Inference of biological networks

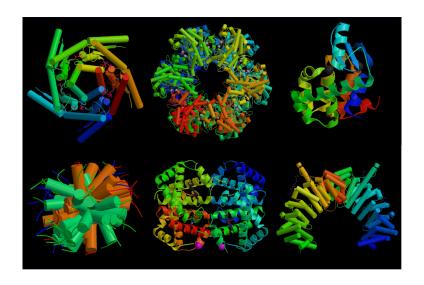
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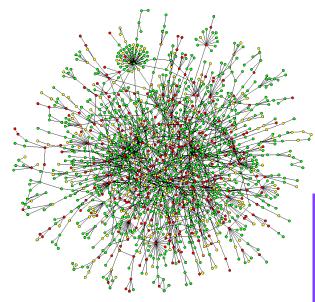
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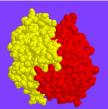
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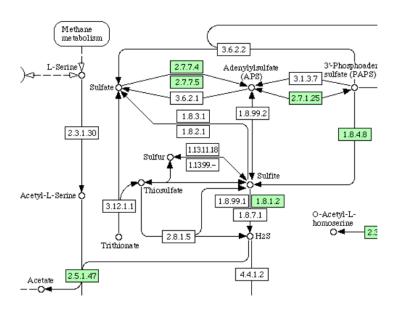


Network 1: protein-protein interaction

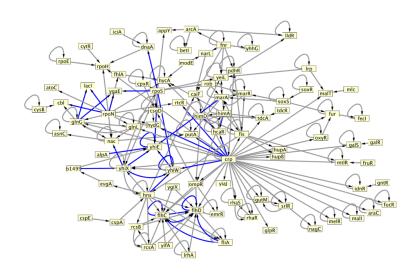




Network 2: metabolic network



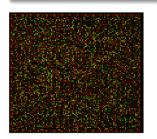
Network 3: gene regulatory network

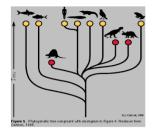


Data available

Biologists have collected a lot of data about proteins. e.g.,

- Gene expression measurements
- Phylogenetic profiles
- Location of proteins/enzymes in the cell

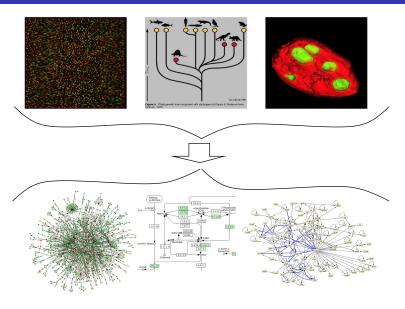






How to use this information "intelligently" to find a good function that predicts edges between nodes.

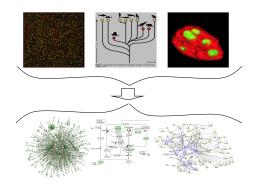
Our goal



More precisely

Formalization

- $V = \{1, ..., N\}$ vertices (e.g., genes, proteins)
- $\mathcal{D} = (x_1, \dots, x_N) \in \mathcal{H}^N$ data about the vertices (\mathcal{H} Hilbert space)
- Goal: predict edges $\mathcal{E} \subset \mathcal{V} \times \mathcal{V}$.



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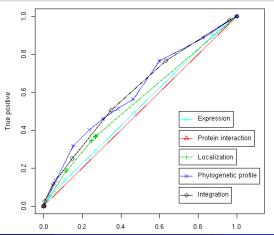
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Does it work? Metabolic network...

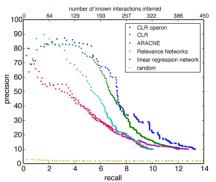
- The known metabolic network of the yeast involves 769 proteins.
- Predict edges from distances between a variety of genomic data (expression, localization, phylogenetic profiles, interactions).



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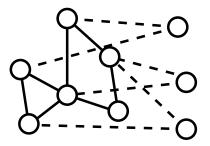


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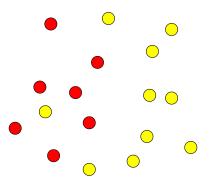
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- we know in advance parts of the network to be inferred
- the problem is to add/remove nodes and edges using genomic data as side information

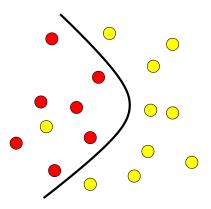


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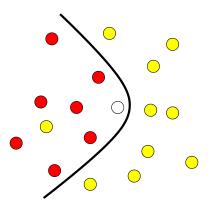
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- Infer missing edges between current nodes and additional nodes.



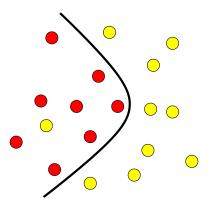
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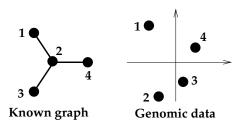
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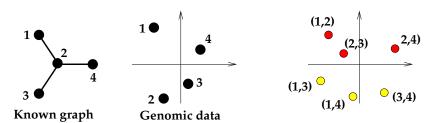
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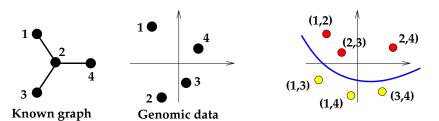
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Representing a pair as a vector

- Each individual protein is represented by a vector $v \in \mathbb{R}^p$
- We must represent a pair of proteins (u, v) by a vector $\psi(u, v) \in \mathbb{R}^q$ in order to estimate a linear classifier
- Question: how build $\psi(u, v)$ from u and v?

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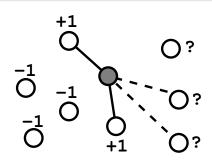
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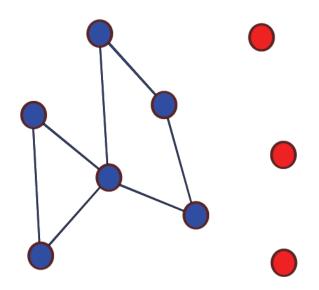
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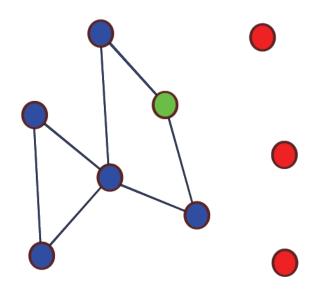
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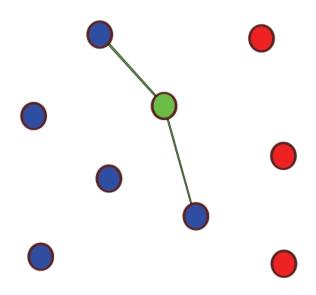
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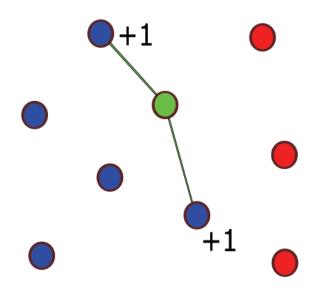


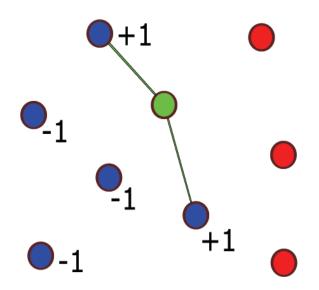
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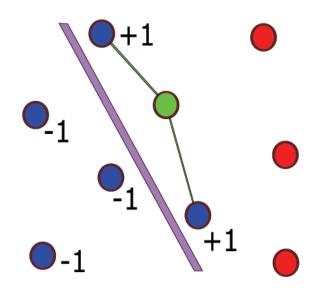


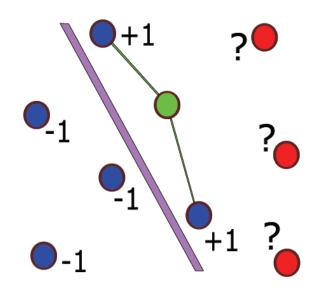
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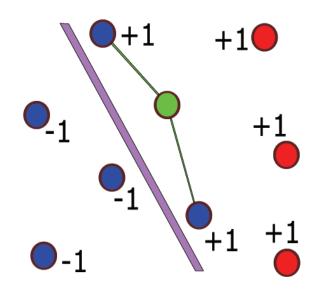


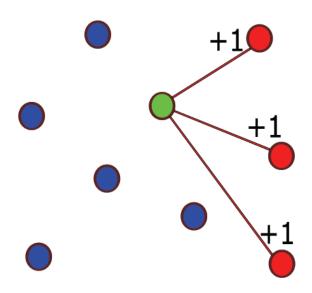


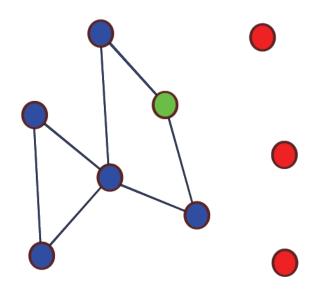


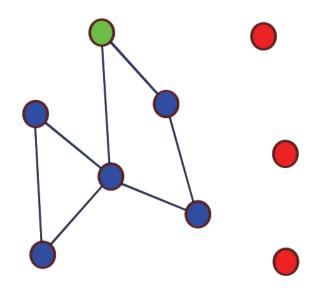


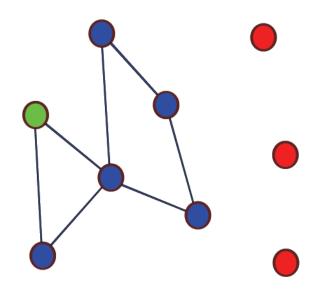


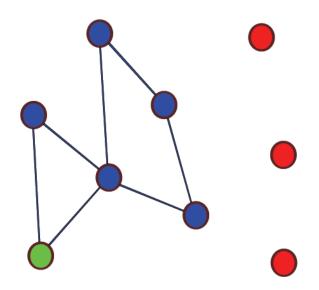


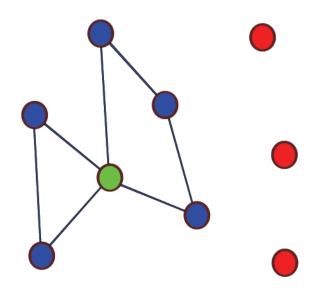


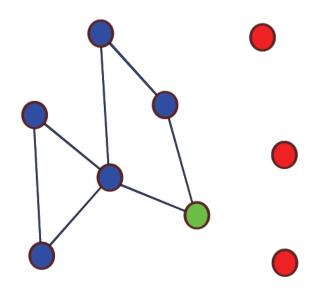












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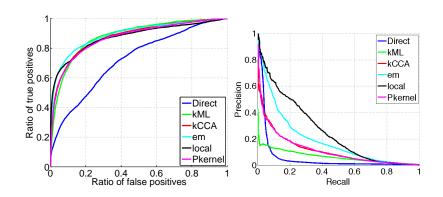
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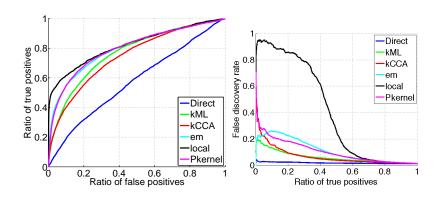
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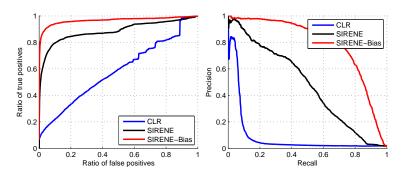
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SIRENE = Supervised Inference of REgulatory NEtworks (Mordelet and V., 2008)

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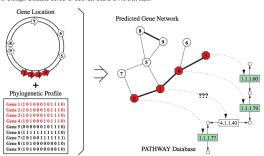


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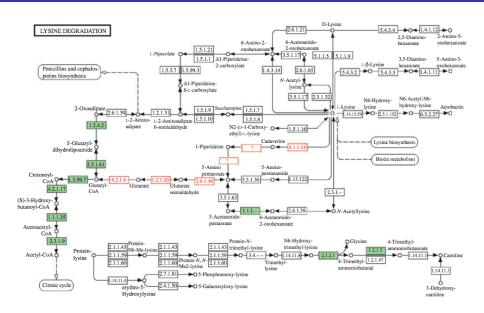
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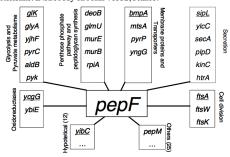
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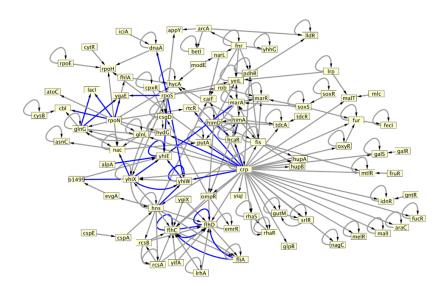
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Application: predicted regulatory network (E. coli)

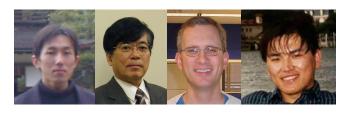


Prediction at 60% precision, restricted to transcription factors (from Mordelet and V., 2008).

Conclusion

- When the network is known in part, supervised methods can be more adapted than unsupervised ones.
- A variety of methods have been investigated recently (metric learning, matrix completion, pattern recognition).
 - work for any network
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 - can integrate heterogeneous data, which strongly improves performance
- Current research: infer edges simultaneously with global constraints on the graph?

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