC applications that use MPI/OpenMPI in domain's such as such as Bio-Informatics, Healthcare, etc.
 - Scheduling is important with this type of application
 - As you want all the VM to be co-located to minimize communication latency!
 - How do you minimize energy costs to keep costs down.
- General Concerns:
 - Each cloud systems uses different protocols and different APIs - may not be possible to run applications between cloud based systems.
 - Many new open source systems appearing that you can install and run on your local cluster - should be able to run a variety of applications on these systems

The Future of Thin Clients



Cloud Security Challenges

- Who controls the encryption/decryption keys?
 - Customer / cloud vendor
- Storage services provided by one vendor may be incompatible with another vendor's services should you decide to switch vendors
 - Example: Amazon's Simple Storage Service (S3) is incompatible with IBM's Blue Cloud, or Google, or Dell
- Customers want:
 - SSL both ways across the Internet
 - Data encryption when data is at rest
 - Ideally customer must control the encryption/decryption keys

Cloud Security Challenges

- Data Integrity – assurance that data is identically maintained during any operation (such as transfer, storage, or retrieval)
 - Consistency and correctness
- Data must change only in response to authorized transactions
 - Unfortunately, there are no common standards

Best Practices

- Separation of special project central storage shares
- Use of front-end web-based servers to enable workflow execution within cluster. Having these servers hosted from a Virtual Private Cloud is the way to go!
- Identify opportunities for designing embarrassingly parallel applications – simpler to code.
- Combine MPI and OpenMP to make more efficient parallel programs.

Virtual Cloud Security

- Good old-fashioned basics:
 - Access Control (OS-level/Application-level)
 - Server/Machine firewall (OS-level)
 - Antivirus (OS-level)
 - Strong passwords (OS-level/Application-level)
 - VPN/IDS (Network-level)
- Private on-premise cloud
- Security Hardened virtual OS template
- Hypervisor security (cloud engine security)
- Encryption
 - Data In Transit (SSL/TLS, PKE)
 - Data At Rest (File system Encryption, Data Partitioning)
- Regulations:
 - HIPAA
 - HITECH
 - FIPS 140-2
- Benefits: Scalability, quicker resource allocation, shared usage

Virtual Cloud Security Basics

- **Strong passwords (OS-level/Application-level):**
Best practices in creating, storing and periodically updating passwords.
- **Access Control (OS-level/Application-level):**
Control access to system or application using central Directory services like AD.
- **Server/Machine firewall (OS-level):**
Only services that need to be visible from outside should be opened up and by default, everything else should be inaccessible.
- **Antivirus (OS-level):**
An integral security part of any system.
- **VPN/IDS (Network-level):**
Network border-level access control using Virtual Private Network or Intrusion Detection System.

Bioinformatics and Cloud Computing



Bioinformatics Cloud

DaaS

- Public datasets
- Biological databases

SaaS

- Tools
- Pipelines

PaaS

- Analysis platforms
- Programming environments

IaaS

- Virtual machines
- Virtualized resources

DaaS (Data as a Service)

- Example: AWS public data sets include GenBank, Ensembl, 1000 Genomes, etc.

SaaS (Software as a Service)

- Sequence analysis tools (BGI easy genomics),
- Read mapping and SNP calling (Crossbow), etc.

PaaS (Platform as a Service)

- Galaxy Cloud (Workflow platform)
- Eoulsan (RNAseq pipeline for diff. analysis)

IaaS (Infrastructure as a Service)

- CloVR (Portable virtual machine),
- Cloud BioLinux

Cloud Resources in Bioinformatics

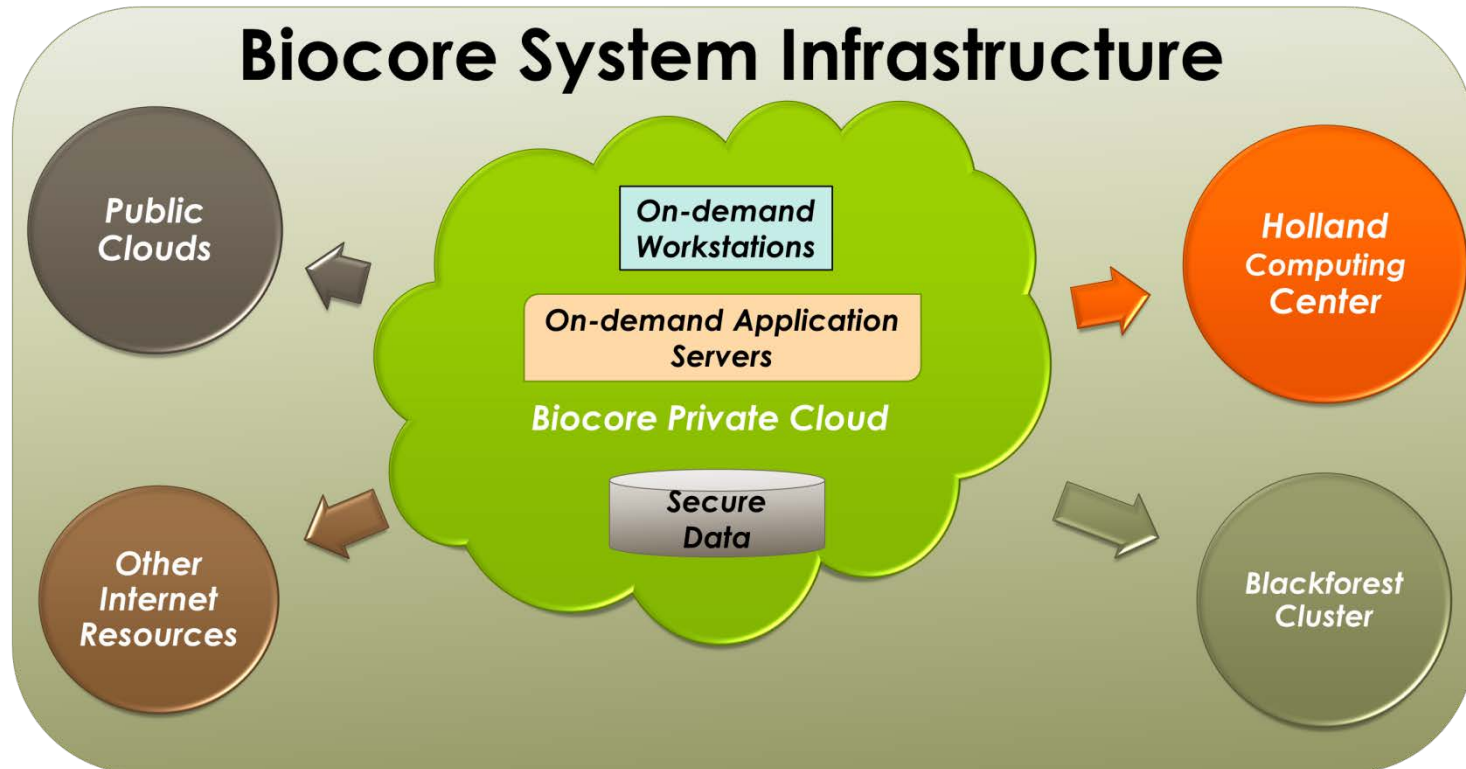


Resource	Description & availability
Data as a Service (DaaS):	
AWS Public Datasets	Cloud-based archives of GenBank, Ensembl, 1000 Genomes, Model Organism Encyclopedia of DNA Elements, Unigene, Influenza Virus, etc.; http://aws.amazon.com/publicdatasets
Software as a Service (SaaS):	
BGI Cloud (unpublished)	Cloud-based implementations of various genomic analysis applications; http://cloud.genomics.cn
CloudAligner [16]	Fast and full-featured MapReduce-based tool for sequence mapping; http://cloudaligner.sourceforge.net
CloudBLAST [19]	A cloud-based implementation of NCBI BLAST; http://ammatsun.acis.ufl.edu/amwiki/index.php/CloudBLAST_Project
CloudBurst [17]	Highly sensitive short read mapping with MapReduce; http://cloudburst-bio.sourceforge.net
Contrail (unpublished)	Cloud-based <i>de novo</i> assembly of large genomes; http://contrail-bio.sourceforge.net
Crossbow [18]	Read Mapping and SNP calling using cloud computing; http://bowtie-bio.sf.net/crossbow
EasyGenomics (unpublished)	Cloud-based NGS pipelines for whole genome resequencing, exome resequencing, RNA-Seq, small RNA and <i>de novo</i> assembly; http://www.easygenomics.org
eCEO [26]	Cloud-based identification of large-scale epistatic interactions in genome-wide association study (GWAS); http://www.comp.nus.edu.sg/~wangzk/eCEO.html
FX [20]	RNA-Seq analysis tool; http://fx.gmi.ac.kr
Gaea (unpublished)	Cloud-based genome re-sequencing assembly; http://bgiamericas.com/data-analysis/cloud-computing
Hecate (unpublished)	Cloud-based <i>de novo</i> assembly; http://bgiamericas.com/data-analysis/cloud-computing
Jnomics (unpublished)	Cloud-scale sequence analysis suite based on Apache Hadoop; http://sourceforge.net/apps/mediawiki/jnomics
Myrna [21]	Differential gene expression tool for RNA-Seq; http://bowtie-bio.sourceforge.net/myrna
PeakRanger [24]	Cloud-enabled peak caller for ChIP-seq data; http://www.modencode.org/software/ranger
RSD [23]	Reciprocal smallest distance algorithm for ortholog detection using Amazon's Elastic Computing Cloud; http://roundup.hms.harvard.edu
VAT [25]	Variant annotation tool to functionally annotate variants from multiple personal genomes at the transcript level; http://vat.gersteinlab.org
YunBe [22]	Pathway-based or gene set analysis of expression data; http://tinyurl.com/yunbedownload
Platform as a Service (PaaS):	
Eoulsan [27]	Cloud-based platform for high throughput sequencing analyses; http://transcriptome.ens.fr/eoulsan
Galaxy Cloud [28,29]	Cloud-scale Galaxy for large-scale data analysis; http://galaxy.psu.edu
Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS):	
Cloud BioLinux [30]	A publicly accessible virtual machine for high performance bioinformatics computing using cloud platforms; http://cloudbiolinux.org
ClouVR [31]	A portable virtual machine for automated sequence analysis using cloud computing; http://clouvr.org

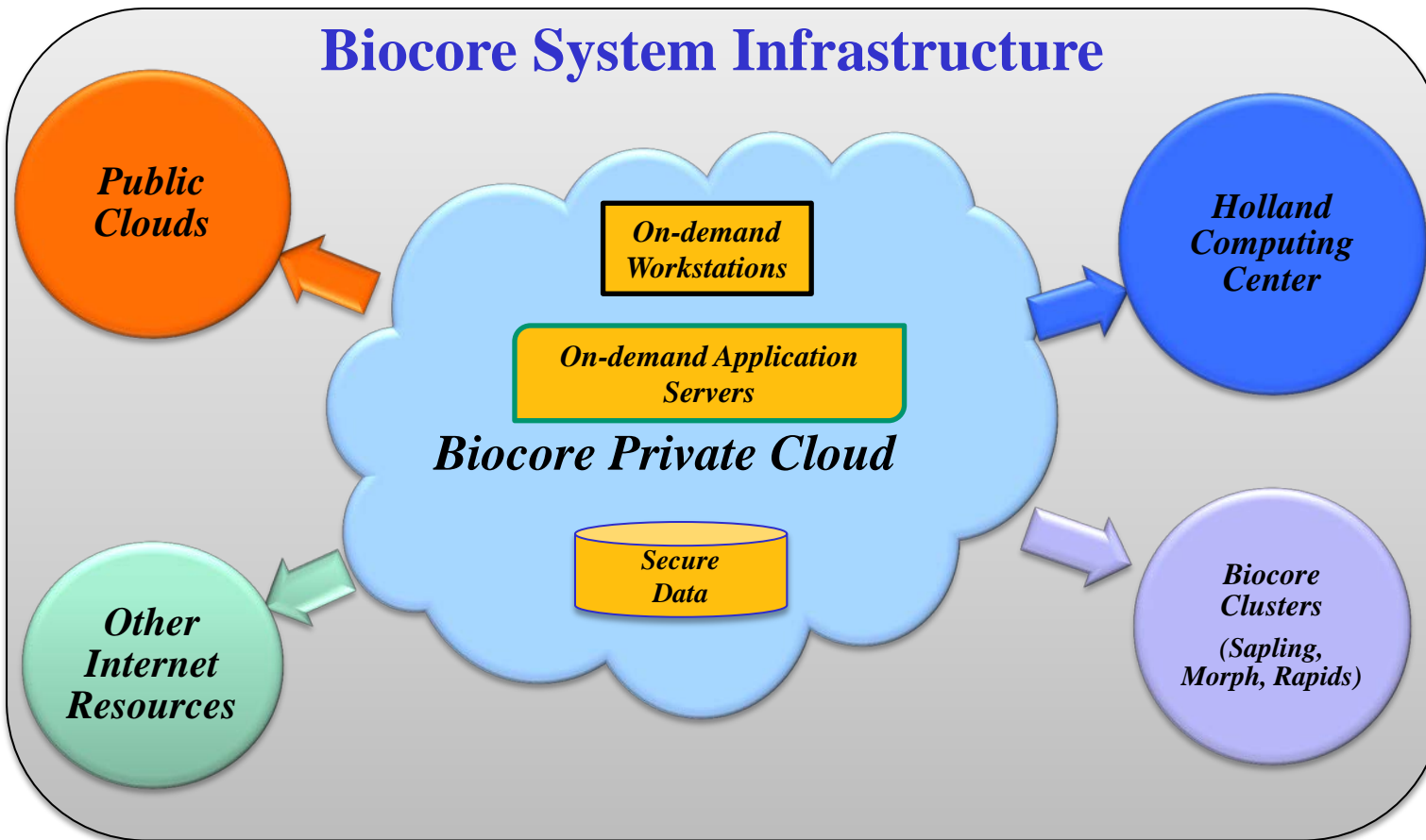
Private Clouds

- Core facilities need to acquire private infrastructure-level virtual cloud technology. Best vendor for such technology is VMware. The Bioinformatics Core facility at UNO uses *VMware vSphere Enterprise*.
- Public Clouds like Amazon EC2, RackSpace cannot be used in all cases due to various restrictions put forth by regulations (e.g. HIPAA data locality requirement). Such public clouds could only be used as a scalable platform for already anonymized data.
- Private Virtual Cloud is on-premise solution allowing all the benefits of virtualization technology both from an administrative and end-user perspective.

Proposed Model



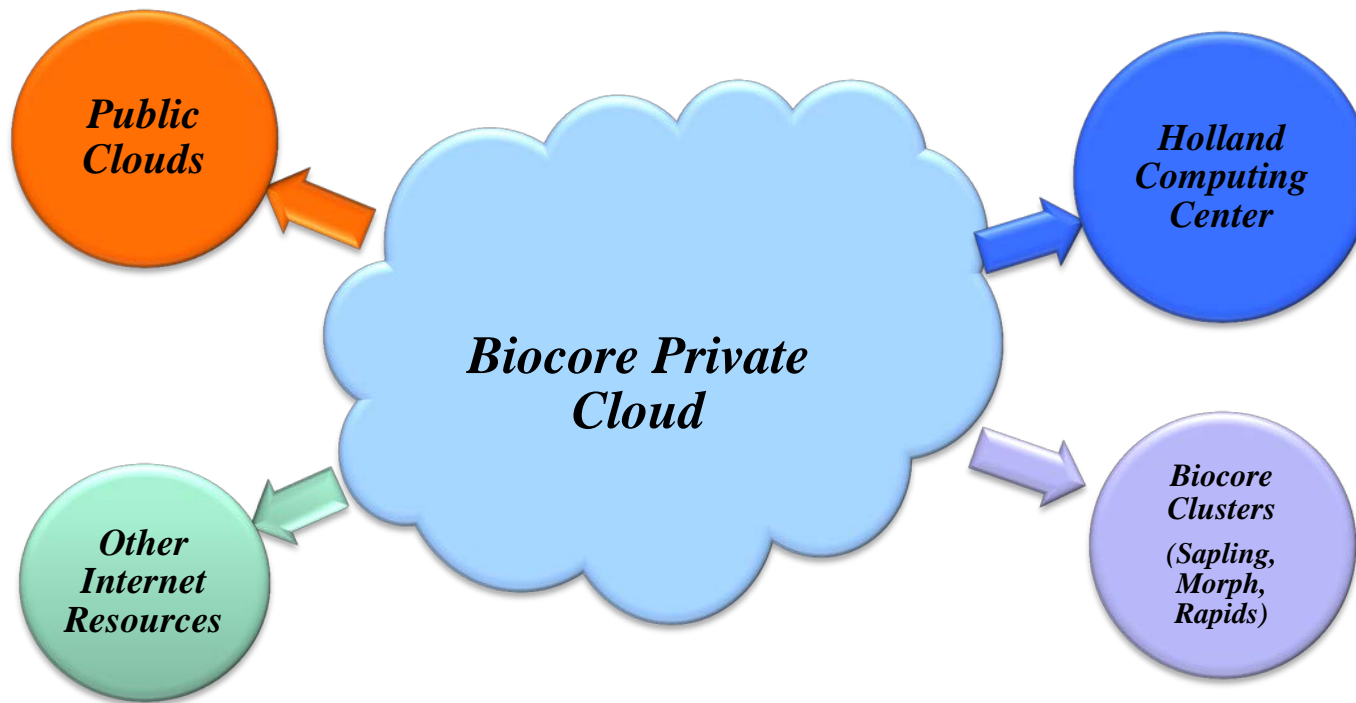
Biocore System Infrastructure



Infrastructure As A Service: Virtual workstations and servers provided to various core facilities from the Biocore private cloud

Data As A Service: Local mirrors of various public databases. (*GenBank*, *RefSeq*, *EMBL* and more...). Shared storage for various core facilities in the form of network drives

HIPAA compliance: (e.g. the Rheumatoid Arthritis Infrastructure Network website)

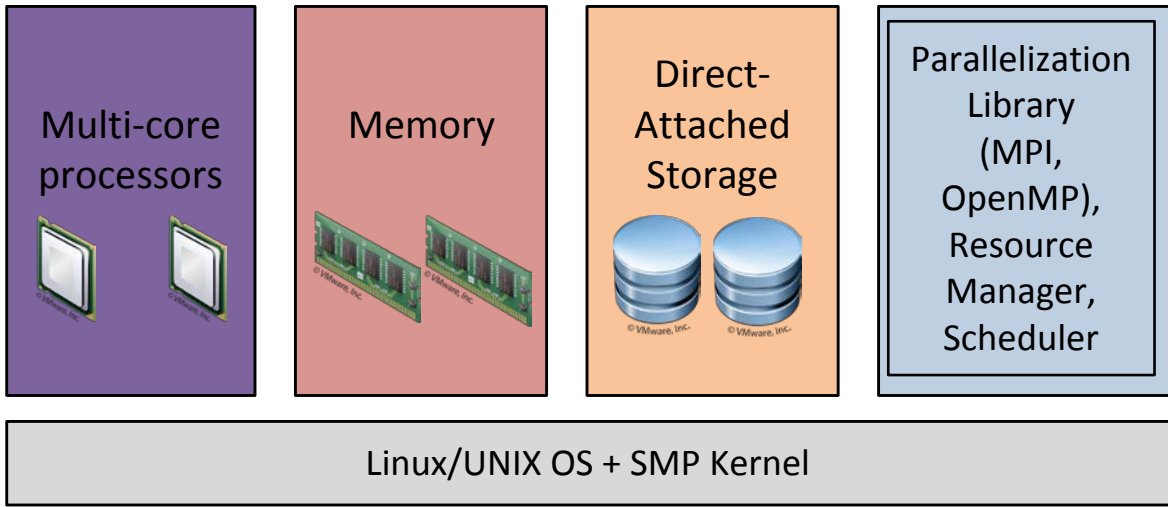


Software As A Service: SOAP web service for BioCatalogue plugin, other licensed software like VectorNTI, MATLAB

Platform As A Service: Galaxy Server, BIOCMS for media sharing

Middleware Service: Setup project servers in our private cloud that will interact with the HCC and Biocore clusters, or with public clouds (e.g. the Amazon EC2 Cloud) for scalability, and run custom-built high performance computing applications

HPC – at UNO



Central Storage for User Data (NFS, Lustre, pNFS)



Network Backbone (Gigabit, 10gE, Infiniband)

Tutorial Outlines

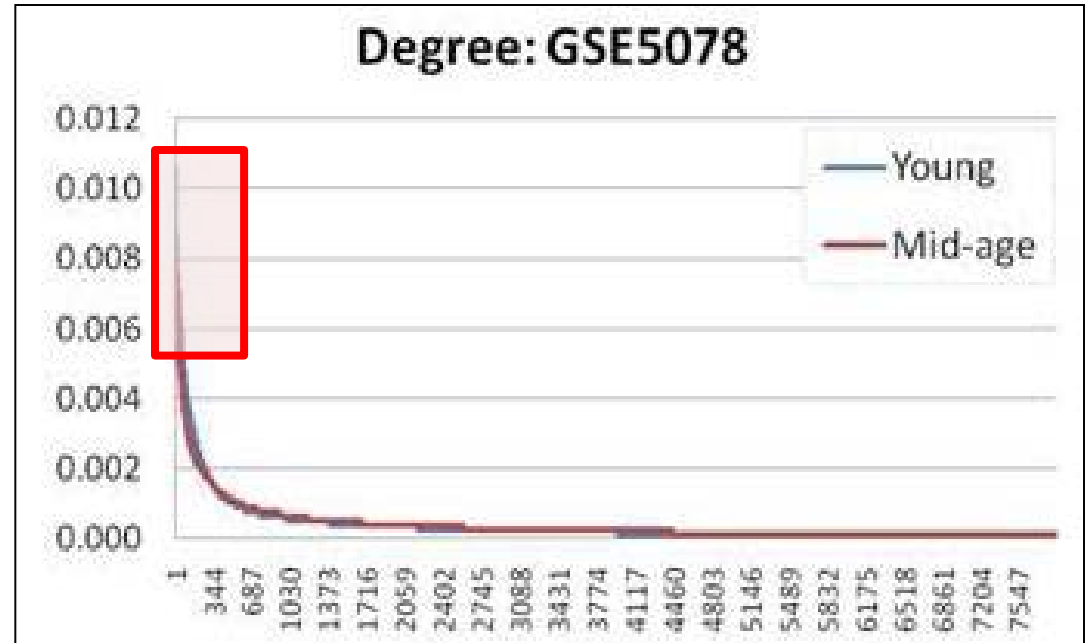
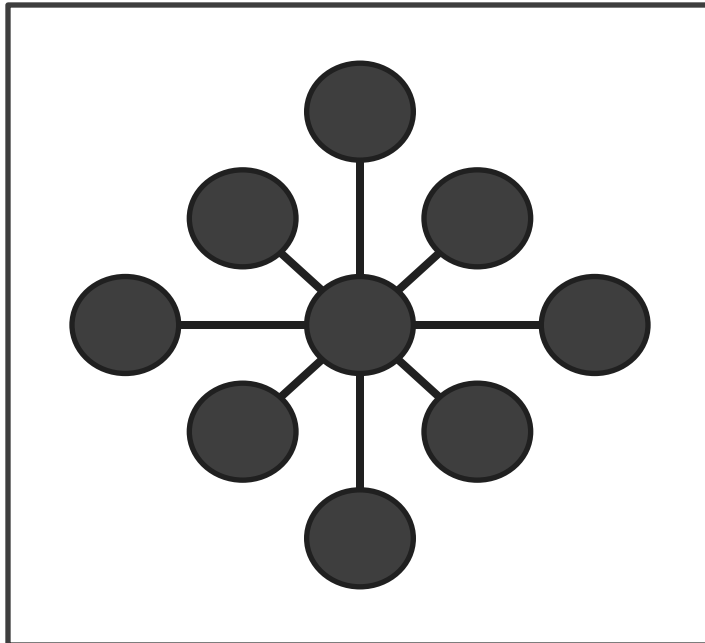
- Biomedical Informatics - Challenges and Opportunities
- Next Generation Bioinformatics Tools – Focus on Data Analysis and Integration
- Systems Biology and Network Analysis
- Biomedical Informatics and the Cloud: Models and Security
- *Case Studies of Discoveries using Biological Networks*
- HPC in Network Analysis of High Throughput Biological Data
- Integration of different aspects of Biomedical Informatics
- Next Steps – where to go from here?

Network Concepts



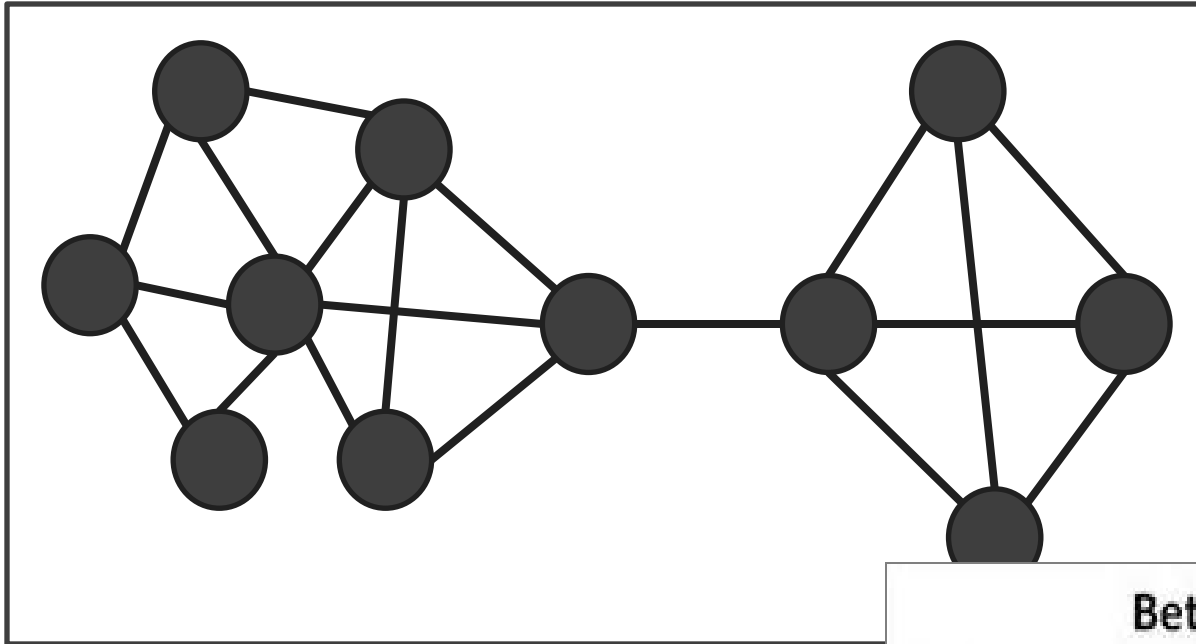
- **Biological networks have structural properties**
 - Can differ from one network to another
- **Specific structures/characteristics have biological meaning**
 - Degree can indicate essentiality
 - Cluster density can indicate relevance
- **Networks do not have to be static**
 - Most interesting discoveries coming from temporal or state-change network alignment & comparison

Centrality Measures

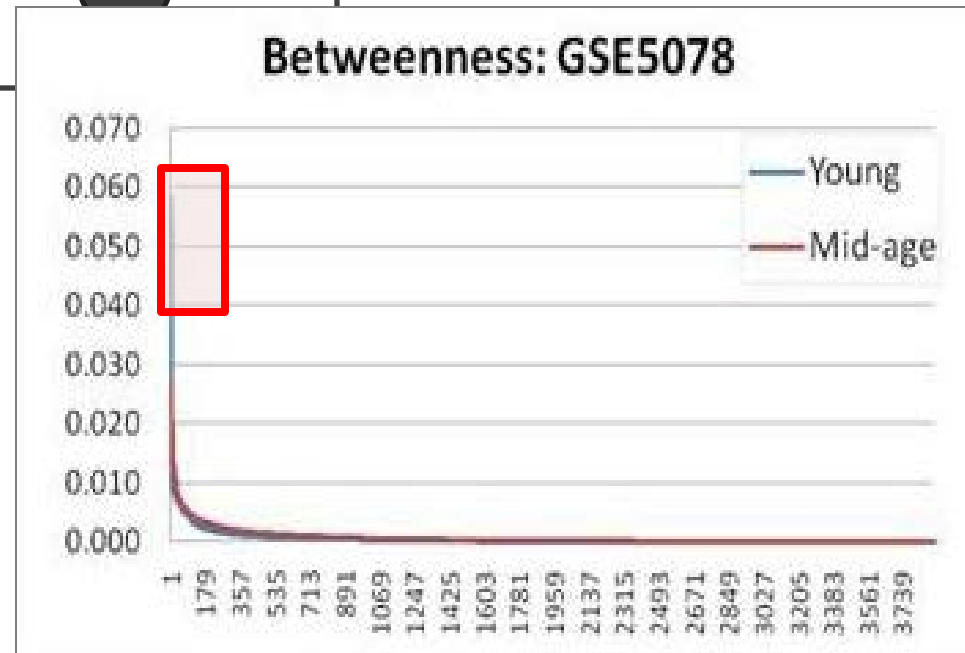


Degree: The number of edges a node has

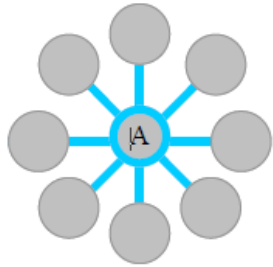
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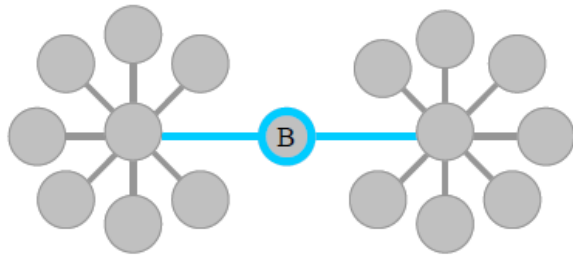
Betweenness:
How many shortest paths a
node lies on



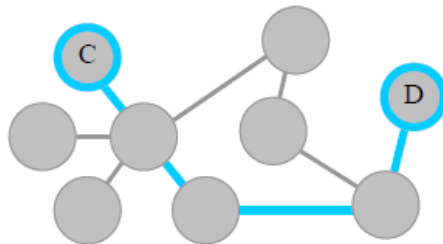
Critical Nodes



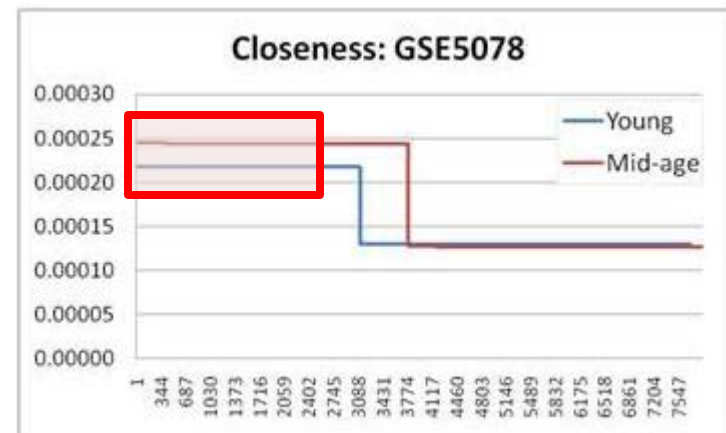
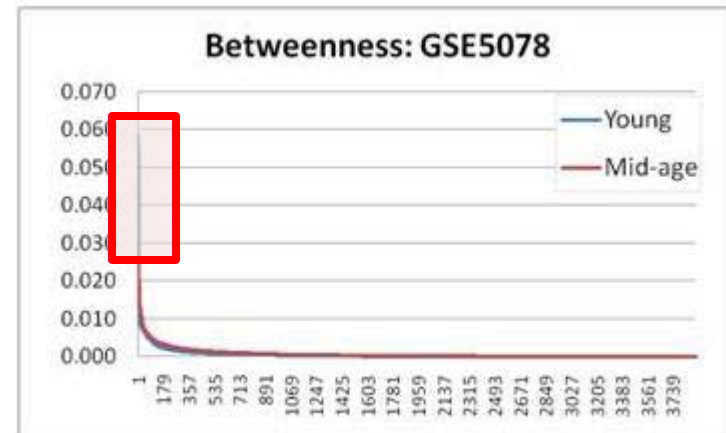
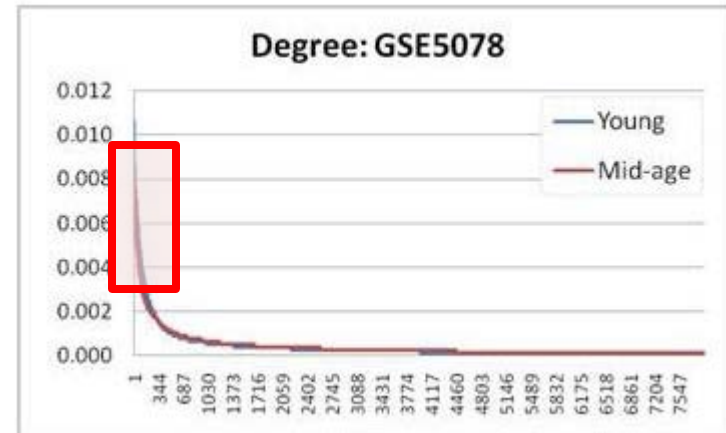
Degree: Number of neighbors



Betweenness: Number of shortest paths a node lies on



Closeness: Average shortest path from a node to all other nodes in the network



Hypothesis



Correlation networks are an excellent tool for mining relationship rich knowledge from high-throughput data

Using systems biology approach, CN can help identify:

- *Critical Genes* that are essential for survival
- *Subsets of genes* that are responsible for biological functions


Measures of centrality to identify key elements:

Proves existence of structure/function relationship in correlation networks



Structures & their Functions

Network structures correspond to key cellular structures

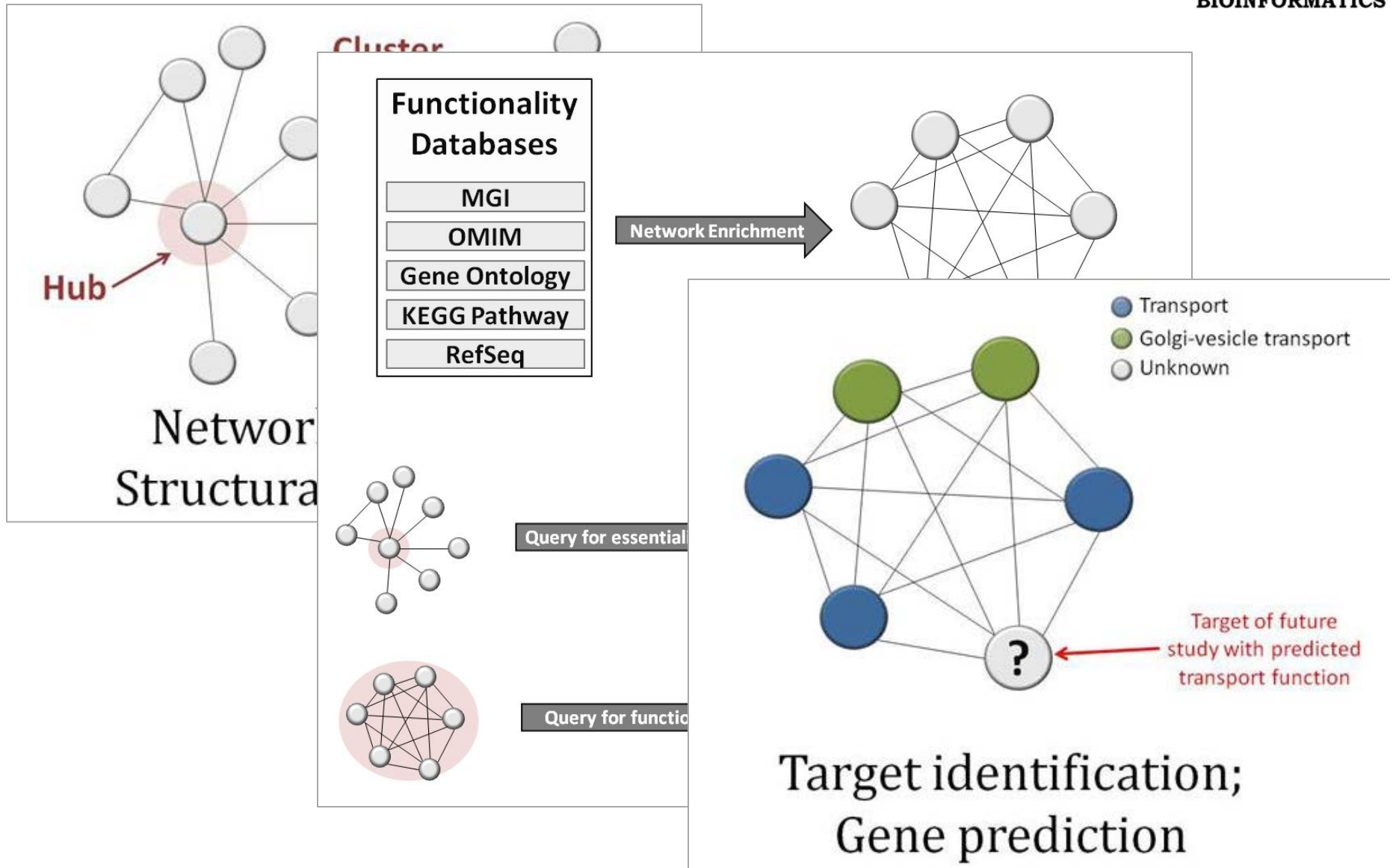


Objectives



- Confirm structure/ function relationships in integrated biological networks
- Uncover genetic drivers of aging and disease using application of graph theory

Integrated Data Model

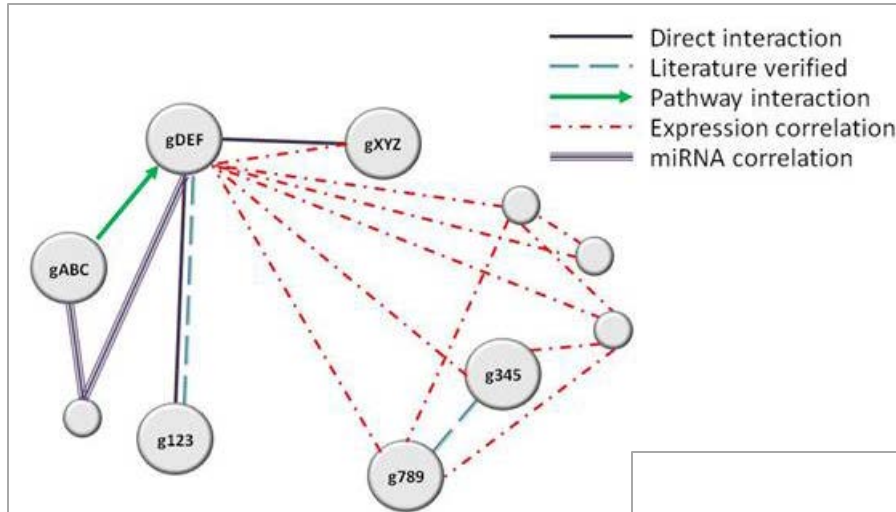


Network Integration

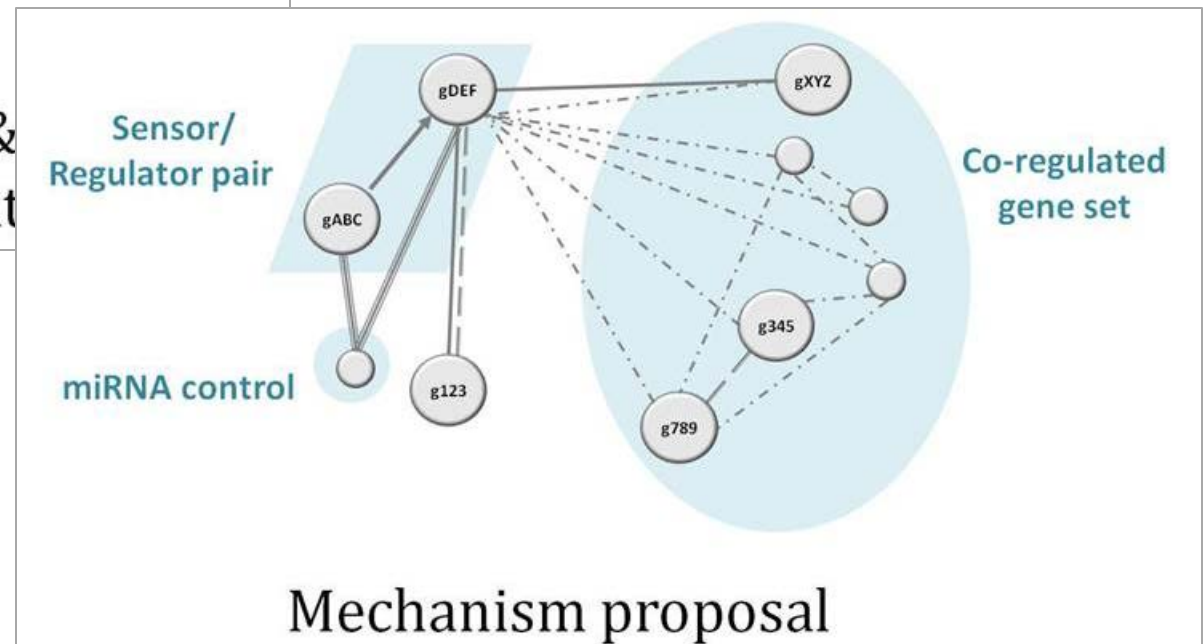


- **Network Alignment**
 - Homozygous (PPI aligned with PPI)
 - Heterozygous (Phenome aligned with transcriptome)
- **Network Combination**
 - Union, Intersection, Difference
- **Data Integration**
 - Knowledge-driven
 - Data-driven

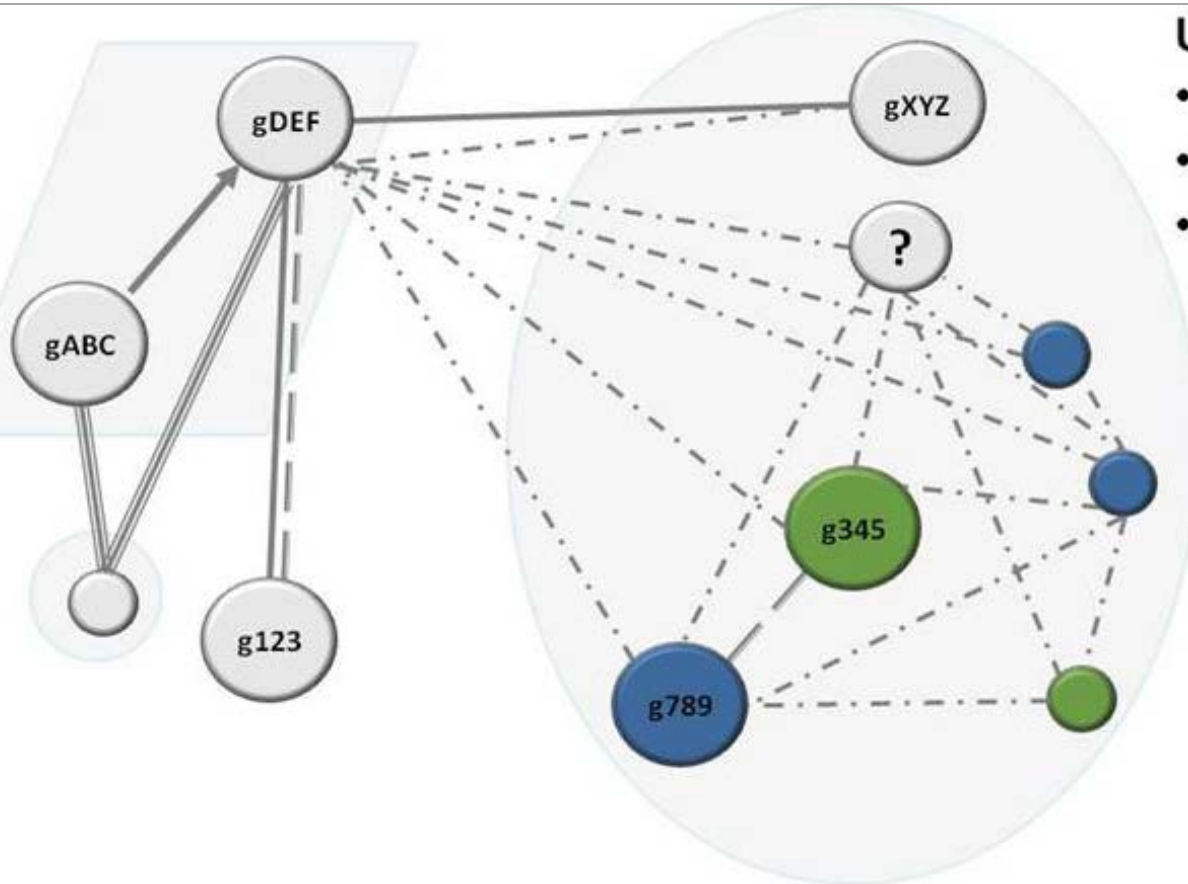
Integration: Knowledge Model



Model growing &
structural identificat



Integration: Knowledge Model



Unknown gene:

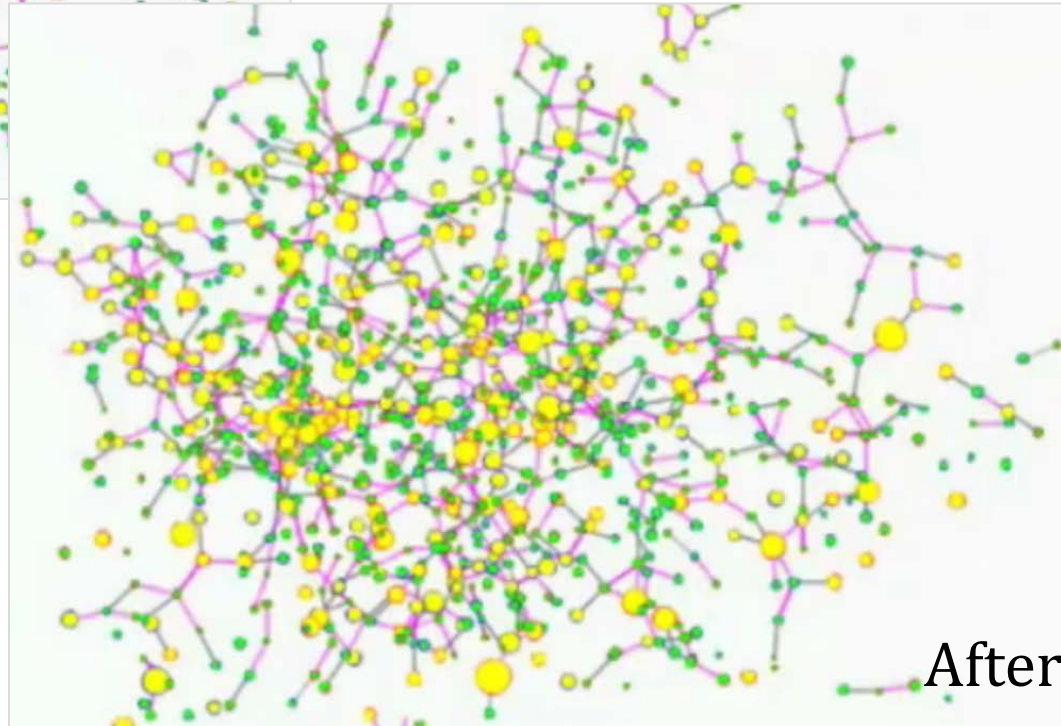
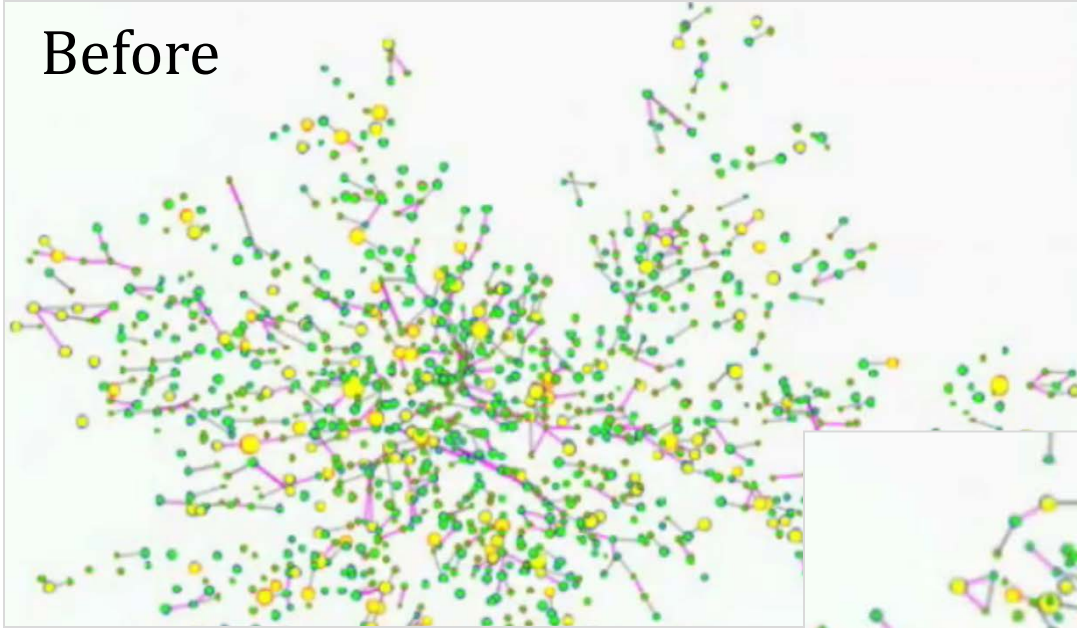
- Predicted transport function
- Regulated by gDEF/gABC
- Via potential miRNA control

Structure+Function
Integrated Model

Other Applications: Health Informatics



Before



After

The spread of obesity in social networks

Aging Research: What is involved?

- Bioinformatics – Correlation Networks – Analysis of biological data – Bioinformatics Tools
- Computer Science: HPC - Wireless Networks – Database – Software development
- MIS: GUI – User Experience Factors
- Gerontology: Social Factors – Aging Research
- Medical Sciences: Impact of Medication – Impact of other Health Factors
- Engineering: Design and evaluation of Sensors
- IT Innovation: 3D Environments – Simulation and Modeling

The Bioinformatics Angle

- With aging, certain behaviors decrease
 - Eating, drinking, activity levels
- Observed gene expression changes in the hypothalamus
 - Can we capture these expression changes?
 - Can we correlate these changes to behavioral decreases?
- Goal: Identify temporal biological relationships
 - Progression of disease
 - Effect of pharmaceuticals on systems of the body
 - Aging

Case Study in Aging

- 5 sets of temporal gene expression data

Strain	Gender	Tissue Type	Ages
BalbC	Male	Hypothalamus	Young, mid-age, aged
CBA	Male	Hypothalamus	Young, mid-age, aged
C57_J20	Male	Hypothalamus	Young, aged
BalbC	Female	Hypothalamus	Young, aged
BalbC	Female	Frontal cortex	Young, aged

Hub Lethality



- Young Male BalbC Mouse
 - 12/20 hubs tested for *in vivo* knockout
 - 8/12 lethal phenotype pre-/peri-natally
 - 4/12 non-lethal but system-affecting
 - 0/12 no observed phenotype

- Aged Male BalbC Mouse
 - 11/20 hubs tested for *in vivo* knockout
 - 7/11 lethal phenotype pre-/peri-natally
 - 3/11 non-lethal but system-affecting
 - 1/11 no observed phenotype (Aldh3a1)

Hub Lethality

- Young Male BalbC Mouse
 - 12/20 hubs tested for *in vivo* knockout
 - 8/12 lethal phenotype pre-/peri-natally
 - 4/12 non-lethal but system-affected:
 - Hspa1a: cellular, growth/size, homeostasis
 - Dapk1: cellular, renal/urinary
 - Ffar2: Increased susceptibility to colitis, asthma, arthritis

Hub Lethality

- Aged Male BalbC Mouse
 - 11/20 hubs tested for *in vivo* knockout
 - 7/11 lethal phenotype pre-/peri-natally
 - 3/11 non-lethal but system-affected:
 - Btn1a1: impaired lactation, impaired lipid accumulation in mammary gland
 - Bcl2l11: die later in life from auto-immune kidney disease
 - Rag2: arrested development of T and B cell maturation
 - 1/11 no observed phenotype (Aldh3a1)

Young Mice Top 20 Hubs

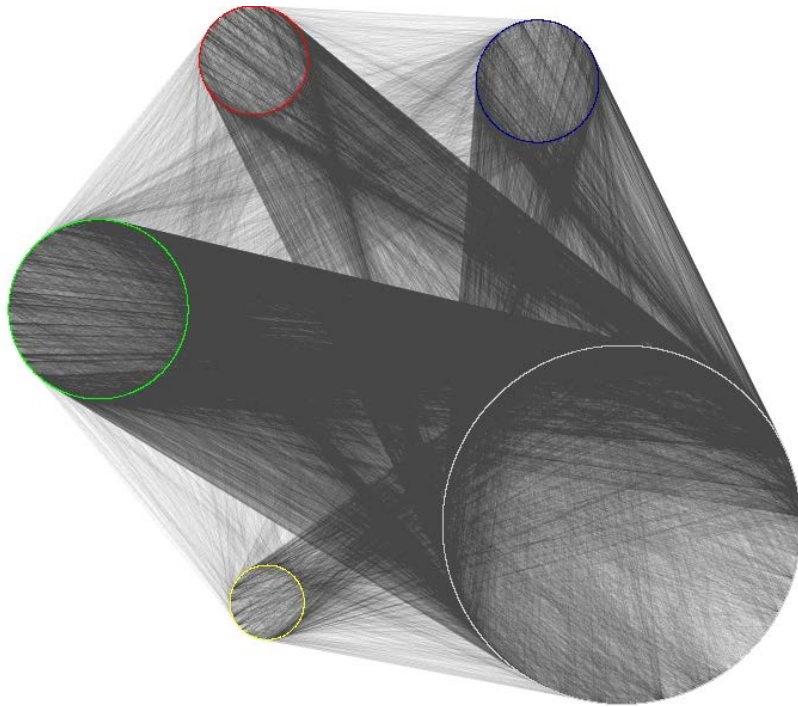
Gene Name	Description	Lethal K/O?
Rad5111	RAD-51-like 1	X
Akap13	A kinase anchor protein	
Hspa1a	Heat shock protein 1A	
Prpf38b	P-mRNA processing factor	
Wdr51a	WD repeat domain 51a	
Pabpc4	Poly(a) binding protein	
Dapk1	Death assoc. protein kinase 1	
Socs7	Supp. of cytokine signaling 7	X
Extl3	Exostoses multiple-like 3	X
Hspa1a	Heat shock protein 1A	
Fosl2	Fos-like antigen 2	X
Dcc	Deleted in colorectal carcinoma	X
Ins1	Insulin 1	X
Parp9	Poly (ADP ribose) polymerase 9	X
Ffar2	Free fatty acid receptor 2	
Tex21	Testis expressed gene 21	
Gsta1	Glutathione S-transferase alpha 1	
Tg	thyroglobulin	
Ntf5	Neurotrophin 5	X
Dgcr8	DiGeorge syndrome critical region	X

Aged Mice Top 20 Hubs

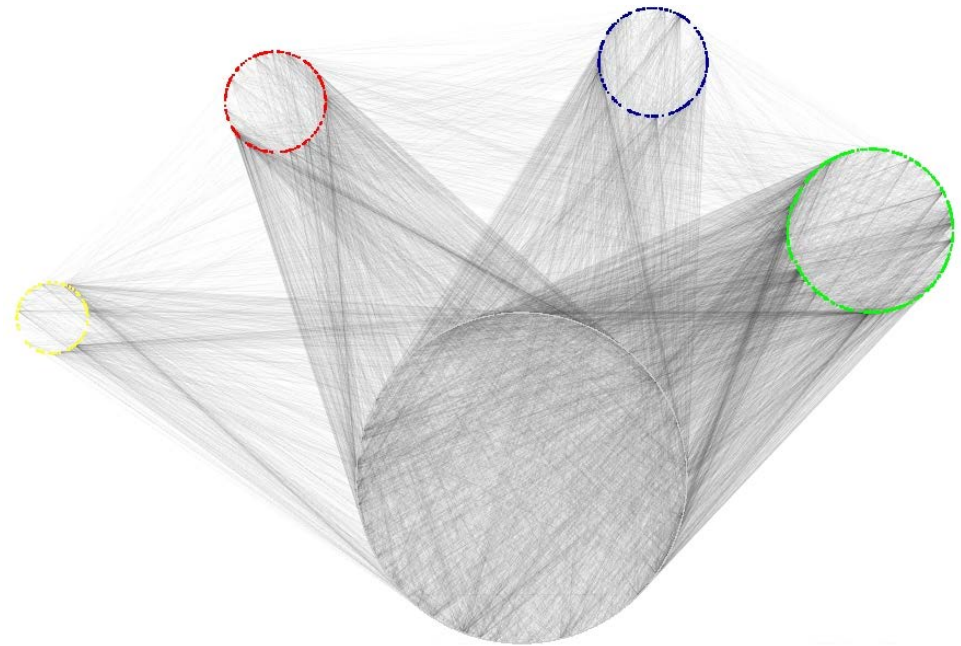


Gene Name	Description	Lethal K/O?
A930003O Ri	RIKEN cDNA A930003o13 gene	
Lgsn	Lengsin, lens protein	
Btn1a1	butyrophilin	X
Bcl2l11	BCL2-like 11 (apoptosis facilitator)	X
B230364Ri k	RIKEN cRNA B230369F24 gene	
Crkrs	CDC2-related kinase, RS rich	
Pkhd111	Polycystic kidney disease like 1	
Rag2	Recombination activating gene2	
Cyp1a2	Cytochrome P450 polypept 2	X
Ace	Angiotensin converting enzyme 1	X
Htr4	5 hydroxytryptamine receptor 4	X
Ttc17	Tetratric opeptide repeat domain	
Aldh3a1	Aldehyde dehydrogenase fam 3	
Tfpi	Tissue factor pathway inhibitor	X
Trem1	Triggering receptor (myeloid cells)	
Tbx5	T-box 5	137 ^X
Trp63	Transformation related protein 63	X
Kl...o	Kill...oll...tion...il...t...	

Aging and Biological Networks

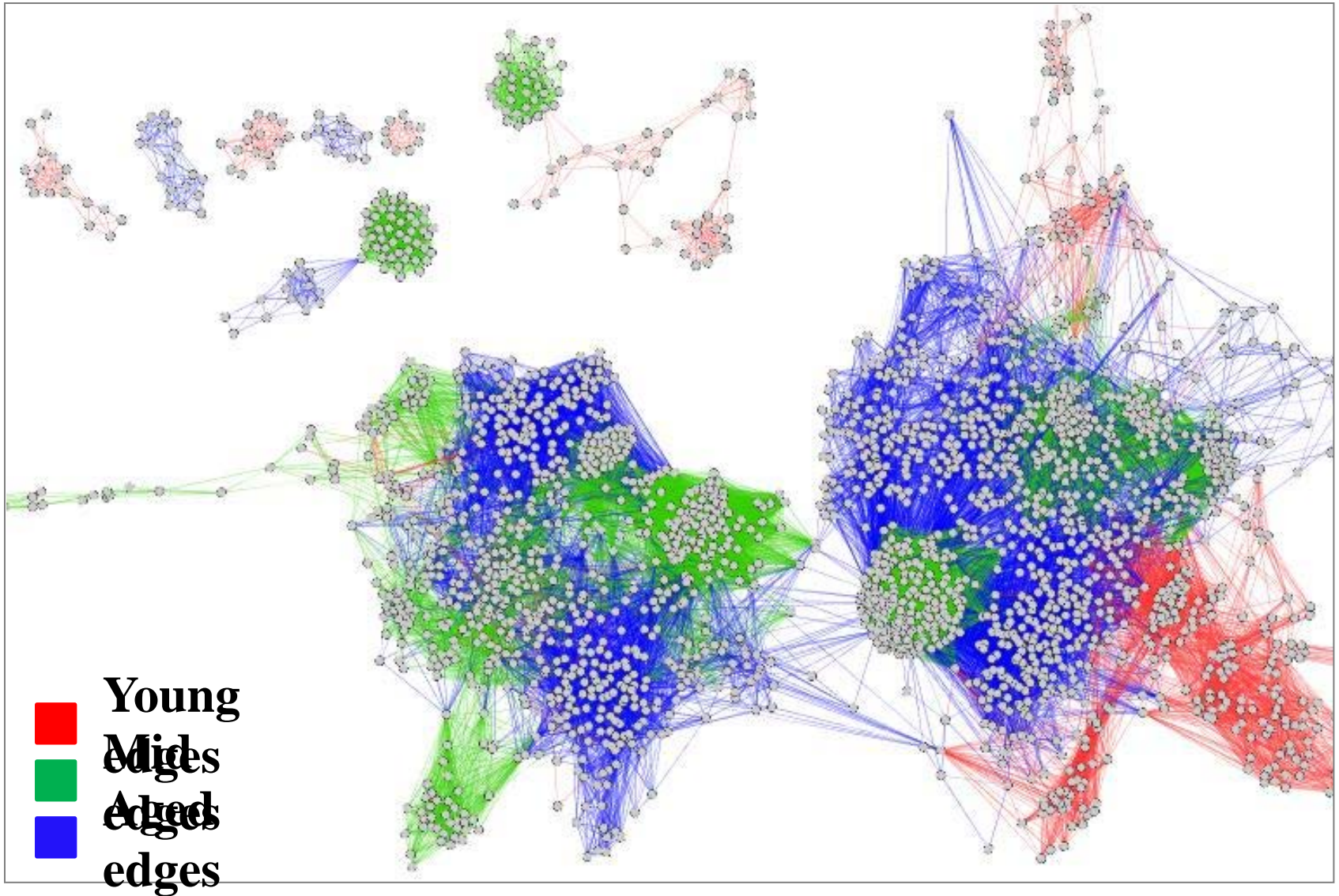


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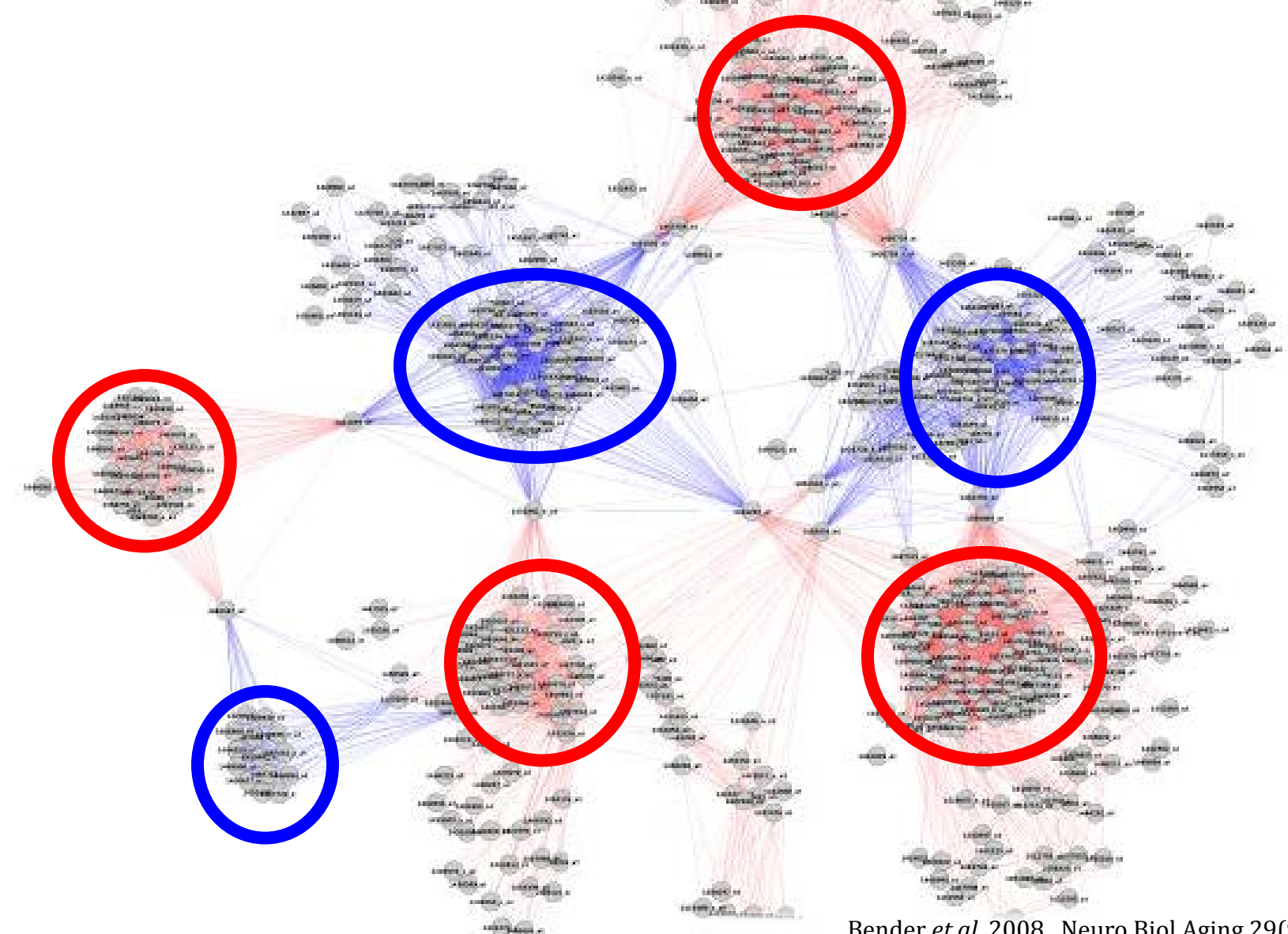


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Aging Networks



Network One
Network Two



Node Gatewayness

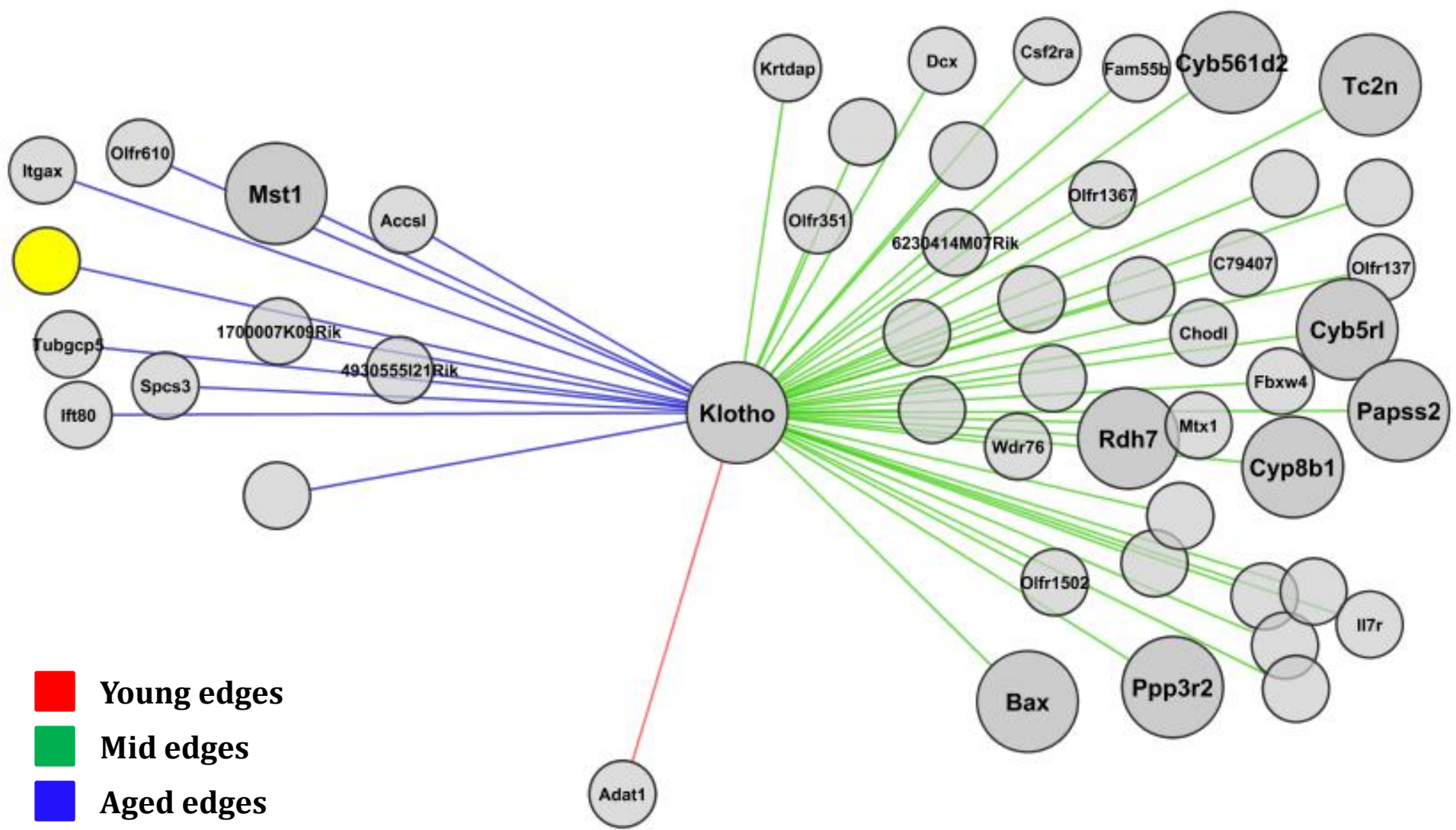
- Let undirected graphs $G1 = (V, E1)$ and $G2 = (V, E2)$ such that graphs $G1$ and $G2$ share same node set V with different edge sets $E1$ and $E2$.
- For each graph we identify clusters (dense subgraphs) such that:
 - Cluster X represents some dense subgraph in $G1$
 - Cluster Y represents some dense sub-graph in $G2$
- Compute G' such that $G' = (V, (E1 \cup E2))$

Node Gatewayness

- Define subset of nodes $S = V(X) \cap V(Y)$
- For any node s in S , $E_{(s)}$ is the set of edges connecting s to any node in the set X from graph $G1$ and the set of edges connecting s to any node in the set Y from graph $G2$.
- Using these definitions we define gatewayness as the following:

$$\text{gatewayness}_s = \frac{E_{(s)}}{(E1(X) + (E2(Y)))}$$

- $E(s)$ = Total edges connecting s to X and Y
- $E1(X)|E2(y)$ = Total edges connecting S to X and Y



Centrality: Integrated Networks



- Networks representing multiple types/states
- Does centrality identify interesting nodes?
- Case study: aging

Structure Types



Elements (Nodes):

Betweenness

Closeness

Degree

BC: Highest betweenness + closeness

CD: Highest degree + closeness

BD: Highest betweenness + degree

BCD: Betweenness + closeness + degree

**Our
Focus**

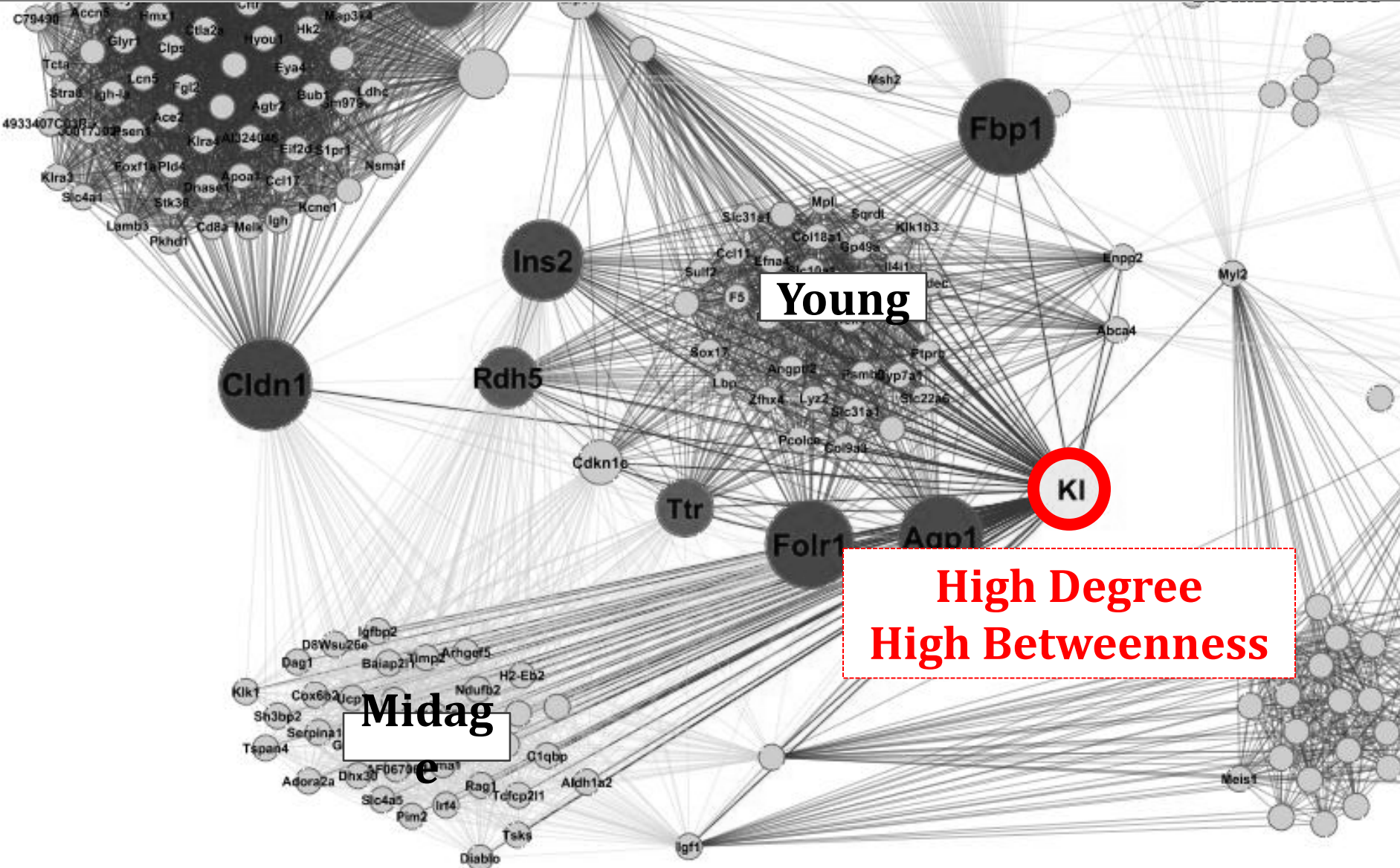
Subsystems (Relationships, groups) :

Clusters, cliques

Pathways

Loops/cycles

High BD Node: Klotho



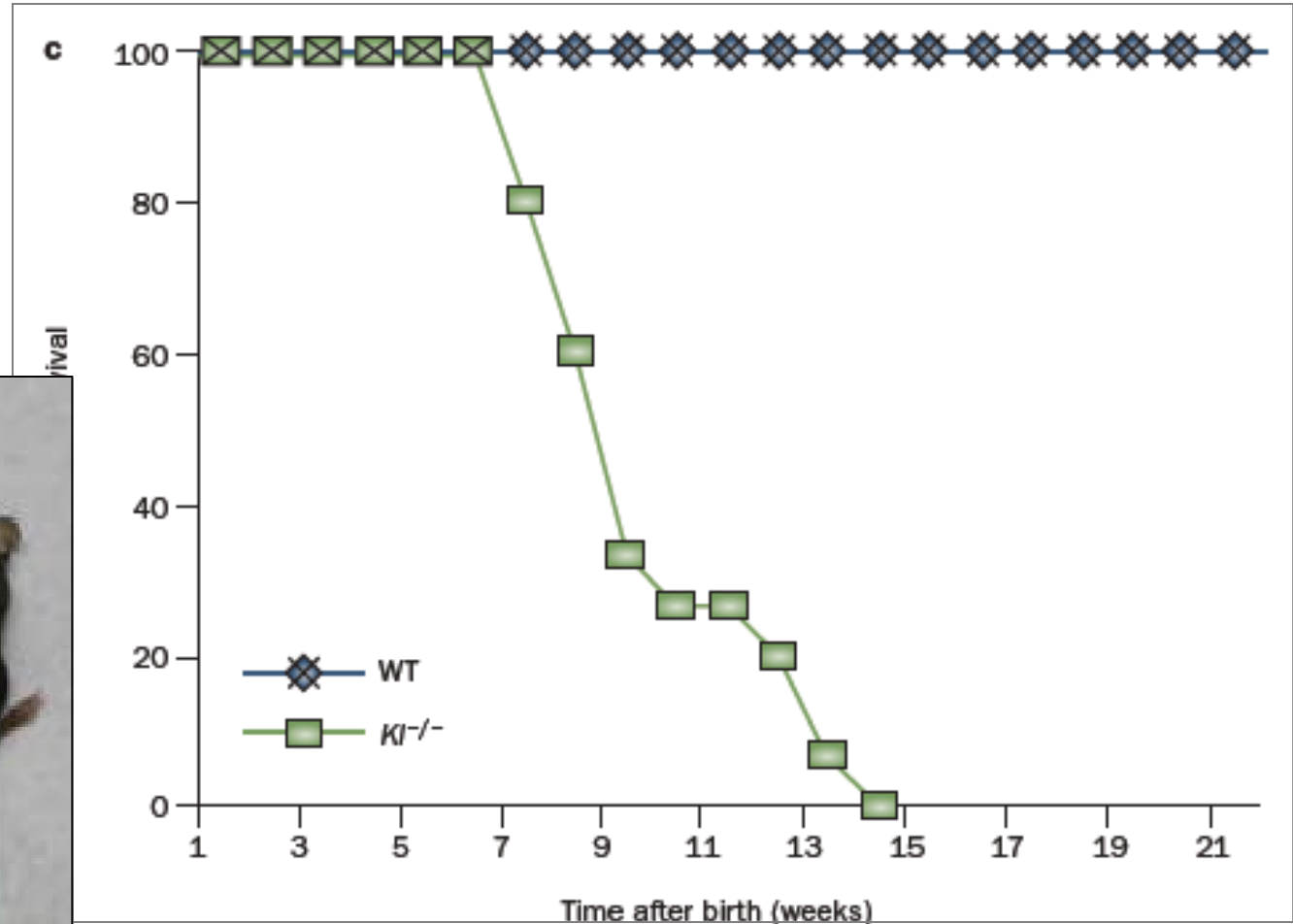
Young

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High Degree
High Betweenness

Midag

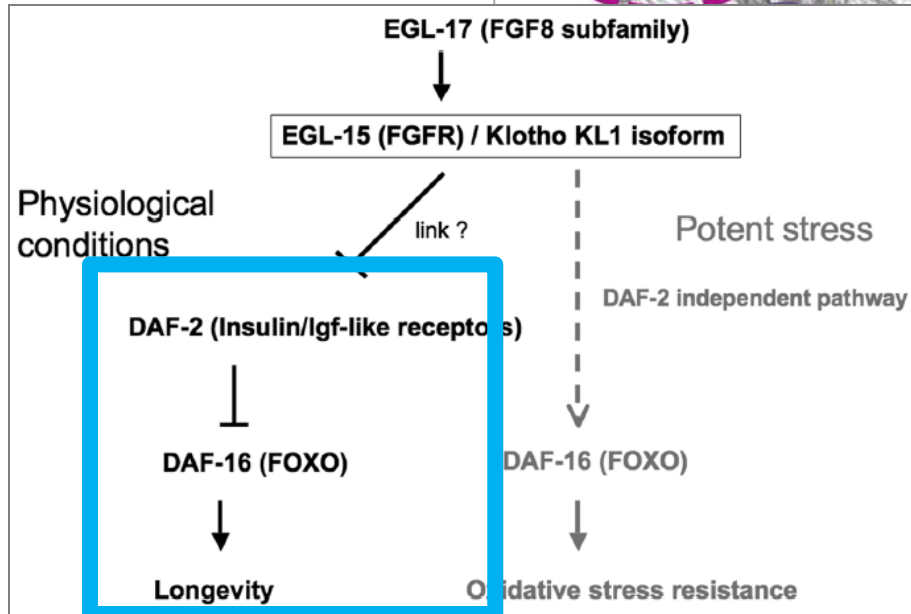
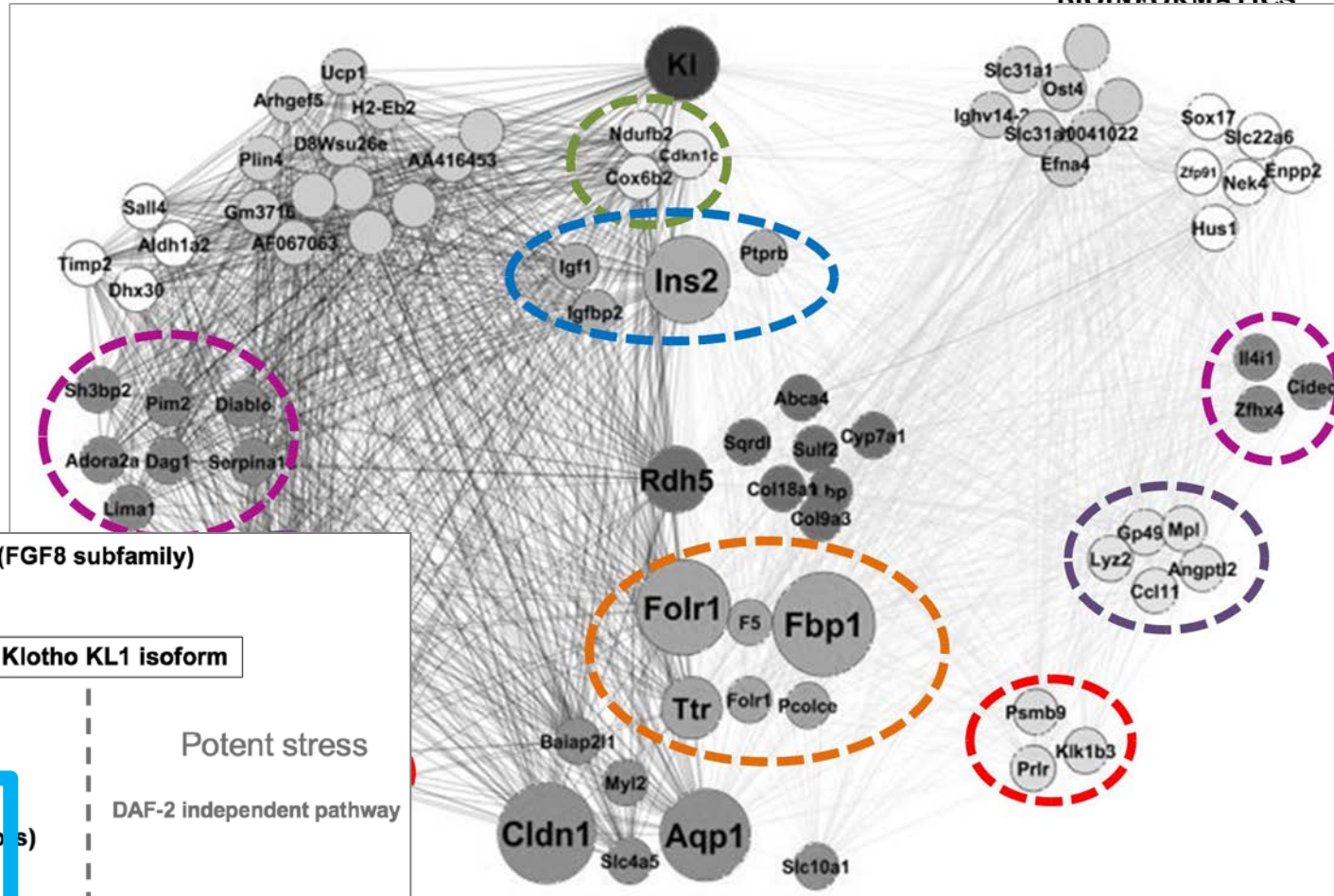
High BD Node: Validation



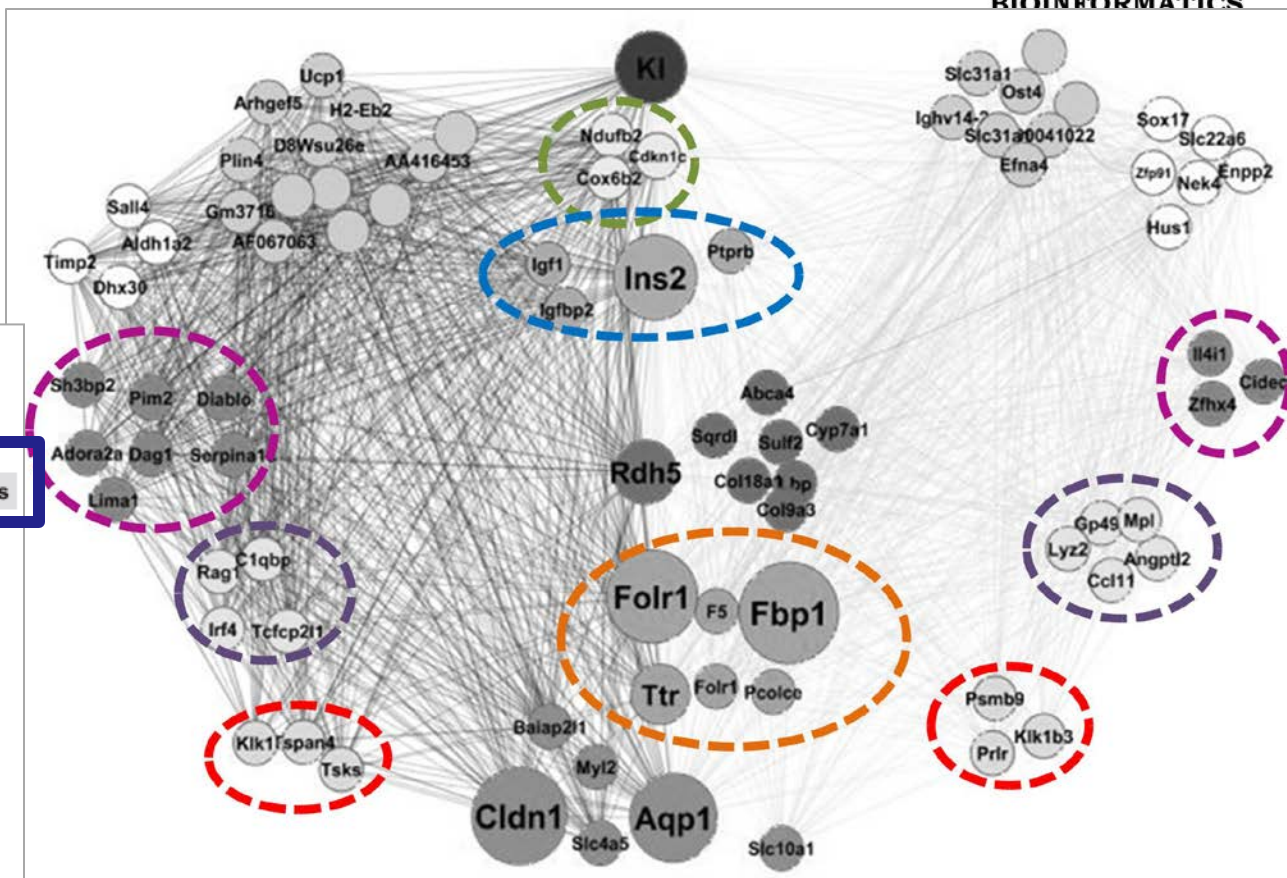
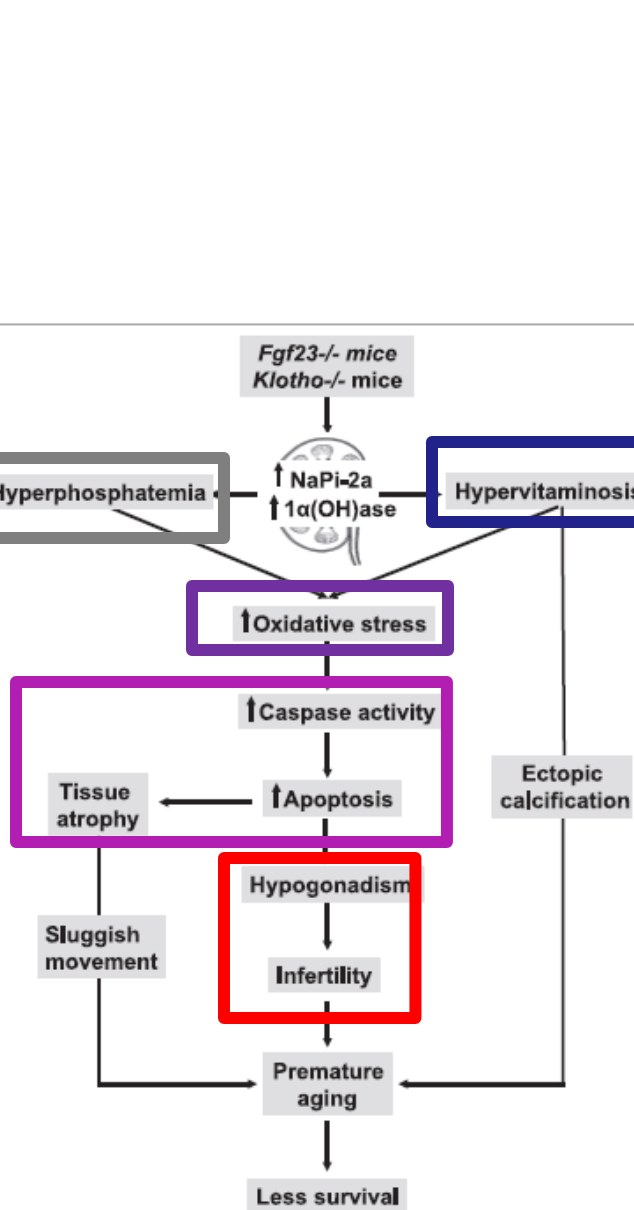


		DEGREE			GATEWAY SCORE	PERCENT	RANK	TARGETED KNOCKOUT LITERATURE	
ID	GENE	X	Y	TOTAL					
X,Y Gateway Nodes	96599_at	Slc4a5	55	19	74	0.0999	9.9865%	7	None available.
	100956_at	Kl	67	43	110	0.1484	14.8448%	1	Kl ^{-/-} mice are growth retarded with shortened lifespan, mouse model of aging [Kuro-o 1997]
	95471_at	Cdkn1c	49	29	78	0.1053	10.5263%	6	Mutations can result in growth retardation and lethality [Yan 1997]
	162302_f_at	Folr1	53	34	87	0.1174	11.7409%	2	Folr1 ^{-/-} mice have cardiovascular development abnormalities [Zhu 2007]
	95350_at	Ttr	45	37	82	0.1107	11.0661%	5	RNAi in <i>C. elegans</i> increases lifespan by 14+% [Hansen 2005]
	101431_at	Rdh5	52	33	85	0.1147	11.4710%	3	Mutations in Rdh5 result in visually impaired mouse models [Driessen 2000]
	96123_at	Lbp	32	23	55	0.0742	7.4224%	8	Lbp ^{-/-} mice have increased susceptibility to bacteria [Wurfel 1997]
	103845_at	Slc31a1	19	27	46	0.0621	6.2078%	9	Homozygous mutants exhibit pre-natal lethality [Nose 2006]
	100150_f_at	Ins2	52	32	84	0.1134	11.3360%	4	Gene disruptions result in post-natal lethality [Duville 1997], insulin secretion related to aging observed in human studies [Chang 2003]
	101877_at	Slc31a1	10	30	40	0.0540	5.3981%	10	4
Cluster Total		434	307	741					
		DEGREE			GATEWAY SCORE	PERCENT	RANK	TARGETED KNOCKOUT LITERATURE	
ID	GENE	X	Y	TOTAL					
U,V Gateway Nodes	93293_at	Calm1 Calm2 Calm3	9	6	15	0.0806	8.0600%	9	Loses calcium binding ability with age [Tarcza 2000]
	101016_at	Arf1	12	4	16	0.0860	8.6000%	8	Expression results in age-correlated change in proliferation [Kim 2006]
	98085_f_at	Apoa1	16	7	23	0.1237	12.3700%	4	Difficulty managing homeostasis, numerous cholesterol regulation issues [Plump 1997]
	160546_at	Aldoc	12	7	19	0.1022	10.2200%	5	Associated with age-dependent cellular decline and apoptosis [MGI]
	97696_r_at	Rps24	16	9	25	0.1344	13.4400%	2	Identified as up-regulated in late stages of cognitive aging [Kadish 2009]
	160455_s_at	Zwint	17	9	26	0.1398	13.9800%	1	Negatively regulates cell proliferation [Endo 2011]
	96307_s_at	Rpl34	16	9	25	0.1344	13.4400%	2	-
Cluster Total		121	65	186					

Validation



Subsystems Validation



Results Validation

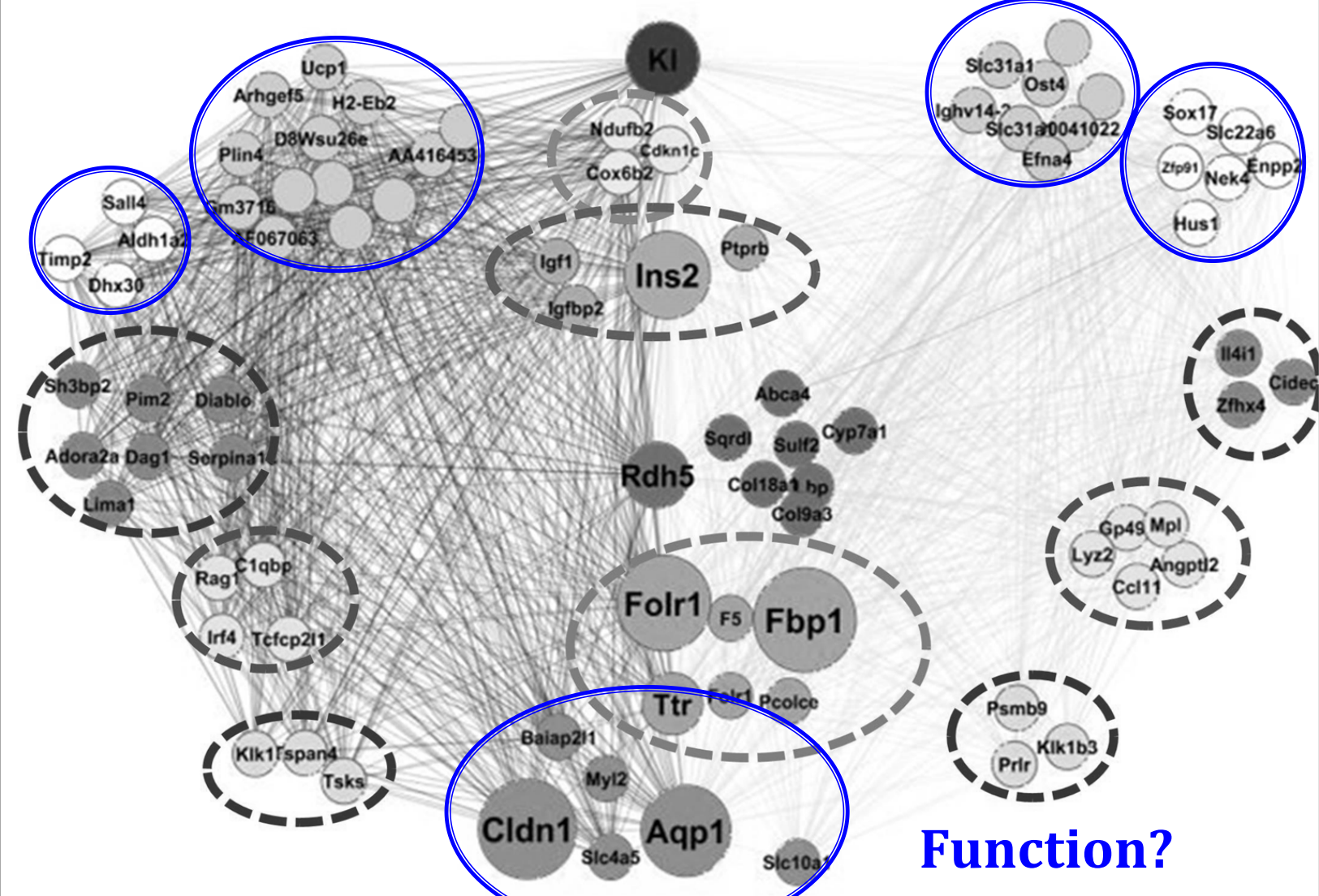


Table 1

Comparison of phenotypes between *klotho* deficient and *klotho* overexpression mice

Parameters	<i>Klotho</i> deficient mice	<i>Klotho</i> overexpression mice
Body weight	Showing growth retardation and becoming inactive and marantic at 3 to 4 weeks of age (Kuro-o et al., 1997).	Normal (Kurosu et al., 2005)
Average lifespan	About 2 months (vs 2.5 to 3 years for wild-type mice) (Kuro-o et al., 1997).	About 20–30% longer than wild-type mice (Kurosu et al., 2005).
Maximal lifespan	Less than 100 days (Kuro-o et al., 1997).	More than 936 days (Kurosu et al., 2005).
Insulin	Decreased insulin secretion and enhanced insulin sensitivity (Kuro-o et al., 1997).	Increased resistance to insulin and IGF-1 signaling (Kurosu et al., 2005).
Phosphorus homeostasis	Hyperphosphatemia (Kuro-o et al., 1997).	Normal (Kurosu et al., 2005).
Calcium homeostasis	Ectopic calcification in various organs (Kuro-o et al., 1997).	Normal (Kurosu et al., 2005).
Diseases	Hypogonadism, infertility, premature thymic involution, ectopic calcification, decreased bone mineral density, skin and muscle atrophy, ataxia, emphysema, cognitive impairment, hearing loss, vascular calcification (Kuro-o et al., 1997). Reduction of NO synthesis in vascular endothelial cells (Saito et al., 1998).	Protection of the angiotensin II-induced renal damage (Mitani et al., 2002). Suppression of H ₂ O ₂ -induced apoptosis and cellular senescence in vascular cells (Ikushima et al., and 2006). Reduction of risk factors for atherosclerosis. Enhanced hearing ability (Bektas et al., 2004)

Discovery



Case Study: HIV and Drug Addiction



Infected	Not Infected
Infected + Combinatorial Drugs	Not Infected + Combinatorial Drugs
Infected + Meth	Not Infected + Meth
Infected + Meth + Combinatorial Drugs	Not Infected + Meth + Combinatorial Drugs

Role of Methamphetamine



- Methamphetamine is a major drug of abuse with reported high use by HIV-infected groups
- Methamphetamine users have higher risk of getting HIV infection
- Impact on nervous system is higher when Methamphetamine is used by HIV infected individual (neuronal injury)

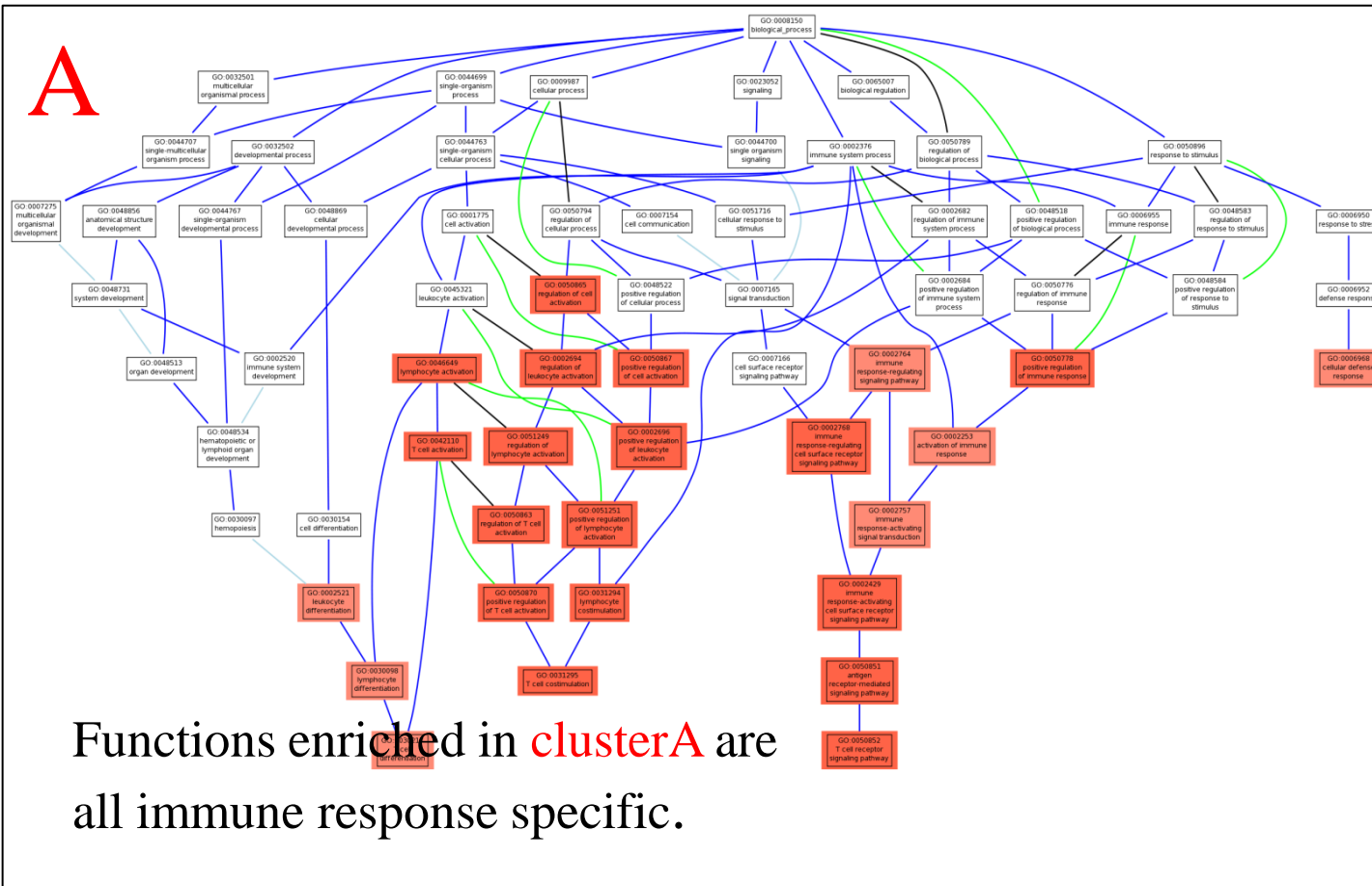
Clusters Enriched in Specific Functions



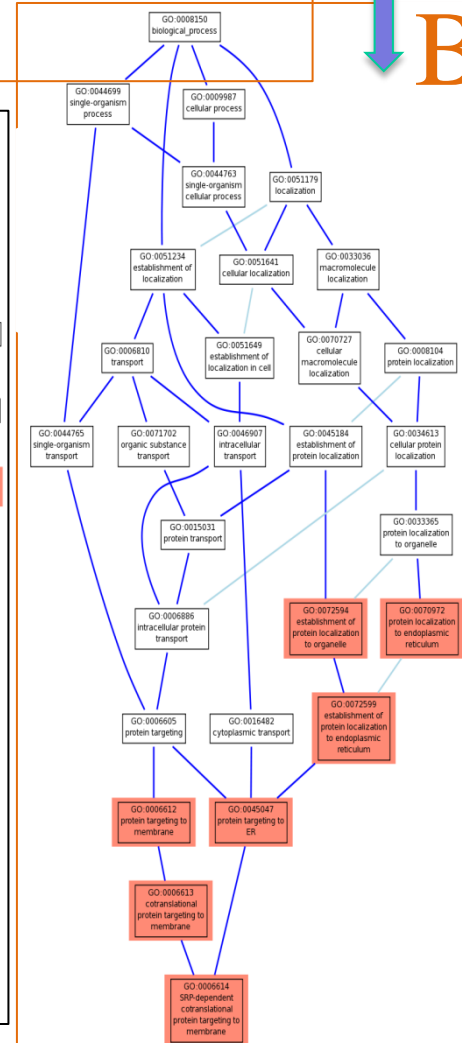
Functions enriched in clusterB are protein targeting and localization.



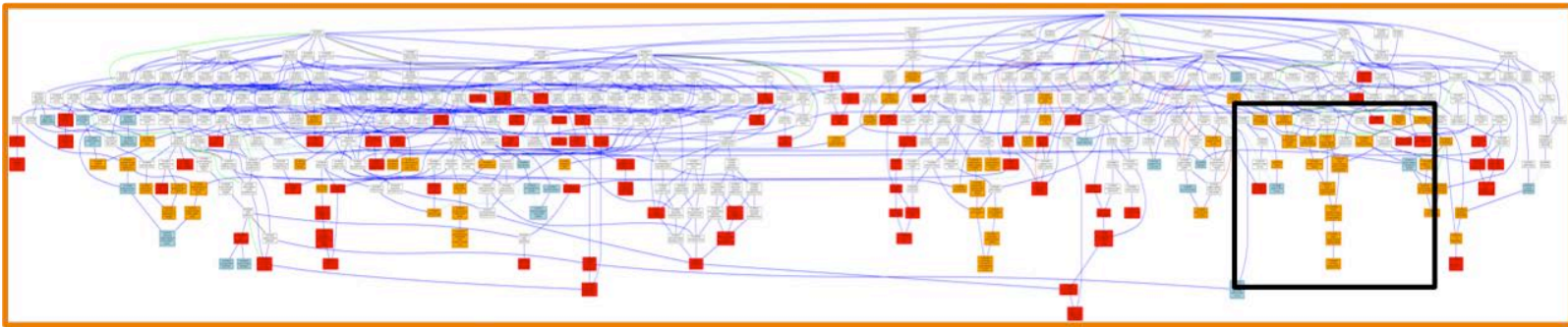
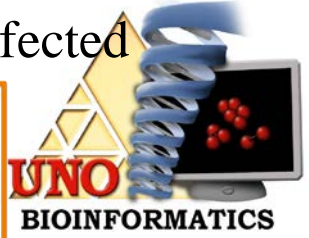
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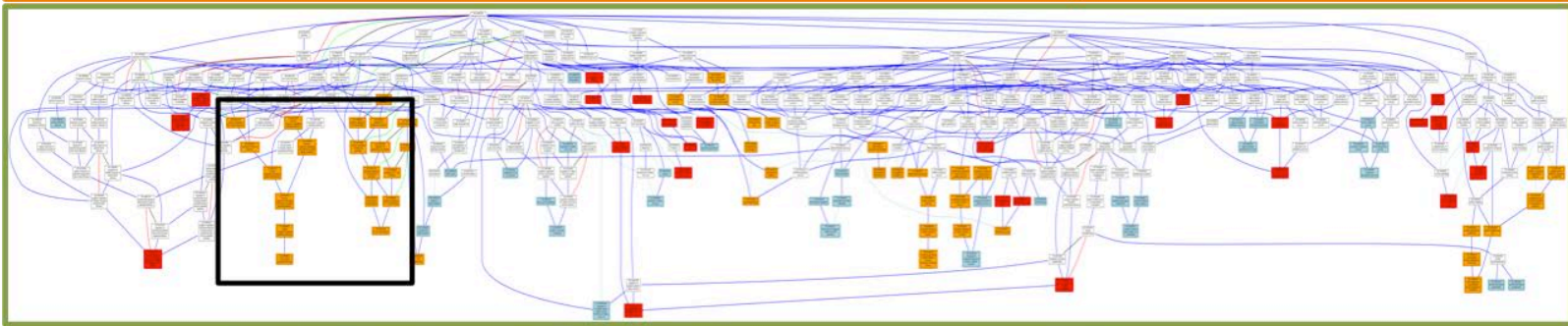
Functions enriched in clusterA are all immune response specific.



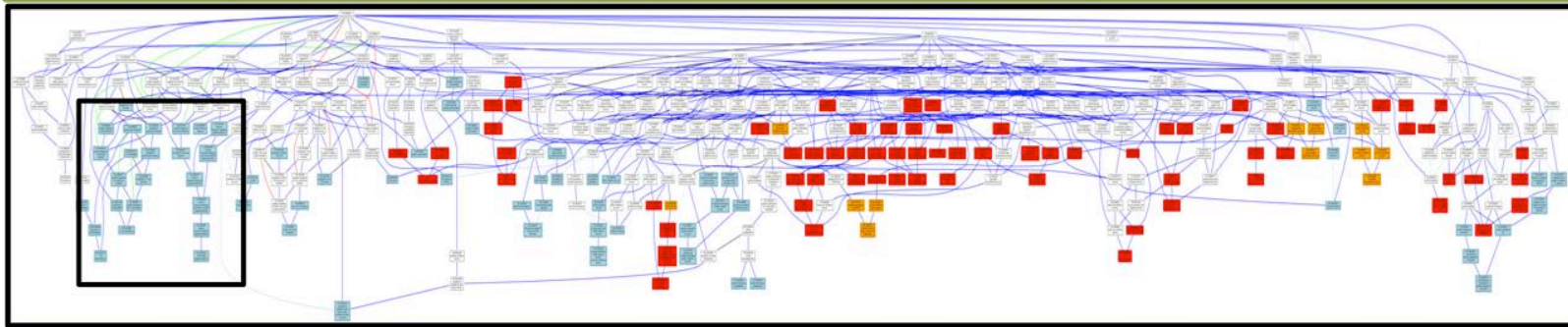
Orange nodes = enriched in both sets; Blue nodes = enriched only in Uninfected



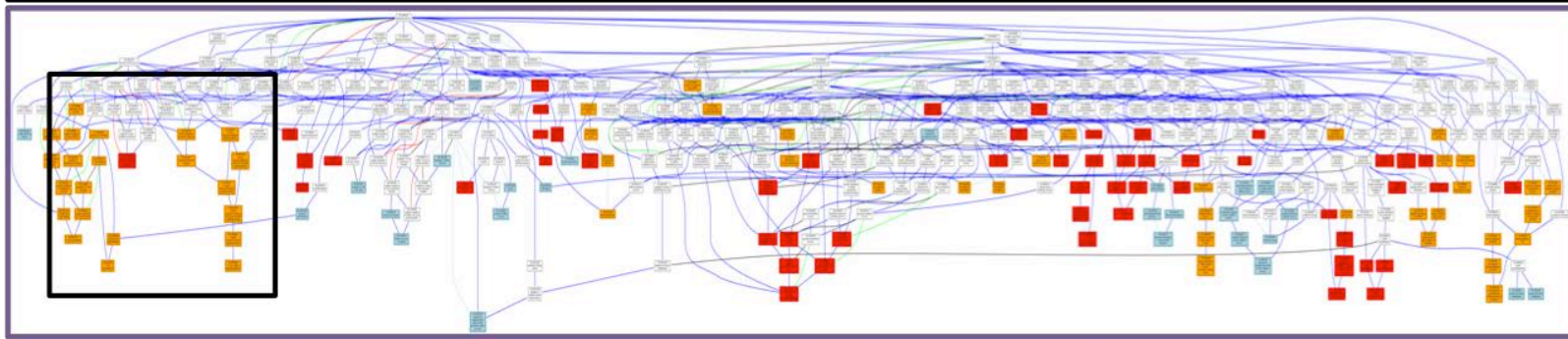
Infected vs.
Uninfected



HIV
treatment
vs.
Uninfected



Infected +
Meth vs.
Uninfected



Infected +
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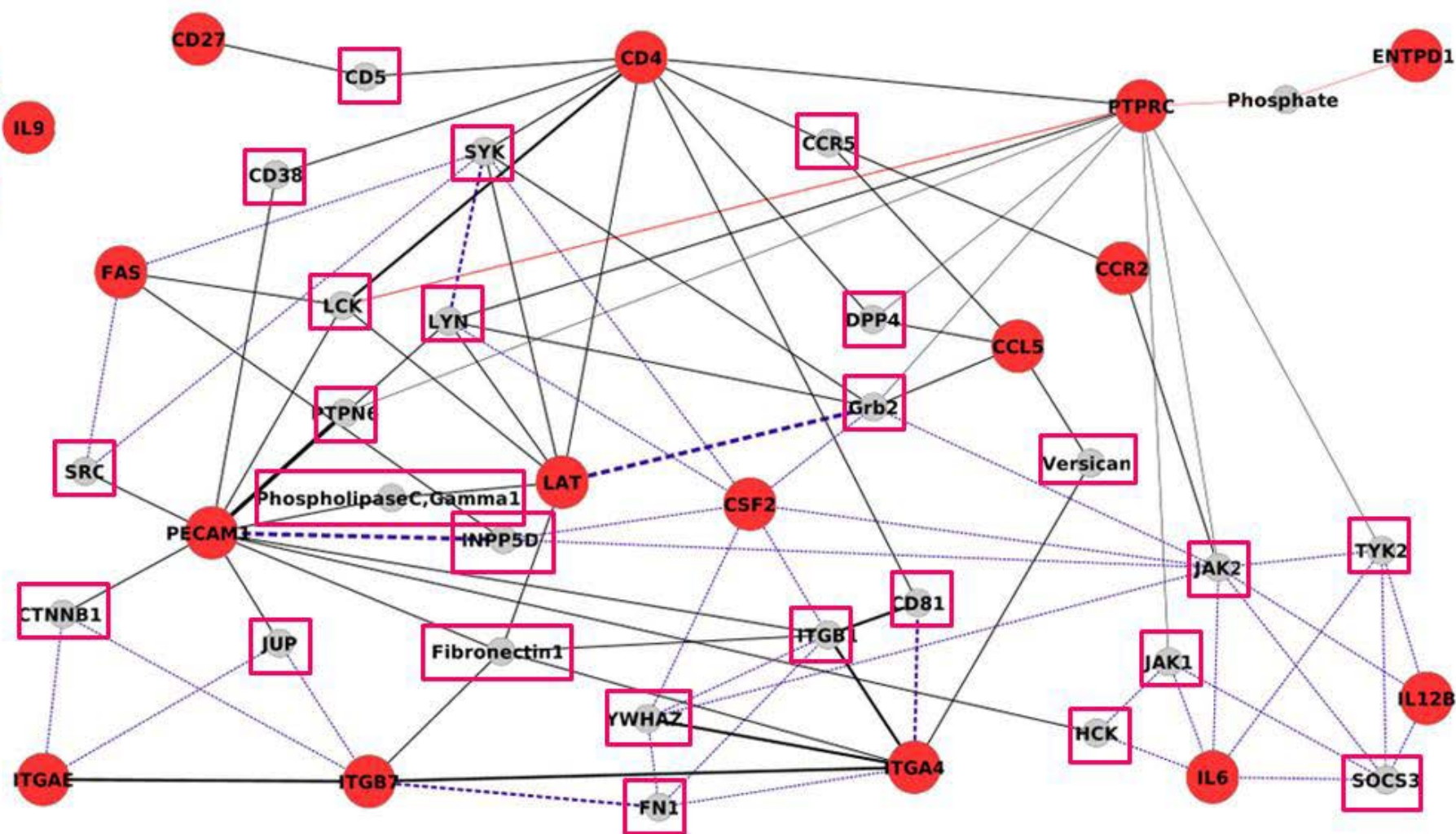
Obtained Results



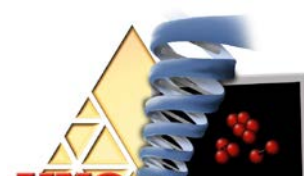
- Large number of nodes are enriched in only one network in Infected + Meth network.
 - Many functions enriched in other conditions have been dropped out in Infected + Meth network.
- Most of the lost functions reappear in Infected + Treated
- Some of these lost functions reappear in Infected + Meth + Treatment

Case Study: Parkinson's Disease

- Data: Flow cytometry markers
 - Parkinsons Disease patients
 - Caretakers (non-Parkinsons)
- Method:
 - Create immediate neighbor (1-hop) interactome
 - Identify targets/interactors
 - Identify “key players” based on iterative marker identification
- Outcome:
 - Identification of new marker targets
 - Notable: Identification of 3 major targets based on multiple evidences (from network integration)



Red nodes: Original markers
Pink boxes: Marker targets based on connectivity



1-Hop PPI Targets	1-Hop PPI Connected Targets	Pathway Targets	Reverse 1-Hop PPI Targets	Reverse 1-Hop PPI Targets -	Additional Marker Targets
ITGB1	ITGB1	ITGB1	ITGB1	ITGB1	ITGB1
INPP5D	INPP5D		INPP5D	INPP5D	INPP5D
LCK	LCK		LCK	LCK	LCK
PIK3R1	PIK3R1	PIK3R1	PIK3R1	PIK3R1	
SYK	SYK		SYK	SYK	SYK
CD53	CD53		CD53	CD53	
EED	EED		EED	EED	
FYN	FYN		FYN	FYN	
HCK			HCK	HCK	HCK
JUP			JUP	JUP	JUP

Column 1:

Initial IM network targets

Column 2:

Post-processing IM network targets

Column 3:

Initial Pathway network targets

Column 4:

Reverse - Iterative IM targets - Run 1

Column 5:

Reverse - Iterative IM targets - Run 2

Column 6:

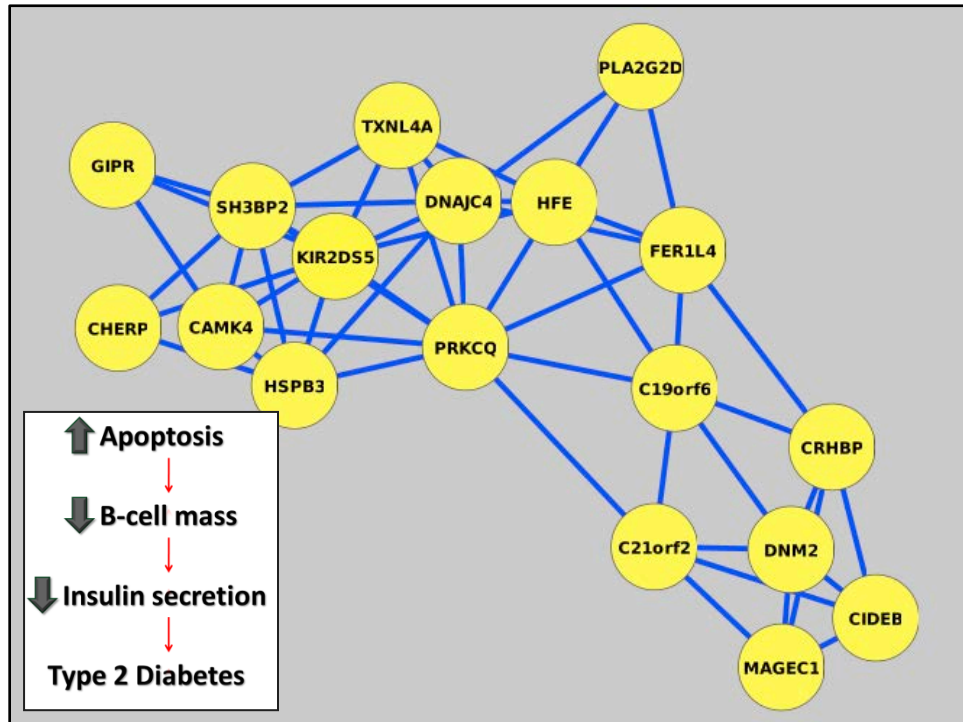
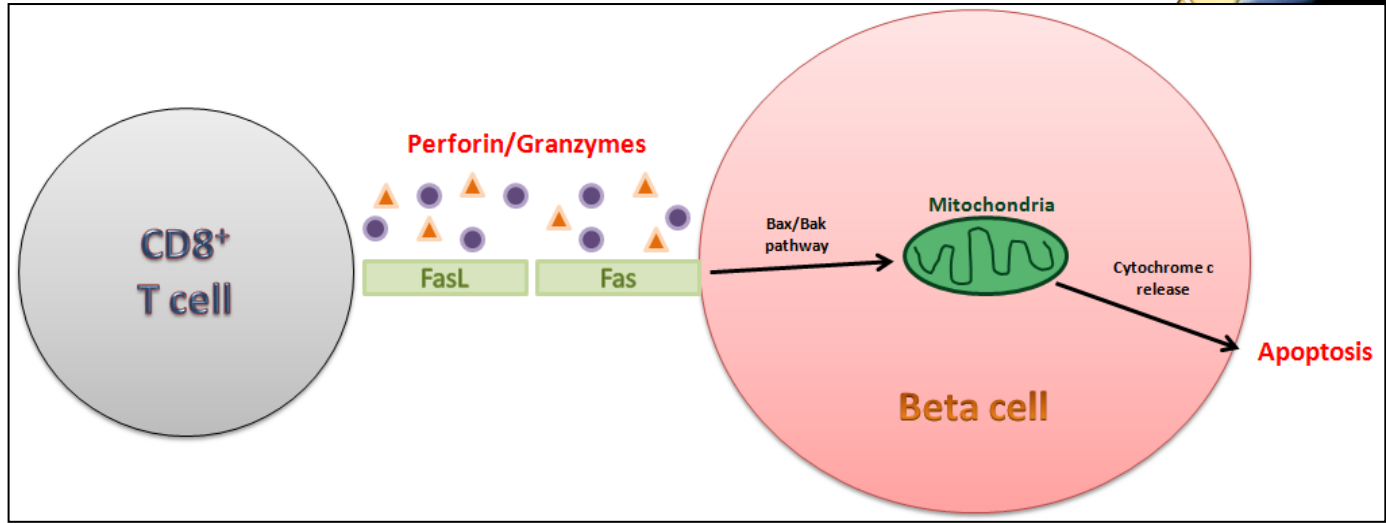
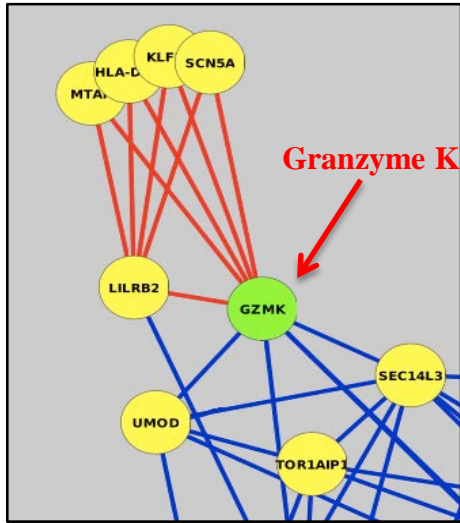
Targets from extraneous data

Case Study III: Diabetes

- Decrease in insulin can be a cause of Type II diabetes
- Insulin made by pancreatic beta cells in the islets of langerhans
- Isolate these cells in diabetic patients and compare to normal cells

Case Study III: Diabetes

- Data: Pancreatic beta cells (GSE25724)
 - Healthy adults
 - Diabetic adults (Type II, adult onset)
 - Case-matched
- Method:
 - Identify gateway nodes in 2-state correlation network
 - Normal vs. diseased
- Outcome:
 - Identification of top gateway nodes
 - Notable: Granzyme K
 - Facilitates apoptosis in pancreatic beta cells
 - Apoptosis is an upstream step in the development of adult onset Type II diabetes



■ Normal pancreatic β cells
■ Diabetic pancreatic β cells

Case Study III: Summary

- Identified an enzyme (Granzyme K) that is involved in apoptosis (cell death)
- Identified a cluster of genes involved in apoptosis that was present in normal cells but absent in diabetic cells
- Increase in pancreatic cell death leads to lower insulin production → cause of Type II diabetes
- Suggests that dysregulated apoptosis could be a cause of type II diabetes

Summary: Correlation Networks



- Networks → very efficient modeling system
 - Basis of next generation data analysis tools in systems biology
- Structure/function relationship exists
 - Integrated networks to identify gene drivers
- Future: Model will play a role in aging/disease *prevention, diagnosis, and treatment*

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HPC and Biological Networks



- Network creation: 2 weeks on PC
 - 10 hours in parallel, 50 nodes
 - 40,000 nodes = 800 million edges
- Network analysis: Best in parallel
 - Only 3% of entire genome forms complexes
- UNO Sapling Cluster
- Holland Computing Center: Firefly

Challenges

(1) Biological networks can be massive in size

Supercomputing access may be limited

Biological network knowledge may be limited.

(2) Noise within the network is likely

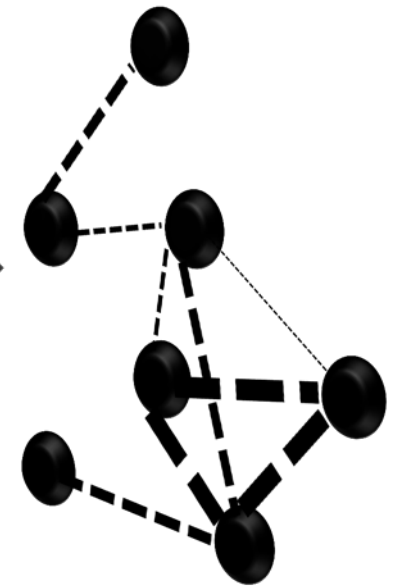
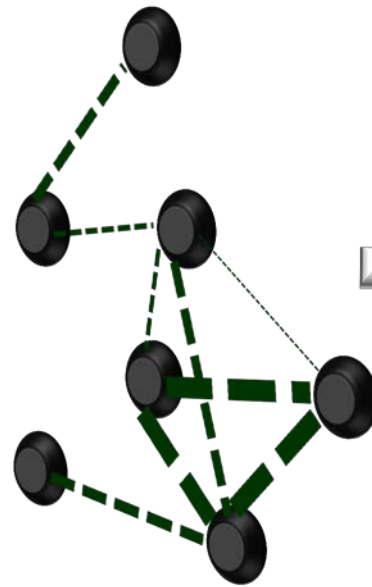
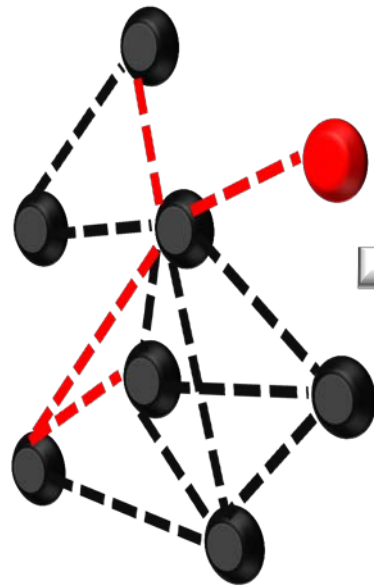
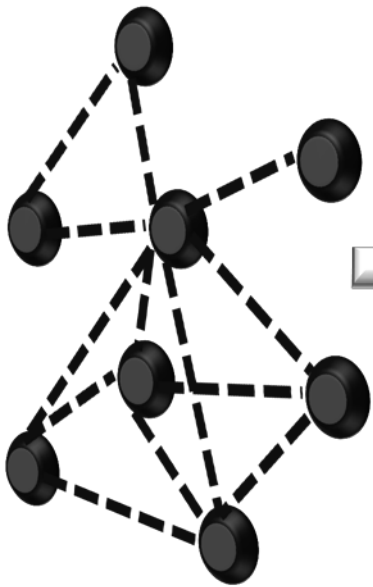
Noise within the network cannot be ignored.

How to address these issues: Network filters

- Reduce network size
- Maintain biological signal
- Improve upon biological signal?

HPC and Network Analysis

- Network sizes tend to be large
- Signal-to-noise ratio can be high
 - ID biologically relevant relationships?
 - Remove irrelevant nodes/edges?



Original network

ID noisy edges

Weight with literature

Enriched network

Large-Scale Networks and Data Analysis

Many application domains rely on creating networks to model and analyze key relationships among data elements in the domain

Examples: Biological networks – social networks – inference networks - scheduling networks – Transportation networks

✓ Modeling versus data mining

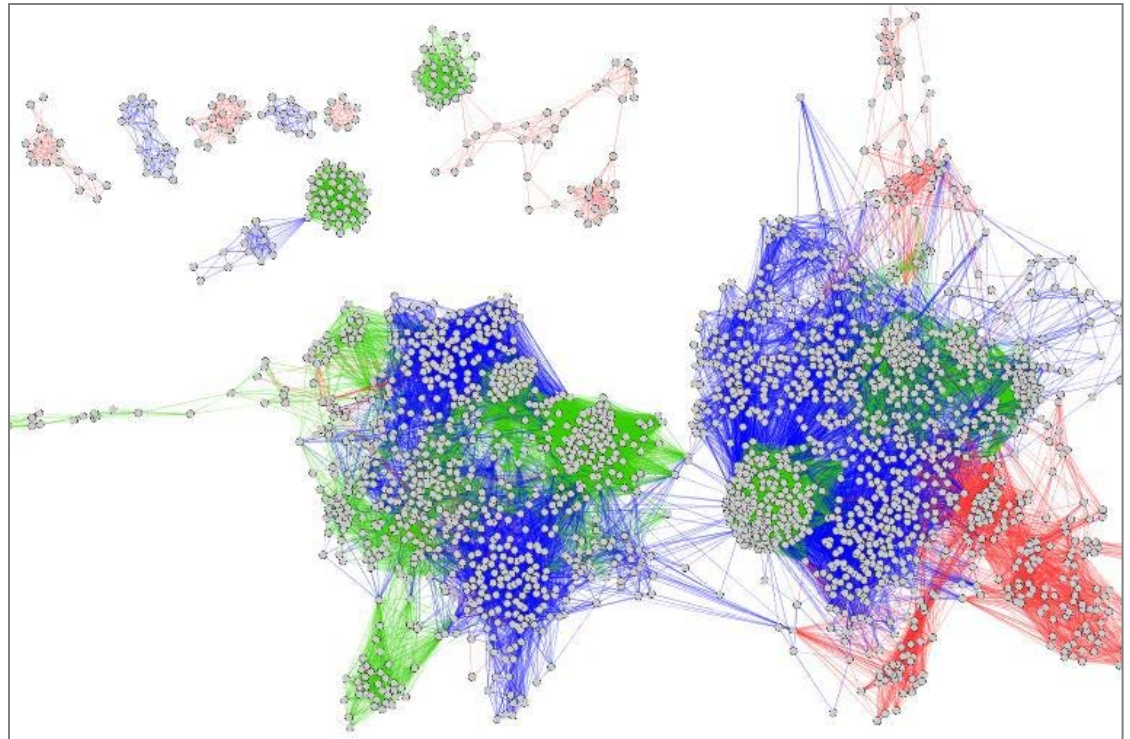
- Such networks are normally very large
- They are susceptible to significant noise related problems

✓ Sampling sub-networks (sub-graphs)

- Reduce network size
- Reduce noise impact
- Questions: does it preserve integrality of the original network

Back to Correlation Networks

- Model for handling high-throughput biological data
- Network contains biologically relevant subgraphs:
 - Hubs
 - Clusters
 - Motifs
 - Bottlenecks



Size and Noise



- Network made from average gene expression experiment will have:
 - 40,000 nodes
 - 800 million edges
- Only 3% of genes in entire genome work together to form complexes
- Even with parallel computing resources, unfiltered networks are too noisy for biological discovery

Network Filters



Design a network filter and obtain a sub-network of the original network such that:

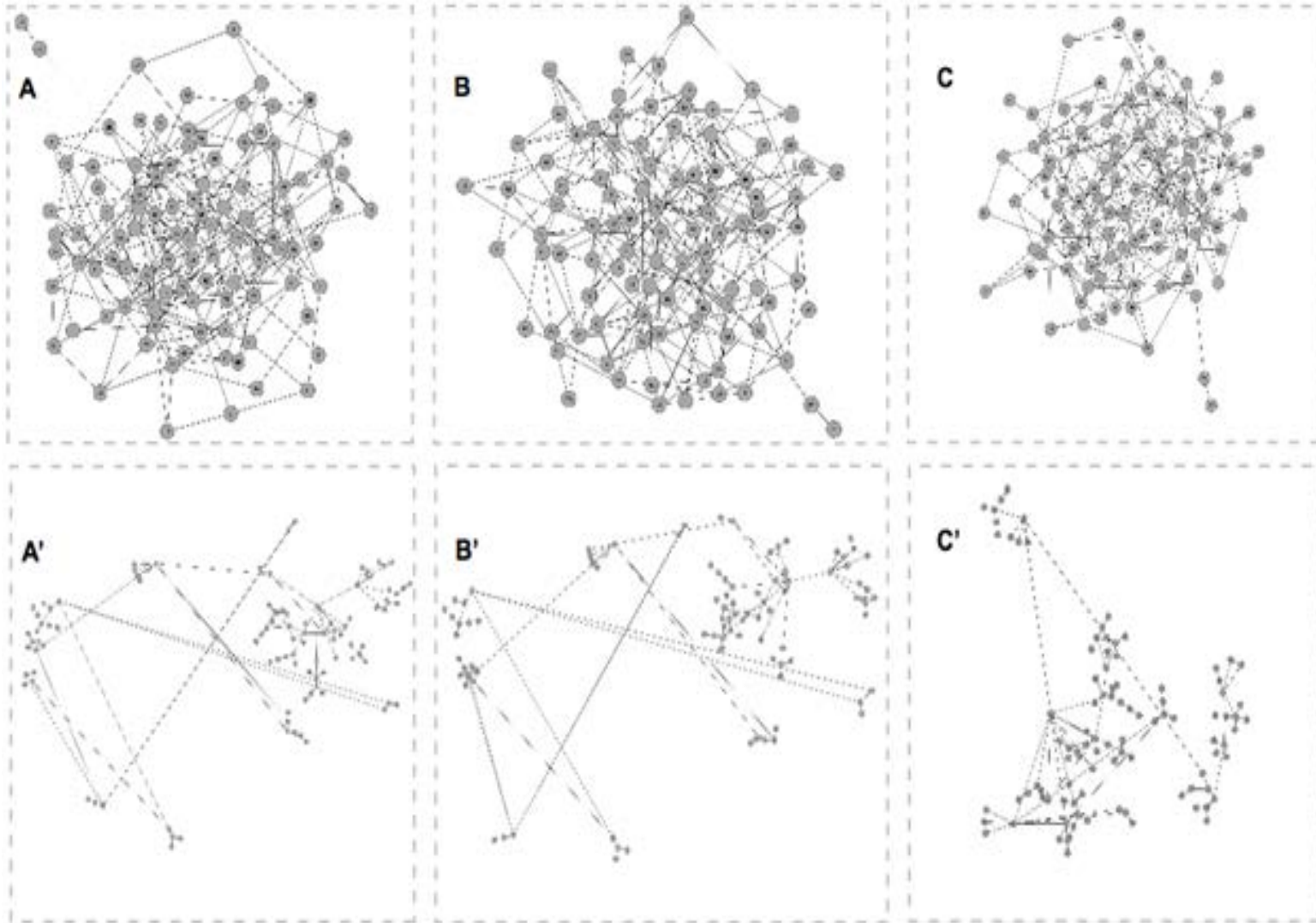
- It maintains the important stuff – signal
- Remove unimportant stuff – noise
- Maintain network elements of biological relevance
- Uncover new ones

Network Filters



- Chordal graph sampling
 - Keep triangles in expression graphs
 - Remove large cycles, extra edges
 - Keep clusters, identify new clusters
- Spanning tree sampling
 - Keep high degree nodes (maybe?)
 - Remove up to 50% of edges
 - Enhance identification of lethal nodes
- Hybrid chordal-spanning tree method
 - Keep high degree nodes
 - Keep clusters
 - Remove 40-50% of edges
 - Proactively distort/enlarge network structures

Need to Maintain Key Structures



Chordal Graph Sampling



Goal: Develop a parallel network sampling technique that *filters noise*, while *preserving the important characteristics of the network*.

✓ Maximal Chordal Subgraph

- Spanning subgraph of the network w
- No cycles of length larger than three

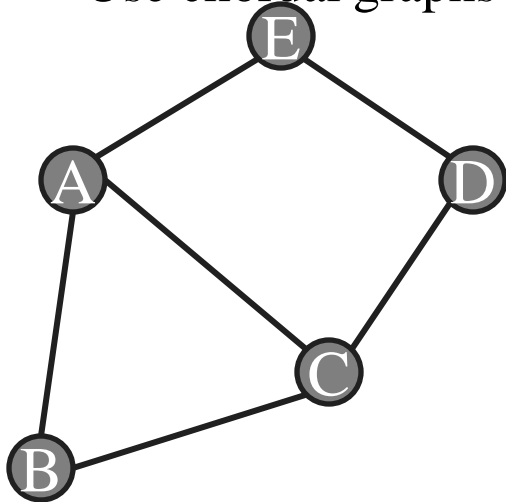
✓ Properties of Chordal Graph

- Preserves most cliques and highly connected regions of the network
- Most NP hard problems can be solved in polynomial time
- Complexity of finding maximal chordal subgraphs:

$O(|E| * \text{max_deg})$

Why chordal graphs?

- Chordal graphs are triangulated
 - We want to preserve K_3 subgraphs (triangle)
 - K_3 graphs/motifs are known to represent co-regulated genes
 - Use chordal graphs as a filter for finding co-regulated structures

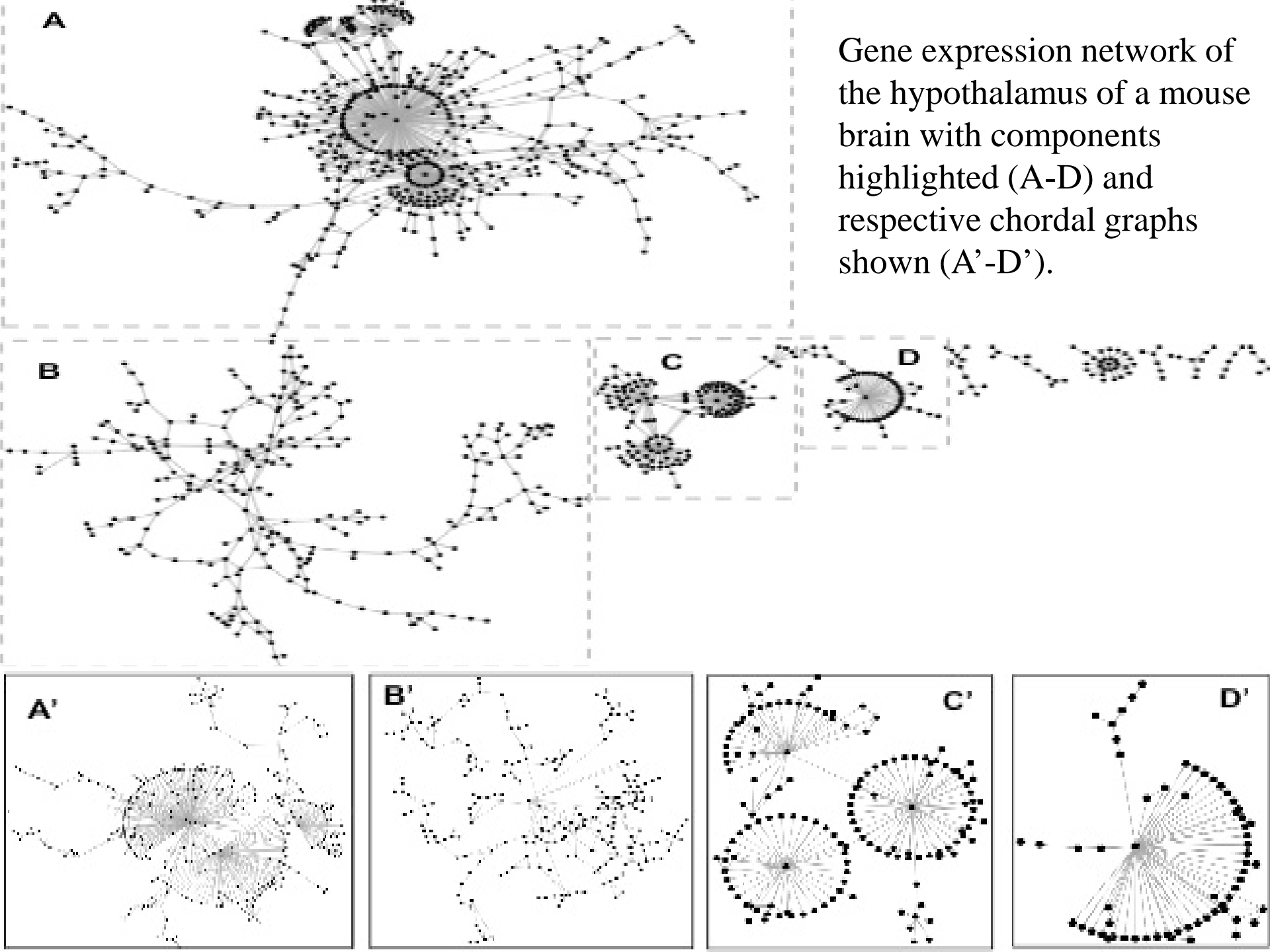


Subgraph formed by A,B,C is more likely to be biologically relevant.

If gene A and gene B are co-regulated, and if gene A and gene C are co-regulated, then genes B and C will be co-regulated.

Hypothesis

- Hypothesis H_0 : Given a graph G representing a correlation network, maximal chordal subgraph G_1 will maintain most of the highly dense subgraphs of G while excluding edges representing noise-related relationships in the network.
 - H_{0a} - Key functional properties found in the clusters of unfiltered networks G are maintained in the sampled networks G_1
 - H_{0b} - New clusters with biological function are uncovered. Functional attributes previously lost in noise can now be identified.



Identification of New Clusters



Network	Conserved clusters	Newly identified clusters
Young Mouse RCM Ordering	1	6
Young Mouse BFS Ordering	1	3
Middle Aged Mouse BFS Ordering	4	7
Middle Aged Mouse RCM Ordering	4	4

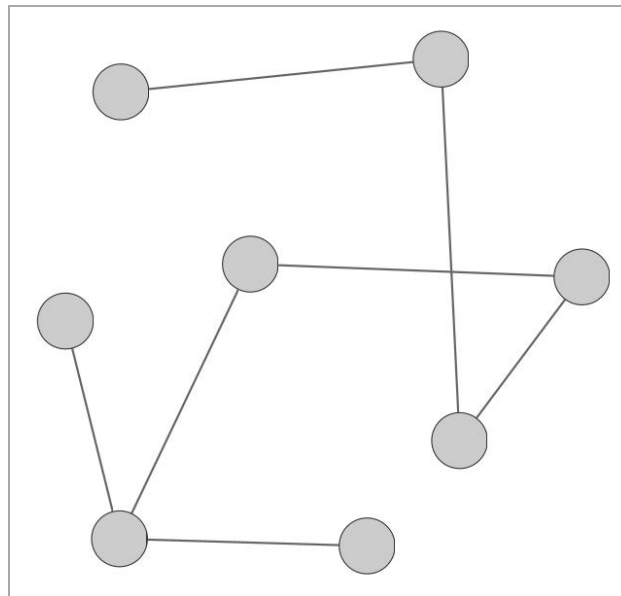
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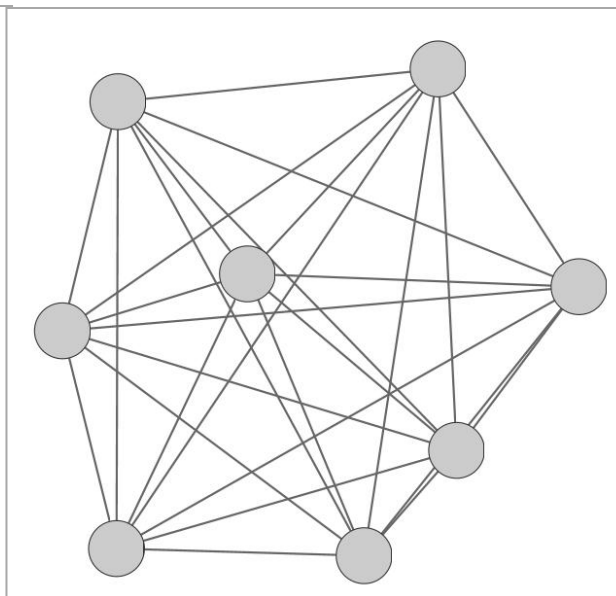
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Tree-based filters

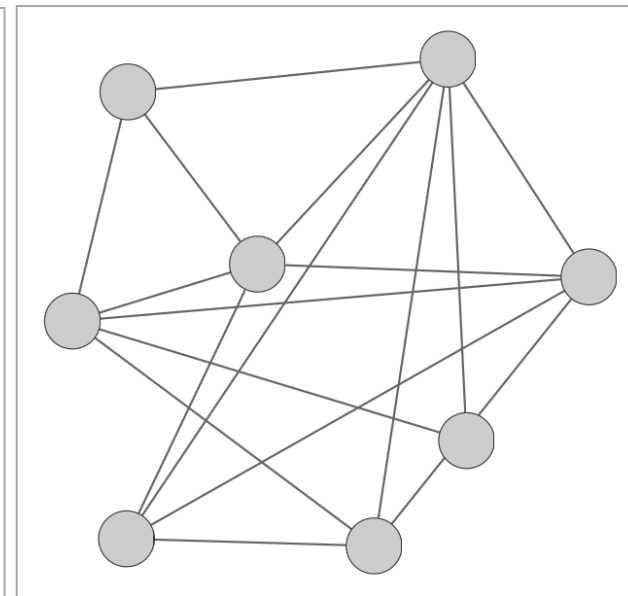
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Spanning Tree



Original



Chordal

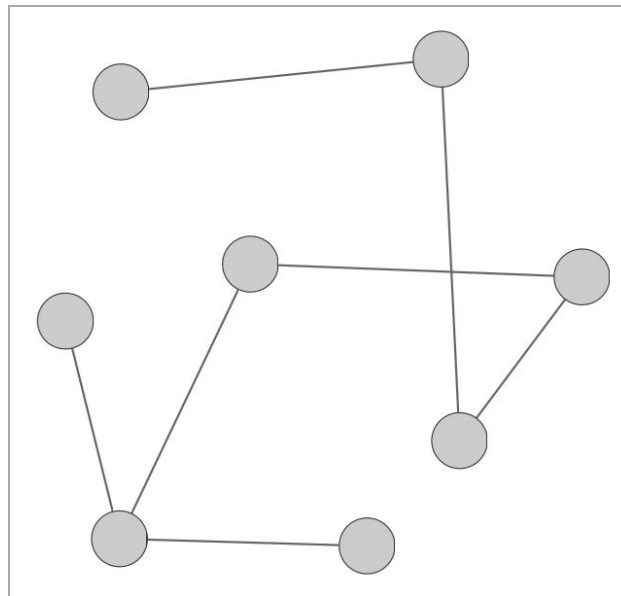
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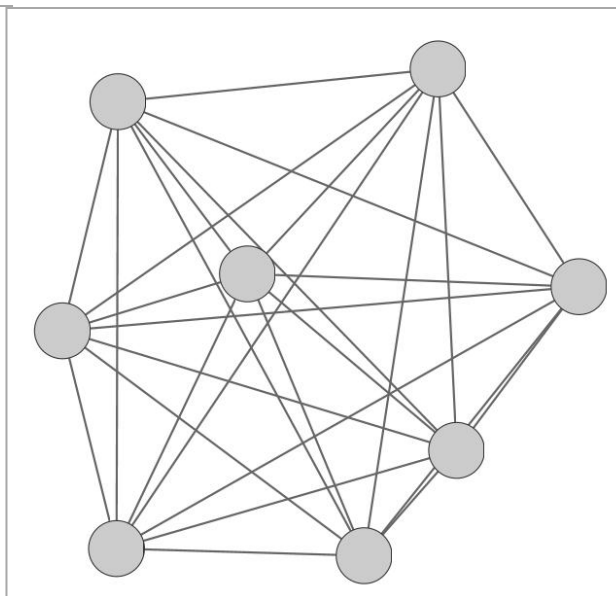
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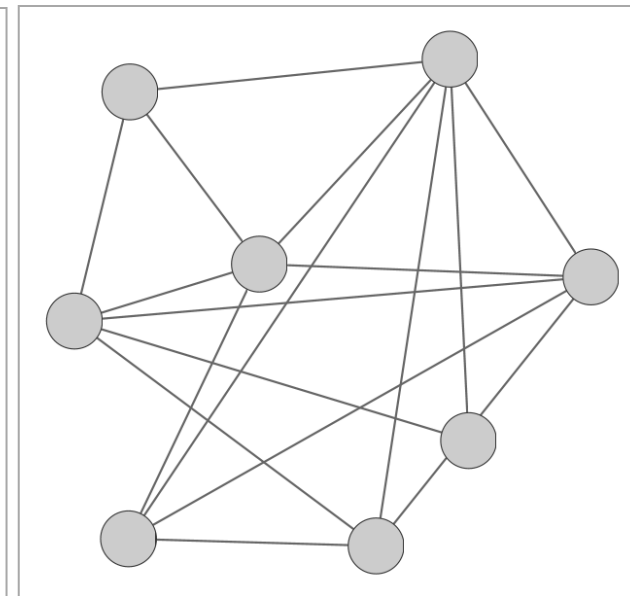
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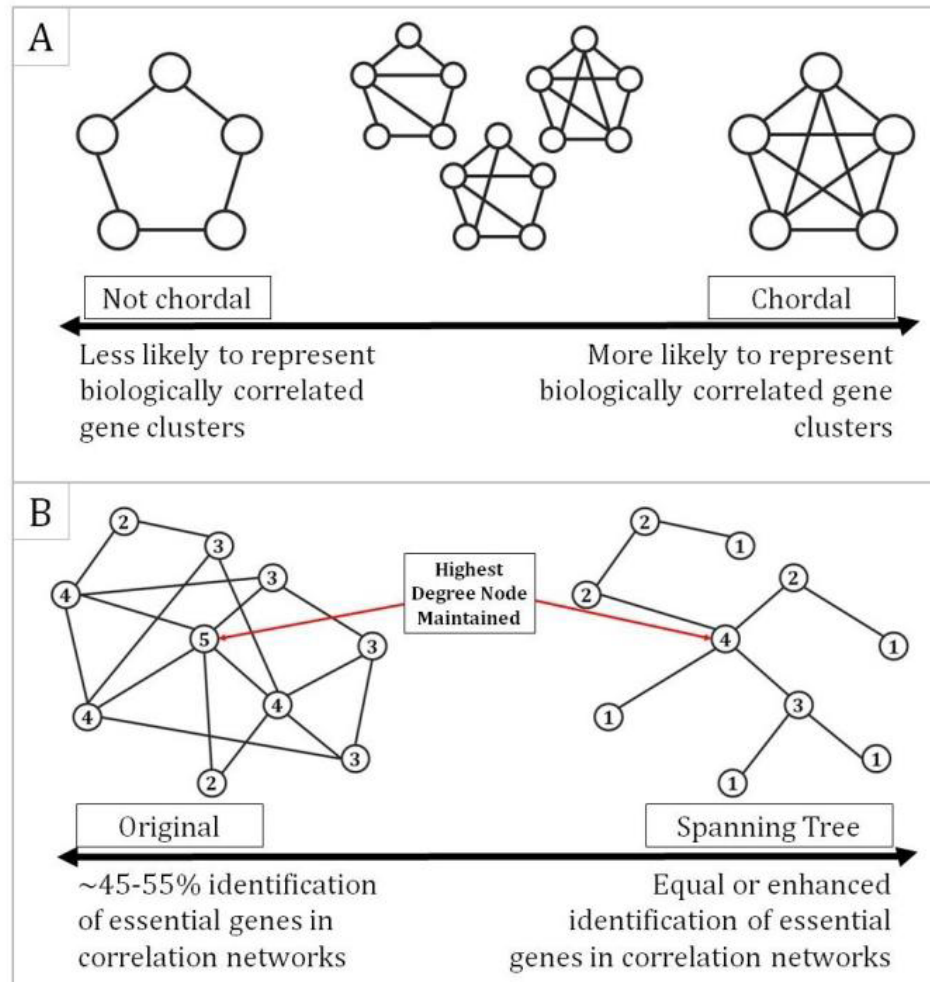


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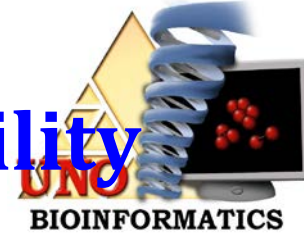
A Combined Chordal Spanning Tree Model



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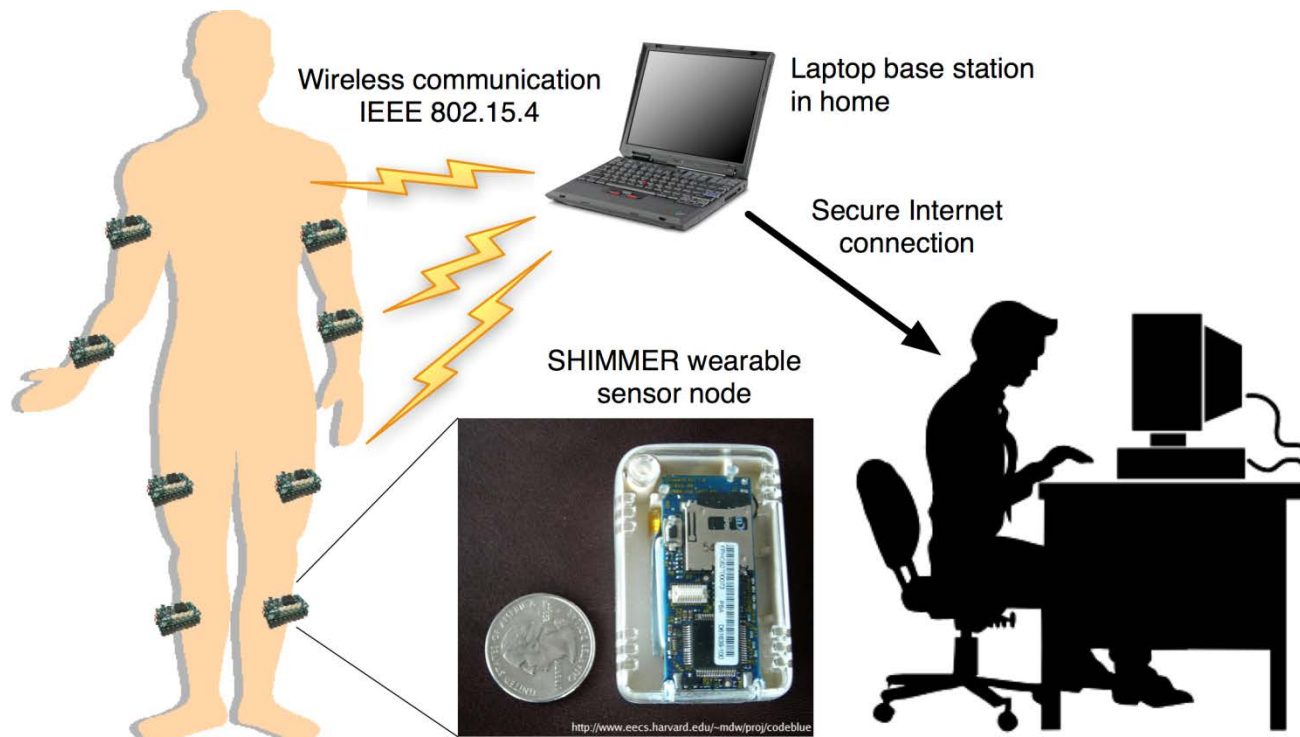
Wireless Networks in Aging and Mobility



- Correlation between mobility and health level
- Monitoring mobility levels
- Aging of cells and aging of systems
- Collaboration between Bioinformatics group, Wireless Networks group and Decision Support Systems group

Wireless Sensor Based Mobility Monitoring

- Inexpensive
- Comfortable
- High mobility
- Simple



Goals of the Project



- Mobility Profile
 - Patient wearing a 3D-accelerometer will be monitored 24/7.
 - A complete mobility profile will be available for patients and care providers.
- Fall Prediction using Mobility Profiles
 - The system will identify anomalous movement and patterns that usually result in a fall or injury,
 - We would be able to take preemptive measures when such a pattern is detected, in order to reduce the occurrence of falls and prevent fall-related injuries.
 - We will develop an index that enables health care providers to determine how likely people are to fall.

Four Project Phases

- Four Phases:
 - Phase I: Fall Detection (completed)
 - achieved over 95% of fall detection rate
 - Phase II: Classification of ADLs (Activities of Daily Living, completed)
 - Running, Walking, Jumping, Stair Climbing, Standing, Sitting, and Lying.
 - Phase III: Construction of Mobility Profiles and Gait monitoring (in progress)
 - Phase IV: Fall Prediction based on mobility profiles (in progress by Bioinformatics group at UNO)

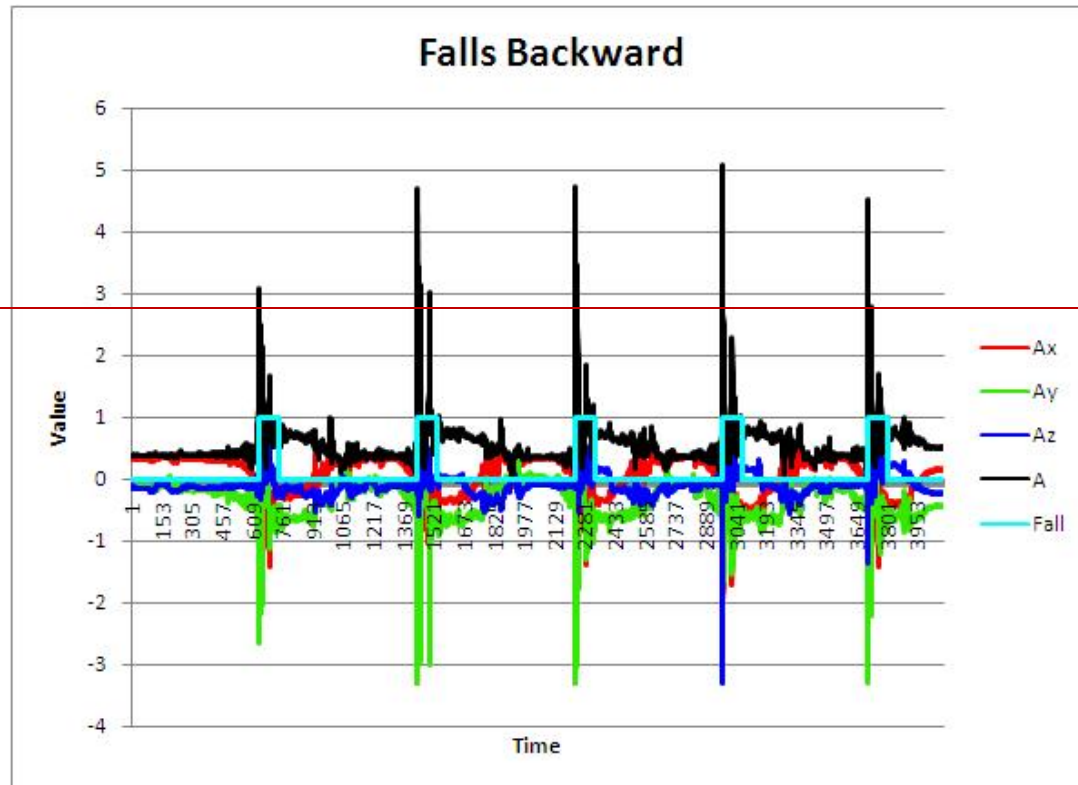
Phase I: Fall Detection

Accelerometer-based fall detection



- Determine an acceleration threshold.
- Detect fall.

Threshold



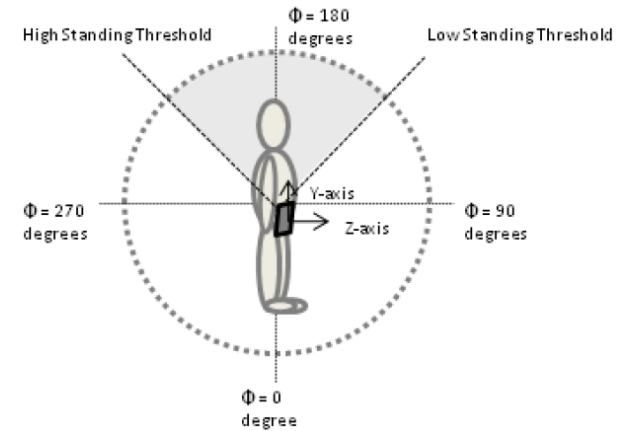
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- Many Activities of Daily Living (ADLs) can be classified by analyzing the real-time acceleration data collected from sensors.
- Key Metrics
 - Inclination Angle
 - Standard deviation
 - Skewness
 - Signal Magnitude Area

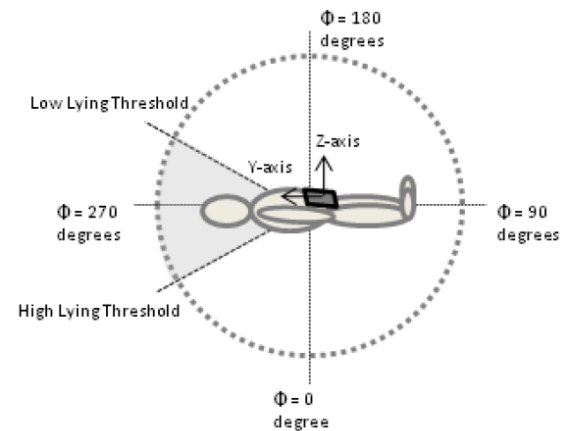
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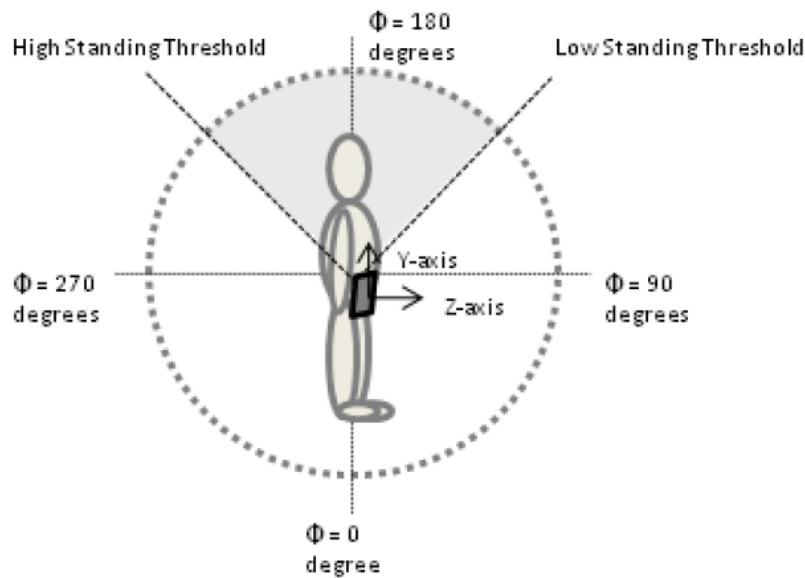
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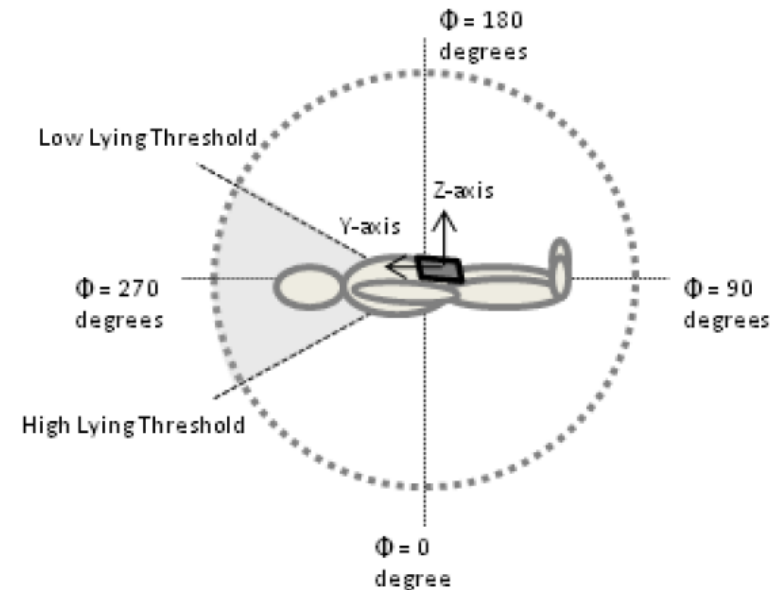
Lying Position

Inclination Angle

- Inclination angle helps in determining posture.
 - Inclination angle is the measure between the x and y axis. It is assumed that if this value is around 180° , then the person would be standing.



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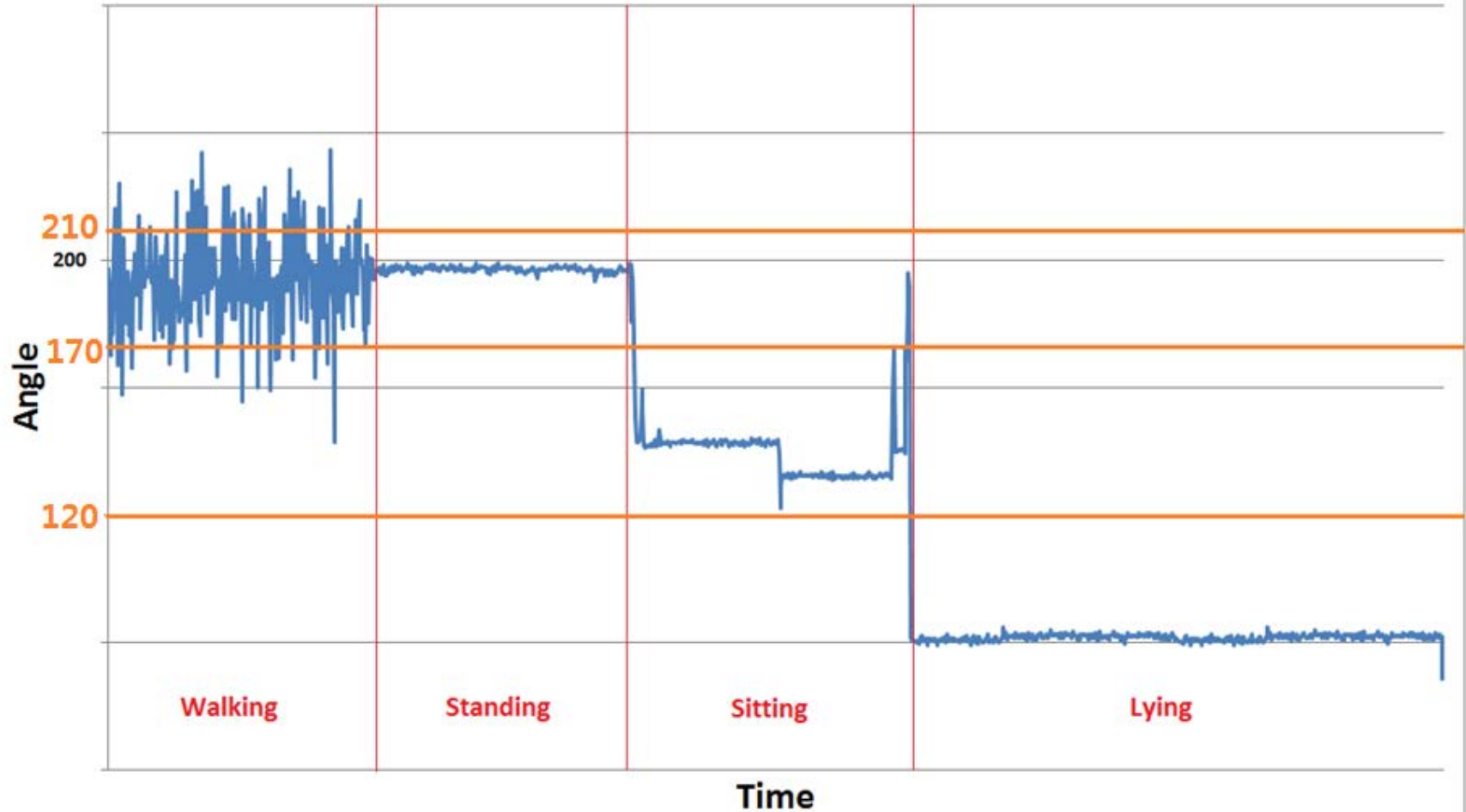


Lying Position

- Can now differentiate standing, sitting, and lying.

Inclination Angle

Angle Data

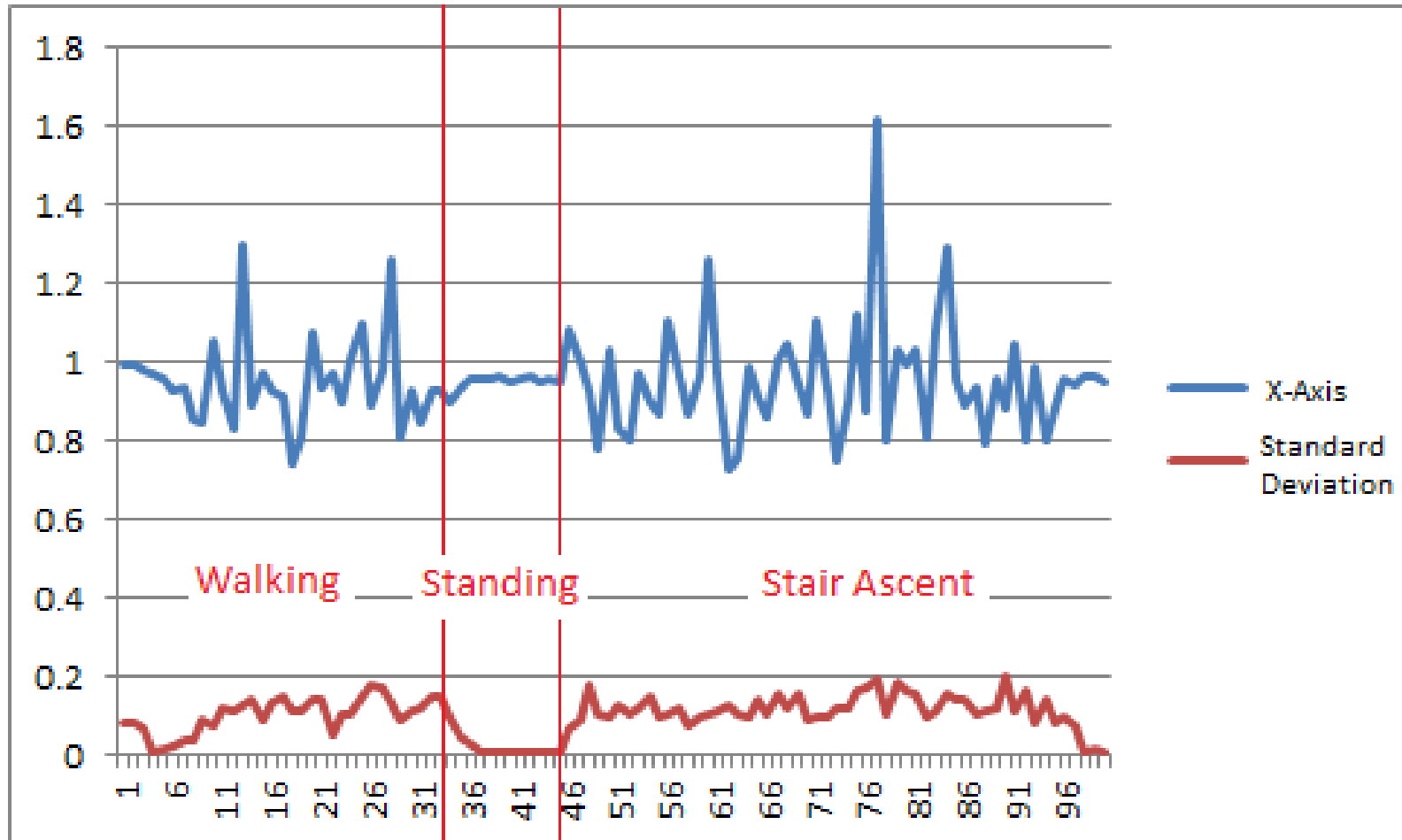


Standard Deviation



- Standard deviation of the x-axis acceleration helps in determining if the current mobility state is dynamic or static
 - Standard deviation measures the variability of data from the mean. Dynamic data will have measurably more variability than static data.
- When used with angle measurement, can now differentiate standing from walking/running.

Standard Deviation

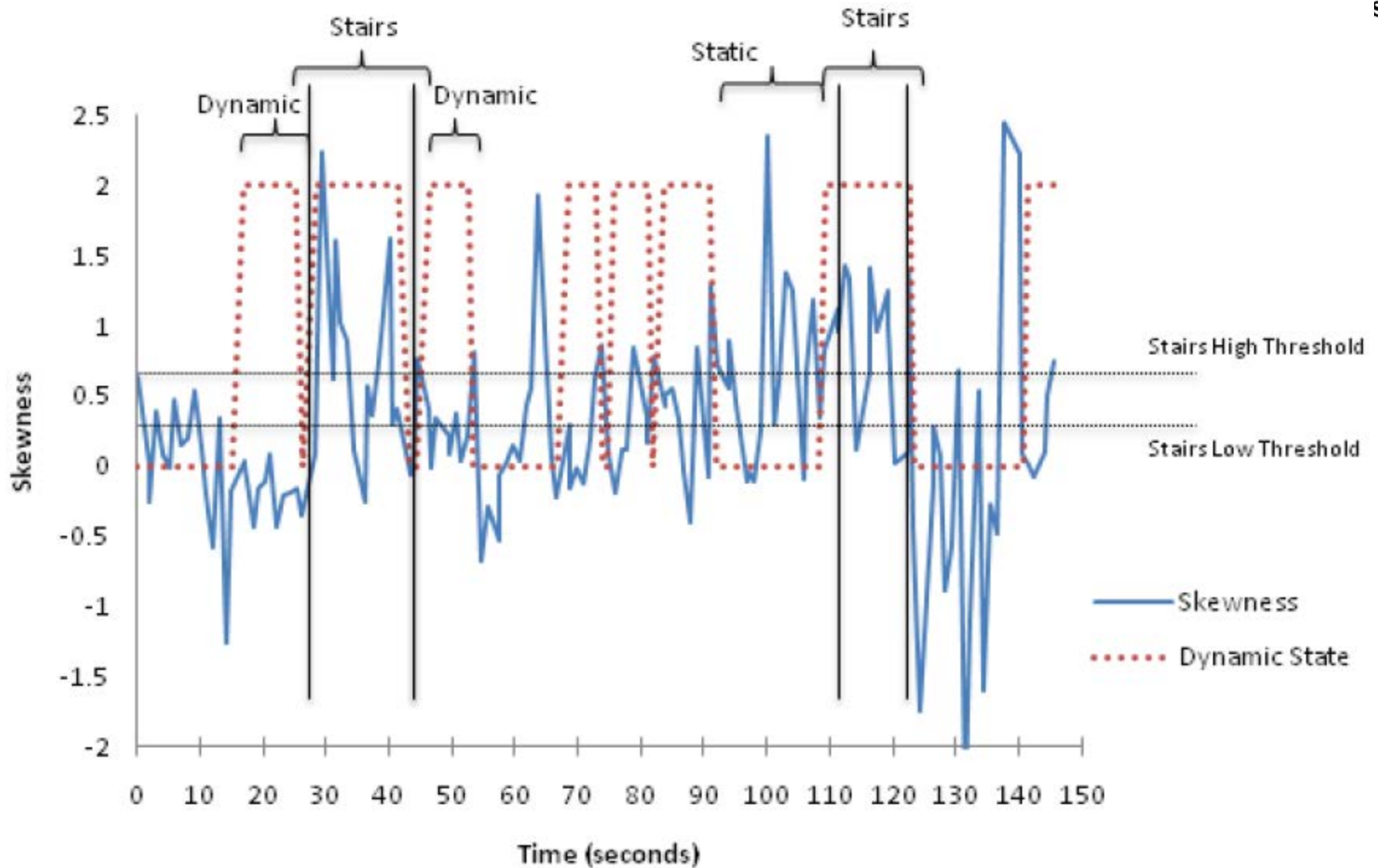
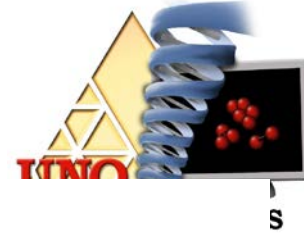


Skewness



- Skewness helps in determining if the current mobility state is going up or down stairs.
 - Skewness measures the asymmetry of the distribution of x-axis acceleration values. It is assumed that going up/down stairs will produce data that has greater asymmetry than walking.
- When used with angle and standard deviation, can now differentiate walking/running from going up/down stairs.

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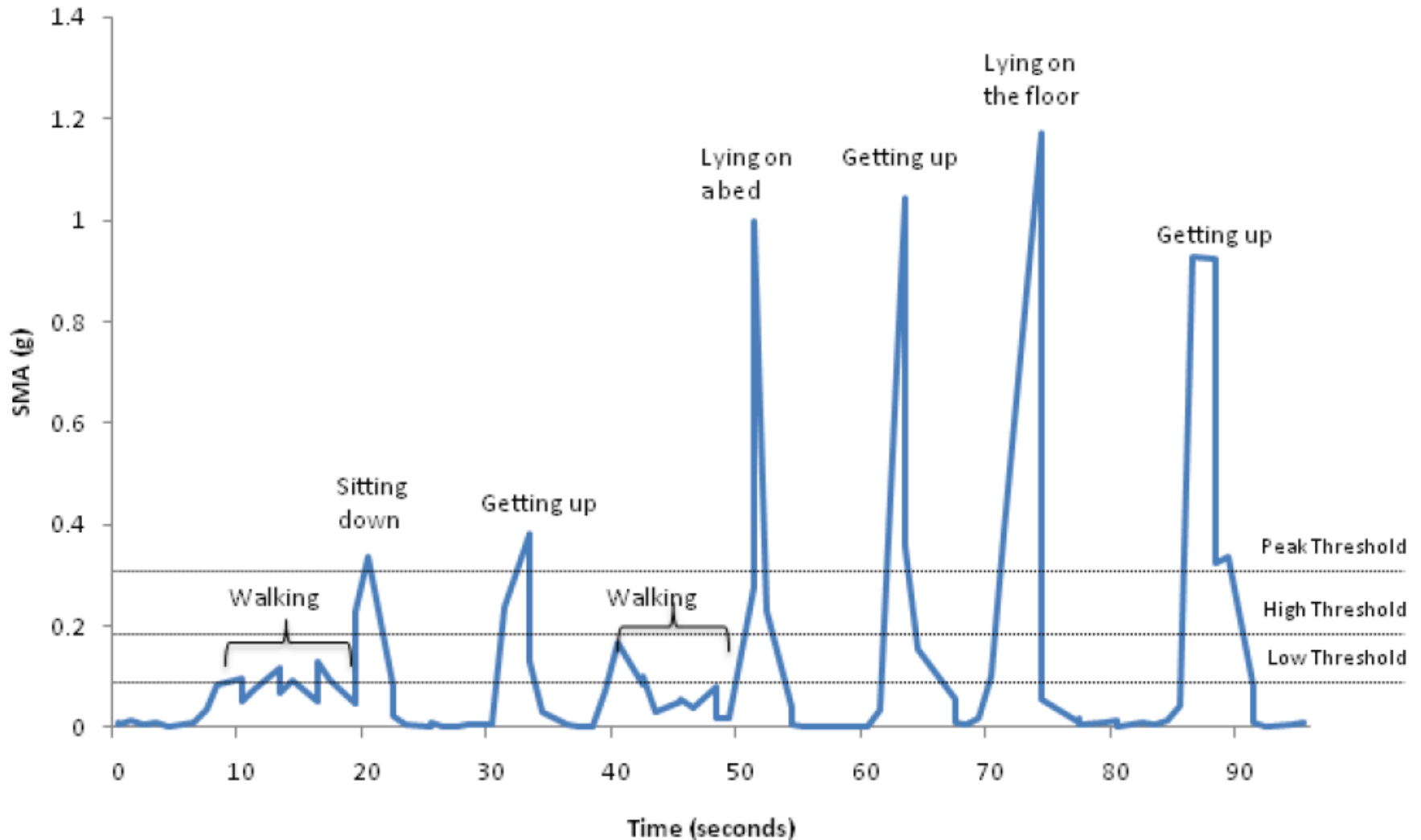


Signal Magnitude Area



- Measures amplitude and duration variation in the acceleration signal.
 - Assumed that amplitude and duration variation will be greater when the intensity of the activity changes. As such, SMA values will be greater when changing state as opposed to not changing state. Ex: getting out of bed vs. walking
- When used with the prior four measurements, SMA will help differentiate transitions from other dynamic mobility states.

Signal Magnitude Area (SMA) of acceleration signals versus Time



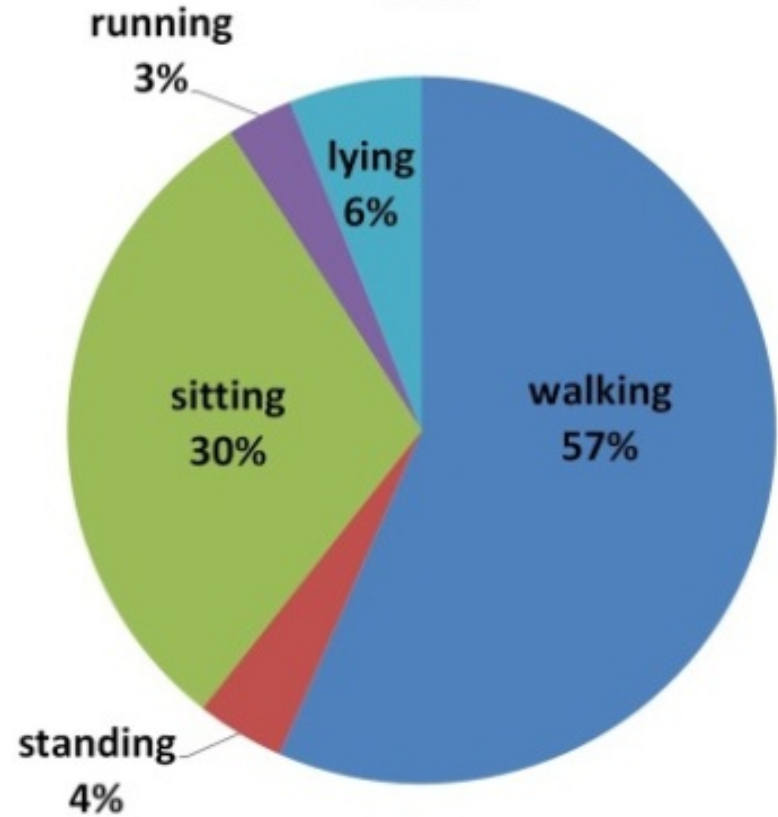
Phase III: Profiles



Test



Goal



Fall Prediction



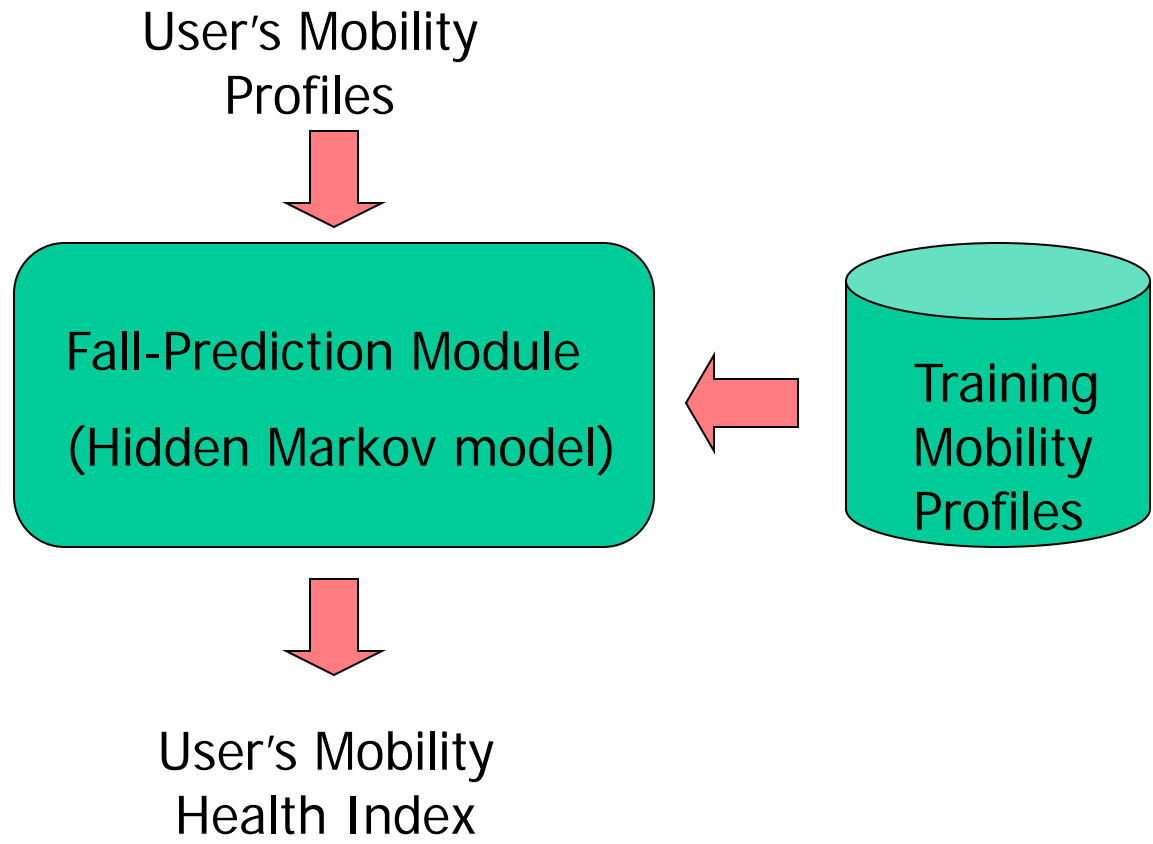
Current system can detect falls, next step is to predict falls

Fall Detection:

Approach: Using GSM, detect certain gait patterns associated with people who fall.

- Is a sudden change in gait predictive of a likely fall?
- Can the system be used to detect early signs of deterioration and/or improvement?

Phase IV: Fall Prediction



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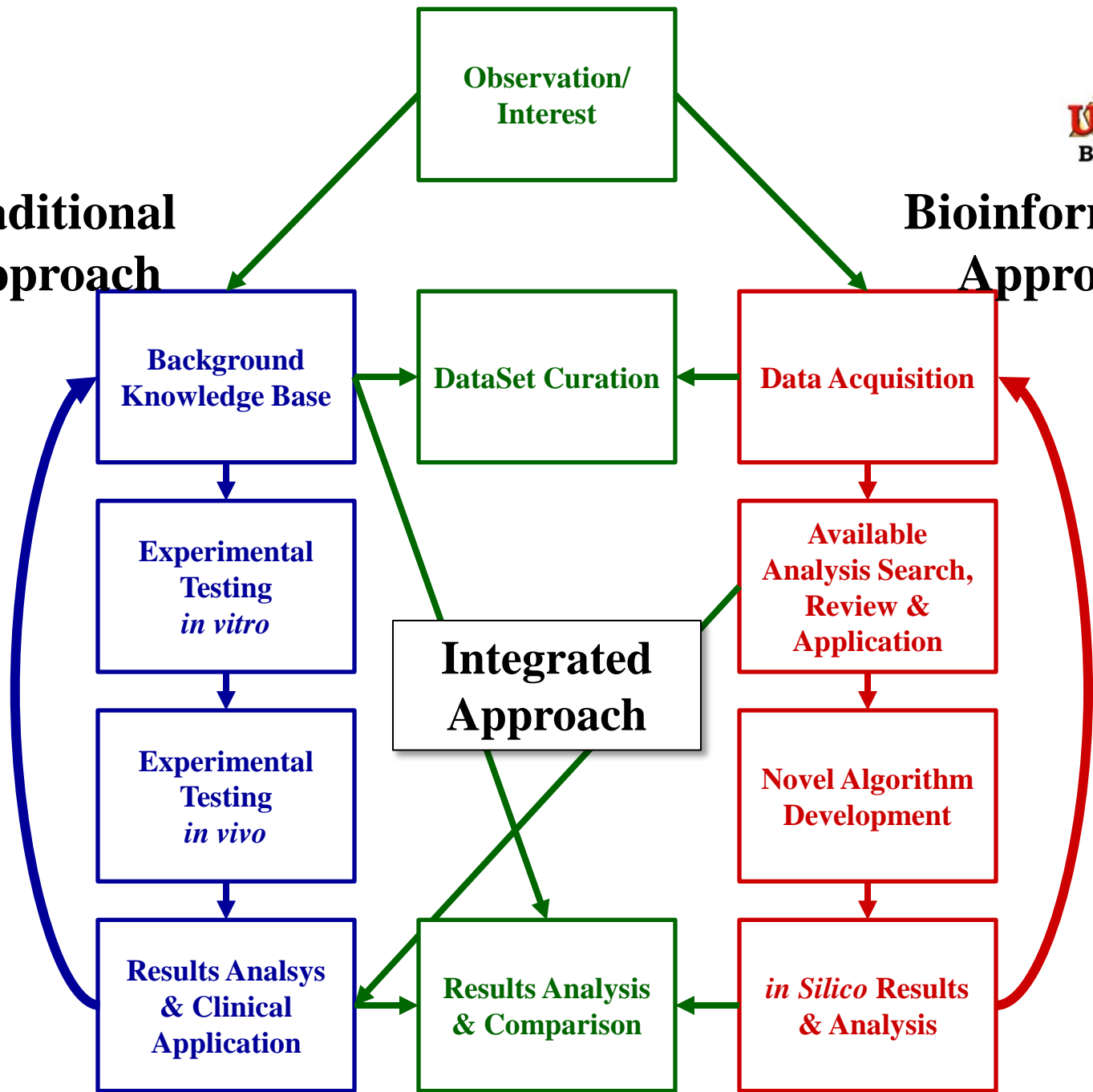
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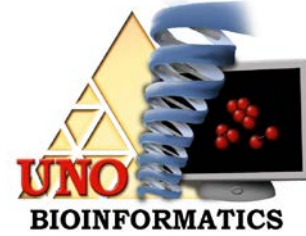
- With high throughput data collection, Biology needs ways not only to store data but also to store knowledge (Smart data)
- Data: Things that are measured
- Information: Processed data
- Knowledge: Processed data plus meaningful relationships between measured entities
- Decision Support

Next Generation Tools: ICD Tools

Traditional Approach

Bioinformatics Approach





Next Generation Tools

- Next Generation Bioinformatics Tools need to be Intelligent, Collaborative, and Dynamic
- Biomedical scientists, Bioinformatics researchers and computer scientists need to work together to best utilize the combination of tools development and domain expertise
- HPC is critical to the success of the next phase of Biomedical research but again the integration needs to happen at a deeper level
- The outcome of collaboration has the potential of achieving explosive results with significant impact on human health and overall understanding of biological mysteries

BMI at Crossroads

- Many Scientific disciplines are now at crossroads
- The proper penetration of IT represent tremendous challenges and great opportunities
- Discovery are likely to take place at many places
- The importance of interdisciplinary approach to problem solving
- This may lead to scientific revolution

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