

Bayesian Networks in Computational Life Science

Why use Bayesian Networks in Computational Life Science ?

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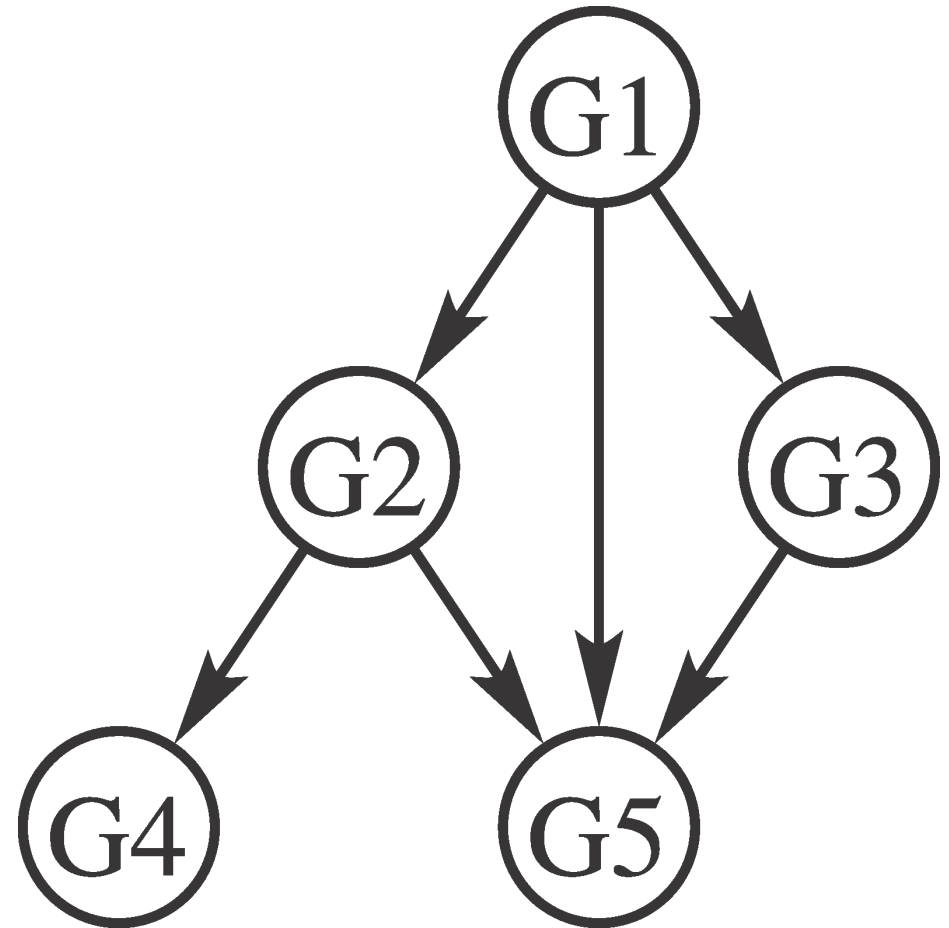
Marginalization

Incomplete data set: EM
algorithm

Inherent noise: probabilistic
estimates

Biological Knowledge: Prior
Information

Picture adapted from "Needham, Chris J., et al. (2007)"

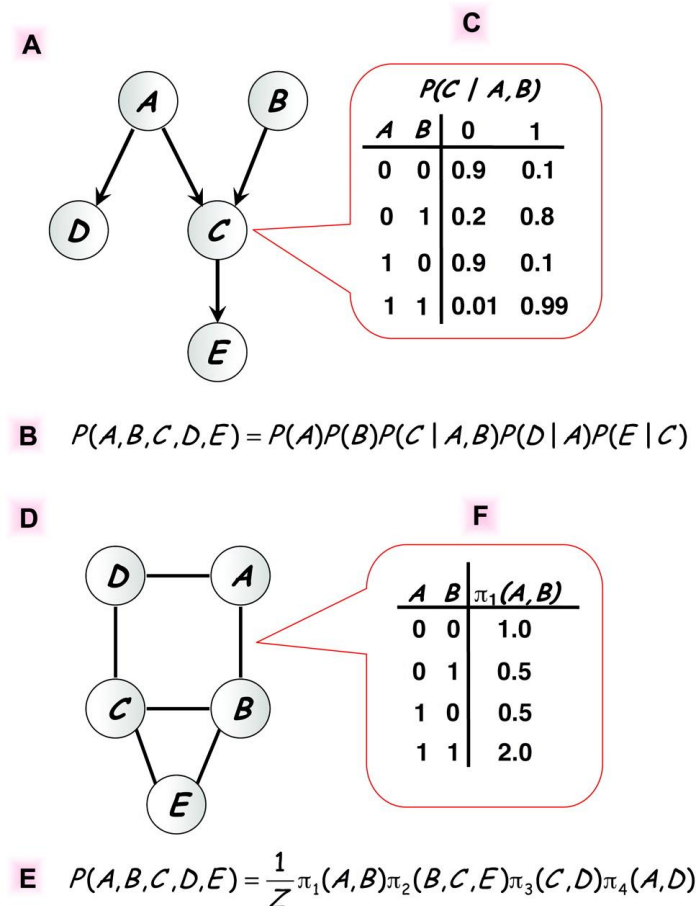


What are Bayesian Networks used for?

Probability distributions
(parameter learning) : given
some nodes (evidence) learn
about the values for other nodes

Structure learning : given
evidence on certain nodes learn
structure of DAG

Picture adapted from "Friedman, Nir. "Inferring cellular
networks using probabilistic graphical models." Science
303.5659 (2004): 799-805."



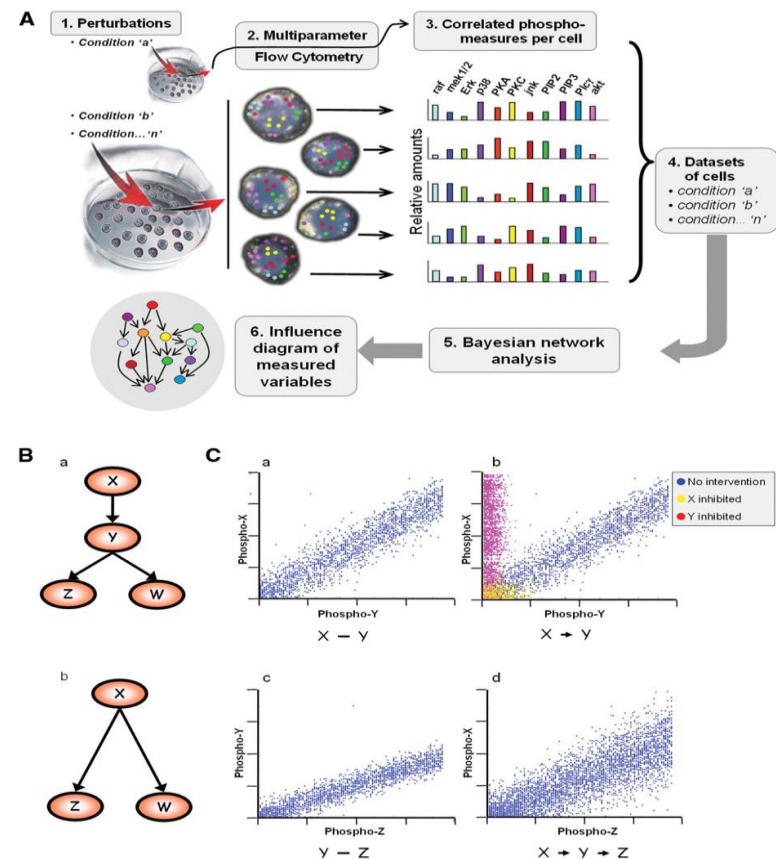
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Inferring Cellular Networks
(Reverse Engineering)

Biological Data Integration

Learning causality (activation, inhibition) in protein signaling, gene regulatory networks -(refer fig.)

Picture adapted from "Sachs, Karen, et al. "Causal protein-signaling networks derived from multiparameter single-cell data." Science 308.5721 (2005): 523-529."



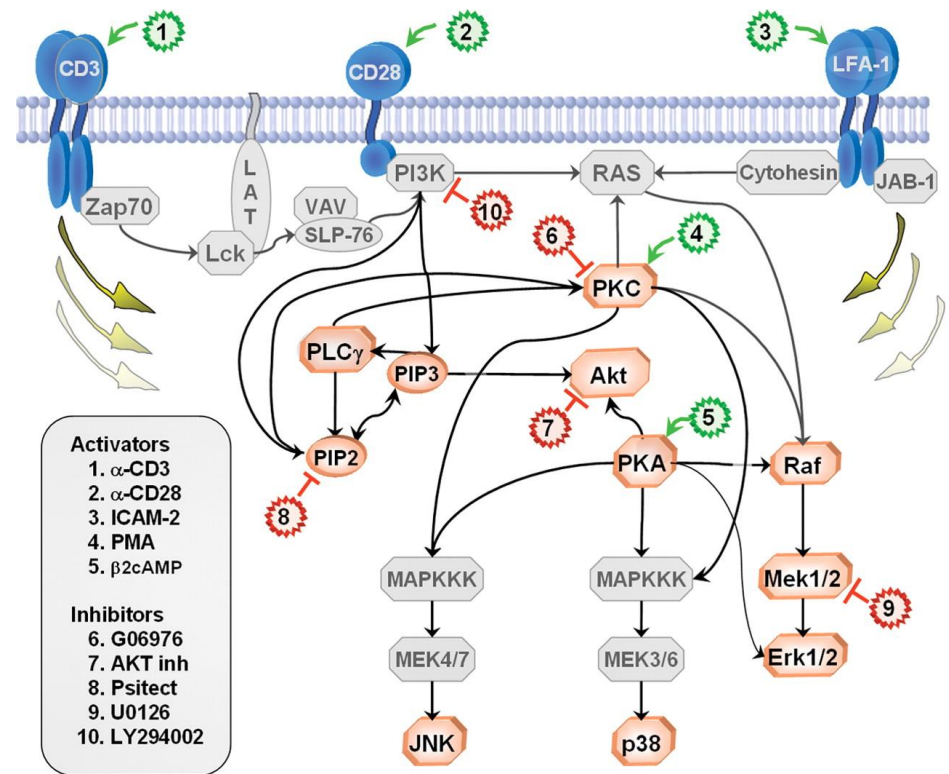
Motivation behind using Bayesian networks

Clustering of Gene Expression traditionally used to discover modules

Co-expression (or correlation) does not imply causality

Bayesian networks alternative to clustering in gene expression. Causality requires knock-out experiments.

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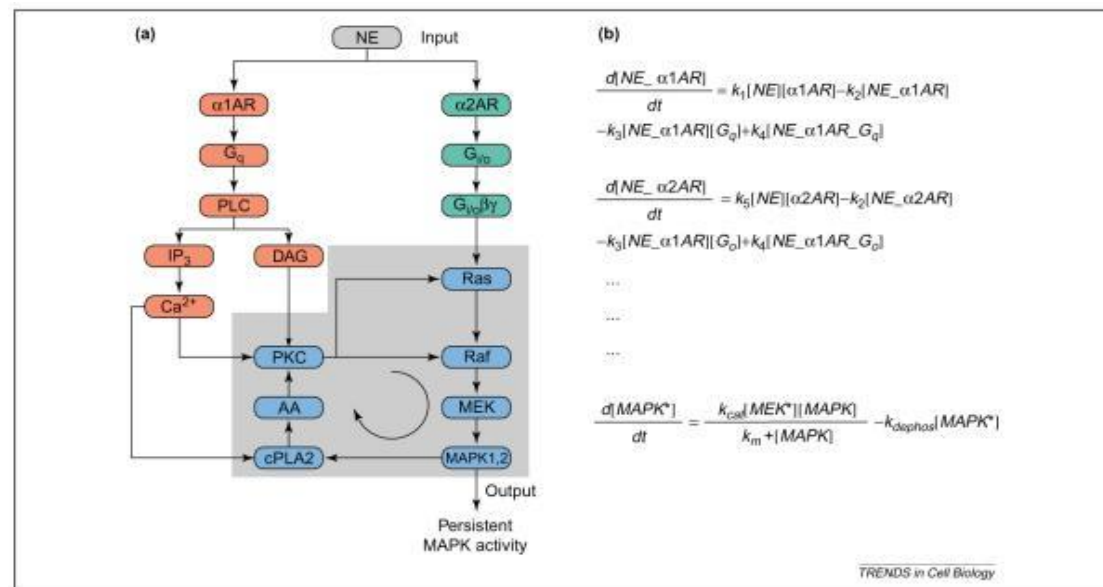
Relationship between ODE based modelling

ODE models causality by directly assuming the form of the regulation:

Reverse Engineering means to infer parameters and function. A lot of mechanistic knowledge needed as structure of the network is assumed to be known.

Ground truth for testing Bayesian Networks can be generated using known ODE systems

$$\dot{x}_i(t) = f_i(x_1, \dots, x_N, u, \theta_i)$$



Data sets (from Bansal et al. 2007)

ID	Cell/organism	Type	Samples	Genes	Reference	True network
A	HumanBcells	S	254	7907	(Basso <i>et al</i> , 2005)	Twenty-six Myc targets (Basso <i>et al</i> , 2005)
B	<i>S. cerevisiae</i>	S	300	6312	(Hughes <i>et al</i> , 2000)	Eight hundred and forty-four TF-gene interactions (Lee <i>et al</i> , 2002)
C	HumanBcells	S	254	23	(Basso <i>et al</i> , 2005)	11 Myc targets + 11 non-targets (Basso <i>et al</i> , 2005)
D	<i>S. cerevisiae</i>	S	300	90	(Hughes <i>et al</i> , 2000)	Subset of TF-gene interactions (Lee <i>et al</i> , 2002)
E	<i>E. coli</i>	S	9	9	(Gardner <i>et al</i> , 2003)	Nine-gene network (Gardner <i>et al</i> , 2003)
F	<i>E. coli</i>	T	6	9	gardnerlab.bu.edu	Nine-gene network (Gardner <i>et al</i> , 2003)

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Large scale statistical inference of signaling pathways from RNAi and microarray data

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Deterministic Effects Propagation Networks for reconstructing protein signaling networks from multiple interventions

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Dynamic deterministic effects propagation networks: learning signalling pathways from longitudinal protein array data

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ABSTRACT

Motivation: Network modelling in systems biology has become an important tool to study molecular interactions in cancer research, because understanding the interplay of proteins is necessary for developing novel drugs and therapies. *De novo* reconstruction of signalling pathways from data allows to unravel interactions between proteins and make qualitative statements on possible aberrations

Bayesian Networks (BN; Heckerman, 1996) have been frequently used to reconstruct gene regulatory networks from RNA expression experiments (Friedman *et al.*, 2000; Segal *et al.*, 2005) as well as causal protein–protein relationships for intensity data from protein quantification (Sachs *et al.*, 2005). The latter is an example where directed perturbations of several measured proteins were performed in order to resolve the structure of the underlying interactions.

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Fast and efficient dynamic nested effects models

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ABSTRACT

Motivation: Targeted interventions in combination with the measurement of secondary effects can be used to computationally reverse engineer features of upstream non-transcriptional signaling cascades. *Nested effect models* (NEMs) have been introduced as a statistical approach to estimate the upstream signal flow from downstream nested subsets of perturbative effects. The

change at gene *j*. Wagner (2001) uses such disruption networks as a starting point for a further graph-theoretic method, which removes indirect effects (Aho *et al.*, 1972), hence making the network more parsimonious. Tresch *et al.* (2007) and Klami *et al.* (2010) enhance this approach by additionally making use of edge probabilities and signs to make the network consistent with the observed biological effects.

Software for dNEM and dDEPN



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(Dynamic) Nested Effects Models and Deterministic Effects Propagation Networks to reconstruct phenotypic hierarchies

Bioconductor version: Development (3.4)

The package 'nem' allows to reconstruct features of pathways from the nested structure of perturbation effects. It takes as input (1.) a set of pathway components, which were perturbed, and (2.) phenotypic readout of these perturbations (e.g. gene expression, protein expression). The output is a directed graph representing the phenotypic hierarchy.

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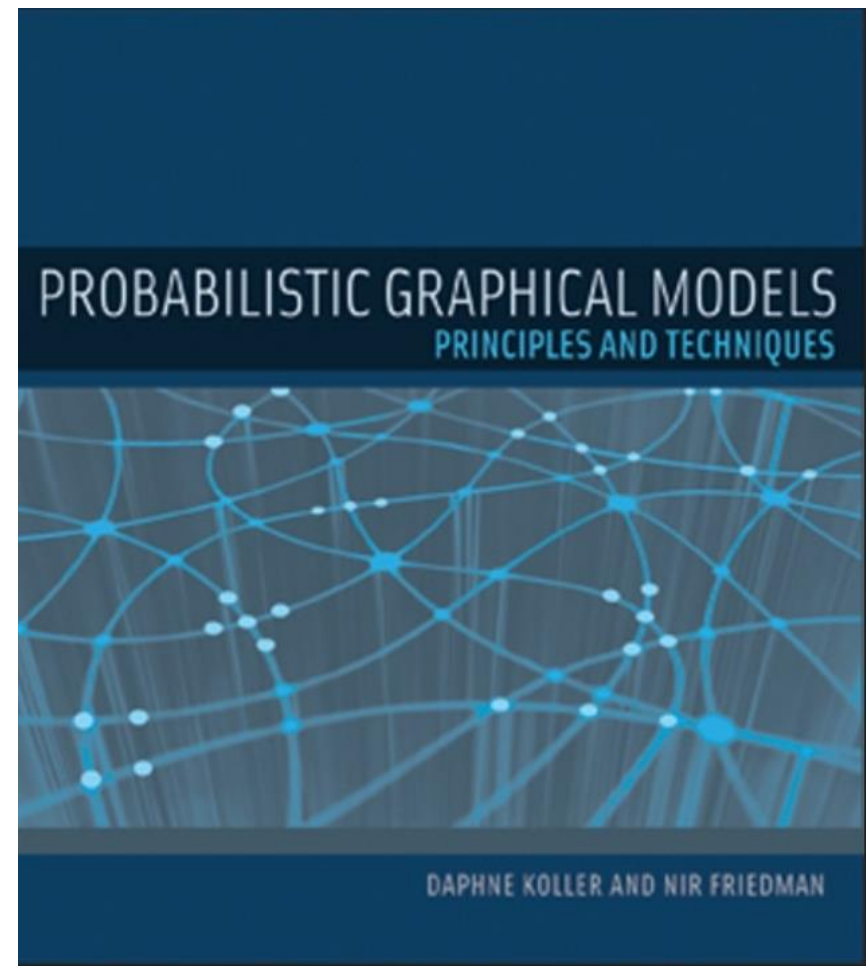
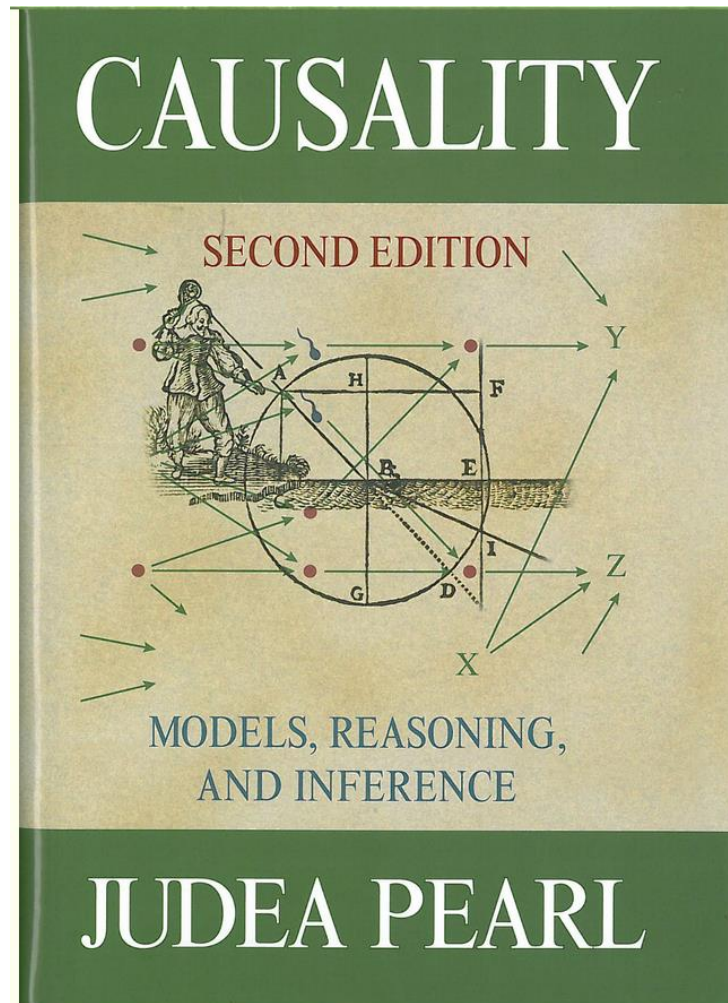
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Bayesian Networks in Machine Learning (Past and Future)

- Backbone of Probabilistic Machine Learning (since 90s)
- Most probabilistic algorithms in machine learning can be described in the language of Bayesian Networks
- Learning Bayesian networks (Belief networks) is one of the most important ML algorithms (along with Neural Networks and Gaussian Processes).
- Huge interest has led to seminal books written in this area.
- Deep Belief networks (*Hinton, G. (2009)*) extend Bayesian Networks towards Deep learning.

Bayesian Networks without tears



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