

How to use TrimGdel

About TrimGdel

TrimGdel aims to find the smallest gene deletion strategy for growth coupled production by removing unnecessary gene deletions from a large gene deletion strategy obtained by gDel_minRN for a given target metabolite and constraint-based model.

Necessary environments

An environment where MATLAB, CPLEX, COBRA Toolbox can run is required.

Run the test code for TrimGdel

The test code is run by the following command:

```
>> test()
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“test()” loads a MATLAB matfile “e_coli_core.mat” containing a core metabolic model of E.coli, and employs “TrimGdel” to obtain the small gene deletion strategy for growth coupling of succinate.

Example code

“example1” employs TrimGdel to calculate a gene deletion strategy for biotin (btn_c) in iML1515.

```
> load('iML1515.mat')
```

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> [success, gvalue3, finalGRPR, size1, size2, size3]=TrimGdel(iML1515, 'btn_c')
```

In the output, “**gvalue3**” includes the 0/1 vector indicating which genes should be deleted.

0: genes to be deleted. 1: genes to remain.

Details are described in the comments in the source codes.