

Iggy - User Guide (version 2.1.0)

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What are `iggy` and `opt_graph`

`iggy` and `opt_graph` are tools for consistency based analysis of influence graphs and observed systems behavior (signed changes between two measured states). For many (biological) systems are knowledge bases available that describe the interaction of its components in terms of causal networks, boolean networks and influence graphs where edges indicate either positive or negative effect of one node upon another.

`iggy` implements methods to check the consistency of large-scale data sets and provides explanations for inconsistencies. In practice, this is used to identify unreliable data or to indicate missing reactions. Further, `iggy` addresses the problem of repairing networks and corresponding yet often discrepant measurements in order to re-establish their mutual consistency and predict unobserved variations even under inconsistency.

`opt_graph` confronts interaction graph models with observed systems behavior from multiple experiments. `opt_graph` computes networks fitting the observation data by removing (or adding) a minimal number of edges in the given network.

You can download the precompiled binaries for 64bit linux and macos on the [release page](#).

Sample data is available here: [demo_data.tar.gz](#)

Compile yourself

Clone the git repository:

```
git clone https://github.com/bioasp/iggy.git
cargo build --release
```

The executables can be found under `./target/release/`

Input Model + Data

`iggy` and `opt_graph` work with two kinds of data. The first is representing an interaction graph model. The second is the experimental data, representing experimental condition and observed behavior.

Model

The model is represented as file in complex interaction format `CIF` as shown below. Lines in the `CIF` file specify a interaction between (multiple) source nodes and one target node.

```
shp2          -> grb2_sos
!mtor_inhibitor -> mtor
?jak2_p       -> stat5ab_py
!ras_gap & grb2_sos -> pi3k
akt & erk & mtor & pi3k -> mtorc1
gab1_bras_py   -> ras_gap
gab1_ps & jak2_p & pi3k -> gab1_bras_py
```

In our influence graph models we have simple interactions like: in Line 1 for `shp2` *increases* `grb2_sos` and in Line 2 the `!` indicates that `mtor_inhibitor` tends to *decrease* `mtor`. In Line 3 the `?` indicates an unknown influence of `jak2_p` on `stat5ab_py`. Complex interactions can be composed with the `&` operator to model a combined influence of multiple sources on a target. In Line 4 an decrease in `ras_gap` with an increase in `grb2_sos` tend to increase `pi3k`.

Experimental data

The experimental data is given in the file format shown below. Nodes which are perturbed in the experimental condition are denoted as `input`. The first line of the example below states that `depor` has been perturbed in the experiment. This means `depor` has been under the control of the experimentalist and its behavior must therefore not be explained. The behavior of a node can be either `+`, `-`, `0`, `notPlus`, `notMinus`. Line 2 states that an *increase* (`+`) was observed in `depor`, as it is declared an `input` this behavior has been caused by the experimentalist. Line 3 states that `stat5ab_py` has *decreased* (`-`) and line 4 states that `ras` has *not changed* (`0`). Line 5 states that an *uncertain decrease* (`notPlus`) has been observed in `p1cg` and line 6 states that an *uncertain increase* (`notMinus`) has been observed in `mtorc1`. Line 7 states that `akt` is initially on the minimum level, this means it cannot further decrease, and line 8 states that `grb2_sos` is initially on the maximum level, this means it cannot further increase.

```
depor          = input
depor          = +
stat5ab_py     = -
ras_gap        = 0
jak2_p         = notPlus
mtorc1         = notMinus
akt            = MIN
pi3k           = MAX
```

Consistency notions

The Iggy tools implement different constraints that inform the consistency notion under which the analysis are perform. In other words what is considere a consistent behaviour of a system. The defaults are:

- All observed changes must be explained by an predecessor.
This is the basic constraint that must always hold.
- All observed changes must be explained by an input.
You can turn this off with the flag `--founded-constraints-off`.
- 0-change must be explained.
You can turn this constraint off with the flag `--fwd-propagation-off`.

Additionally you can turn on the following constraint:

- An elementary path from an input must exist to explain changes. You can turn this constraint on with the flag `--elempath`.

With the flag `--depmat` you can turn on a consistency notion that is used for the *dependency matrix*. This notion includes the *elementary path* constraint.

For more information on the consistency notion see:

- [Extended notions of sign consistency to relate experimental data to signaling and regulatory network topologies](#), Sven Thiele, Luca Cerone, Julio Saez-Rodriguez, Anne Siegel, Carito Guziółowski, and Steffen Klamt, *BMC Bioinformatics*, 16(345), 2015.
- [Sign consistency methods to reason over the transitional behavior of dynamic systems](#)

For more information on the dependency matrix see:

- [A methodology for the structural and functional analysis of signaling and regulatory networks](#), Klamt S, Saez-Rodriguez J, Lindquist J, Simeoni L, Gilles E., *BMC Bioinforma.* 2006; 7(1):56.

Iggy

`iggy` performs consistency checks for an interaction model and a data profile. It computes explanations (minimal inconsistent cores *mics*) for inconsistencies and suggests repairs for model and data.

The *mics* are connected parts of the model and indicate unreliable data or missing reactions. The repairs re-establish the mutual consistency between model and data, and enable predictions of unobserved behavior even under inconsistency.

The typical usage of `iggy` is:

```
> iggy -n network.cif -o observation.obs -l 10 -p
```

For more options you can ask for help as follows:

```
> iggy -h
iggy 2.1.0
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Iggy confronts interaction graph models with observations of (signed) changes between
two measured states (including uncertain observations). Iggy discovers inconsistencies
in networks or data, applies minimal repairs, and predicts the behavior for the
unmeasured species. It distinguishes strong predictions (e.g. increase in a node) and
weak predictions (e.g., the value of a node increases or remains unchanged)

USAGE:
  iggy [FLAGS] [OPTIONS] --network <network-file>

FLAGS:
  -a, --auto-inputs          Declare nodes with indegree 0 as inputs
  --depmat                   Combine multiple states, a change must be explained
                             by an elementary path from an input
  --elempath                 Every change must be explained by an elementary
                             path from an input
  --founded-constraints-off  Disable foundedness constraints
  --fwd-propagation-off     Disable forward propagation constraints
  -h, --help                 Prints help information
  --mics                     Compute minimal inconsistent cores
  --scenfit                  Compute scenfit of the data, default is mcos
  -p, --show-predictions     Show predictions
  -V, --version              Prints version information

OPTIONS:
  -l, --show-labelings <max-labelings>  Show max-labelings labelings, default is 0
                                          0=all
  -n, --network <network-file>          Influence graph in CIF format
  -o, --observations <observations-file> Observations in bioquali format
```

Compute minimal correction sets (mcos) or *scenfit* and predictions under inconsistency

`iggy` implements two measures for inconsistency *minimal correction sets (mcos)* and *scenfit*. While *mcos* measures the minimal number of observations that cannot be explained, *scenfit* measures a minimal number of changes to the model to re-establish the mutual consistency between model and data. The default in `iggy` is *mcos* but *scenfit* can be used with the option `--scenfit`.

With the option `--show-labelings, -l N` `iggy` computes at most `N` such labelings and repairs that are consistent.

With the flag `--show-predictions, -p iggy` computes predictions under inconsistencies. More precisely the behaviors of the system that are invariant also under the minimal repairs.

`iggy` presents the results of its analysis as text output. The output of `iggy` can be redirected into a file using the `>` operator. For example to write the results shown below into the file `myfile.txt` type:

```
> iggy -n network.cif -o observations.obs -l 10 -p > myfile.txt
```

In the following we will dissect the output generated by `iggy`. The first 3 lines of the output state the constraints that have been used to analyze network and data. For our example it is the default setting with the following constraints. For a deeper understanding of these constraints see~\cite{sthiele15}.

- + All observed changes must be explained by an predecessor.
 - + 0-change must be explained.
 - + All observed changes must be explained by an input.
-

Next follow some statistics on the input data. Line 4-5 tells us that the influence graph model given as `network.cif` consists of 18 species nodes and 4 complex nodes, with 19 edges with activating influence and 6 edges with inhibiting influence and 1 edge with `Unknown` influence.

Line 9 tells that the experimental data given as `observation.obs` in itself is `consistent`, which means it does not contain contradictory observations. Line 11 tells that the experimental conditions has 2 perturbations marked as `input` nodes, that 4 nodes were observed as increased `+`, 1 node *decreased* (`-`), 7 nodes did *not change* (`0`), 1 node were observed with an *uncertain decrease* (`notPlus`), 1 node were observed with an *uncertain increase* (`notMinus`), 1 node were observed with an *minimum level* (`MIN`), 1 node were observed with an *maximum level* (`MAX`), 4 nodes were `unobserved` and the experimental data contained 0 observations of species that are not in the given model.

```

Reading network model from "network.cif".

# Network statistics

OR nodes (species): 18
AND nodes (complex regulation): 4
Activations = 19
Inhibitions = 6
Unknowns = 1

Reading observations from "observations.obs".

# Observations statistics

```

```

unobserved nodes      : 4
observed nodes        : 18
inputs                : 2
+                    : 4
-                    : 1
0                    : 7
notPlus               : 1
notMinus              : 1
Min                  : 1
Max                  : 1
observed not in model : 0

```

Then follow the results of the consistency analysis. Line 14 tells us that network and data are inconsistent and that the size of a *minimal correction set* (`mcos`) is `2` . This means that at least `2` influences need to be added to restore consistency. For a deeper understanding of `mcos` see~\cite{samaga13a}. Further the output contains at most `10` consistent labeling including correction set. This is because we choose to set the flag `--show_labelings 10` . In our example we have `4` possible labelings. Each labeling represents a consistent behavior of the model (given `mcos` the corrections). `Labeling 1` , tells it is possible that `mek1` *increases* (`+`), `shp2_ph` and `mtorc` do *not change* (`0`) and that `stat5ab_py` *decrease* (`-`). Line 26 tells us that this is a consistent behavior if `MTOR` would receive a positive influence, which is currently not included in the model. `Labeling 3` , represents an alternative behavior, here `mtorc1` does *increases* (`+` }). Please note that in this example both labelings are consistent under the same correction set. In another example more than one minimal correction set could exists.

The network and data are inconsistent: mcos = 2.

Compute mcos labelings ... done.

Labeling 1:

```
mtorc1 = 0
ras_gap = 0
shp2 = 0
gab1_bras_py = 0
jak2_p = 0
mek1 = +
erk = +
brb2 = 0
akt = 0
stat5ab_py = -
brb = -
gab1_ps = +
grb2_sos = 0
socs1 = 0
pi3k = 0
mtor = 0
mtor_inhibitor = 0
depor = +
```

Repairs:

Labeling 2:

```
mtorc1 = 0
ras_gap = 0
shp2 = 0
gab1_bras_py = 0
jak2_p = 0
mek1 = +
erk = +
brb2 = 0
akt = 0
stat5ab_py = -
brb = +
gab1_ps = +
grb2_sos = 0
socs1 = 0
pi3k = 0
mtor = 0
mtor_inhibitor = 0
depor = +
```

Repairs:

Labeling 3:

```
mtorc1 = +
ras_gap = 0
shp2 = 0
gab1_bras_py = 0
jak2_p = 0
mek1 = +
```

```
erk = +
brb2 = -
akt = 0
stat5ab_py = -
brb = -
gab1_ps = +
grb2_sos = 0
socs1 = 0
pi3k = 0
mtor = 0
mtor_inhibitor = 0
depor = +
```

Repairs:

Labeling 4:

```
mtorc1 = +
ras_gap = 0
shp2 = 0
gab1_bras_py = 0
jak2_p = 0
mek1 = +
erk = +
brb2 = -
akt = 0
stat5ab_py = -
brb = +
gab1_ps = +
grb2_sos = 0
socs1 = 0
pi3k = 0
mtor = 0
mtor_inhibitor = 0
depor = +
```

Repairs:

Finally the prediction results are listed. A prediction is a statement that hold under all labeling under all minimal repairs. For a formal definition of predictions see~\cite{sthiele15}. Here the predictions say that `gab1_ps` *always increases* (`+`), `stat5ab_py` *always decreases* (`-`), `shp2` always stays *unchanged* (`0`), `mtorc1` *never decreases* (`notMinus`), and `brb2` always stays *never increases* (`notPlus`),


```
Compute predictions under mcos ... done.
```

```
# Predictions:
```

```
mek1 = +
erk = +
gab1_ps = +
depor = +
stat5ab_py = -
ras_gap = 0
shp2 = 0
gab1_bras_py = 0
jak2_p = 0
akt = 0
grb2_sos = 0
socs1 = 0
pi3k = 0
mtor = 0
mtor_inhibitor = 0
brb2 = notPlus
mtorc1 = notMinus
brb = CHANGE

predicted +      = 4
predicted -      = 1
predicted 0      = 10
predicted notPlus = 1
predicted notMinus = 1
predicted CHANGE = 1
```

For more information on minimal correction sets *mcos* see:

- [Detecting and Removing Inconsistencies between Experimental Data and Signaling Network Topologies Using Integer Linear Programming on Interaction Graphs](#). Melas IN, Samaga R, Alexopoulos LG, Klamt S. , PLoS Comput Biol. 2013; 9(9):1003204.

Compute minimal inconsistent cores `--mics`

Iggy computes minimal inconsistent cores *mics* for inconsistent model and data. The *mics* are connected parts of the model and indicate unreliable data or missing reactions. To compute the minimal inconsistent cores use the flag `--mics` as follows:

```
> iggy -n data/Yeast/yeast_guelzim.cif -o data/Yeast/yeast_snf2.obs --mics
```

- + All observed changes must be explained by an predecessor.
 - + 0-change must be explained.
 - + All observed changes must be explained by an input.
-

Reading network model from "data/Yeast/yeast_guelzim.cif".

Network statistics

OR nodes (species): 477

AND nodes (complex regulation): 0

Activations = 665

Inhibitions = 270

Unknowns = 0

Reading observations from "data/Yeast/yeast_snf2.obs".

Observations statistics

unobserved nodes	: 388
observed nodes	: 574
inputs	: 0
+	: 376
-	: 198
0	: 0
notPlus	: 0
notMinus	: 0
Min	: 0
Max	: 0
observed not in model	: 485

Computing mcos of network and data ... done.

The network and data are inconsistent: mcos = 530.

Computing minimal inconsistent cores (mic's) ... done.

mic 1:

YAL063C YER065C

mic 2:

YBR159W YNL009W

mic 3:

YJL159W YGR108W

mic 4:

YPR119W YGR108W

mic 5:

YMR307W YIL013C

```
mic 6:
    YNL241C YLR109W

mic 7:
    YOL006C YMR186W

mic 8:
    YGR108W YDR224C YAL040C

mic 9:
    YPL256C YIL072W YNL210W YGR044C YPR119W YJL194W YJL106W YDL179W YOR159C YHR055C YLF

mic 10:
    YPL256C YIL072W YNL210W YGR044C YJL194W YJL106W YDL179W YOR159C YHR055C YLR131C YDF

mic 11:
    YPL256C YIL072W YJL159W YNL210W YGR044C YJL194W YJL106W YDL179W YOR159C YHR055C YLF

mic 12:
    YPL256C YMR199W YIL072W YGL089C STA3 YLR452C YNL210W YIL099W YGR044C YIR019C YJL157

mic 13:
    YCR065W YOL116W YKR099W YGL073W YBR279W YGL025C YDR448W YDR392W YIR023W YLR451W YBF
```

For more information on minimal inconsistent cores see:

- [Detecting Inconsistencies in Large Biological Networks with Answer Set Programming](#), Martin Gebser, Torsten Schaub, Sven Thiele, and Philippe Veber, *Theory and Practice of Logic Programming*, 11(2-3), pages 323-360, 2011.

Opt_graph

`opt_graph` confronts interaction graph models with observed systems behavior from multiple experiments. `opt_graph` computes networks fitting the observation data by removing (or adding) a minimal number of edges in the given network.

Typical usage is:

```
> opt_graph -n network.cif -o observations_dir/ --show_repairs 10
```

For more options you can ask for help as follows:

```
> opt_graph -h
opt_graph 2.1.0
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Opt-graph confronts interaction graph models with observations of (signed) changes between two measured states. Opt-graph computes networks fitting the observation data by removing (or adding) a minimal number of edges in the given network

USAGE:
  opt_graph [FLAGS] [OPTIONS] --network <network-file> --observations <observations-dir>

FLAGS:
  -a, --auto-inputs          Declare nodes with indegree 0 as inputs
  --depmat                   Combine multiple states, a change must be explained by an elementary path from an input
  --elemopath                Every change must be explained by an elementary path from an input
  --founded-constraints-off  Disable foundedness constraints
  --fwd-propagation-off      Disable forward propagation constraints
  -h, --help                 Prints help information
  -V, --version              Prints version information

OPTIONS:
  -r, --show-repairs <max-repairs>  Show max-repairs repairs, default is OFF, 0 = OFF
  -n, --network <network-file>       Influence graph in CIF format
  -o, --observations <observations-dir> Directory of observations in bioquali format
  -m, --repair-mode <repair-mode>    Repair mode: remove = remove edges (default),
                                     optgraph = add + remove edges,
                                     flip = flip direction of edges
```

Example

```
opt_graph -n in_silico_HEK293/v1_comp_BN.cif -o in_silico_HEK293/prior_data --depmat -
```

- + DepMat combines multiple states.
 - + An elementary path from an input must exist to explain changes.
-

```
Reading network model from "data/in_silico_HEK293/v1_comp_BN.cif".
```

```
# Network statistics
```

```
OR nodes (species): 23
AND nodes (complex regulation): 12
Activations : 47
Inhibitions : 12
Unknowns : 0
```

```
Reading observations from in_silico_HEK293/prior_data/first_response_mek1_up.txt.
```

```
Reading observations from in_silico_HEK293/prior_data/first_response_pi3k_down.txt.
```

```
Reading observations from in_silico_HEK293/prior_data/first_response_pi3k_mek1_down.txt
```

```
Computing repair through add/removing edges ...
using greedy method ... done.
```

```
The network and data can reach a scenfit of 0.
```

```
Repair 1:
```

```
remove edge: !mek1 -> shp2
remove edge: mek1 -> stat5ab_py
add edge: mek1 -> gab1_ps
```

```
Repair 2:
```

```
remove edge: !mek1 -> shp2
remove edge: mek1 -> stat5ab_py
add edge: !grb2_sos -> gab1_ps
```

```
Repair 3:
```

```
remove edge: !mek1 -> shp2
remove edge: mek1 -> stat5ab_py
add edge: akt -> gab1_ps
```

```
Repair 4:
```

```
remove edge: !mek1 -> shp2
remove edge: mek1 -> stat5ab_py
add edge: mtorc2 -> gab1_ps
```

```
Repair 5:
```

```
remove edge: !mek1 -> shp2
remove edge: mek1 -> stat5ab_py
add edge: mtorc1 -> gab1_ps
```

```
Repair 6:
```

```
remove edge: !mek1 -> shp2
remove edge: mek1 -> stat5ab_py
add edge: erk -> gab1_ps
```

Repair 7:

```
remove edge: !mek1 -> shp2
remove edge: mek1 -> stat5ab_py
add edge: !gab1_bras_py -> gab1_ps
```

Repair 8:

```
remove edge: !mek1 -> shp2
remove edge: mek1 -> stat5ab_py
add edge: !ras_gap -> gab1_ps
```

For more information on *OptGraph* see:

- [Designing optimal experiments to discriminate interaction graph models](#), Sven Thiele, Sandra Heise, Wiebke Hessenkemper, Hannes Bongartz, Melissa Fensky, Fred Schaper, Steffen Klamt, *IEEE/ACM Trans. Comput. Biol. Bioinform*, 16(3), 2019.