

Supervised Gene Network Inference



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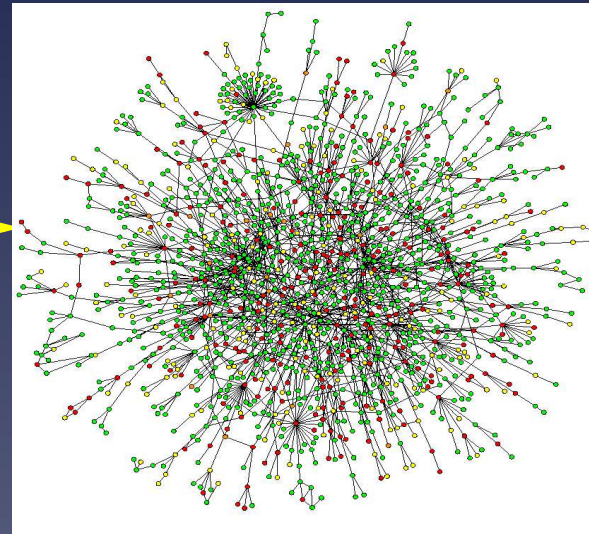
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Motivations: systems biology



- Gene expression
- Sequence
- Protein structure
- Protein localization, etc...

- Regulatory network
- Signaling pathways
- Metabolic pathways
- Interaction network, etc...

Outline

- A direct approach to network inference
- Supervised network inference
- Extraction of pathway activity
- Learning from several heterogeneous data

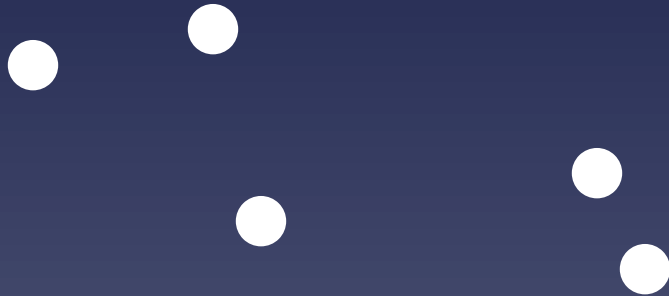
Part 1

A direct approach to network
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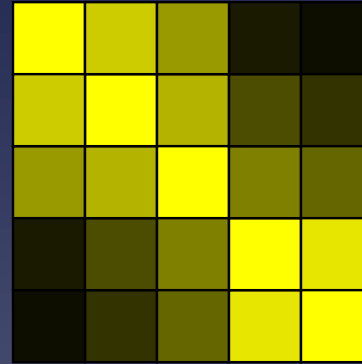
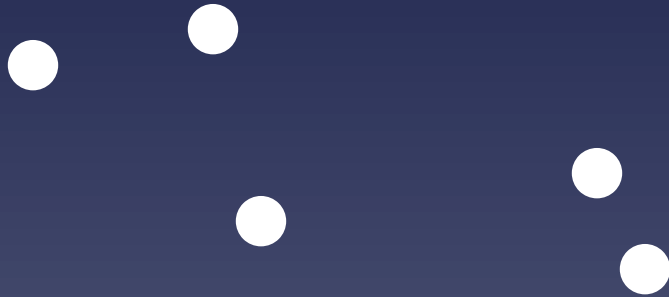
Related approaches

- Bayesian nets for regulatory networks (Friedman et al. 2000)
- Boolean networks (Akutsu, 2000)
- Nearest neighbors method (Marcotte et al, 1999)

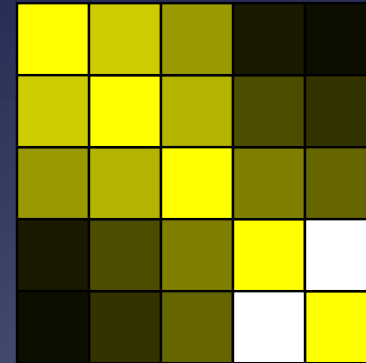
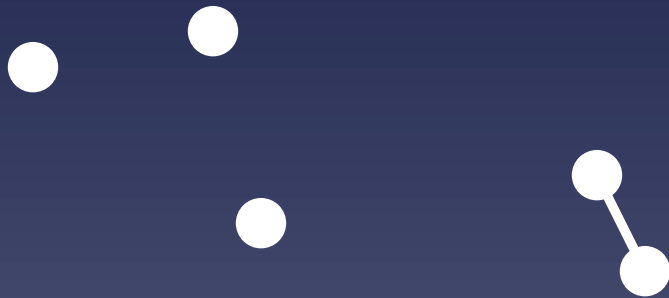
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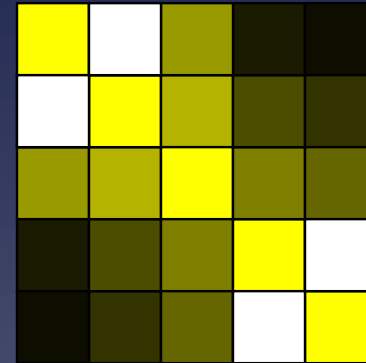
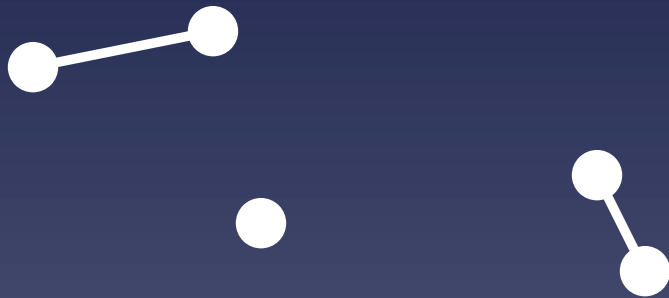
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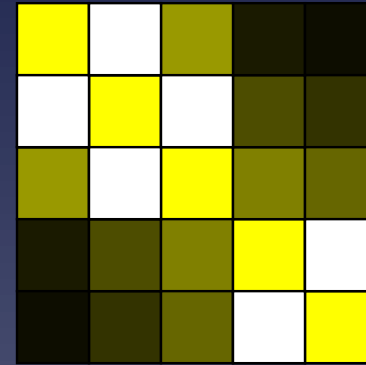
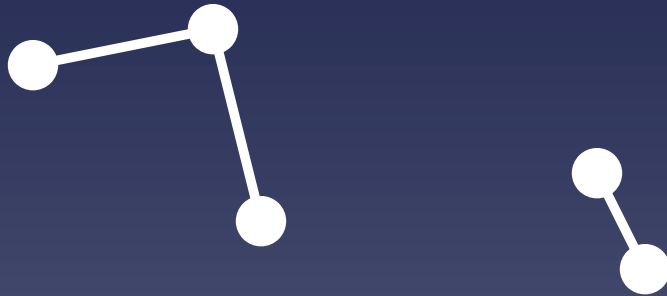
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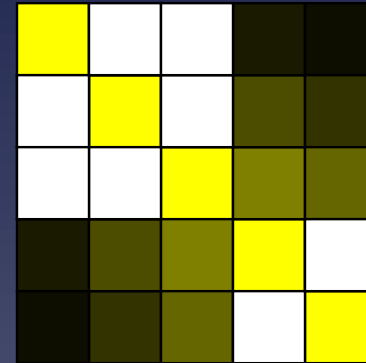
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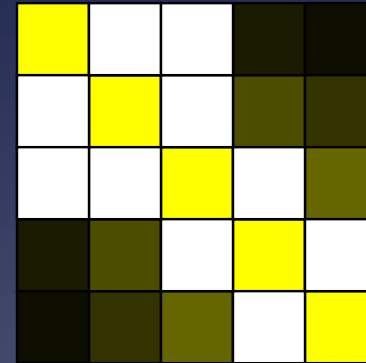
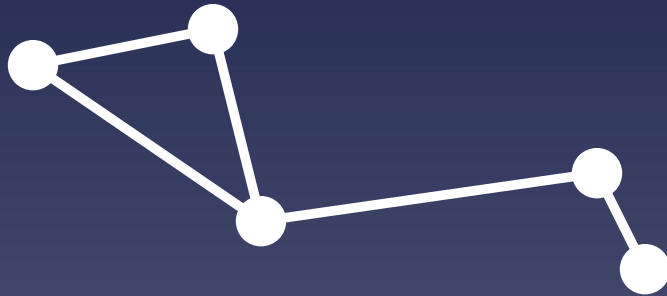
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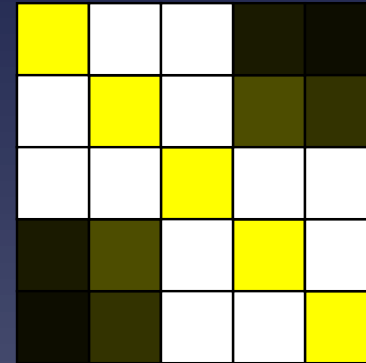
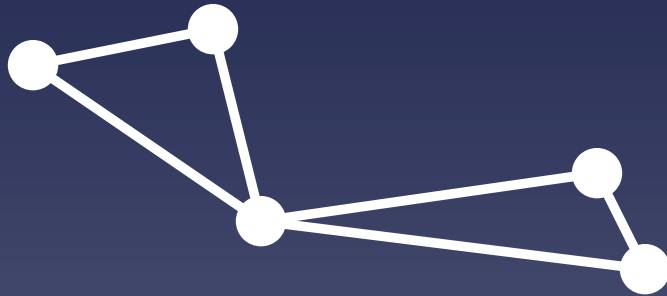
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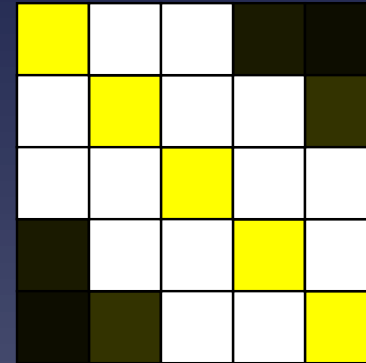
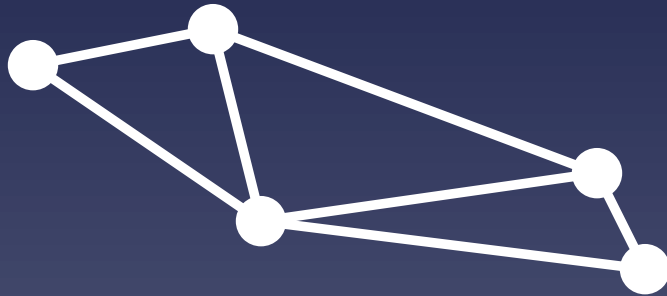
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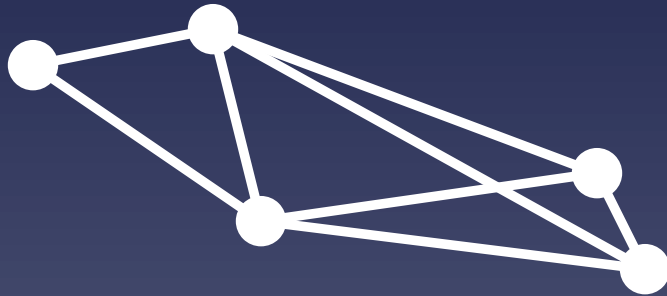
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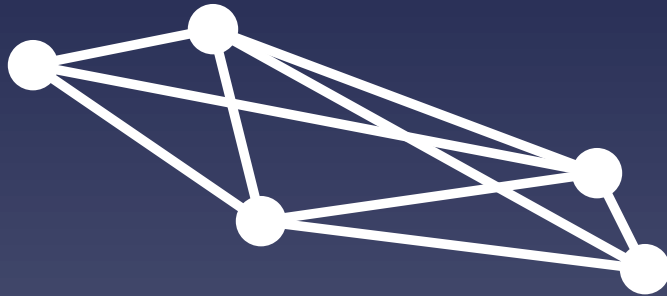


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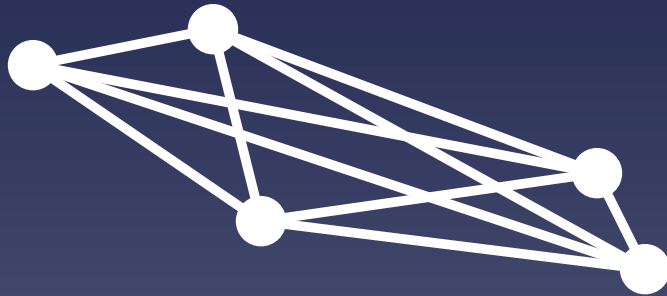
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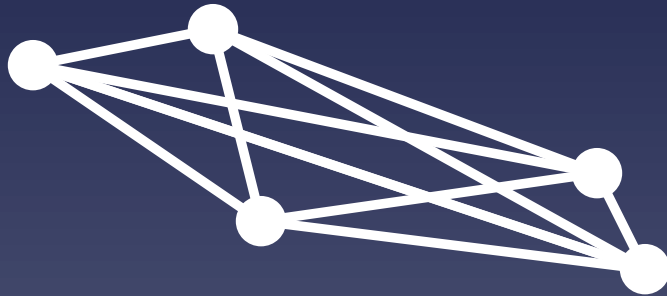
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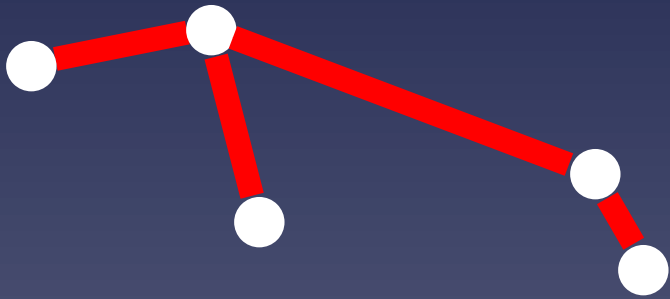
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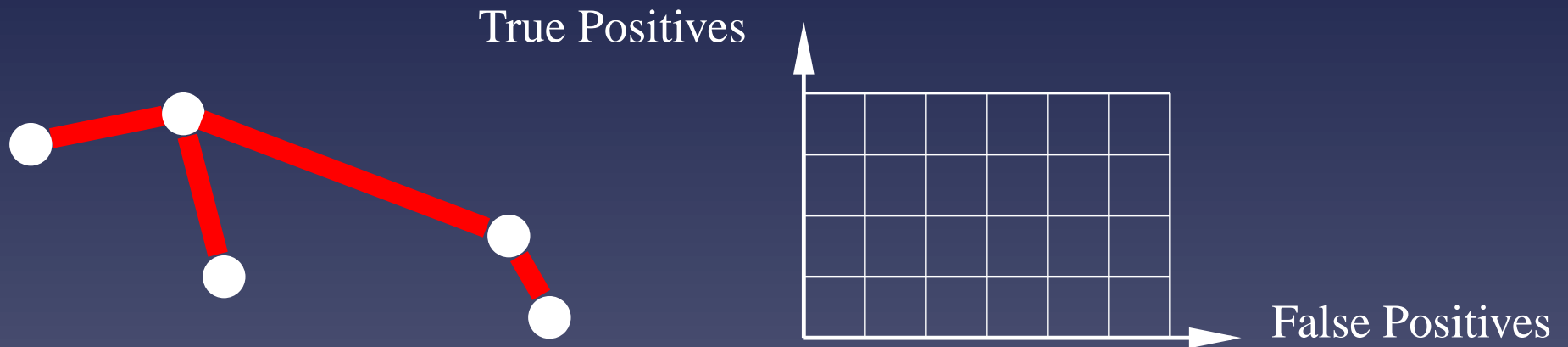


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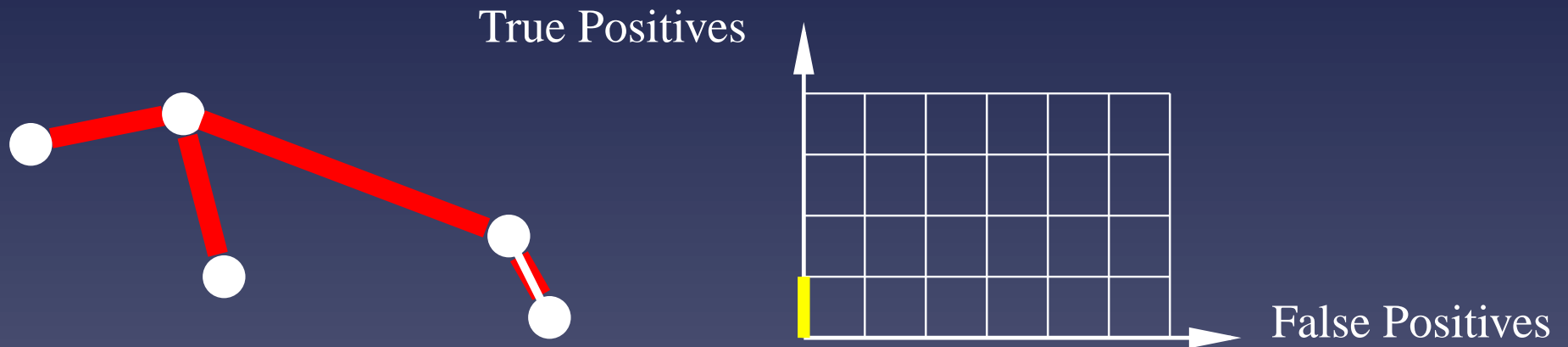
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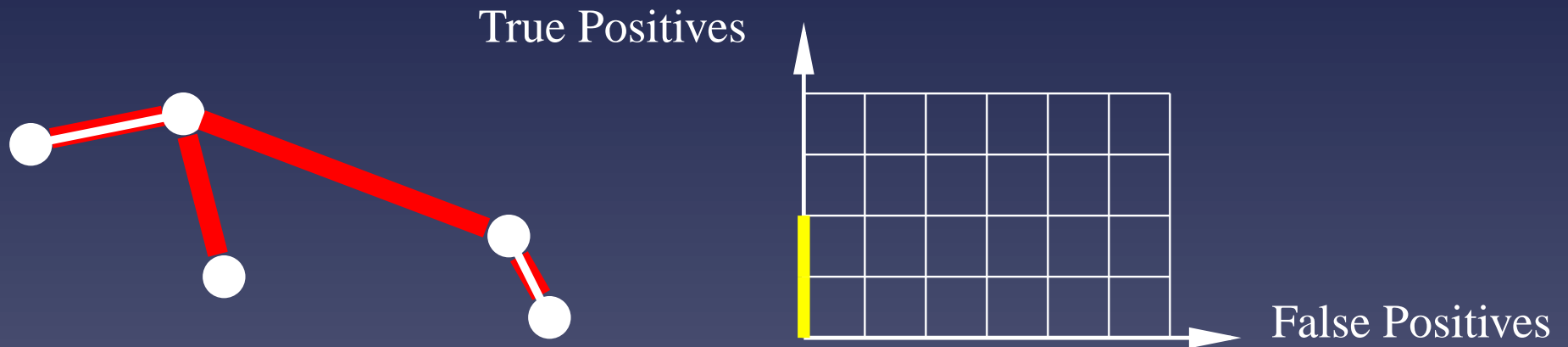
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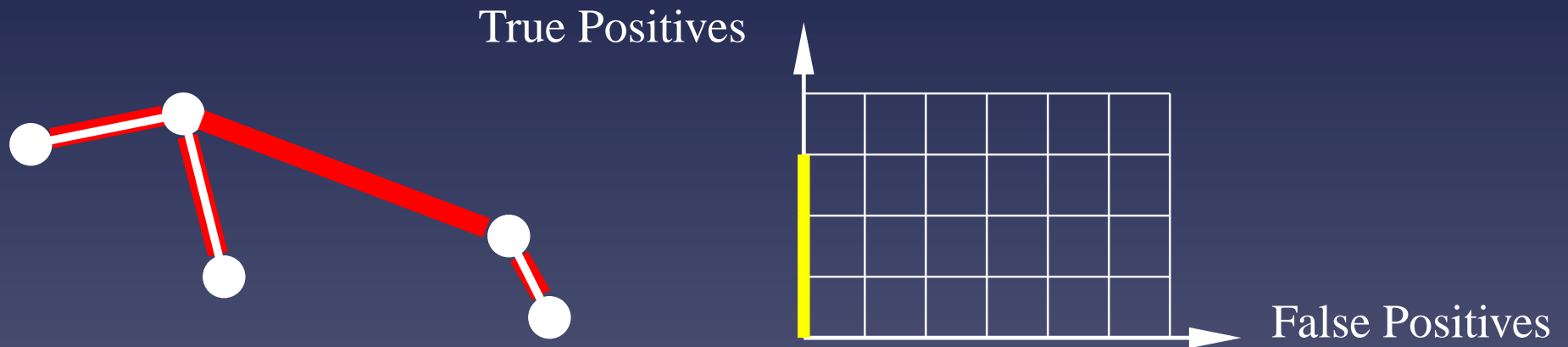
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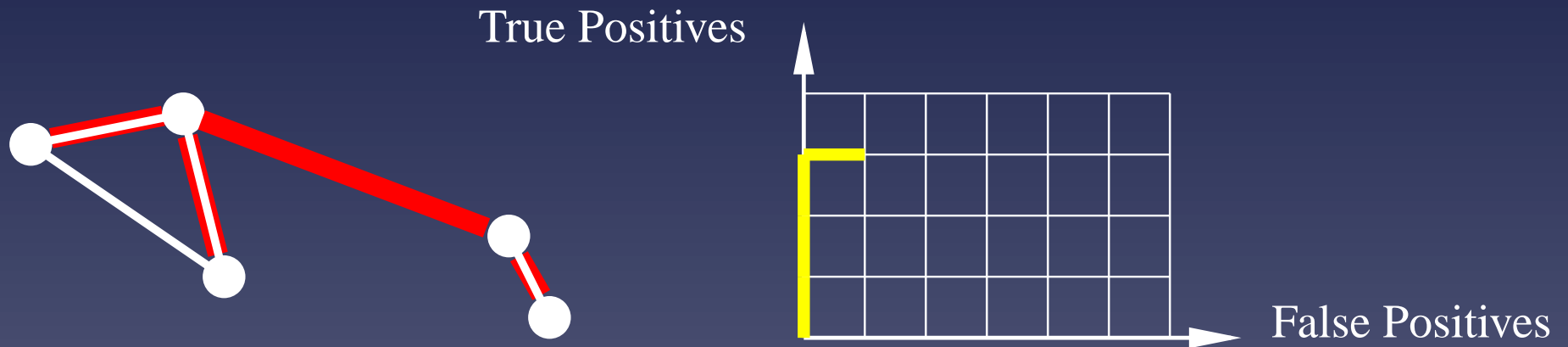
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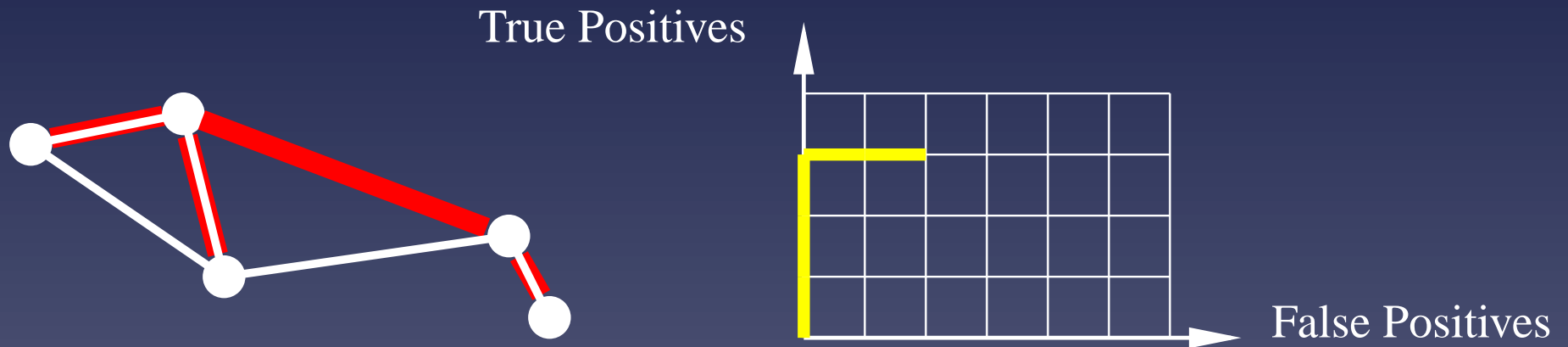
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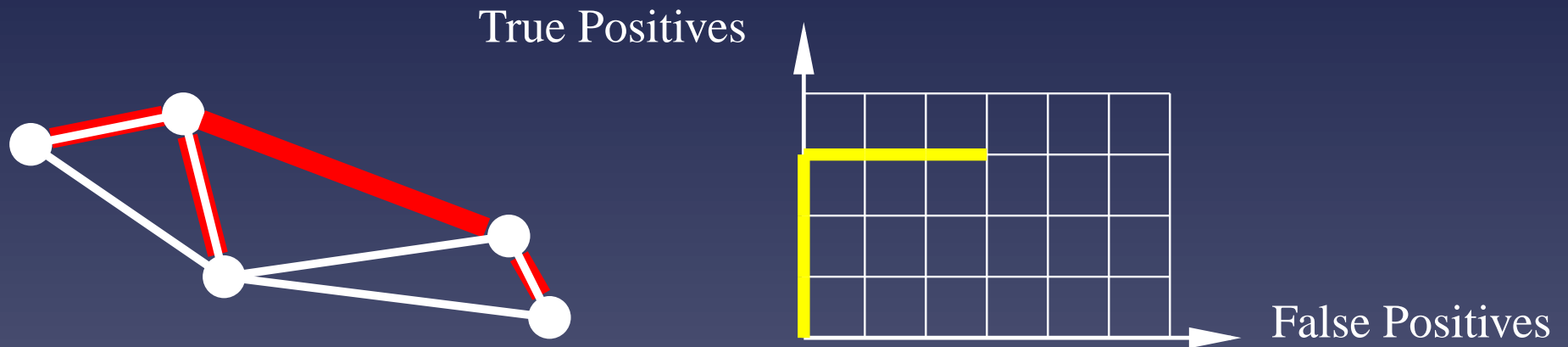
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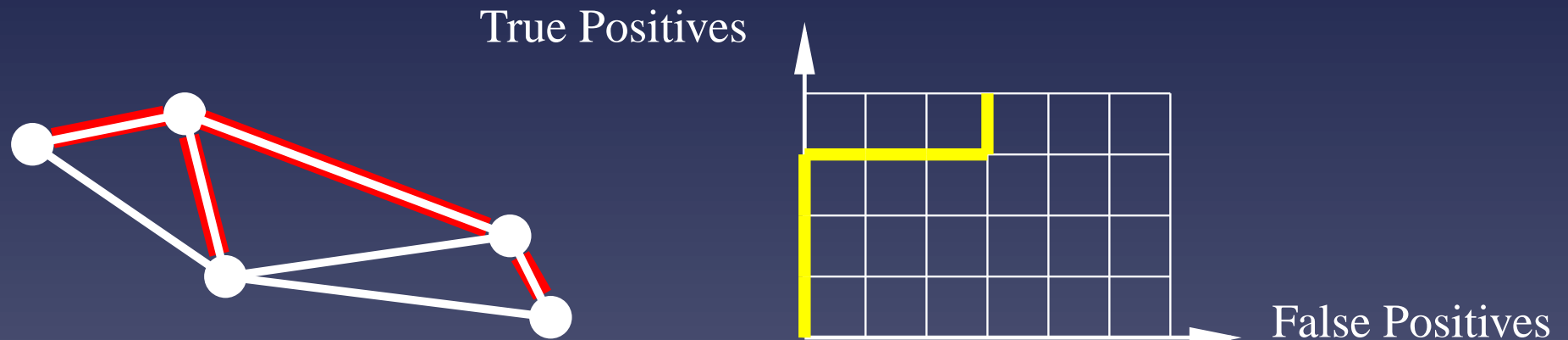
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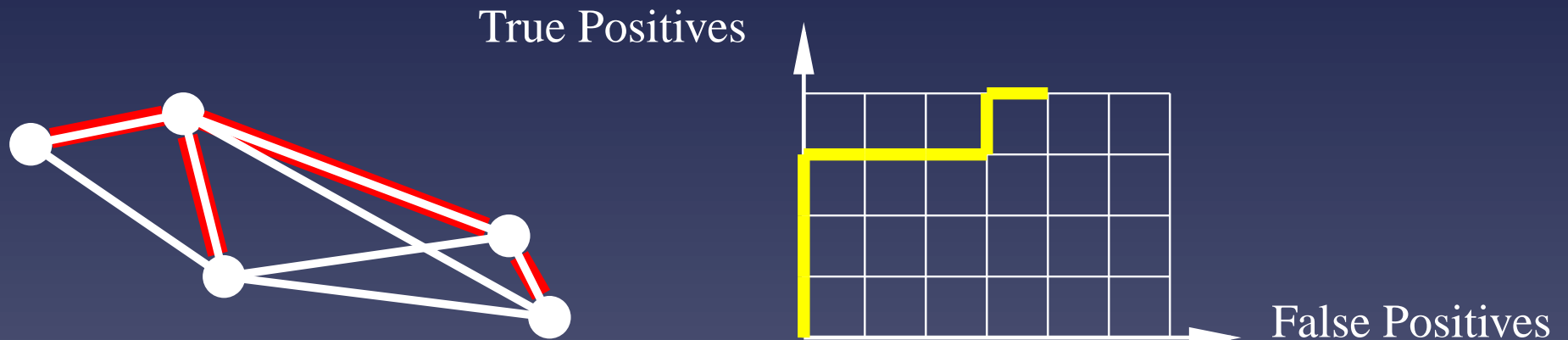
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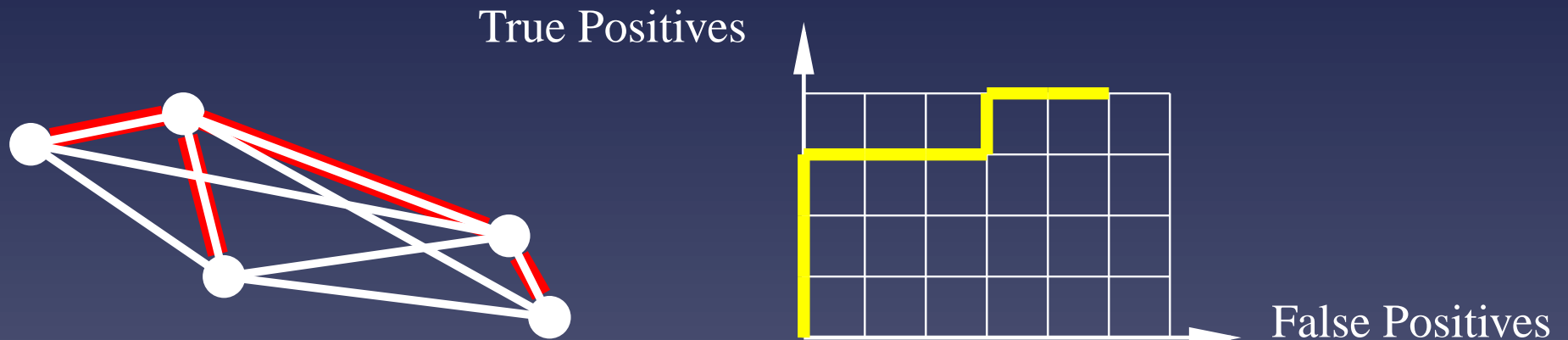
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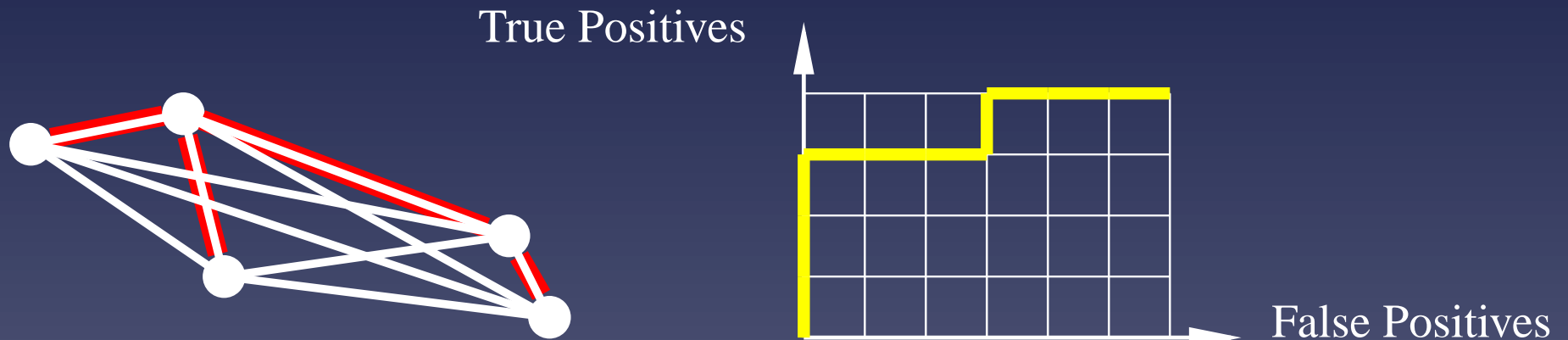
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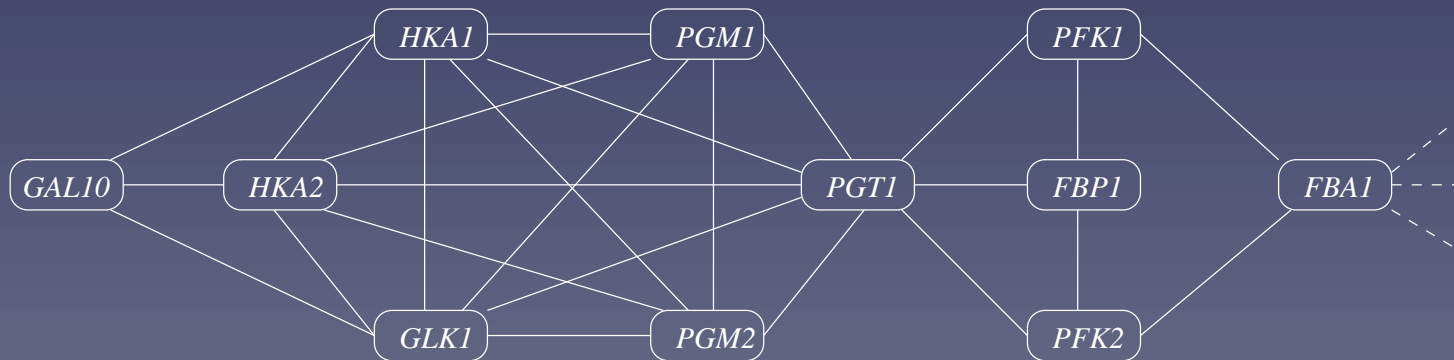
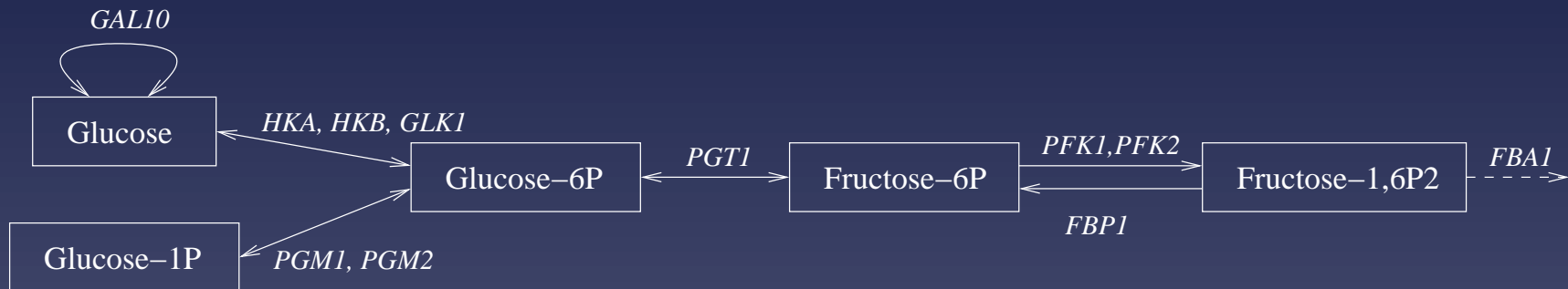


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$$ROC = 21/24 = 87,5\%$$

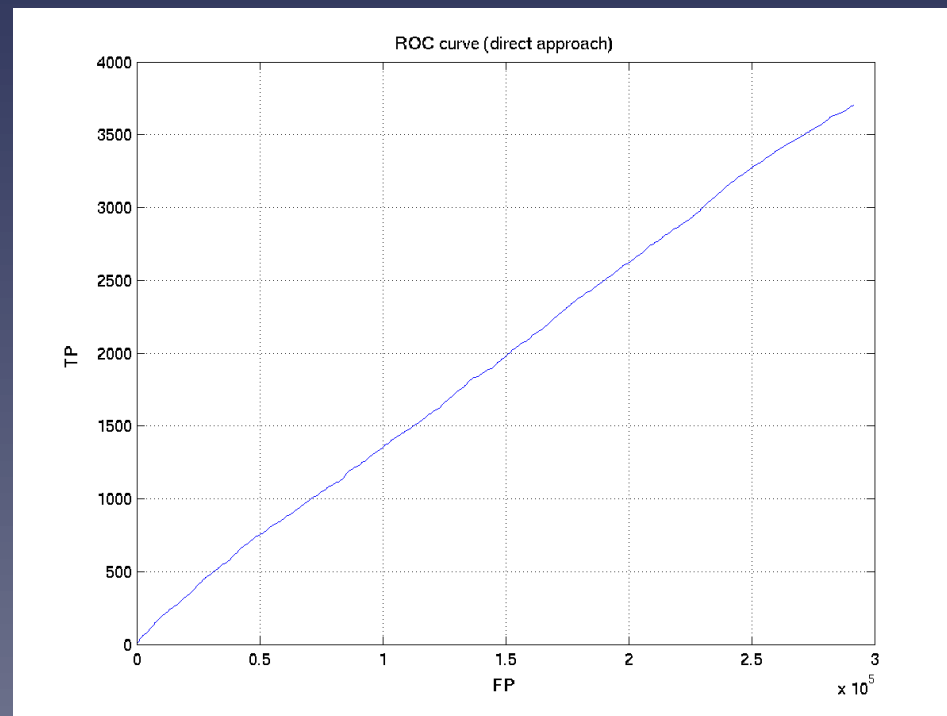
Application: the metabolic gene network



Link two genes when they can **catalyze two successive reactions**

Performance of metabolic network reconstruction

The **metabolic network** of the yeast involves **769 genes**. Each gene is represented by **157 expression measurements**. (ROC=0.52)



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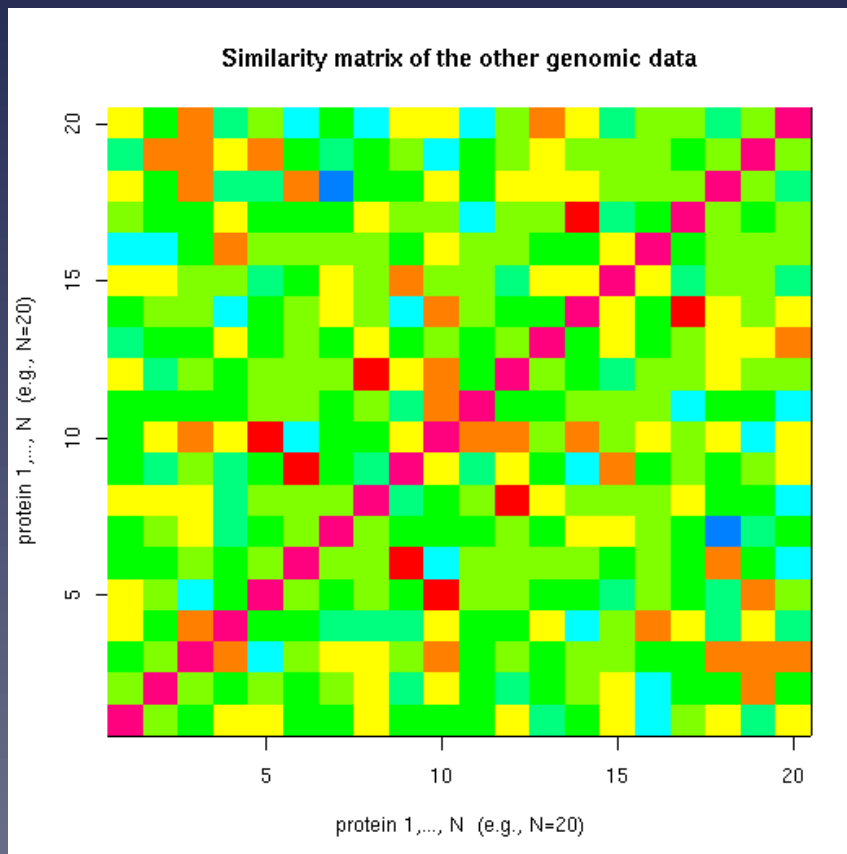
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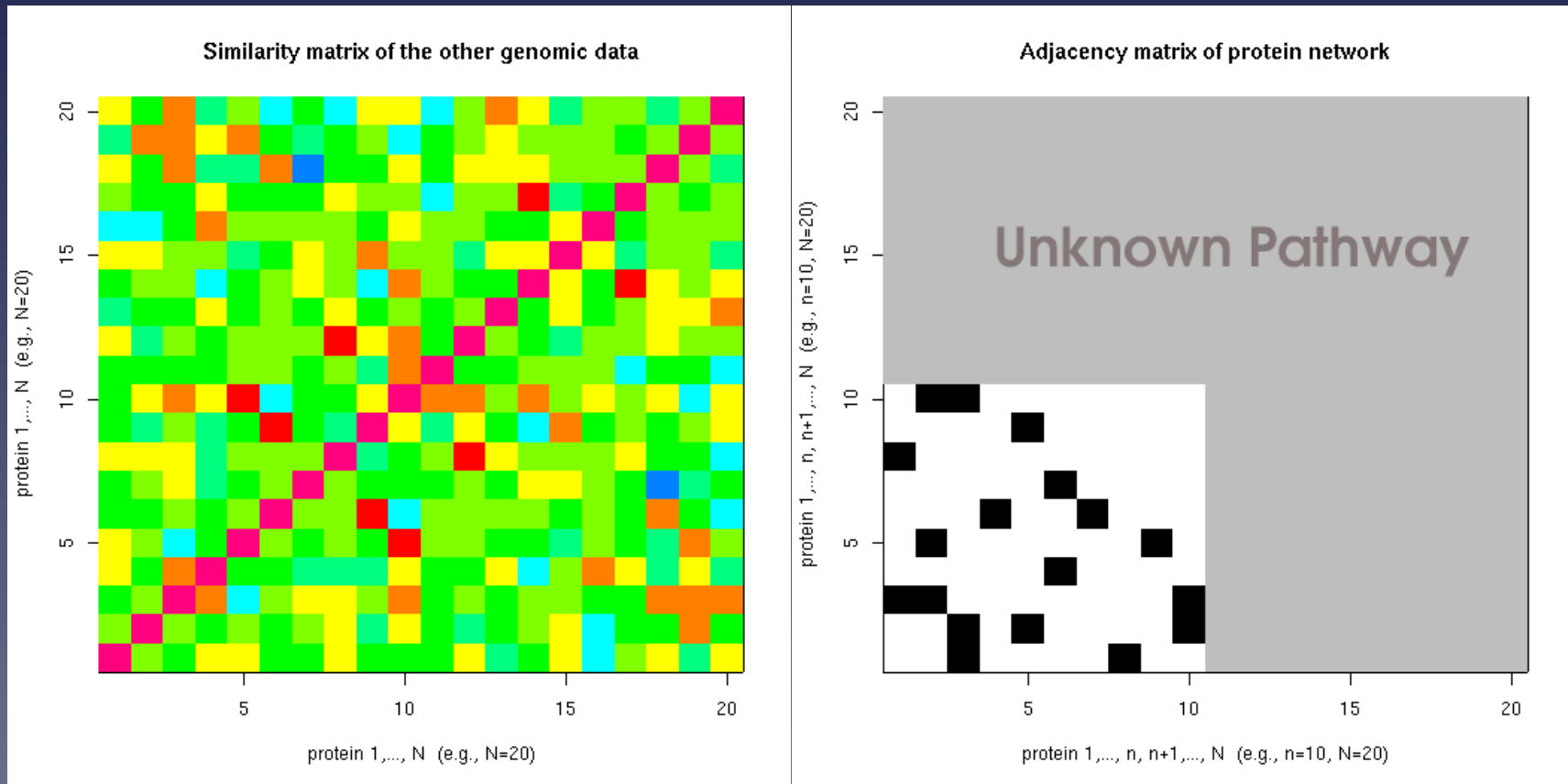
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Supervised network inference

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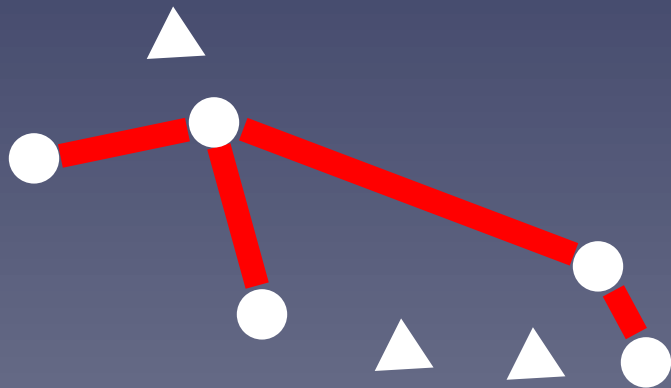


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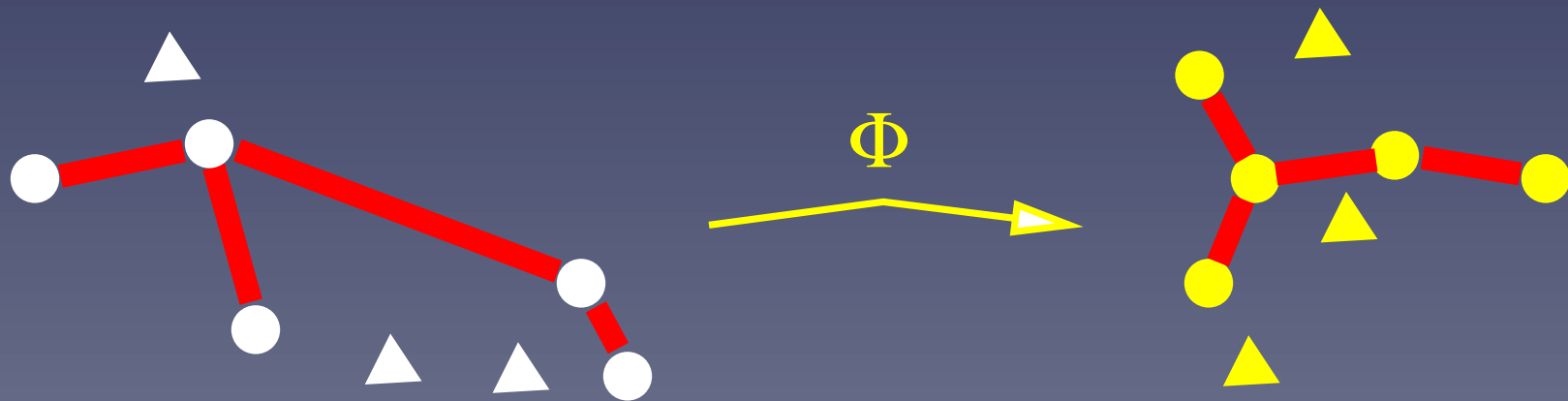
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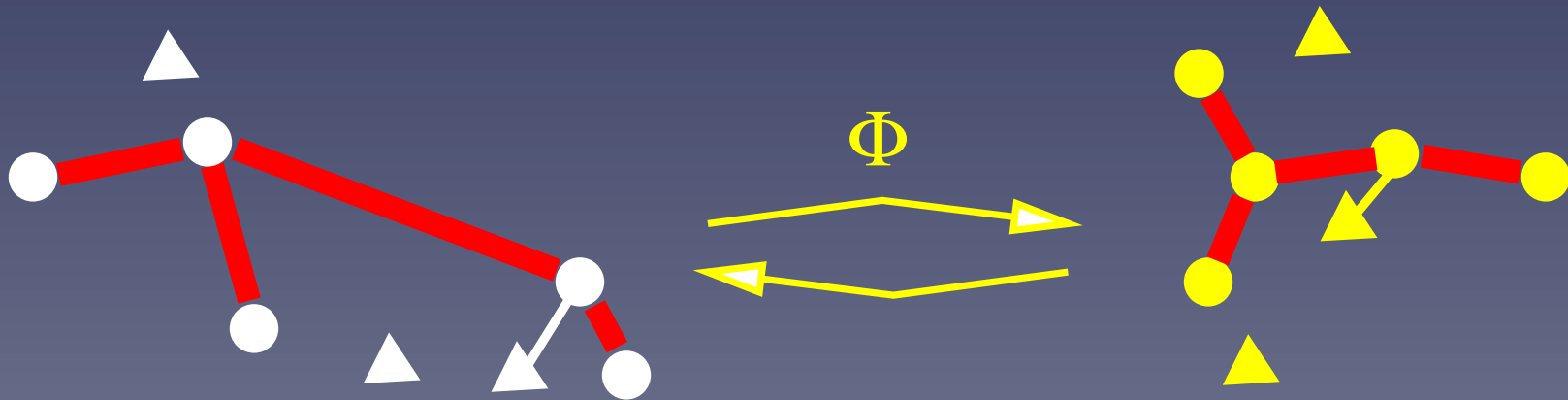
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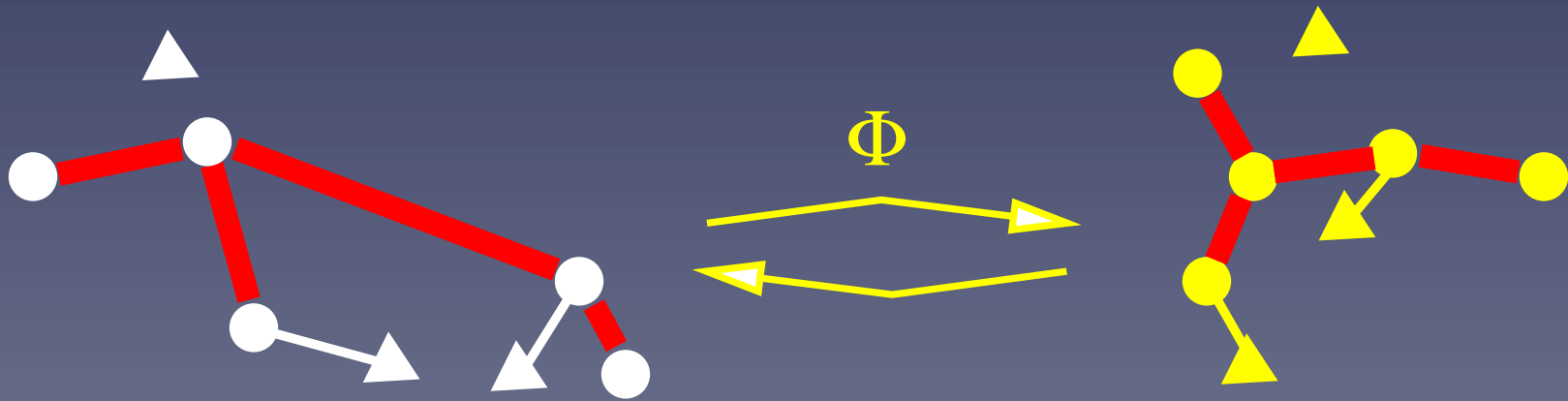
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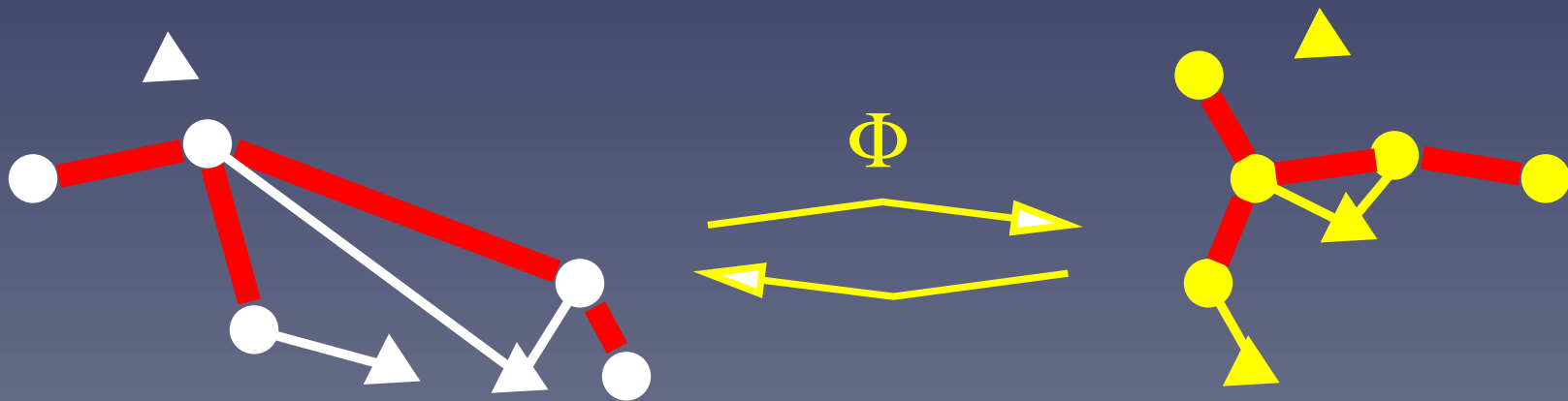
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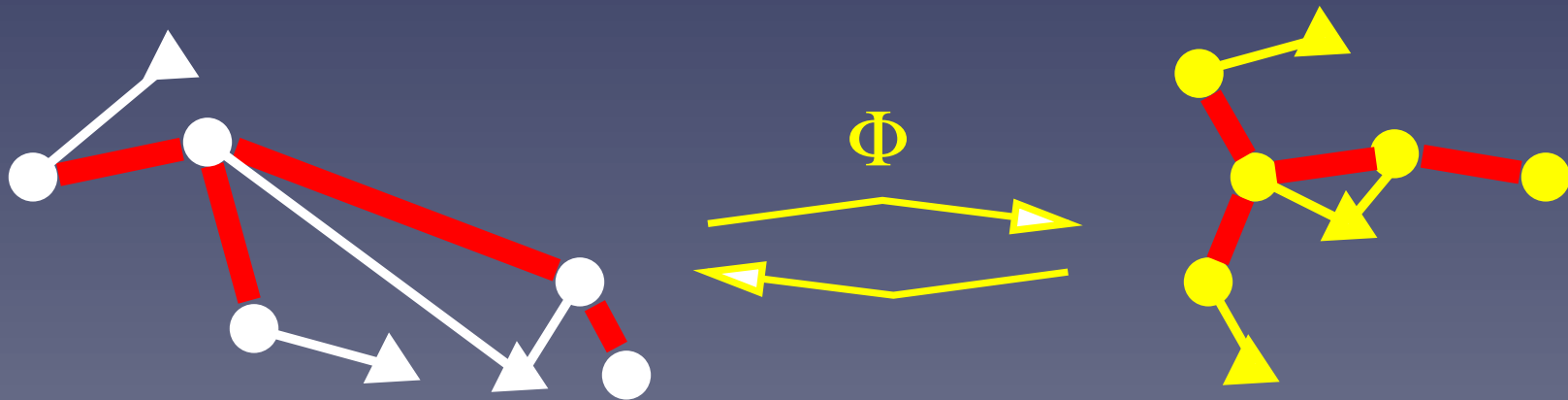
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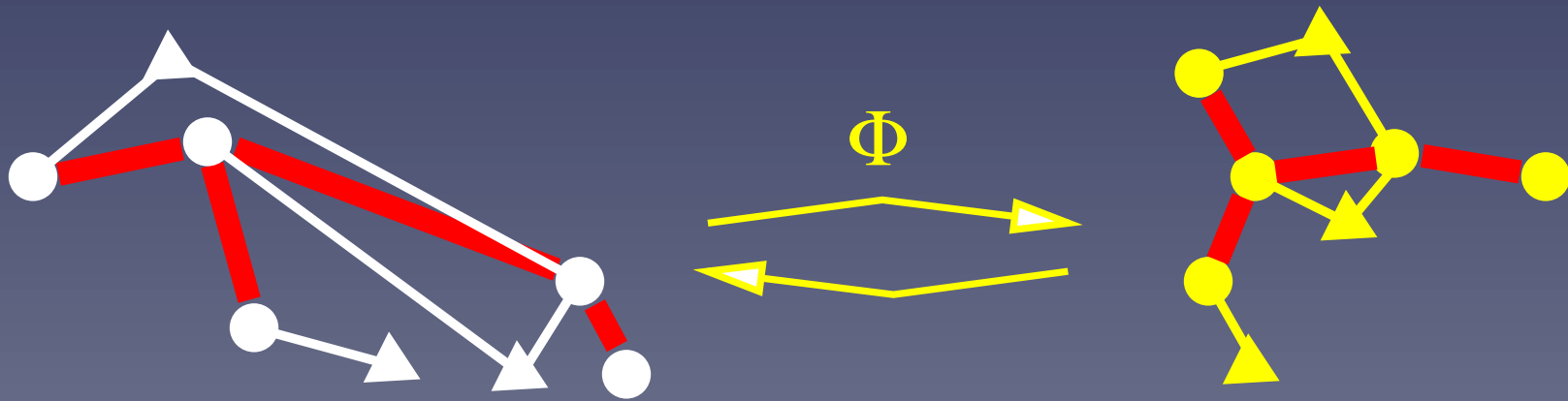
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- A feature $f : \mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is “good” if **connected genes in the known network have similar value.**

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- **Regularisation**: for statistical reasons, it is safer to minimize:

$$\min_{f(x)=w^\top x} \frac{\sum_{i \sim j} (f(x_i) - f(x_j))^2 + \lambda \|w\|^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i)^2}$$

Influence of λ

- $\lambda \rightarrow +\infty$: PCA
 - ★ Useful for noisy, high-dimensional data.
 - ★ Used in spectral clustering. The graph does not play any role (unsupervised)
- $\lambda \rightarrow 0$: second smallest eigenvector of the graph
 - ★ Useful to embed the graph in a Euclidean space (used in graph partitioning)
 - ★ Sensitive to noise. Mapping of points outside of the graph unstable (overfitting)

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- Successive features to form Φ can be obtained by:

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- Generalizes Principal Component Analysis (PCA)

Extension to non-linear features

- In order to allow nonlinear features, we need to replace:
 - ★ $\|w\|^2$ by $\|f\|^2$
 - ★ $w_i \perp w_j$ by $f_i \perp f_j$
- We need to work in a **Hilbert space of (nonlinear) functions** that generalizes the linear case

Positive definite kernels

Let \mathcal{X} be a set endowed with a symmetric positive definite kernel $k : \mathcal{X}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, i.e.,

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n c_i c_j k(x_i, x_j) \geq 0$$

for any $n \geq 0$, $(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathcal{X}$ and $(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in \mathbb{R}$

Examples:

- $k(x, y) = x \cdot y$ for $\mathcal{X} = \mathbb{R}^d$
- $k(x, y) = \exp(-\|x - y\|^2 / (2\sigma^2))$ for $\mathcal{X} = \mathbb{R}^d$

Reproducing kernel Hilbert space

- A p.d. kernel defines a **Hilbert space** of functions $f : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ obtained by completing the span of $\{k(x, \cdot), x \in \mathcal{X}\}$
- The norm of a function $f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i k(x_i, x)$ is:

$$\|f\|_k^2 = \sum_{i,j=1}^n c_i c_j k(x_i, x_j).$$

- This space is called the **reproducing kernel Hilbert space** (RKHS)

Example: linear RKHS

For $\mathcal{X} = \mathbb{R}^d$ and $k(x, y) = x \cdot y$, we have:

- $f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i x_i \cdot x = f_w(x)$ with $w = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i x_i$.
- $\|f\|_k^2 = \sum_{i,j=1}^n c_i c_j x_i \cdot x_j = \|w\|^2$
- If $f(x) = w \cdot x$ and $g(x) = v \cdot x$ then:

$$\langle f, g \rangle_k = w \cdot v$$

Graph-driven feature extraction in RKHS

- For a general set \mathcal{X} endowed with a p.d. kernel k we therefore have the following graph-driven feature extractor:

$$f_i = \arg \min_{f \perp \{f_1, \dots, f_{i-1}\}, \hat{\text{var}}(f)=1} \left\{ \sum_{i \sim j} (f(x_i) - f(x_j))^2 + \lambda \|f\|_k^2 \right\}.$$

- The values at the minima (the spectrum) quantifies how much the graph fits the data

Solving the problem

- By the representer theorem, f_i can be expanded as:

$$f_i(x) = \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_{i,j} k(x_i, x).$$

- This shows that

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f_i, f_j \rangle_k &= \alpha_i^\top K \alpha_j \\ \|f_i\|_k^2 &= \alpha_i^\top K \alpha_i \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

Solving the problem (cont.)

- The problem can then be rewritten:

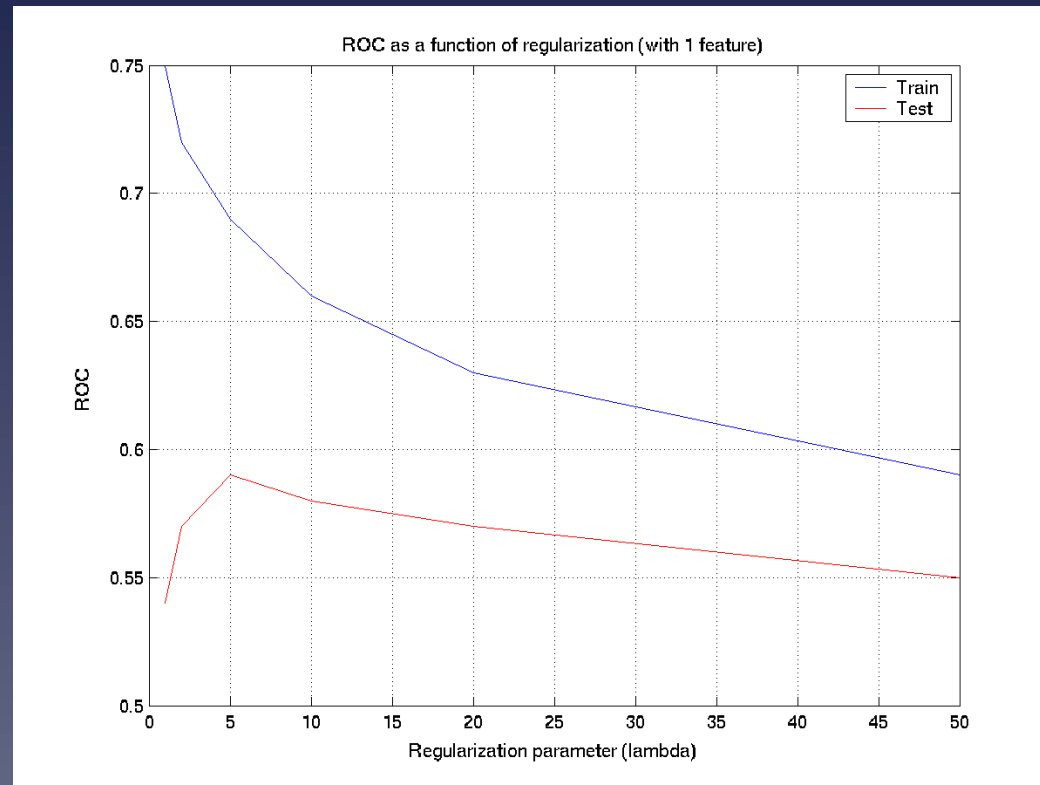
$$\alpha_i = \arg \min_{\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^n, \alpha K_V \alpha_1 = \dots = \alpha K_V \alpha_{i-1} = 0} \left\{ \frac{\alpha^\top K_V L K_V \alpha + \lambda \alpha^\top K_V \alpha}{\alpha^\top K_V^2 \alpha} \right\}$$

where K_V is the centered $n \times n$ Gram matrix and L is the Laplacian of the graph

- It is equivalent to solving the generalized eigenvalue problem:

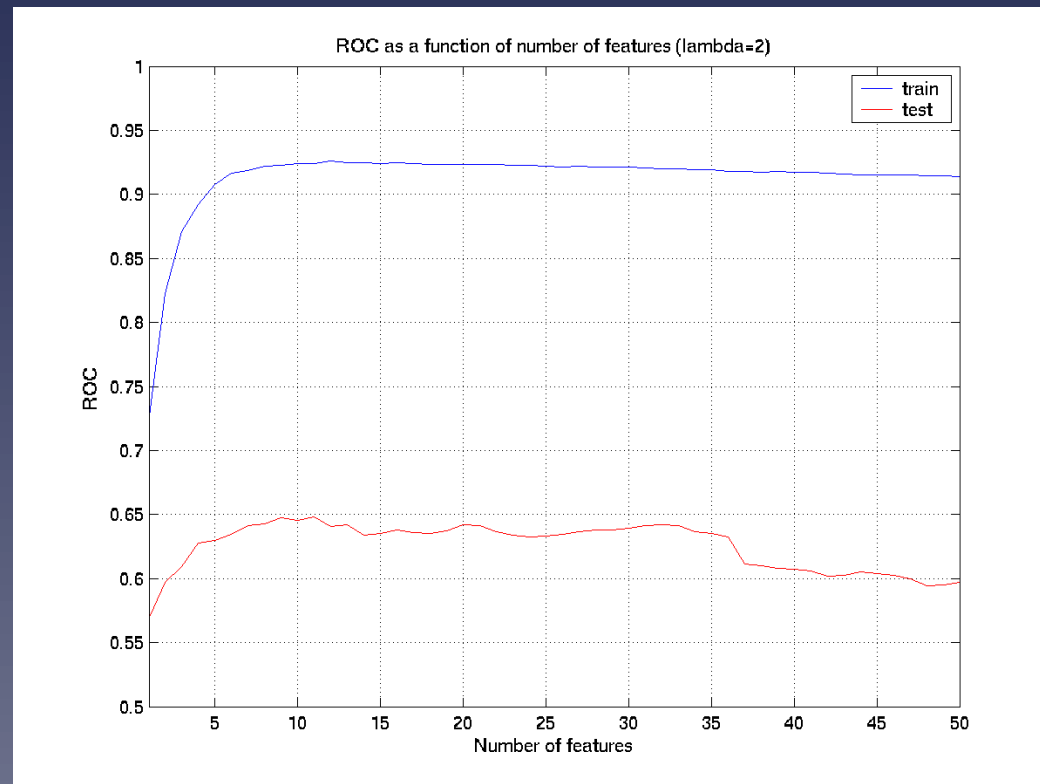
$$(LK_V + \lambda I)\alpha = \mu K_V \alpha.$$

Evaluation of the supervised approach: effect of λ



Metabolic network, 10-fold cross-validation, 1 feature

Evaluation of the supervised approach: number of features ($\lambda = 2$)



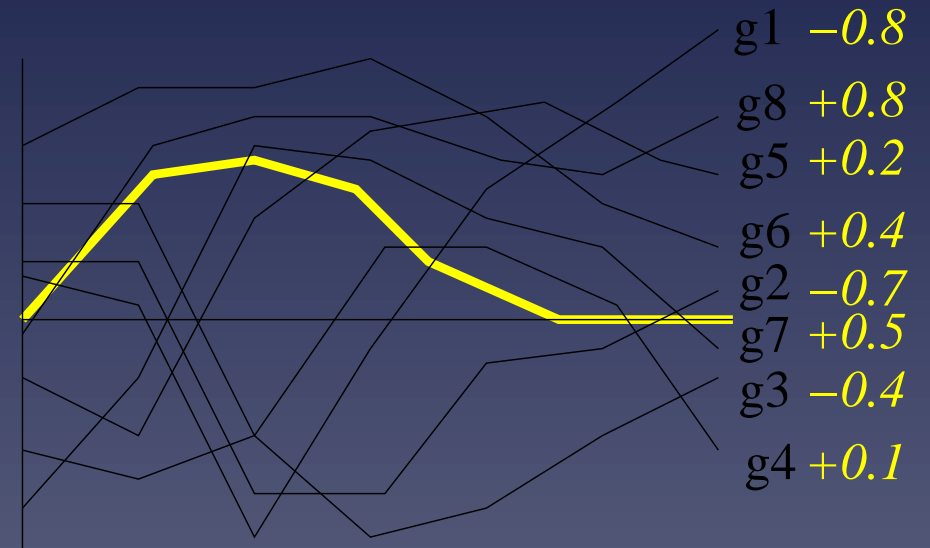
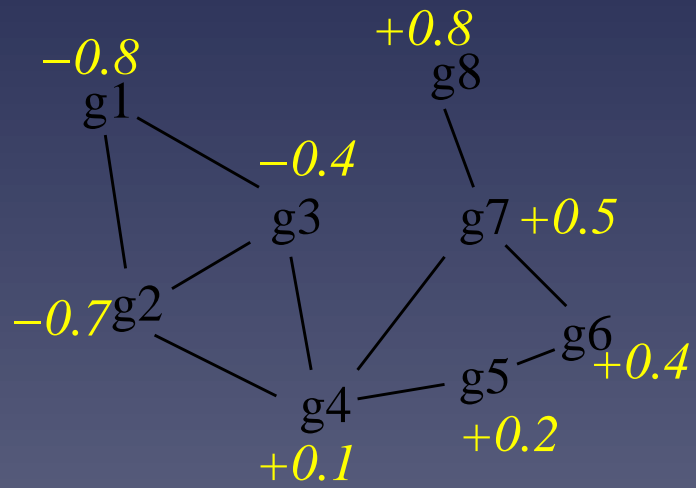
Part 3

Extraction of pathway activity

The idea

- The previous approach is a way to extract features from gene expression data: $f(x) = w^T x$.
- These features are **smooth** on the graph: connected nodes tend to have similar values
- This is way to detect “**correlations**” between gene expression data and metabolic network : **typical activity patterns of typical pathways**

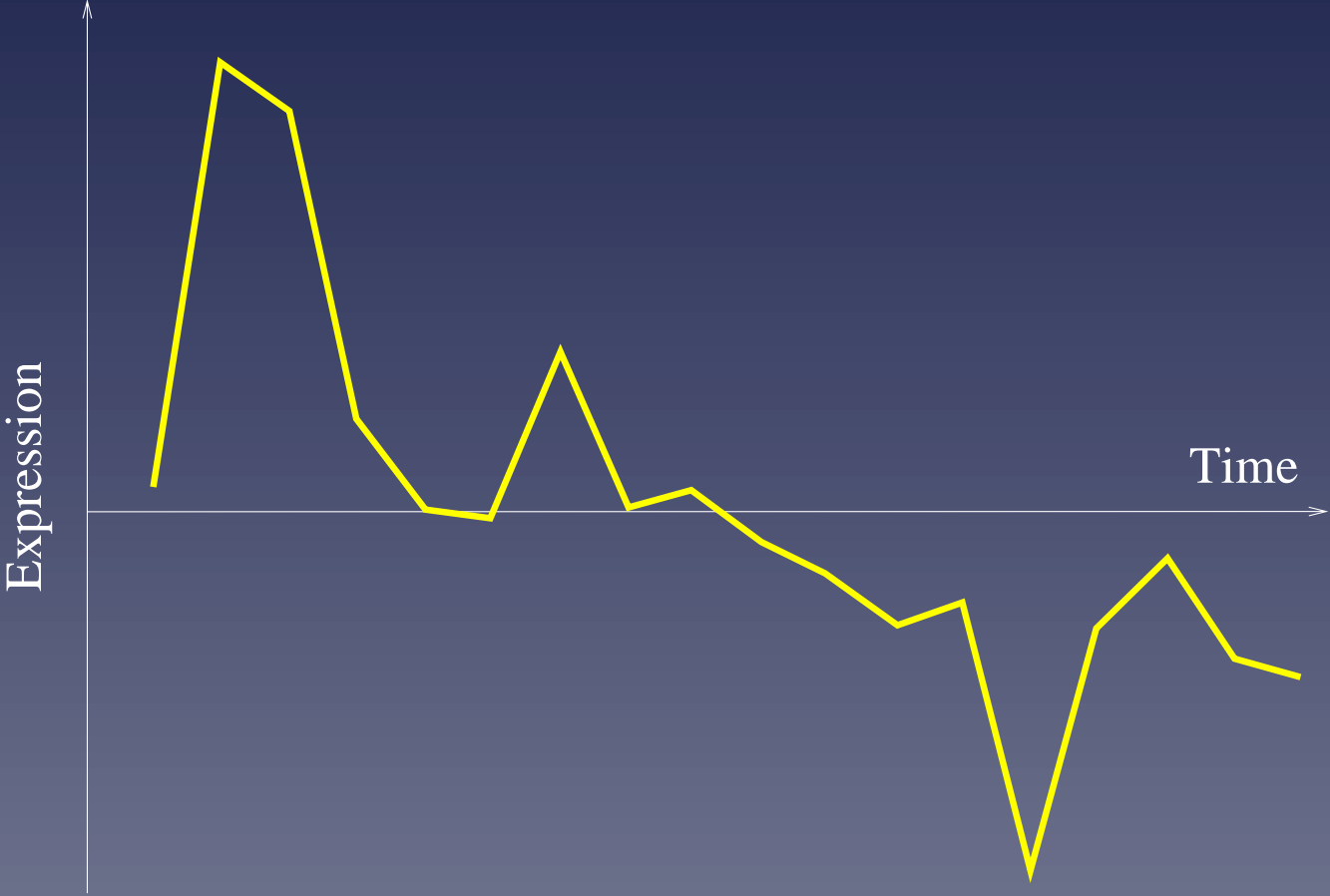
Illustration



Experiment

- **Gene network:** two genes are linked if they catalyze successive reactions in the KEGG database (669 yeast genes)
- **Expression profiles:** 18 time series measures for the 6,000 genes of yeast, during two cell cycles

First pattern of expression

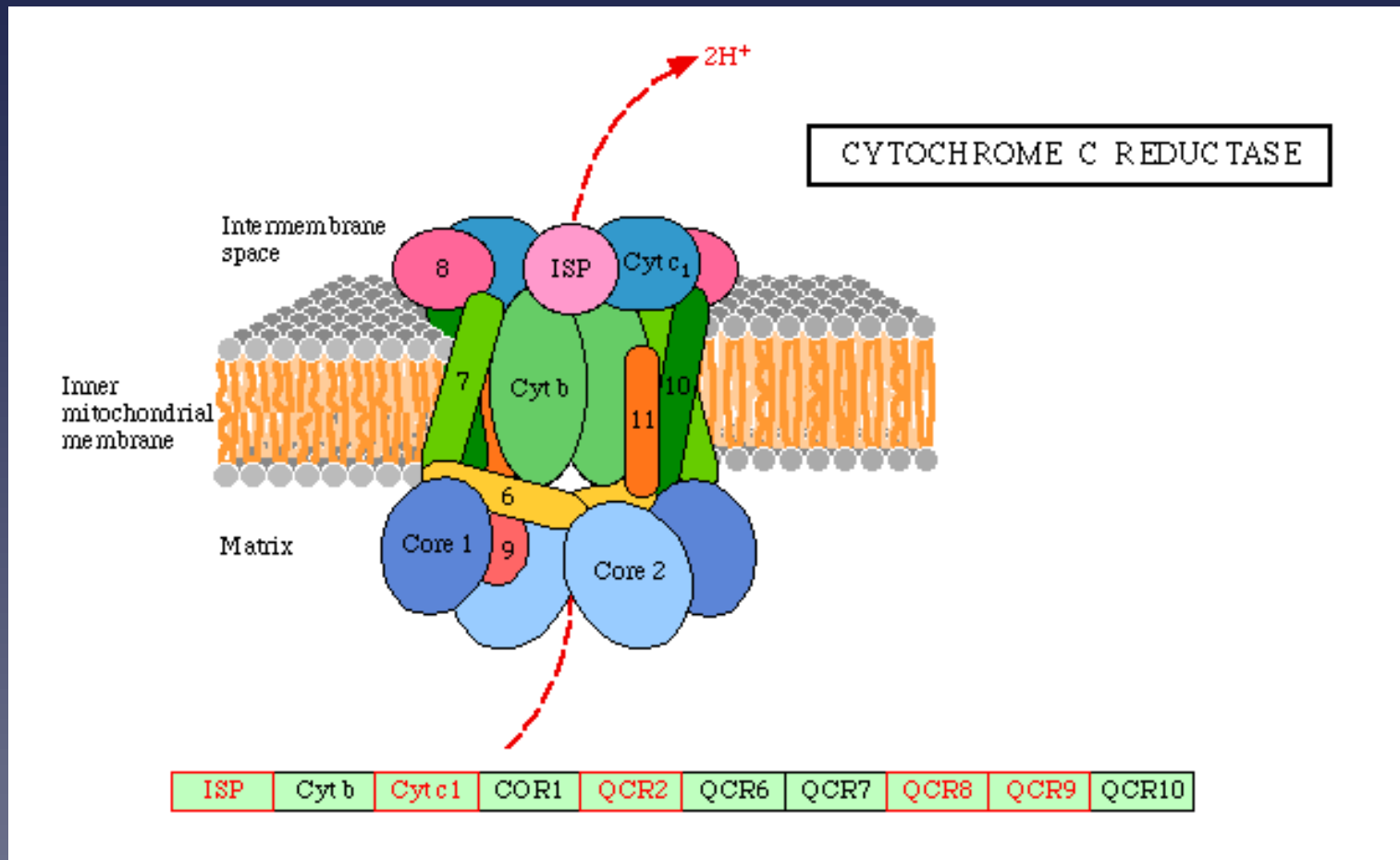


Related metabolic pathways

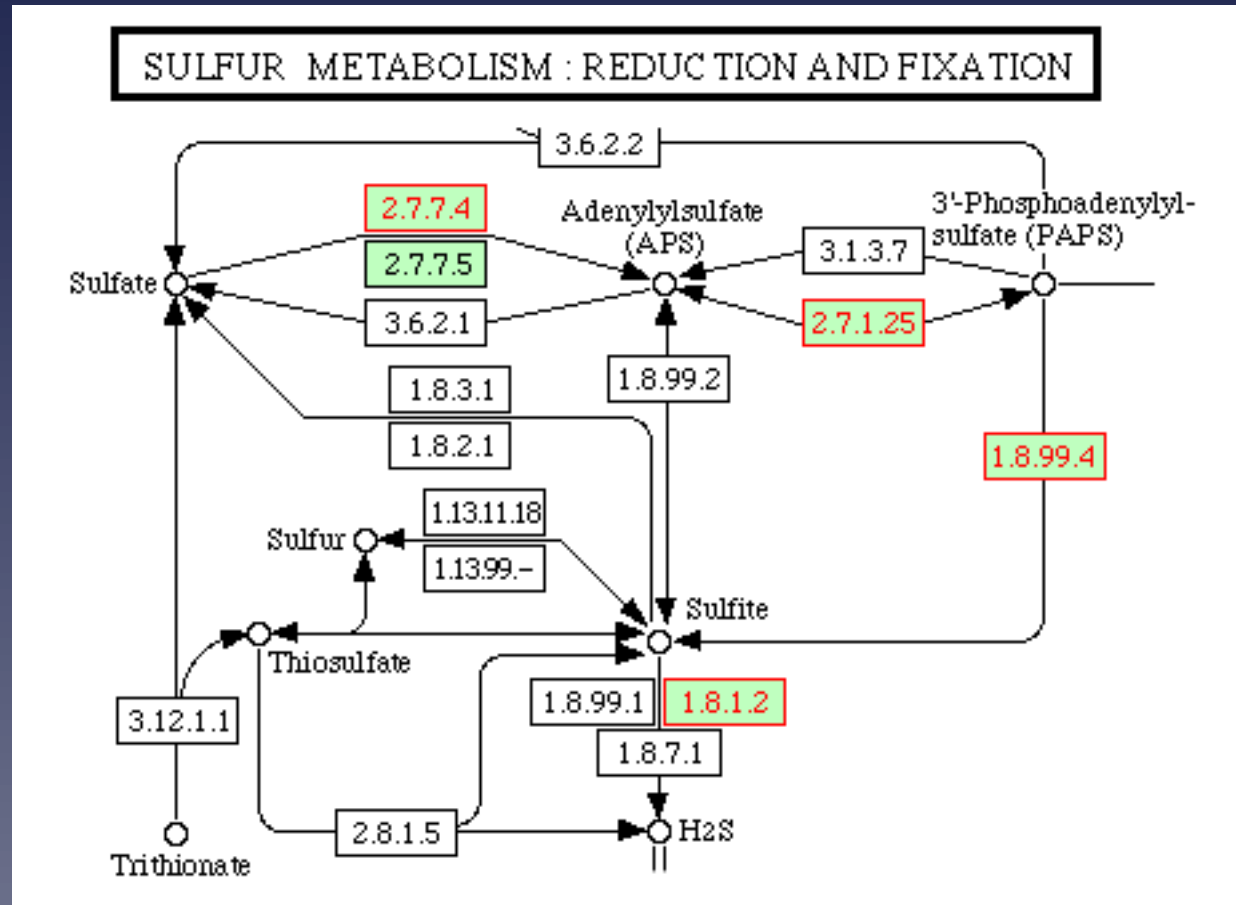
50 genes with highest $s_2 - s_1$ belong to:

- Oxidative phosphorylation (10 genes)
- Citrate cycle (7)
- Purine metabolism (6)
- Glycerolipid metabolism (6)
- Sulfur metabolism (5), etc...

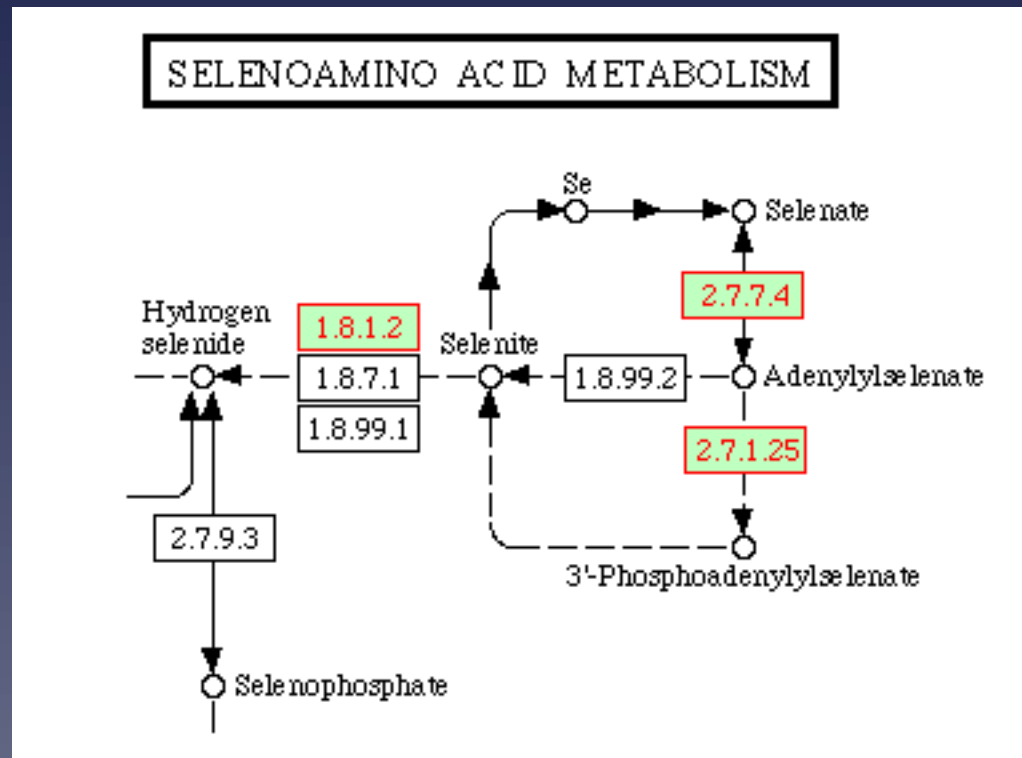
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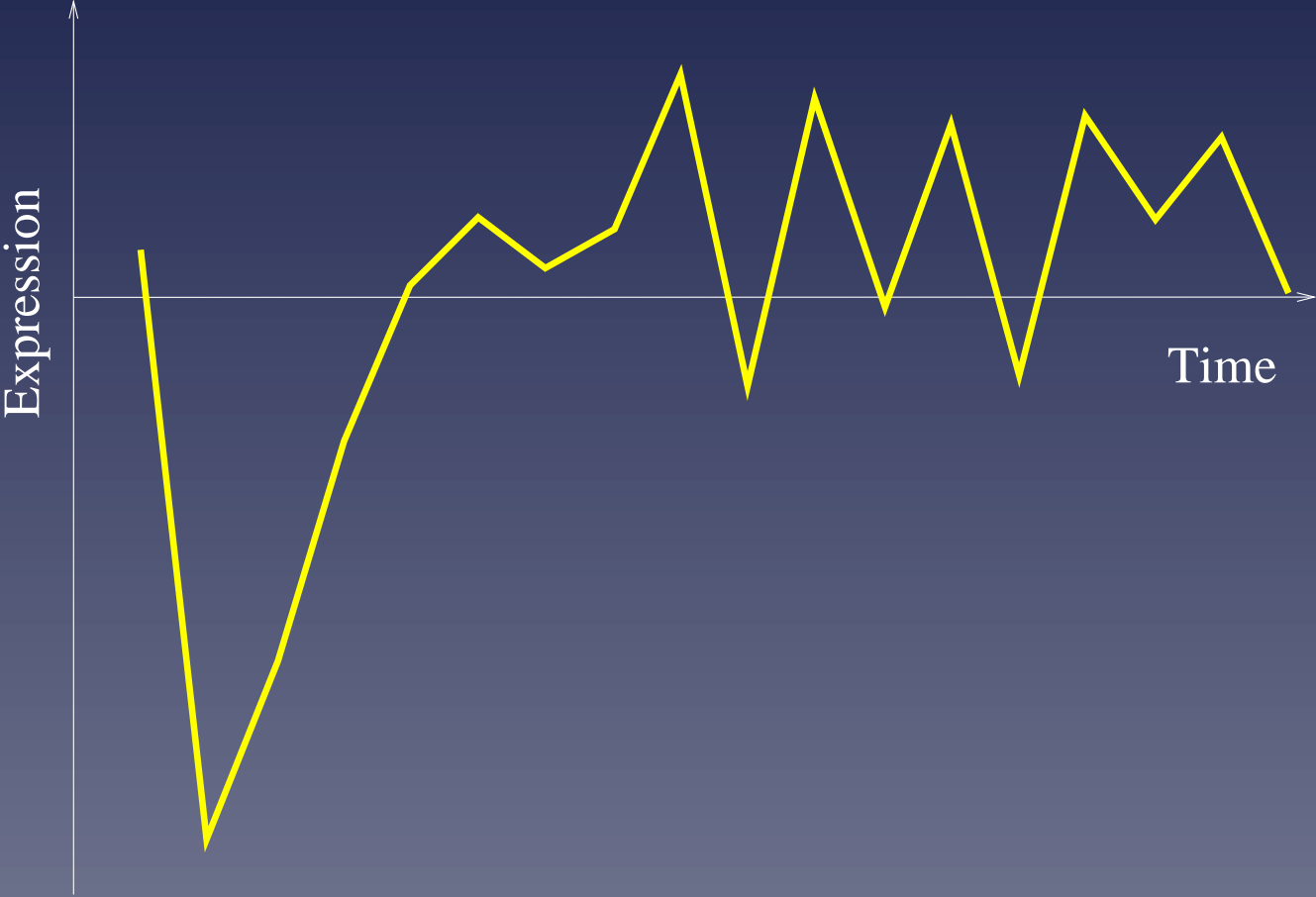
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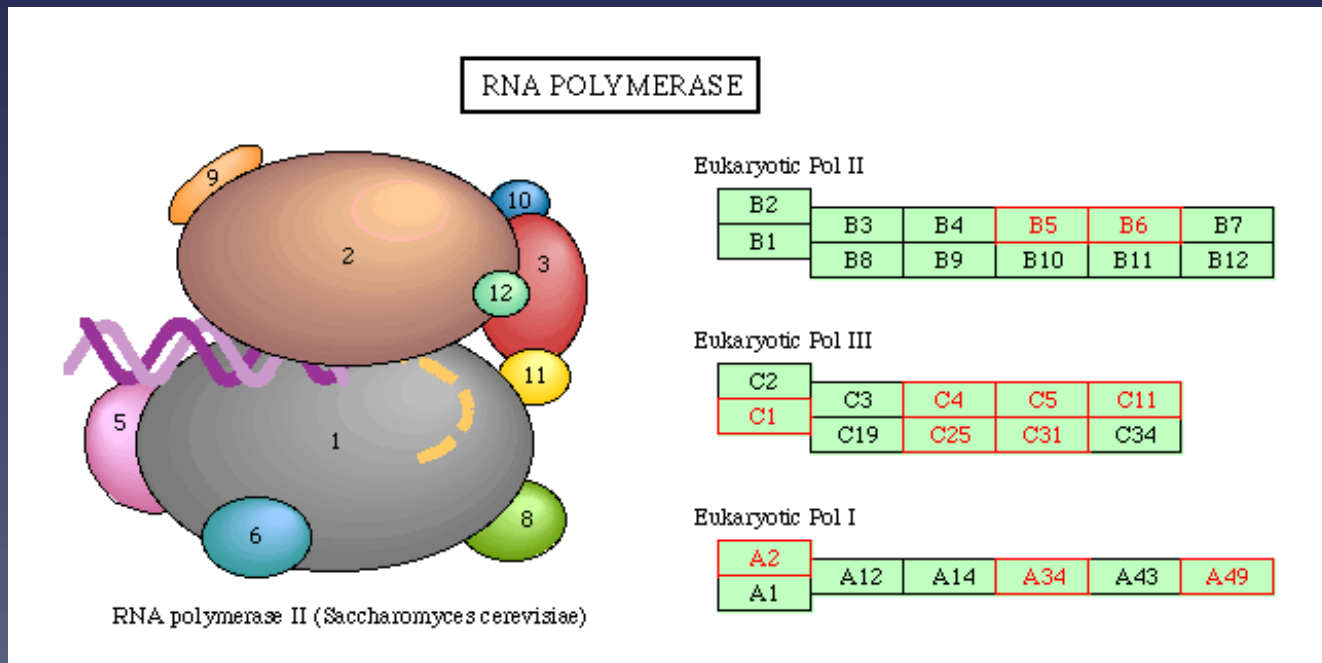
Opposite pattern



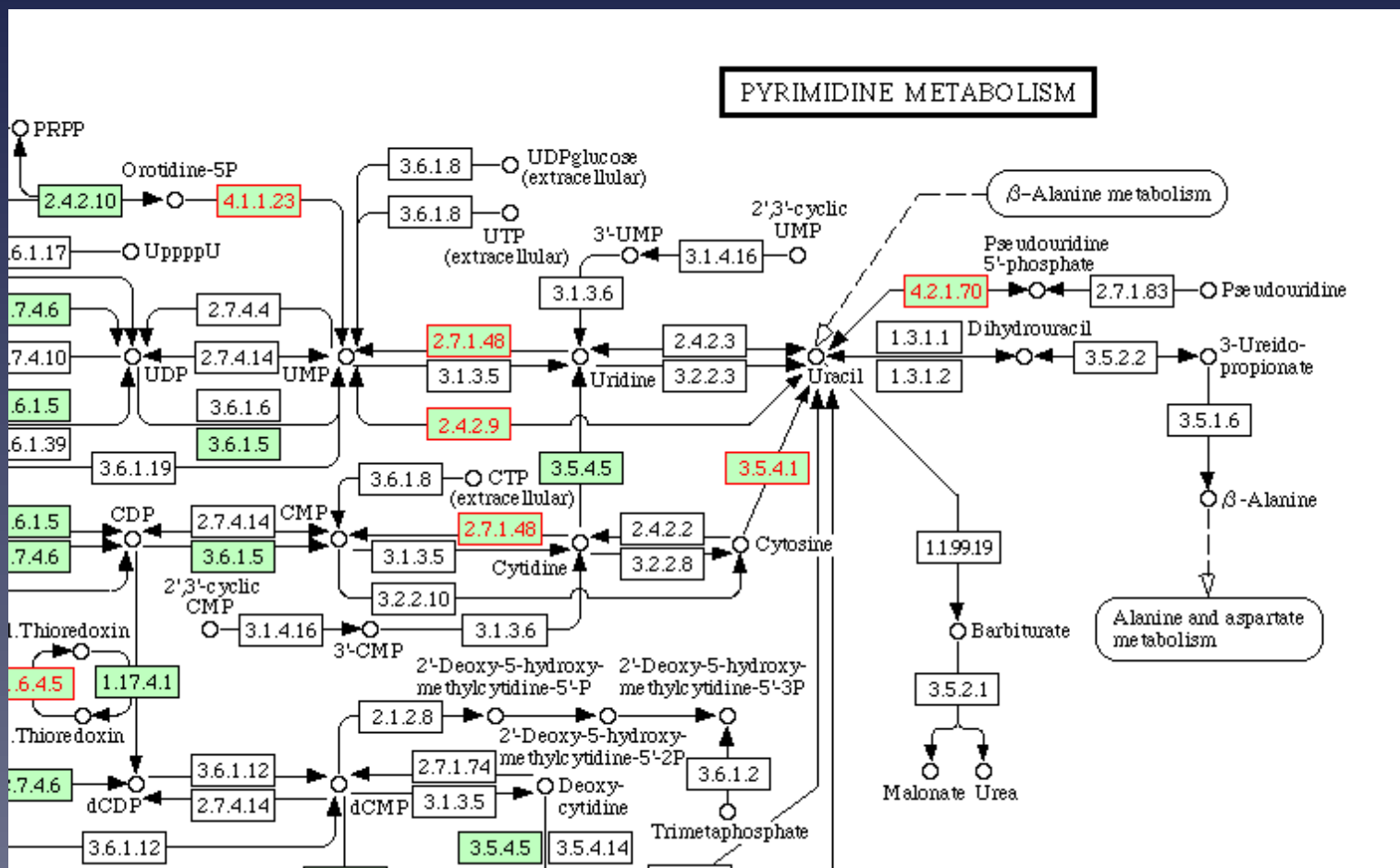
Related genes

- RNA polymerase (11 genes)
- Pyrimidine metabolism (10)
- Aminoacyl-tRNA biosynthesis (7)
- Urea cycle and metabolism of amino groups (3)
- Oxidative phosphorylation (3)
- ATP synthesis(3) , etc...

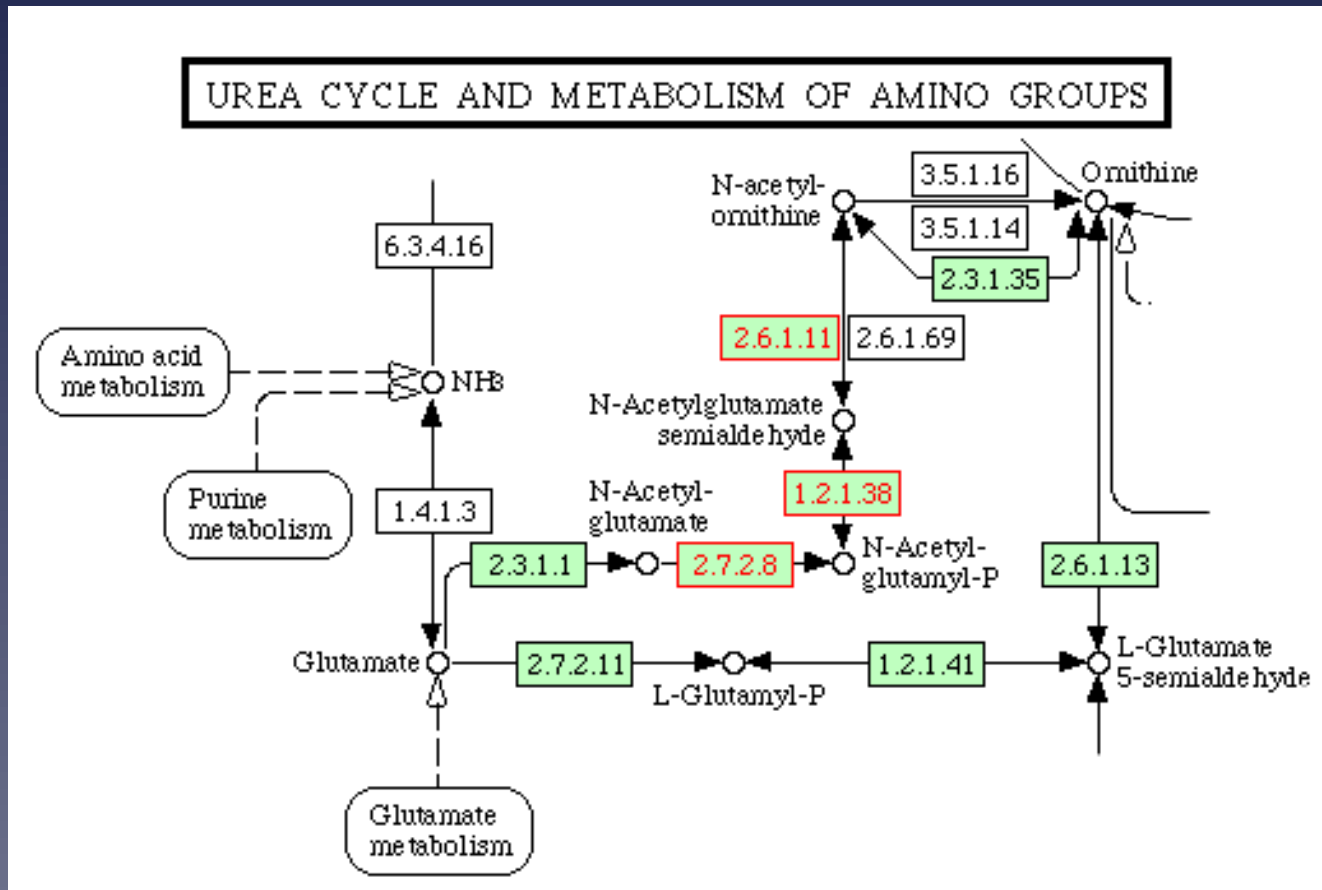
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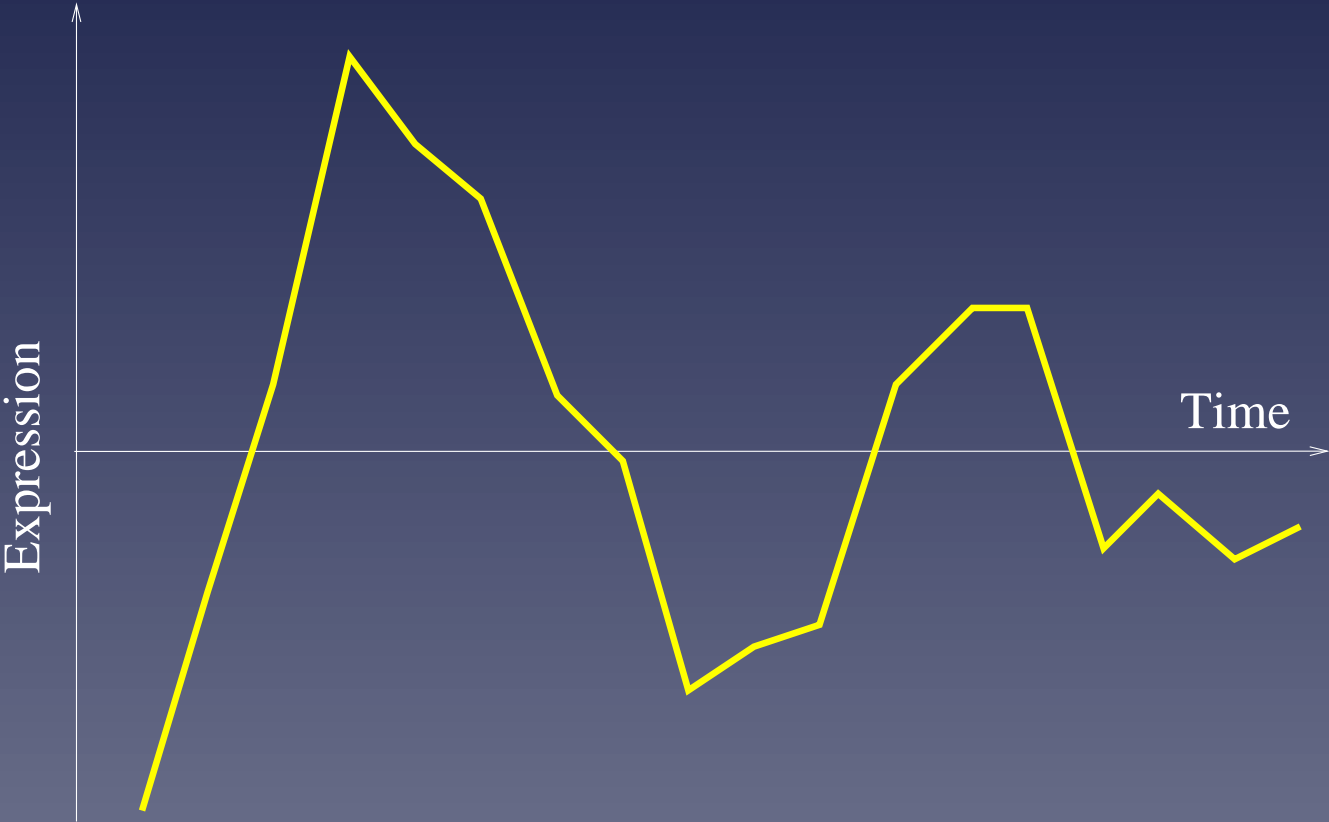
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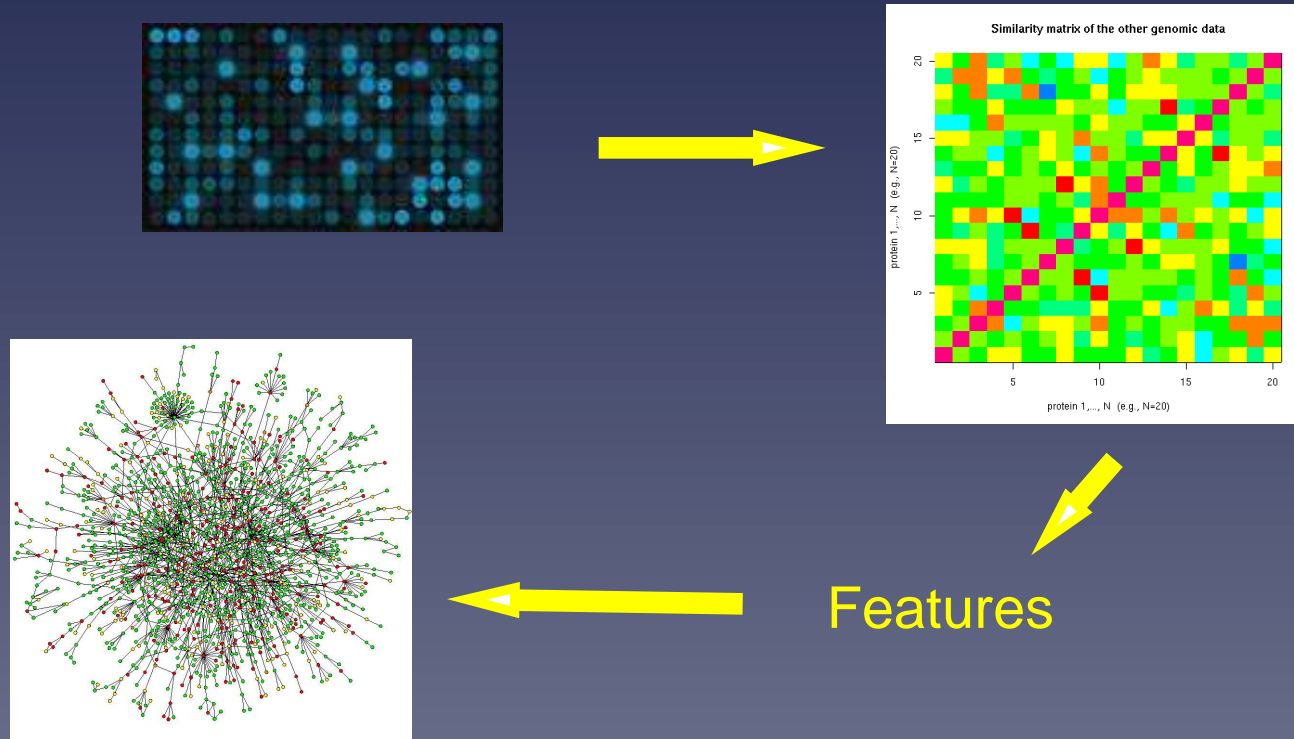
Second pattern



Part 4

Learning from several
heterogeneous data

Summary of the process



Kernels

Several similarity kernels have been developed recently:

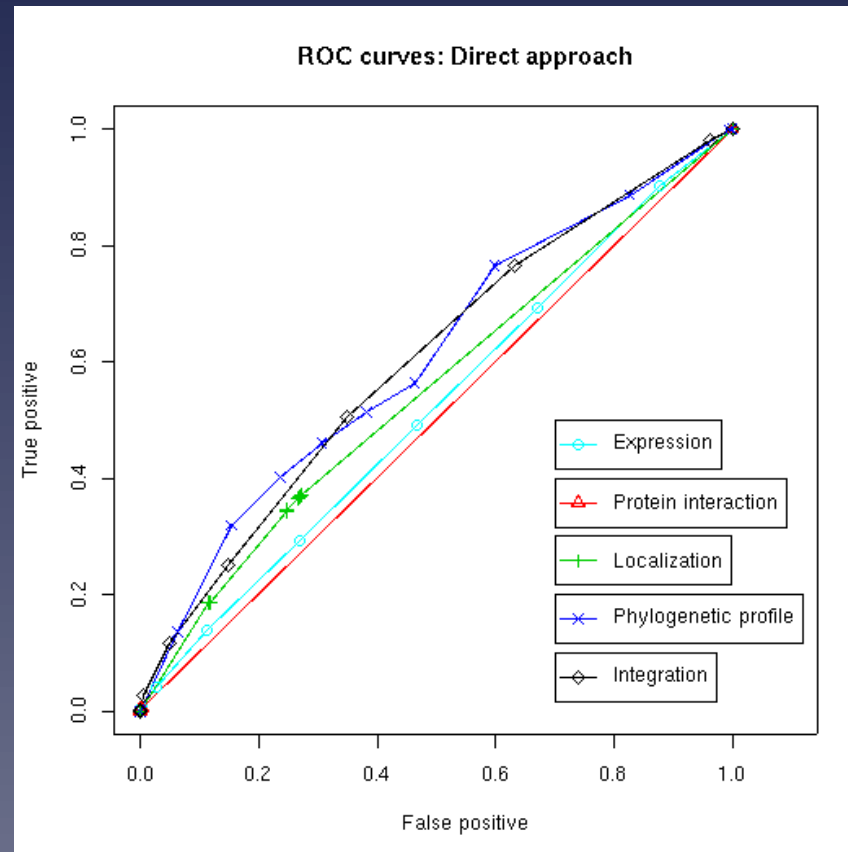
- for phylogenetic profiles (JPV. 2004)
- for gene sequences (Leslie et al. 2003, Saigo et al. 2004, ...)
- for nodes in a network (Kondor et al. 2000)

Learning from heterogeneous data

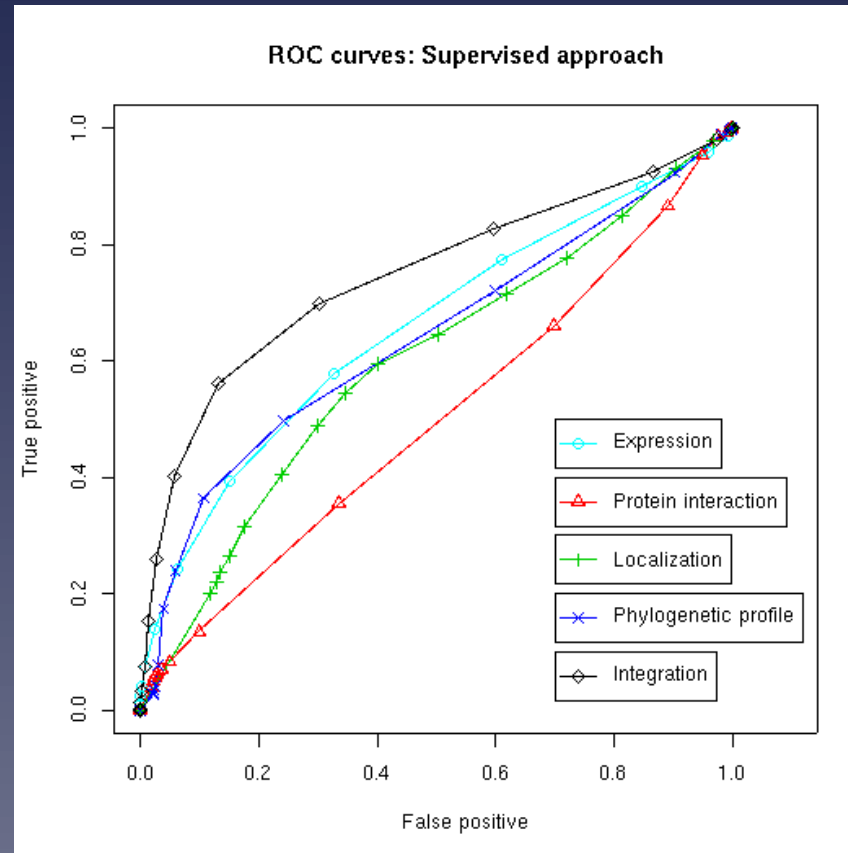
- Suppose **several data** are available about the genes, e.g., expression, localization, structure, predicted interaction etc...
- Each data can be represented by a **positive definite** similarity matrix K_1, \dots, K_p
- Kernel can be combined by various operations, e.g., addition:

$$K = \sum_{i=1}^p K_i$$

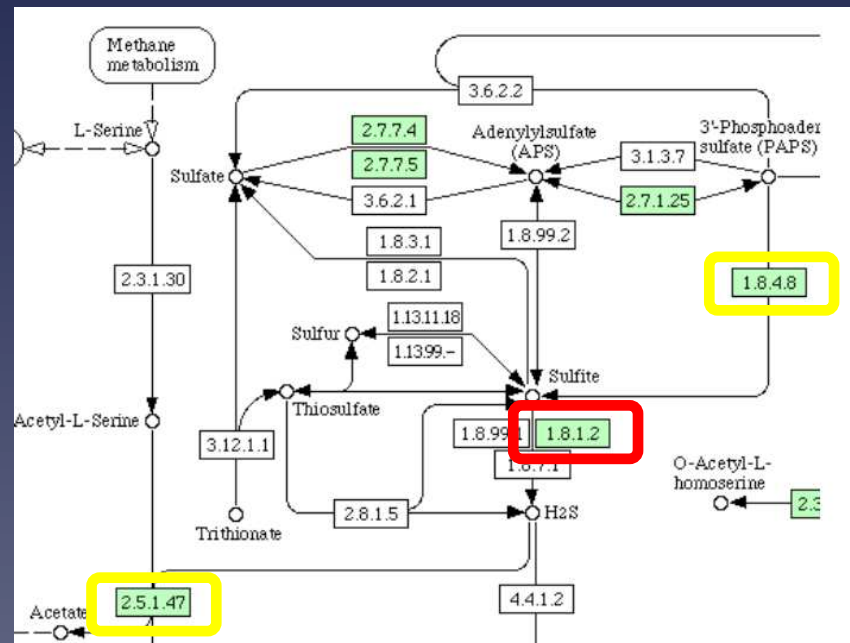
Learning from heterogeneous data (unsupervised)



Learning from heterogeneous data (supervised)



Application: missing enzyme prediction



The gene **YJR137C** was predicted in 09/2003 between *EC* : 1.8.4.8 and *EC* : 2.5.1.47. It was recently annotated as **EC:1.8.1.2**

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