dyno: Inferring, Visualizing and Interpreting trajectories

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by dyno is a **toolkit** for inferring, visualizing and interpreting **trajectory inference methods** in R http

http://dyno.dynverse.org



Selecting the most optimal method(s)

Choice of method depends on the:

Examples:

Expectations about the topology

Available computing resources

Relative importance to particular trajectory aspects

Number of cells and features

Prior information (such as start cells)

Our app gives recommendations based on these criteria

Install locally in R: devtools::install_github("dynverse/dynguidelines")

Or go to: http://guidelines.dynverse.org

These recommendations use the results from our **benchmark**:

Poster 1033 http://benchmark.dynverse.org Published soon!



Inferring trajectories

- > 71 tools for trajectory inference
 - ...and counting
 - ...each with their own interface...
- We developed a common input and output interface for 55 methods
- Each method can be run with one line
 infer_trajectory(dataset, "my_favorite_ti_method")
- Next methods can be included through

http://methods.dynverse.org

Input - Raw counts - Normalised counts - RNA velocity (soon!) - Default parameters - Start cell(s) - End cell(s) - Cell groups Trajectory inference TI method

- Timecourse

- # of end states

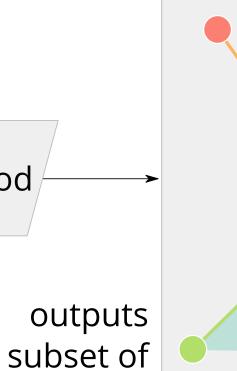
- # of branches

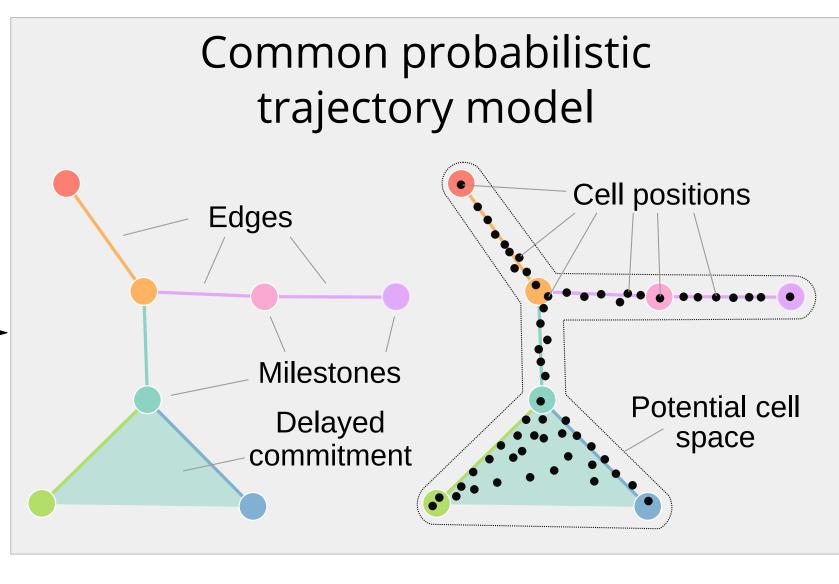
- Marker genes

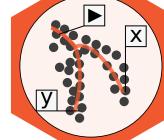
required or

information

optional prior







Annotating the trajectory

- Include additional information on top of the trajectory to make it **interpretable**
- Rooting based on markers (or manually)
- (soon!) Directionality of edges based on RNA velocity
- Labelling milestones based on markers (or manually)
- We welcome additional ideas about common operations

Detecting differential expression Various expression patterns can be detected Overall Branch Branch point



Visualizing the trajectory

Visualize a trajectory in multiple ways

