

Potential biological significance of reachability results

I. Pairs of nodes

$$G = (V, E, w)$$

We rank the resulting pairwise reachability probabilities (s_i, t_i, p_i) in descending order and investigate the functional annotations of the top pairs.

II. Effects of perturbation

1. Changing edge probabilities

$$G_{\Delta} = (V, E, w_{\Delta}) \rightarrow \text{Vector of pairwise probabilities } R_{\Delta} = [p_{1\Delta}, \dots, p_{k\Delta}]$$

- We can investigate the changes to individual values of $(p_{i\Delta} - p_i)$
- We can investigate the change to the aggregate $r = \sum(p_{i\Delta} - p_i) / k$ for different values of Δ and different datasets

2. Changing network topology

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III. Effects of uncertainty on network features

3. Node betweenness/centrality

Redefine betweenness/centrality for a probabilistic network; investigate the correlation between its value and the corresponding value for deterministic network with same topology

4. Prominent nodes/interactions

Investigate the effect of node removal, edge removal and or changing individual edge weights on the output pairwise reachability probabilities.