Please note that codes and reports of Q1 and Q3 were written together in Jupyter Notebooks. It is advised to view the reports for these two questions in the notebooks rather than this PDF. (except for Q3 part 1 which is on page 19)

bio-hw4-q1-new

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1 Intro to Bioinformatics

- 1.1 Homework Assignment 4
- 1.2 Question 1: Feedback, Robustness & Bifurcation
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1.4.1 Developed by Python 3.6

1.5 Finding the initial densities & defining the equations

I use *SymPy* to represent the density change rates in Python. First, I define the densities by using *symbols*.

```
In [2]: X, Y, Z = sp.symbols('X Y Z')
```

One by one, I find the initial densities. As the system is said to be stable at the start of the experiment, the density change rates should be zero. Also, alpha is 1.6 at the start.

```
In [3]: X0 = sp.solve(1 - 1.6 * X)
      x0 = X0[0]
      x0
```

```
Out[3]:
```

0.625

Y and Z equations have multiple real and complex solutions. I choose the real solutions as the initial densities.

As it can be seen above, there are multiple solutions for the equation. I only use the first one which is real. If there were two solutions that would be a case of bifurcation.

```
In [5]: Z0 = sp.solve(0.5 + ( Z**4 / (Z**4 + 1)) - 1.6 * Z)
    z0 = Z0[0]
    z0
Out[5]:
```

0.318897592409502

The protein density at each minute is computed by finding the density change in the previous minute and adding that change to the previous density. Below, I define the functions that compute the density change.

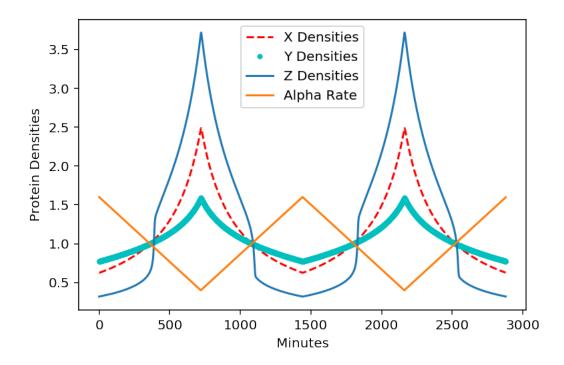
The value of alpha in every minute of the 48 hours is generated.

Now, for every minute the density of each protein is calculated. New values are found by adding the density change to the previous density.

But, this method produced bad results for Y densities, so I used SciPy's *fsolve* to actually setting the left side of Y's equation to zero and solving the equation each time.

Also if the density falls below zero in a time step, it is set to zero in the density lists.

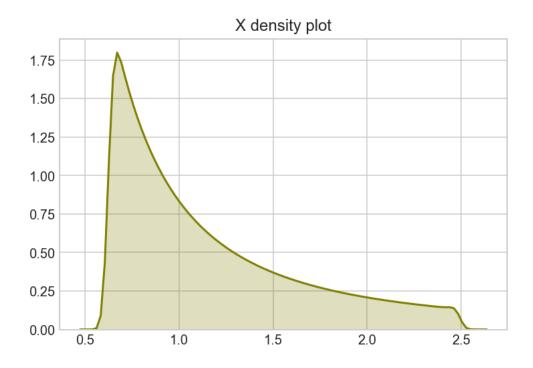
```
In [9]: %%time
        i = 1
        for alpha in alpha_48[:2880]:
            prev_x_density = x_densities[i-1]
            prev_y_density = y_densities[i-1]
            prev_z_density = z_densities[i-1]
            new_x_density = prev_x_density + dx(prev_x_density, alpha)
            new_y_density = scipy.optimize.fsolve(
                lambda y: 0.5 + 1 / (y**4 + 1) - alpha * y, float(prev_y_density))[0]
            new_z_density = prev_z_density + dz(prev_z_density, alpha)
            x_densities.append(new_x_density)
            y_densities.append(new_y_density)
            z_densities.append(new_z_density)
            i += 1
CPU times: user 2.48 s, sys: 28.5 ms, total: 2.51 s
Wall time: 2.5 s
In [10]: # The x values for the plots
         minutes = list(range(60*48))
In [11]: plt.plot(minutes, x_densities[:2880], 'r--', label='X Densities')
        plt.plot(minutes, y_densities[:2880], 'c.', label='Y Densities')
        plt.plot(minutes, z_densities[:2880], label='Z Densities')
         plt.plot(minutes, alpha_48[:2880], label='Alpha Rate')
         plt.xlabel('Minutes')
         plt.ylabel('Protein Densities')
         plt.legend(loc='upper center')
         plt.show()
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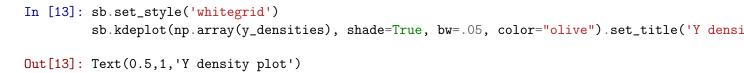


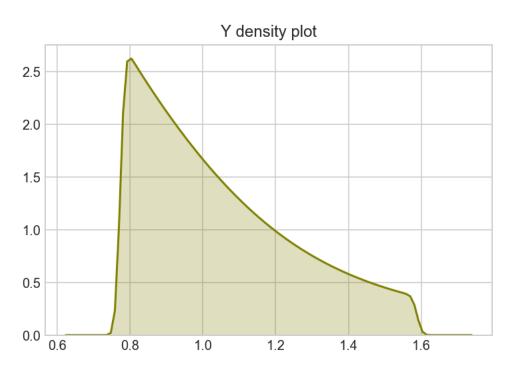
Each protein's density increases as alpha decreases and vice verca. Z has the highest variance in density while Y changes the least.

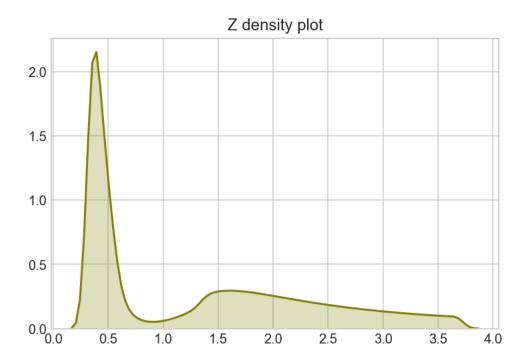
1.5.1 Drawing the density plots

In the previous step, the densities of each protein through the 48 hours are stored in different lists. Using these lists and *Seaborn's kdeplot*, the density plot for each protein is drawn.









Density plots of X and Y are quite similar. X's plot has a steeper slope in the beginning which decrease in higher densities, while Y's plot has a more consistent slope. We can argue that Y is more robust than X and Z.

Compared to other proteins, Z's densities are concentrated in a small range(between 0.2 and 0.7). Z also has the steepest slope among these 3 proteins.

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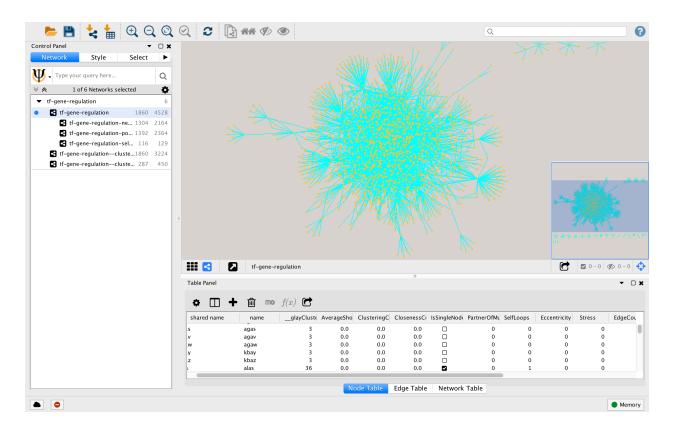
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Homework Assignment 4 - Question 2

After downloading the TF-Gene file from RegulonDB, I read the text file with python and split each line to different entries. Then, I saved the list of split lines in a Pandas dataframe.

Next, I cleaned up the data by setting names for each column, setting all gene and TF names to lowercase and removing entries whose Evidence-Type was null or Regulatory-Effect was ?.

At last, for each row whose Regulatory-Effect was +-, I duplicated that row and changed the Regulatory-Effects so for each such row there is two rows. One with + and the other with - for Regulatory-Effect. At last I saved the dataframe in an Excel file. Screen shots of the code is attached to the end of this document.



Then, I imported the clean data into Cytoscape, setting the Regulatory-Effect as the interaction type of each edge.

A) Using the NetworkAnalyzer, I found the following facts about the network

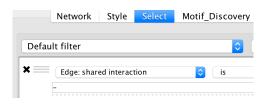
Number of Nodes: 1860 Number of Edges: 4528

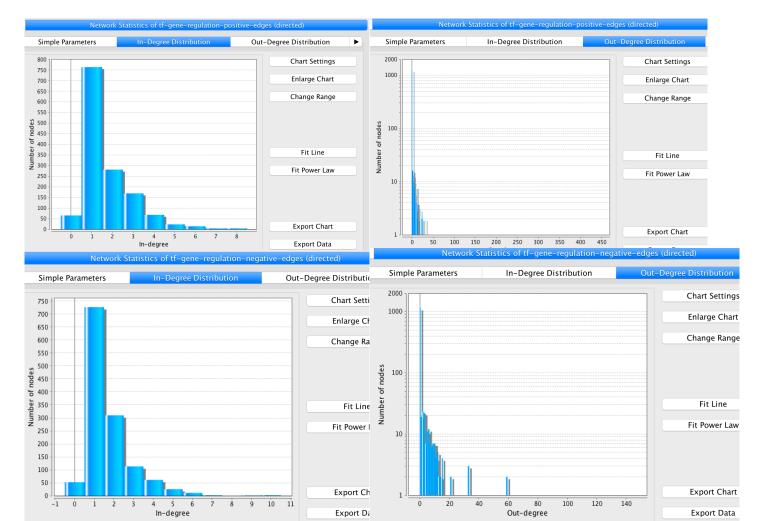
Clustering coefficient: 0.113
Connected components: 25
Network diameter: 10
Network radius: 1
Shortest paths: 19443 (0%)
Characteristic path length: 2.957
Avg. number of neighbors: 4.452

Number of nodes: 1860
Network density: 0.0
Isolated nodes: 1
Number of self-loops: 129
Multi-edge node pairs: 208
Analysis time (sec): 2.705

In-Degree & Out-Degree distributions for positive and negative edges:

I used Cytoscape's filtering ability to select negative and positive edges and create different networks for each edge type. Then, I ran the NetworkAnalyzer on each network to find the distributions. (Out-Degree Y axis is logarithmic)





B)

Negative Auto Regulatory are Nodes that are self-looping and their loop's edge type is - Positive Auto Regulatory are Nodes that are self-looping and their loop's edge type is + Feed Forward Loops are subgraphs which look like the picture below.



Feed-forward loop (FFL)

First, I selected self-looping nodes with the filer below made a new network from them.



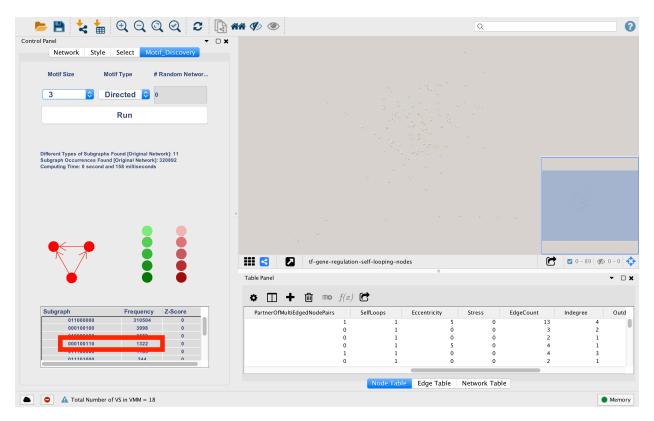
Then I deleted the non-looping edges from this network. I selected all edges whose shared interaction name was a string that contained the same gene name with a (+) or a (-) between them. I achieved this by using a regex pattern.



And now I had a network of self-looping nodes and their looping edges. Again I used the filters to find out how many of these looping edges were + or -.

PAR or + looping edge count: 40 NAR or - looping edge count: 89

In order to find the FFL subgraphs I installed the Motif-Discovery app on Cytoscape. I set the motif size to 3 and the motif type to Directed. after running the app I chose the motif which was of the feed forward loop type and clicked on it so it was drawn.



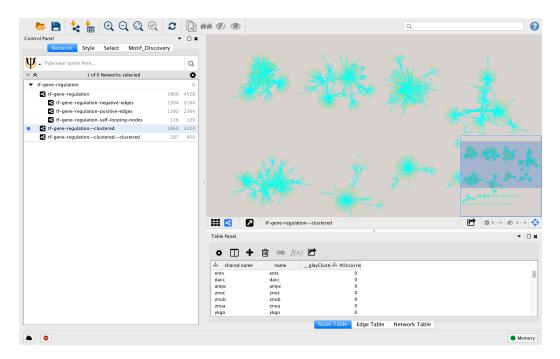
As it can be seen above, there were 1322 FFLs in the network.

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Number of Nodes in the second cluster: 287

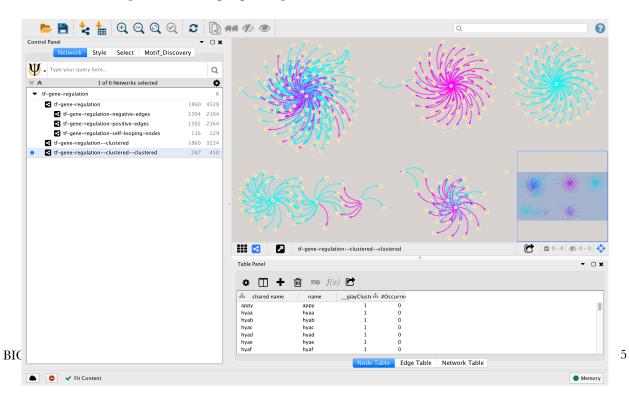
Number of Edges in the second cluster: 450

First Clustering:



Second Clustering:

Neon Blue edges are + and purple edges are -.



 \mathbf{D}

First, I exported the table of the second cluster to a CSV file. Then, I opened this file in Excel and copied all the gene names in it and pasted these names in DAVID. I chose the OFFICIAL-GENE_SYMBOL setting and submitted the list.

Then, DAVID showed a list of possible species from which I chose the first one.

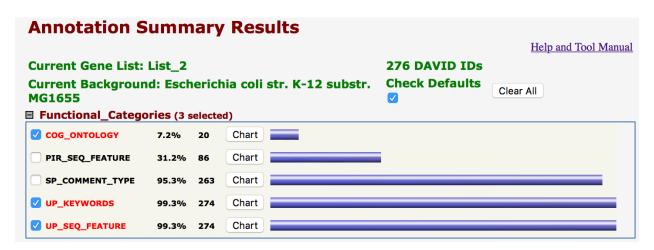


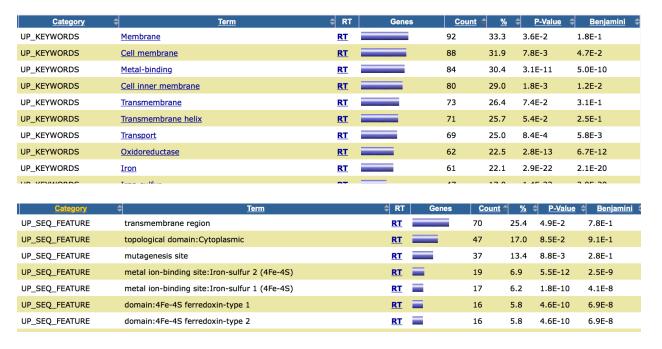
Select to limit annotations by or more species Help

- Use All Species Escherichia coli str. K-12 substr. N
Escherichia coli UMN026(270)
Escherichia coli IAI39(260)

Select Species

From the Functional Categories list, DAVID drew charts for UP_KEYWORDS and UP_SEQ_FEATURE. I sorted the charts by the number of genes to see what functional annotation most of the genes had.

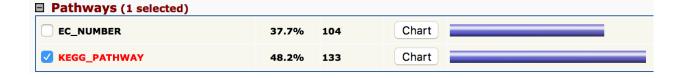


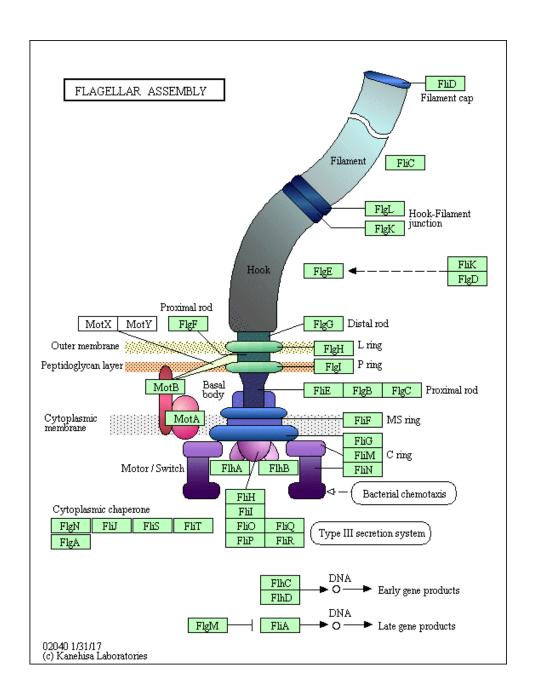


It can be seen that these genes affect the cell membrane, iron-binding proteins and in general how the cell transports metals like iron through the membrane.

As for the pathway lists, DAVID shows that these genes affect the two component system and the flagellar assembly which forms the flagellum organelle which helps E.coli bacteria to move around.







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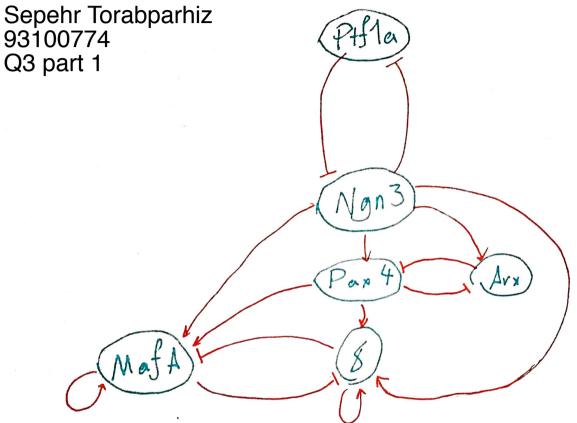
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```
In [1]: import pandas as pd
        import numpy as np
In [2]: tf_gene_pd = pd.read_pickle('tf-gene-dataframe.pickle')
In [3]: tf_gene_pd.head(5)
Out[3]:
          TF-Name Regulated-Gene Regulatory-Effect
                                                                             Evidence
        0
             AccB
                            accB
                                                                                   1
             AccB
                            accC
                                                                                   [BCE, BPP, GEA, HIBSCS]
        2
             AcrR
                            acrA
        3
             AcrR
                            acrB
                                                              [BCE, BPP, GEA, HIBSCS]
                                                     [AIBSCS, BCE, BPP, GEA, HIBSCS]
        4
             AcrR
                            acrR
          Evidence-Type
        0
                   null
        1
                   null
        2
                   Weak
        3
                   Weak
        4
                   Weak
In [4]: ev_col = tf_gene_pd['Evidence']
In [5]: new_col = [r.replace('[', '').replace(']', '') for r in ev_col]
In [6]: new_col[:5]
Out[6]: ['',
         'BCE, BPP, GEA, HIBSCS',
         'BCE, BPP, GEA, HIBSCS',
         'AIBSCS, BCE, BPP, GEA, HIBSCS']
In [7]: tf_gene_pd['Evidence'] = new_col
In [8]: tf_gene_pd.head(10)
```

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TF-Name Regulated-Gene Regulatory-Effect
                                                                            Evidence \
        0
             AccB
                             accB
        1
             AccB
                             accC
        2
                                                              BCE, BPP, GEA, HIBSCS
             AcrR
                             acrA
        3
             AcrR
                             acrB
                                                              BCE, BPP, GEA, HIBSCS
                                                      AIBSCS, BCE, BPP, GEA, HIBSCS
        4
             AcrR
                             acrR
        5
             AcrR
                             flhC
                                                                        GEA, HIBSCS
        6
             AcrR
                             flhD
                                                                         GEA, HIBSCS
        7
             AcrR
                                                                   BPP, GEA, HIBSCS
                             marA
        8
             AcrR
                             marB
                                                                   BPP, GEA, HIBSCS
        9
                                                                   BPP, GEA, HIBSCS
             AcrR
                             marR
          Evidence-Type
        0
                   null
        1
                   null
        2
                   Weak
        3
                   Weak
        4
                   Weak
        5
                   Weak
        6
                   Weak
        7
                 Strong
        8
                 Strong
        9
                 Strong
In [9]: tf_gene_pd.to_excel('tf-gene-cleaned.xlsx', sheet_name='tf-gene-regulation', index=False
In [10]: tf_gene_pd['TF-Name'] = tf_gene_pd['TF-Name'].str.lower()
         tf_gene_pd['Regulated-Gene'] = tf_gene_pd['Regulated-Gene'].str.lower()
In [11]: tf_gene_pd.to_excel('tf-gene-lowered-cleaned.xlsx', sheet_name='tf-gene-regulation', in
In [12]: np.unique(tf_gene_pd['Evidence-Type'])
Out[12]: array(['Strong', 'Weak', 'null'], dtype=object)
In [13]: np.unique(tf_gene_pd['Regulatory-Effect'])
Out[13]: array(['+', '+-', '-', '?'], dtype=object)
In [14]: # Remove ?s and nulls
         na_less = tf_gene_pd[tf_gene_pd['Regulatory-Effect'] != '?']
         na_less = na_less[na_less['Evidence-Type'] != 'null']
In [15]: na_less.head(10)
Out [15]:
            TF-Name Regulated-Gene Regulatory-Effect
                                                                              Evidence
         2
                                                                BCE, BPP, GEA, HIBSCS
               acrr
                               acra
         3
                                                                BCE, BPP, GEA, HIBSCS
               acrr
                               acrb
                                                        AIBSCS, BCE, BPP, GEA, HIBSCS
         4
               acrr
                               acrr
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5
                               flhc
                                                                          GEA, HIBSCS
               acrr
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         8
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         9
               acrr
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         10
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                               micf
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         11
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                               soxr
            Evidence-Type
         2
                     Weak
         3
                     Weak
         4
                     Weak
         5
                     Weak
         6
                     Weak
         7
                   Strong
         8
                   Strong
         9
                   Strong
         10
                     Weak
         11
                   Strong
In [16]: na_less.to_excel('tf-gene-nullCleaned-lowered-cleaned.xlsx', sheet_name='tf-gene-regula
In [17]: duals = na_less[na_less['Regulatory-Effect'] == '+-']
In [18]: len(na_less)
Out[18]: 4457
In [19]: cnt = 0
         lind = duals.index[-1]
         dd = pd.DataFrame(columns=list(duals.columns))
         news = []
         for ind, row in duals.iterrows():
             nr = pd.DataFrame(
                      [[row['TF-Name'], row['Regulated-Gene'], '-', row['Evidence'], row['Evidence
             dd = dd.append(nr)
             row['Regulatory-Effect'] = '+'
             cnt += 1
             lind += 1
         dual_fixed = pd.concat([duals, dd])
In [20]: df_full = pd.concat([na_less[na_less['Regulatory-Effect'] != '+-'], dual_fixed])
In [25]: df_full.to_excel('tf-gene-final.xlsx', sheet_name='tf-gene-regulation', index=False)
In [21]: np.unique(df_full['Regulatory-Effect'])
Out[21]: array(['+', '-'], dtype=object)
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In [24]: df_full.head(10)
Out [24]:
            TF-Name Regulated-Gene Regulatory-Effect
                                                                               Evidence
         2
                                                                  BCE, BPP, GEA, HIBSCS
                acrr
                                acra
         3
                acrr
                                acrb
                                                                  BCE, BPP, GEA, HIBSCS
         4
                                acrr
                                                         AIBSCS, BCE, BPP, GEA, HIBSCS
                acrr
         5
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                                                                            GEA, HIBSCS
                acrr
         6
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                                                                            GEA, HIBSCS
                acrr
         7
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                acrr
                               mara
         8
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                               marb
                acrr
         9
                acrr
                               marr
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         10
                acrr
                               micf
                                                                                  AIBSCS
         11
                                soxr
                                                                       BPP, GEA, HIBSCS
                acrr
            Evidence-Type
         2
                      Weak
         3
                      Weak
         4
                      Weak
         5
                      Weak
         6
                      Weak
         7
                    Strong
         8
                    Strong
         9
                    Strong
         10
                      Weak
         11
                    Strong
In [22]: pd.DataFrame(
                      [[row['TF-Name'], row['Regulated-Gene'], '-', row['Evidence'], row['Evidence']
Out [22]:
           TF-Name Regulated-Gene Regulatory-Effect
                                                                                   Evidence
         0
                                                        AIBSCS, BCE, BPP, GEA, HIBSCS, SM
               ompr
                              ompf
           Evidence-Type
         0
                     Weak
In [23]: nr
           TF-Name Regulated-Gene Regulatory-Effect
                                                                                   Evidence
         0
                                                        AIBSCS, BCE, BPP, GEA, HIBSCS, SM
               ompr
                              ompf
           Evidence-Type
         0
                     Weak
```



If Ngn3 wins Pax4/Arx and MafA/Delta switches have a chance to function, so Ngn3 is an activator for all of them. Same is true for Pax4 activating MafA and Delta.

For each switch, the gene pair inhibit one another as they compete.

And for MafA & delta, we can argue that they activate themselves to keep make the final cell type which the Beta or the Delta cell.

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- 1.1 Homework Assignment 4
- 1.2 Question 3: Hierarchical Attractors
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```
In [1]: import numpy as np
```

1.4.2 Computing Probabilites for each switch

Using NumPy's *random.uniform* method, a million random densities for each of the six genes are generated. Then, probabilities of genes winning a switch is computed using the functions written above. Finally, NumPy's *random.choice* is used to find the winner according to the probabilites which are computed. A 1 means that the switch goes toward the creation beta cells.

In the Beta/Delta and Beta switches, the probability of that switch going toward beta cell creation is multiplied by probability of ending up in that switch.

```
ngn3_win_probs = [
    endocrine_progenitor_prob(ngn3, ptf1a) for ngn3, ptf1a in zip(ptf1a_densities, n
endoc_prog_outcomes = [
    np.random.choice(
        [0, 1], p=[1-ngn3_win_prob, ngn3_win_prob]) for ngn3_win_prob in ngn3_win_pr
endoc_prog_prob = sum(endoc_prog_outcomes) / 1e6
print(f'Number of Ngn3 wins in a million samples without considering prior probabili
print(f'Probabilty of creation of a endocrine progenitor cell: {endoc_prog_prob}')
print('')
# Beta/Delta Progenitor Sampling
pax4_densities = np.random.uniform(low=0, high=1, size=10**6)
arx_densities = np.random.uniform(low=0, high=1, size=10**6)
pax4_win_probs = [
    beta_delta_progenitor_prob(pax4, arx) for pax4, arx in zip(
        pax4_densities, arx_densities)]
beta_delta_win_probs = [
    pax4_win_prob for pax4_win_prob in pax4_win_probs]
beta_delta_outcomes = [
    np.random.choice(
        [0, 1], p=[1-beta_delta_win_prob, beta_delta_win_prob]) for beta_delta_win_p
# the probabilty of Pax4 winning the switch is multiplied by
# the probabilty of endocrine progenitor winning the previous switch.
beta_delta_prob = sum(beta_delta_outcomes) / 1e6 * endoc_prog_prob
print(f'Number of Pax4 wins in a million samples without considering prior probabili
print(f'Probabilty of creation of a Beta/Delta progenitor cell: {beta_delta_prob}')
print('')
# Beta Cell Sampling
mafa_densities = np.random.uniform(low=0, high=1, size=10**6)
delta_densities = np.random.uniform(low=0, high=1, size=10**6)
mafa_win_probs = [
    beta_cells_prob(mafa, delta) for mafa, delta in zip(
        mafa_densities, delta_densities)]
beta_cell_win_probs = [
    mafa_win_prob for mafa_win_prob in mafa_win_probs]
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beta_cell_outcomes = [
    np.random.choice(
    [0, 1], p=[1-beta_cell_win_prob, beta_cell_win_prob]) for beta_cell_win_prob in

# the probabilty of Mafa winning the switch is multiplied

# by the probabilty of Ngn3 and Pax4 winning the previous switches.

beta_cell_prob = sum(beta_cell_outcomes) / 1e6 * beta_delta_prob

print(f'Number of Mafa wins in a million samples without considering prior probability print(f'Probabilty of creation of a Beta cell: {beta_cell_prob}')

print('')
```


Number of Ngn3 wins in a million samples without considering prior probabilites: 420 Probabilty of creation of a endocrine progenitor cell: 0.00042

Number of Pax4 wins in a million samples without considering prior probabilites: 3630 Probabilty of creation of a Beta/Delta progenitor cell: 1.5246e-06

Number of Mafa wins in a million samples without considering prior probabilites: 1284 Probabilty of creation of a Beta cell: 1.9575864e-09

CPU times: user 1min 28s, sys: 1.35 s, total: 1min 30s

Wall time: 1min 32s