Chat with scGNN in scRNAseq analysis

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Data Challenges in Single cell RNA-seq

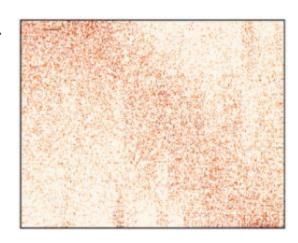
Big data challenge Containing up to millions of cells at a time

Complex differential patterns Highly heterogeneous Sequencing sparsity Facing high dropout issue and data noise

- **Dropouts:** the data only captures a small fraction of the transcriptome of each cell
- Possible explanation of dropout:
 - Technical error
 - None zero expression will be identified as 0 with a certain probability
 - Low resolution
 - True expression level lower than a resolution cannot be identified

Undercounting reads in scRNA-seq

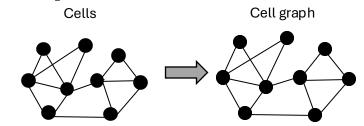


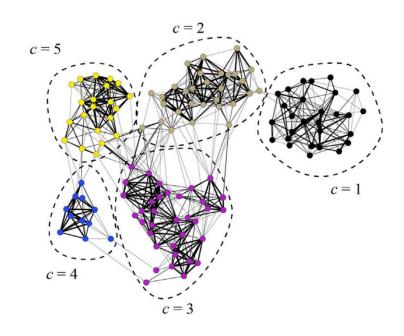


Qiu, Nature communications, (2020):11(1), 1-9.

Classical approach I: KNN graph

- K-Nearest-Neighbor(KNN) graph:
 - Nodes are individual single-cells
 - Edges are relations between cells
 - Each node finds its neighbors within the K shortest distances
 - Louvain clustering to find clusters
- Increase signal/noise ratio
- Adopted by: Seurat, Phenograph, MAGIC,
 ...
- May over-simplify the complex cell and gene relationships of the global cell population.

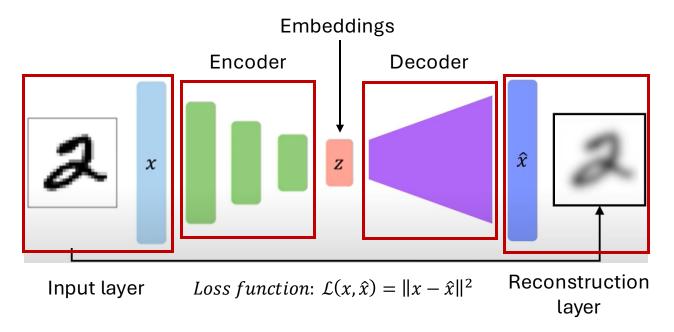


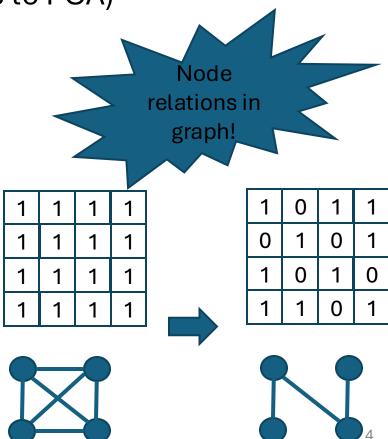


Levine, et al., Cell, (2015), 162(1), pp.184-197.

Classical approach II: Autoencoder

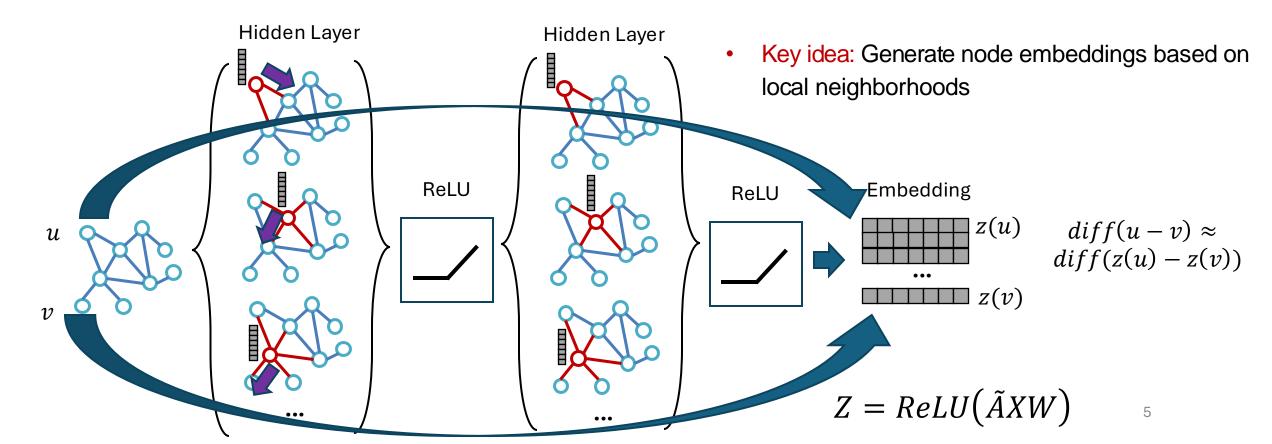
- Unsupervised framework for learning lower-dimensional features in deep learning.
 - Non-linear dimensional reduction (Alternative to PCA)
 - Data denoising and missing value recovery
- SAUCIE/DeepImpute/DCA



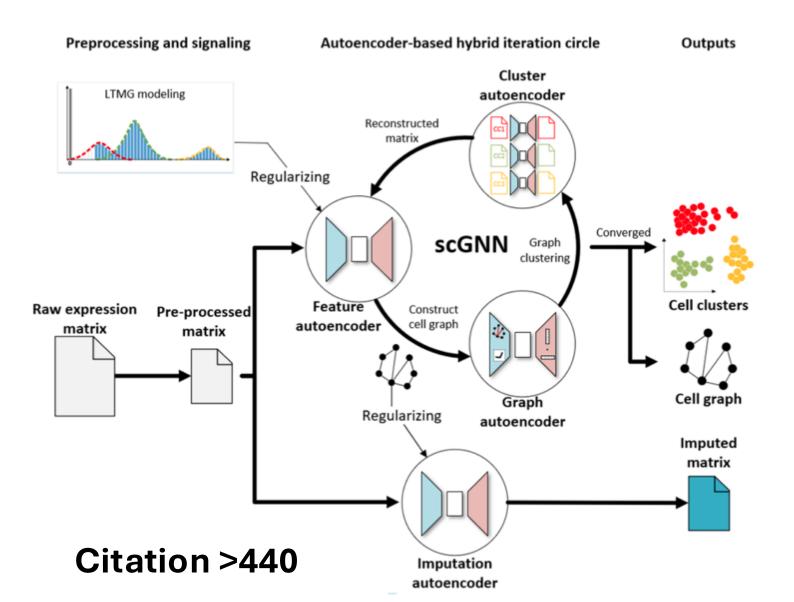


Learn representation in a graph using GNN

 Graph Neural Networks (GNN) learns a task-independent representation of a graph by deconvoluting node relationships through neighbor information propagation in a deep learning architecture.



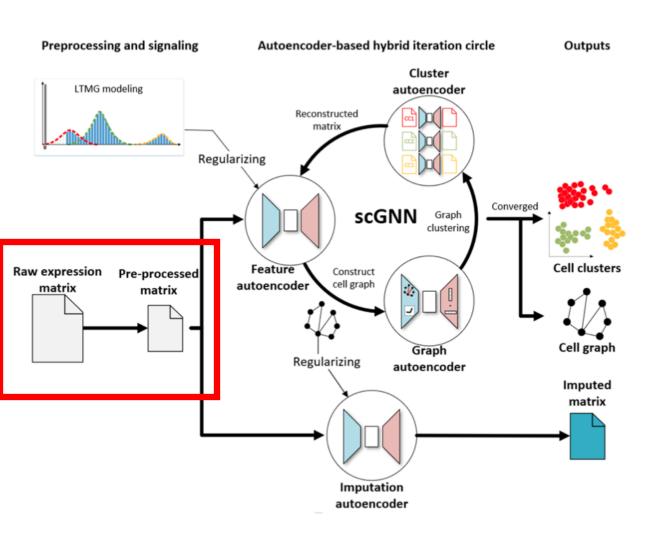
scGNN (single cell Graph Neural Networks)



- First GNN model on single cells
- Simultaneous cell clustering and gene imputation
- Unsupervised multi-model deep learning framework
- Graph neural network + stacks of autoencoders
- Iterative build the cell graphs

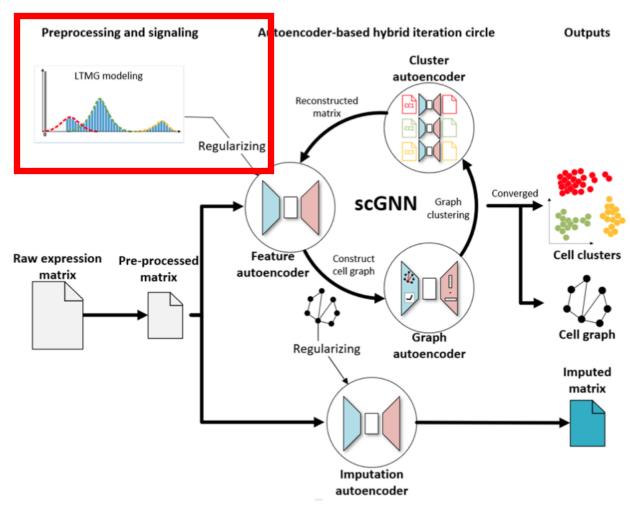
Juexin Wang*, Anjun Ma*, Yuzhou Chang, Jianting Gong, Yuexu Jiang, Ren Qi, Cankun Wang, Hongjun Fu, Qin Ma, and Dong Xu. "scGNN is a novel graph neural network framework for single-cell RNA-Seq analyses." *Nature communications* 12, no. 1 (2021): 1-11.

Preprocessing



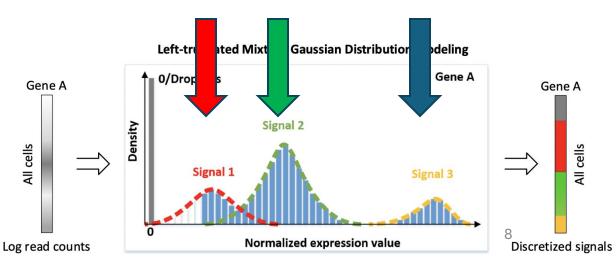
- scRNA-Seq gene expression profile as the input.
- Only genes expressed as nonzero in more than 1% of cells, and cells expressed as nonzero in more than 1% of genes are kept.
- Top 2,000 variant genes are used.
- All the data are log-transformed.

Integrating regulatory signals through LTMG

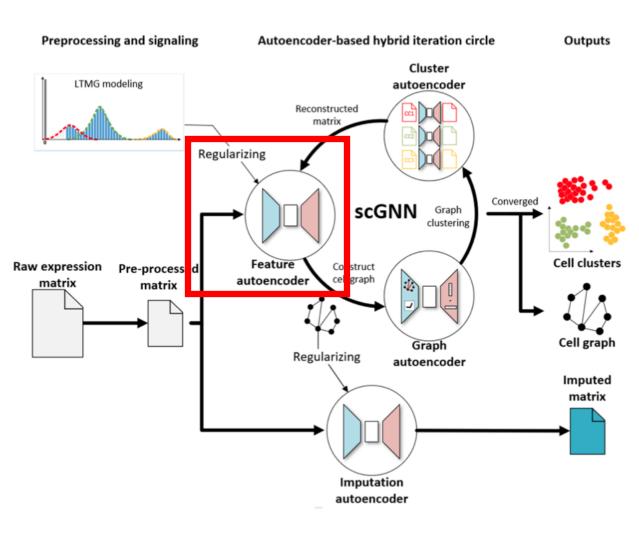


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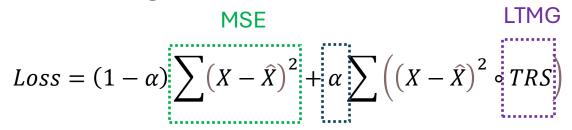
- Left Truncation Mixed Gaussian model is used to explore the regulatory signals from single cell gene expression.
- TRS ∈ [1,2,3...]
- Regularizer: penalize genes/cells with different roles.



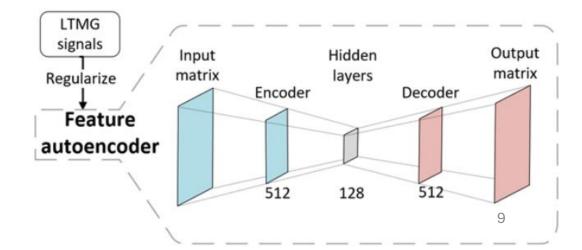
Feature autoencoder



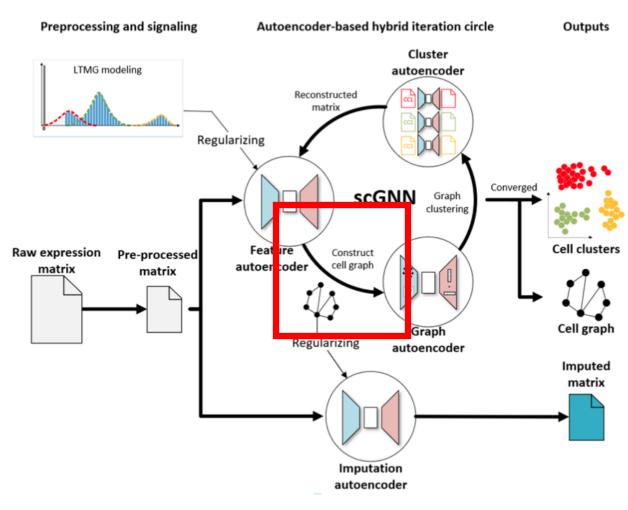
 The objective is to achieve a maximum similarity between the original and reconstructed expression through minimizing the loss function:



controls the strength of gene regulation regularization; $\alpha \in [0,1]$.

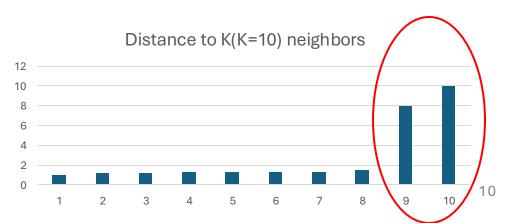


Construct cell graph and pruning

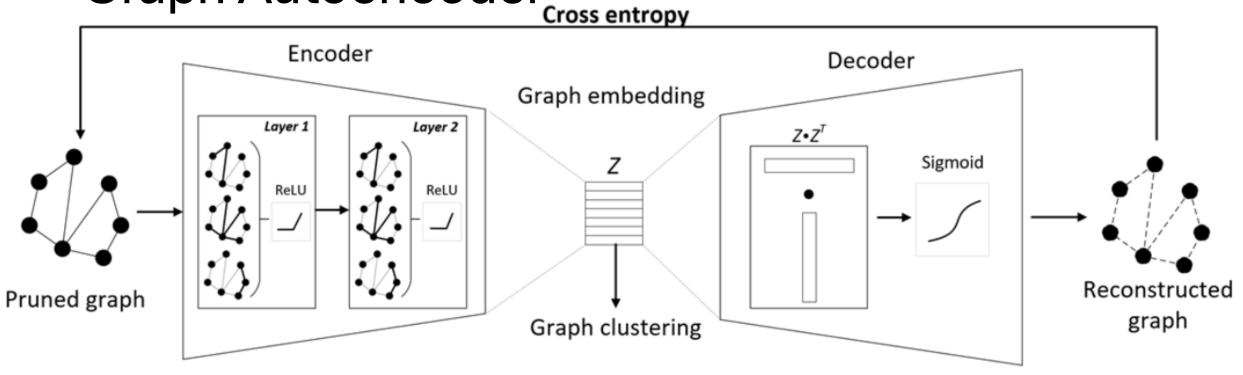


Cell graph formulates cell-cell relations

- The cell graph is built from a KNN graph by Euclidean distance
- Pruning process selects an adaptive number of neighbors for each node.
- Isolation Forest builds individual random forest to check distances from the node to all K neighbors and only disconnects the outliners.



Graph Autoencoder



Encode cell relationship into vectors

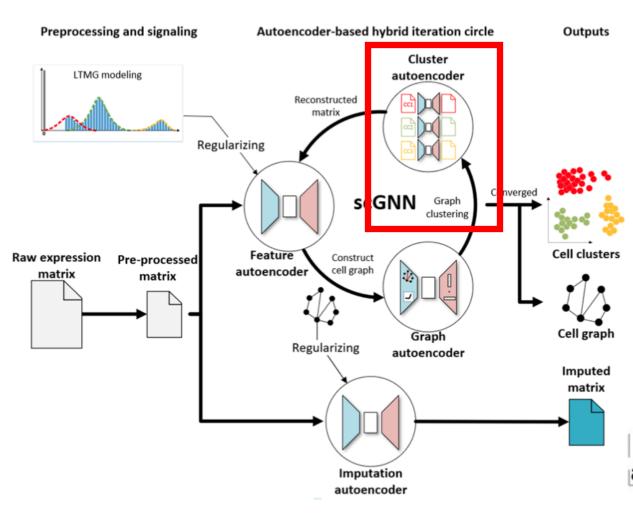
Classical Autoencoder: Node feature X

Graph Autoencoder: Topology A

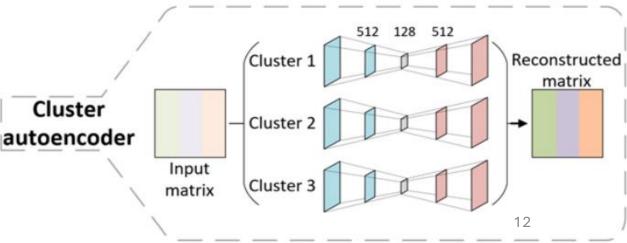
Goal: Minimize cross-entropy L between input adjacency matrix A and reconstructed matrix \hat{A} :

$$L(A, \hat{A}) = -\frac{1}{N \times N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j=1}^{N} (a_{ij} * log(\hat{a}_{ij}) + (1 - a_{ij}) * log(1 - \hat{a}_{ij}))$$

Clustering and Clustering autoencoder

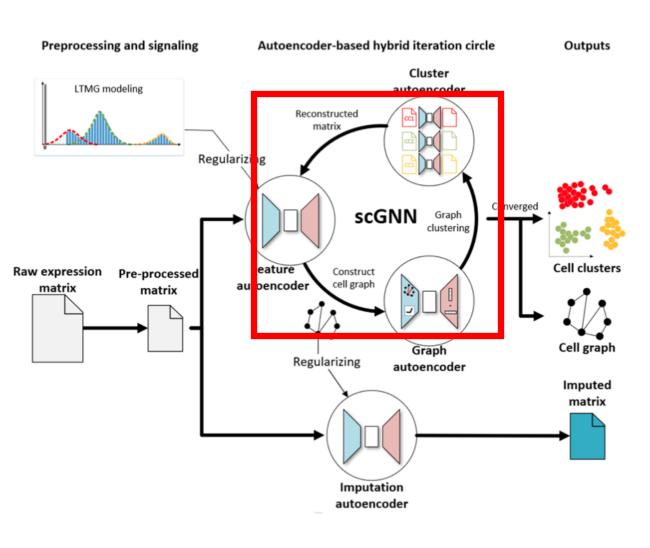


- Louvain determines cluster number K, use Kmeans clustering on graph autoencoder embedding.
- Cluster autoencoder treats different cell types specifically and regenerates expression in the same cell cluster.
- Leverages the inferences between global and cell-type-specific representation learning.



Build cell-type specific embedding

Iterative process

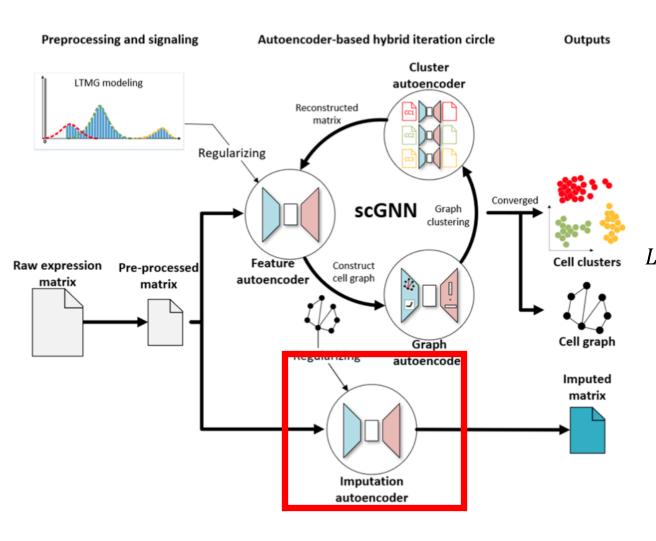


Iterative process can be defined as:

$$\tilde{A} = \lambda L_0 + (1 - \lambda) \frac{A_{ij}}{\sum_j A_{ij}}$$

- L_0 : normalized adjacency matrix of the initial pruned graph
- λ : control the converging speed.
- Stop if the adjacency matrix converges or the inferred cell types are similar enough

Imputation by imputation autoencoder



 Imputation autoencoder imputes and denoises the raw expression matrix within the inferred cellcell relationship.

Same as feature autoencoder

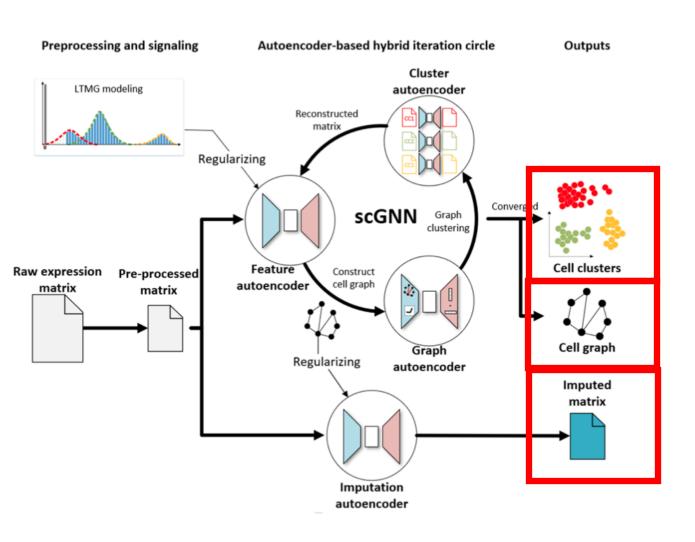
$$Loss = (1 - \alpha) \sum (X - \hat{X})^2 + \alpha \sum \left((X - \hat{X})^2 \circ TRS \right)$$

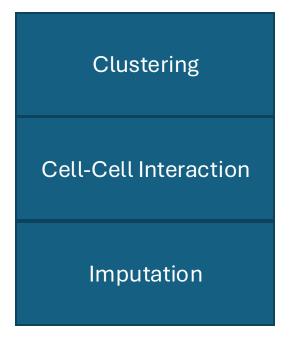
$$+\beta \sum |w| \qquad \text{L1 term to reduce non-zeros}$$

$$+\gamma_1 \sum \left(A \cdot (X - \hat{X})^2 \right) \text{ Cell graph regularizer}$$

$$+\gamma_2 \sum \left(B \cdot (X - \hat{X})^2 \right) \text{ Cell type regularizer}$$

Outputs of scGNN

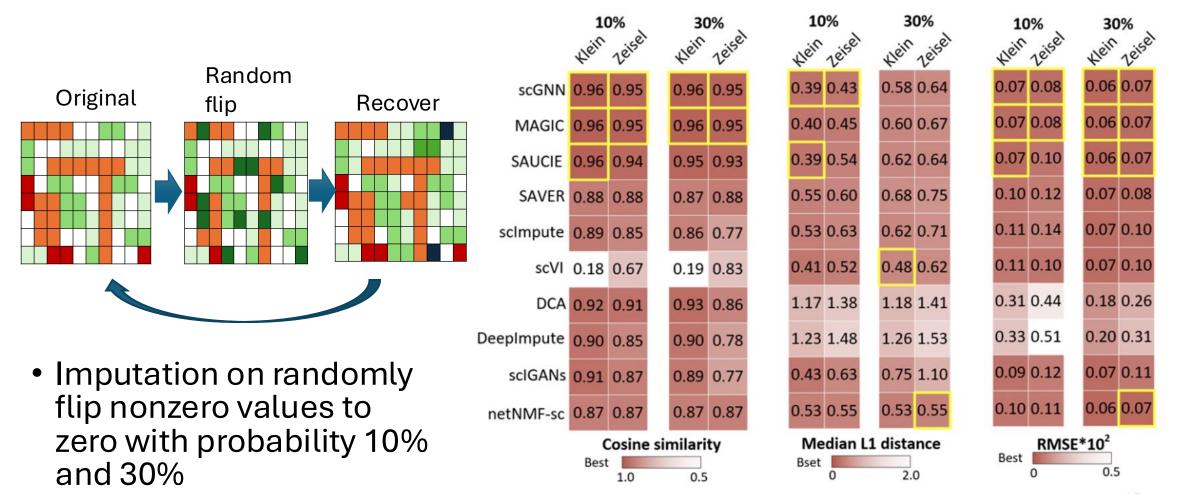




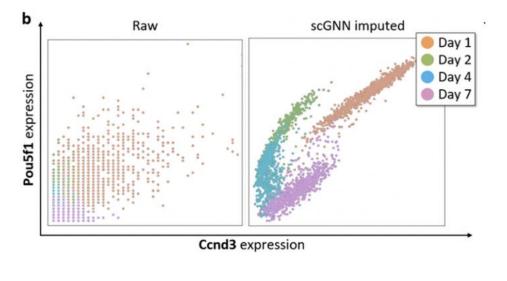
Datasets and tools for comparison

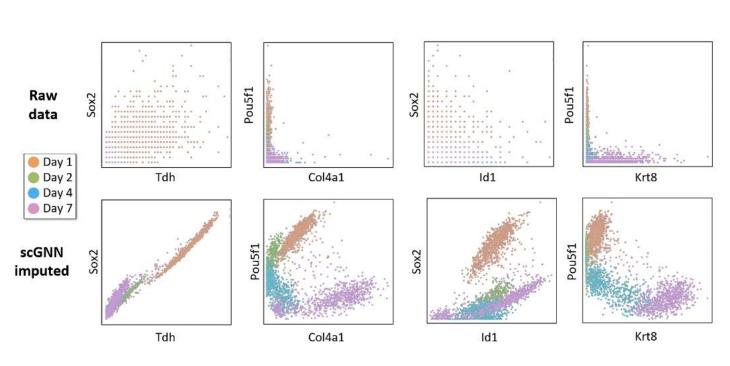
Datasets used in paper				
Dataset	# of genes	# of cells	# clusters	Cell Source
Klein's	24,175	2,717	4	Human Embryo
Zeisel's	19,972	3,005	9	Mouse cortex
Chung	57,915	317	4	Human breast cancer
Kolodziejczy	38,653	704	3	Mouse Embryo
AD data	-	13,214	8	GSE138852
Tools for performance comparison				
	Tool name	Version	Implementation	Parameters
Imputation tools	MAGIC	2.0	R & Python	
	SAUCIE	-	Python	
	SAVER	1.1.2	R	
	scImpute	0.0.9	R	
	scVI	0.6.5	Python	
	DCA	-	Python	
	DeepImpute	1.1	Python	Default
	scIGANs	-	Python	
	netNMF-sc	-	Python	
Clustering tools	Seurat	3.1	R	
	CIDR	0.1.5	R & C++	
	Monocle	3.0	R	
	RaceID	-	R	

scGNN get better performances in imputation on synthetic dropout effects

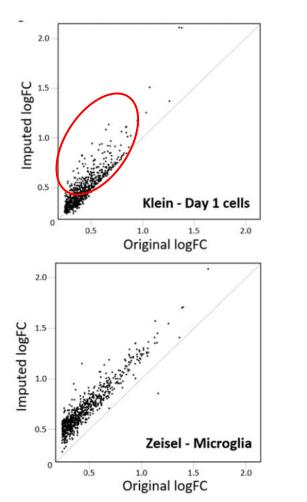


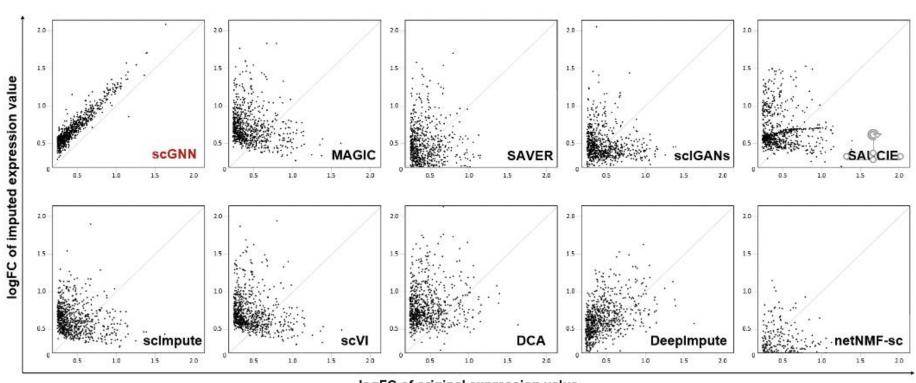
scGNN can recover the underlying gene-gene relationships missed in the raw expression data due to the sparsity of scRNA-Seq





scGNN amplifies differentially expressed genes (DEGs) signals with a higher fold change than the original

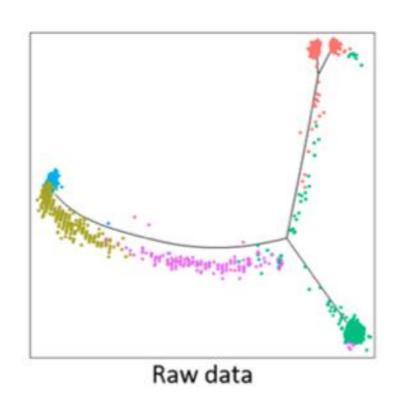


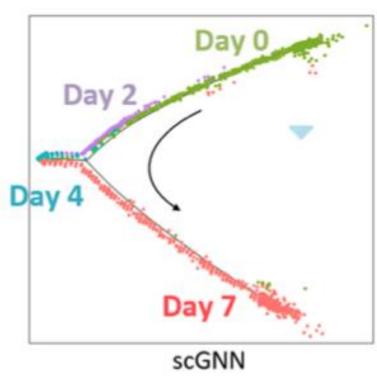


logFC of original expression value

Others showed weaker coefficients and signals in some of the genes were decreased, indicating potential imputation bias in these tools

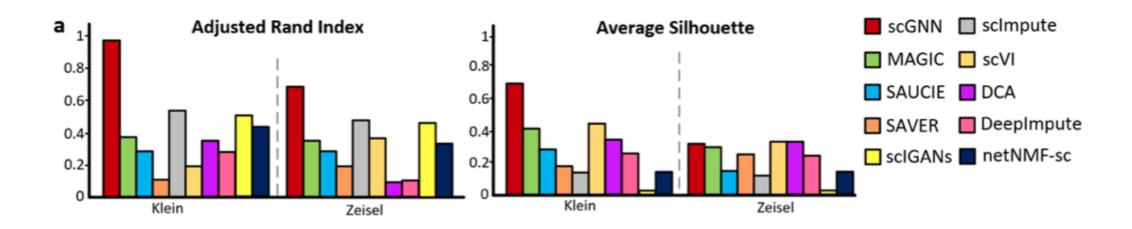
scGNN recovered a complex structure that was not well represented by the raw data





- Heterogeneity along with embryonic stem cell development in Zeisel data
- After imputation, scGNN shows a well-aligned trajectory path of cell development from Day 0 to Day 7
- Trajectory inferred with monocle

scGNN has better clustering performances than other methods

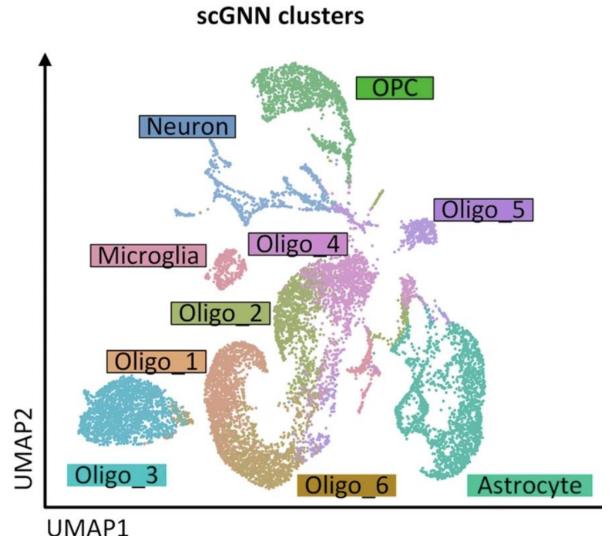


Imputation can help handling data heterogeneity by clustering

Case study: scGNN identified cell types in Alzheimer's Disease (AD)

• GSE138852 containing 13,214 single nuclei collected from six AD and six control brains

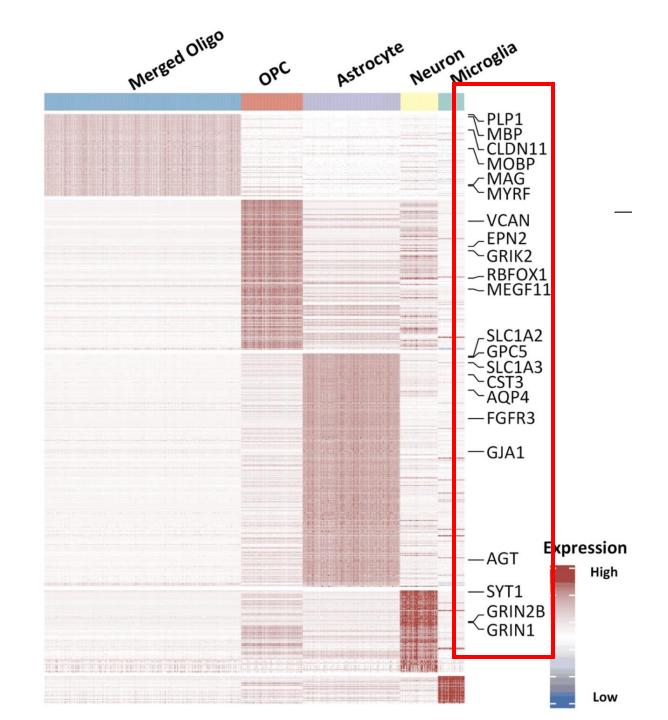
 Identified: microglia, neurons, oligodendrocyte progenitor cells (OPCs), astrocytes, and six sub-clusters of oligodendrocytes.



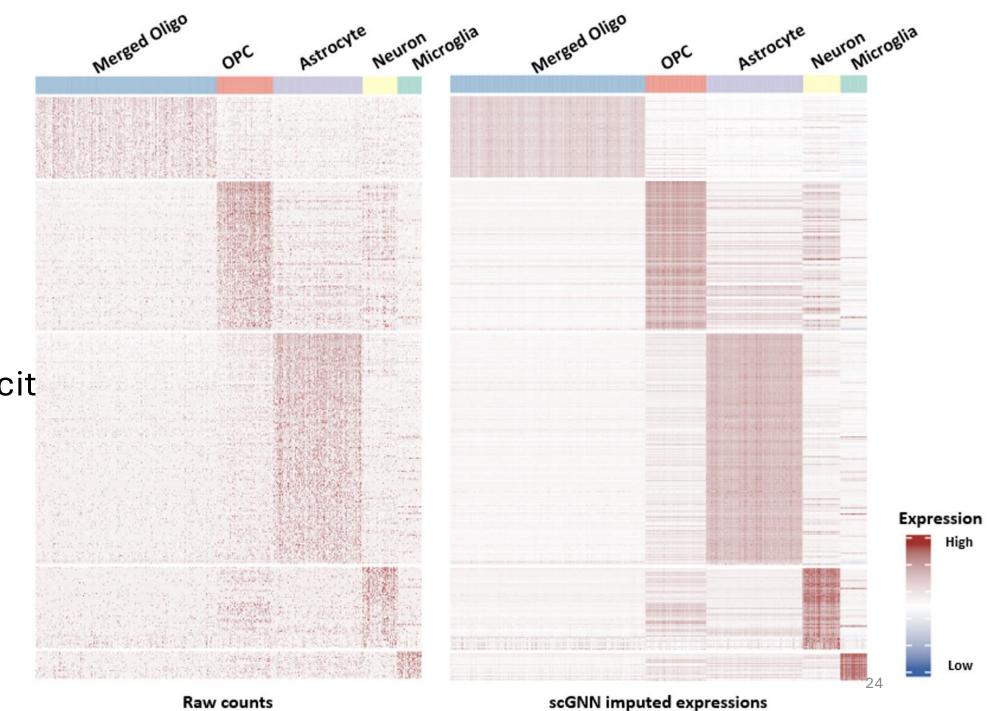
Grubman, Nature neuroscience 22.12 (2019): 2087-2097.

scGNN identifies celltype-specific markers

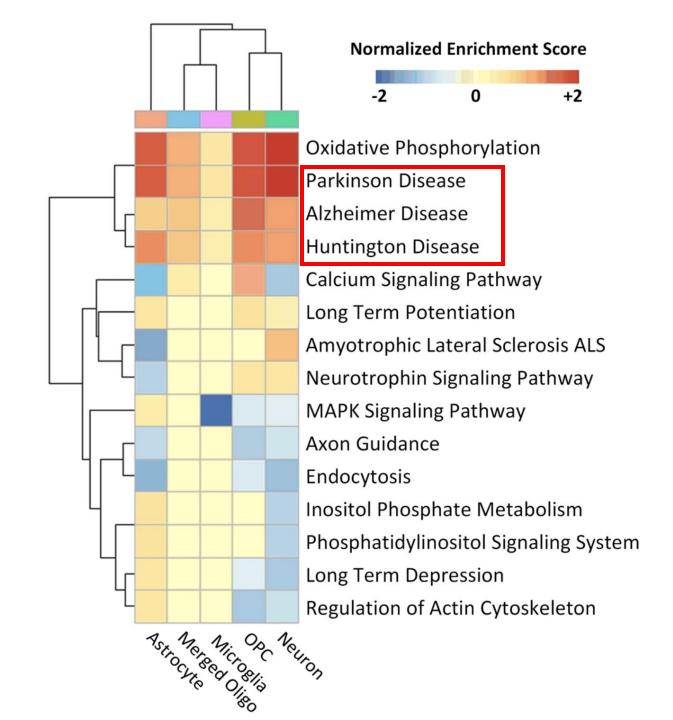
 We confirmed 22 genes as cell-type-specific markers for astrocytes, OPCs, oligodendrocytes, and neurons.



 scGNN can significantly increase true signals in the raw dataset, DEG patterns are more explicit

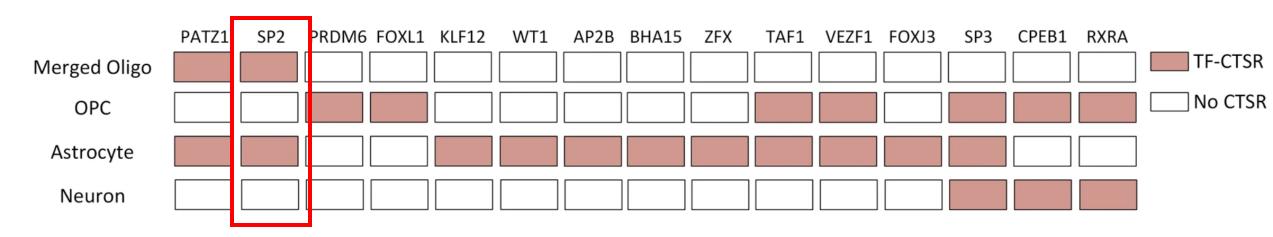


 A biological pathway enrichment analysis shows several highly positive enrichments in AD cells compared to control cells among all five cell types.



Underlying TFs are responsible for the celltype-specific gene regulations

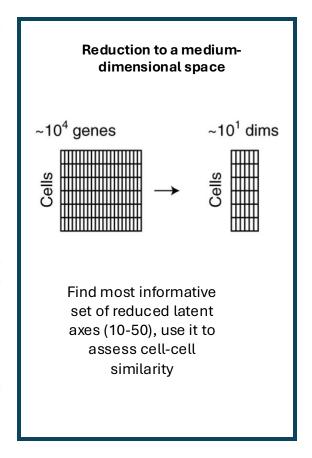
- Identified 21 cell-type-specific regulons (CTSR) in five cell types using IRIS3*.
- SP2 regulates ABCA7 gene
- SP2 CTSR in astrocytes regulate marker genes *APOE*, *AQP4*, *SLC1A2*, *GJA1*, and *FGFR3*.

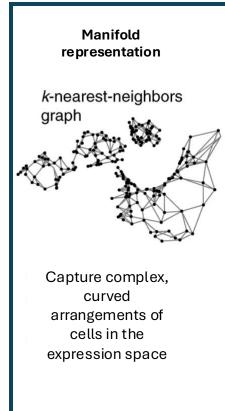


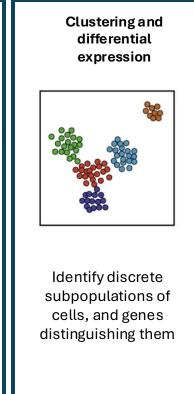
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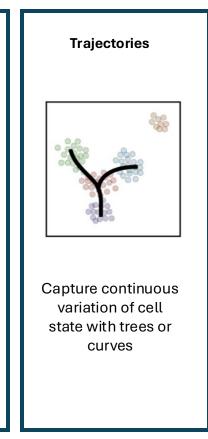
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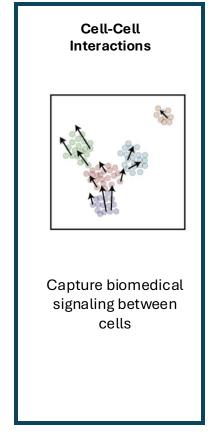
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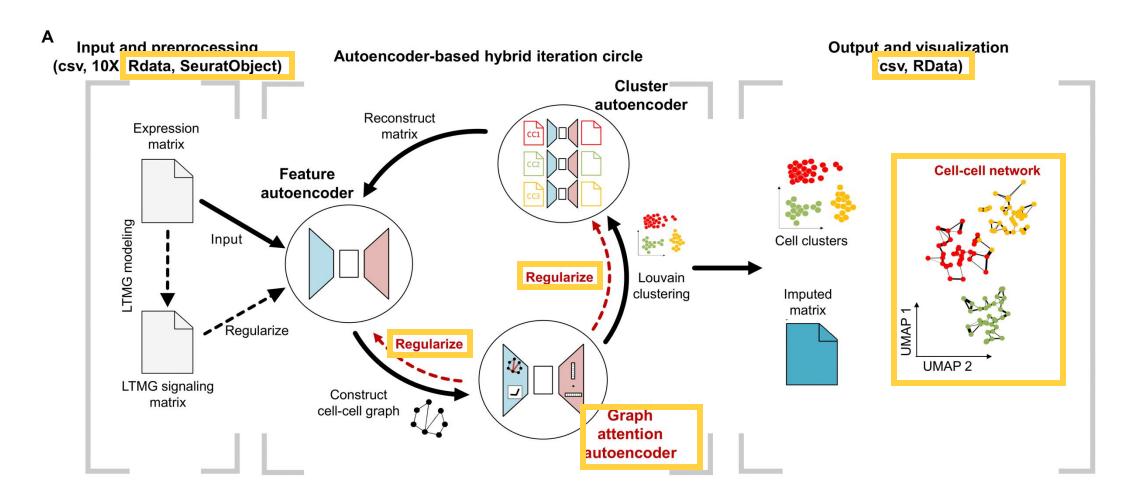
Feature Autoencoder Regularized by LTMG

Graph Autoencoder

Clustering Autoencoder & **Iterative process** & Imputation

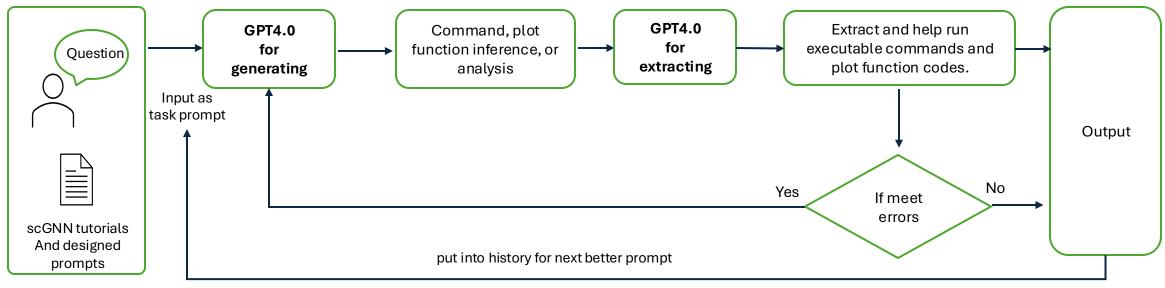
Imputation Cell Graph

scGNN 2.0



Gu H, Cheng H, Ma A, Li Y, **Wang J**, Xu D, Ma Q. scGNN 2.0: a graph neural network tool for imputation and clustering of single-cell RNA-Seq data. Bioinformatics. 2022 Oct 17.

scGNN + (Chat with scGNN) Combine ChatGPT with scGNN 2.0



- Use two GPTs, one is to **generate** commands, plot function codes, and provide analysis, the other one is to **extract** executable commands or plot function codes with a comprehensive prompt.
- The prompt list of every output is saved as chat history, which is used in the context of chat.
- The final output without running errors doesn't represent the question asked by the user is well-answered.

GPTs + Tutorial prompt + Auto-executing = Chat with scGNN!
https://bmblx.bmi.osumc.edu/scgnn3



Prompt engineering techniques

Tutorial is one of prompt

 We refine the scGNN tutorial and input it before users' questions

For running errors of scGNN and generating code

 We collect errors into chat history and provide correct running cases

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Prompt:
You are a data scientist working on a project. You need to communicate with the AI assistant to complete the project.

The user have these files:
{file_name_list}

The location folder of files is './data/{job_id}/

The user may have these tasks: (1) generate scGNN command, (2) generate plot function codes, (3) provide the analysis of output data When you run scGNN you can set the output file folder into './results/task_output/'

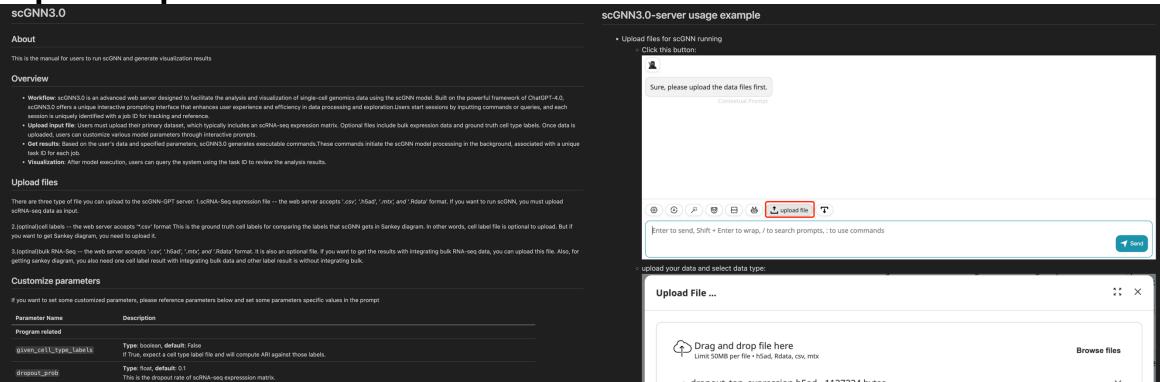
The scGNN package is in ./scGNN
If you want to run scGNN, you need first get into this folder:

cd ./scGNN

And then run the scGNN command as following tutorial.

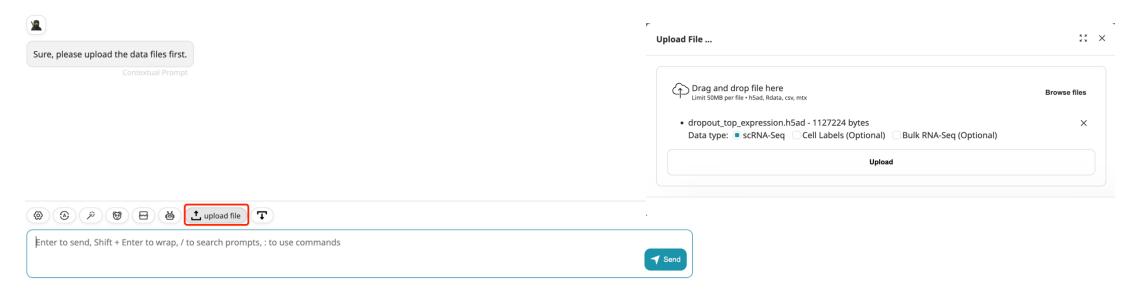
Here are some context about the scGNN tutorial:
{tutorial_context}
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Refine the scGNN tutorial and added it as a prompt



- The tutorial includes the whole pipeline of scGNN3.0 and details for functions in scGNN3.0
 - It can provide enough information for GPT-based workflow to generate commands and codes.
 - The users of scGNN can use this to provide more accurate questions.
- Also, the tutorial provides the guide of scGNN3.0-server.

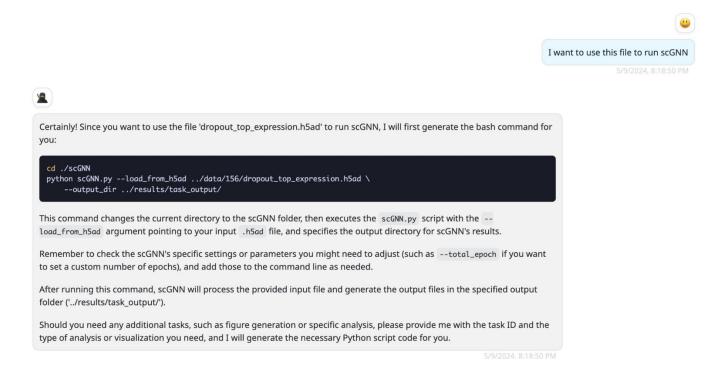
1. upload your data



2. When your data is ready, the chat robot will guide you to provide some order

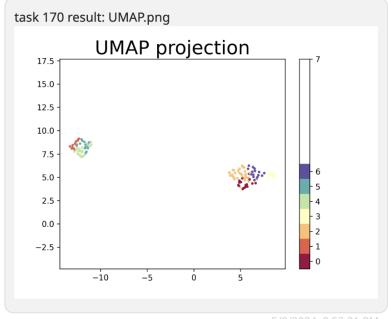


3. you can run scGNN by using this uploaded data



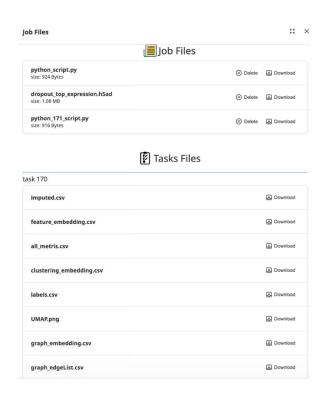
4. When the task results are ready, the UMAP figure will be provided automatically



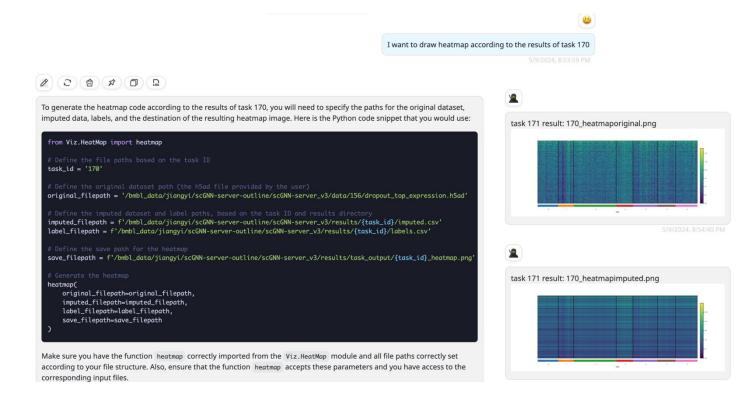


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5. Now, you can download the result data of scGNN output



6. The results are ready, you probably want to see some analysis figure: Ask the chat robot to draw a Heatmap figure by using the output of scGNN



7. When figures are ready, they will be provided automatically

8. You can also define customized colors

I want to draw heatmap according to the results of task 170 with a red-white colormap

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To generate the Python script for plotting a heatmap with a red-white colormap based on the results of task 170, we need to provide the file paths for the original expression dataset, the imputed dataset, the labels, and the save path for the heatmap image along with specifying the colormap. Below is the Python script that you can use:

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from Viz.HeatMap import heatmap

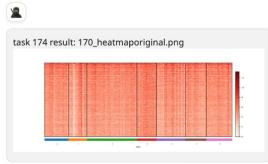
# File paths for task 170
task_id = 170
data_folder = '/bmbl_data/jiangyi/scGNN-server-outline/scGNN-server_v3/data/156'
results_folder = f'/bmbl_data/jiangyi/scGNN-server-outline/scGNN-server_v3/results/{task_id}'
output_folder = '/bmbl_data/jiangyi/scGNN-server-outline/scGNN-server_v3/results/task_output'

# File paths for heatmap function
original_filepath = f'{data_folder}/dropout_top_expression.h5ad'
imputed_filepath = f'{results_folder}/imputed.csv'
label_filepath = f'{results_folder}/labels.csv'
save_filepath = f'{output_folder}/heatmap.png'

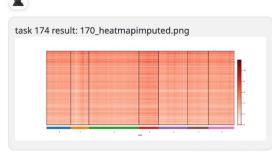
# Colormap for heatmap
colormap = 'RdWh'  # red-white colormap

# Generate heatmap
heatmap(original_filepath, imputed_filepath, label_filepath, save_filepath, colormap)
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You would need to ensure that the Viz.HeatMap module and heatmap function are in the correct path and importable. Additionally, please replace the task_id with the actual task ID if it's different from 170, and ensure all file paths match the actual locations and structure of your directory.



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