

Supplementary Information

Inference of cell type-specific gene regulatory networks on cell
lineages from single cell omic datasets

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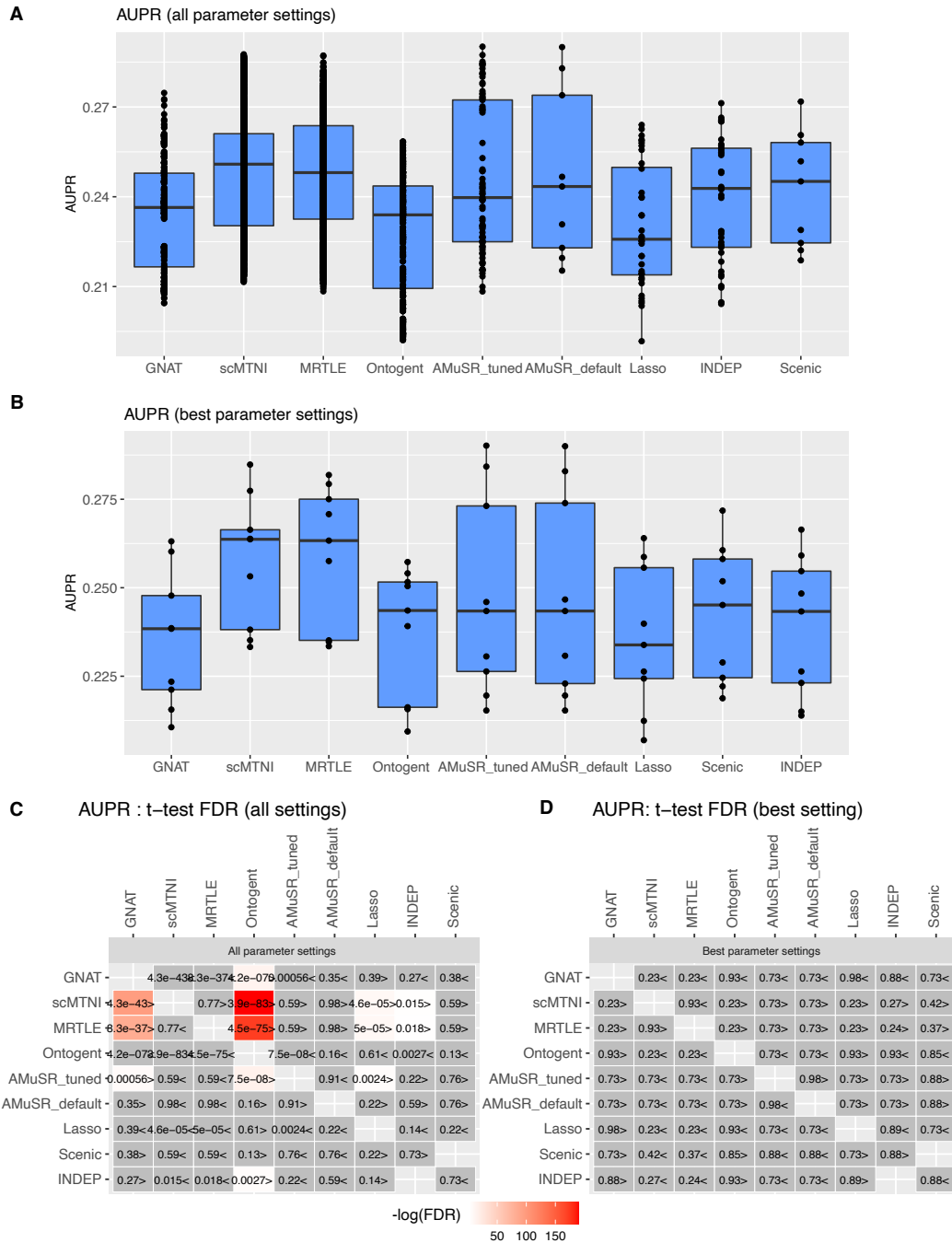
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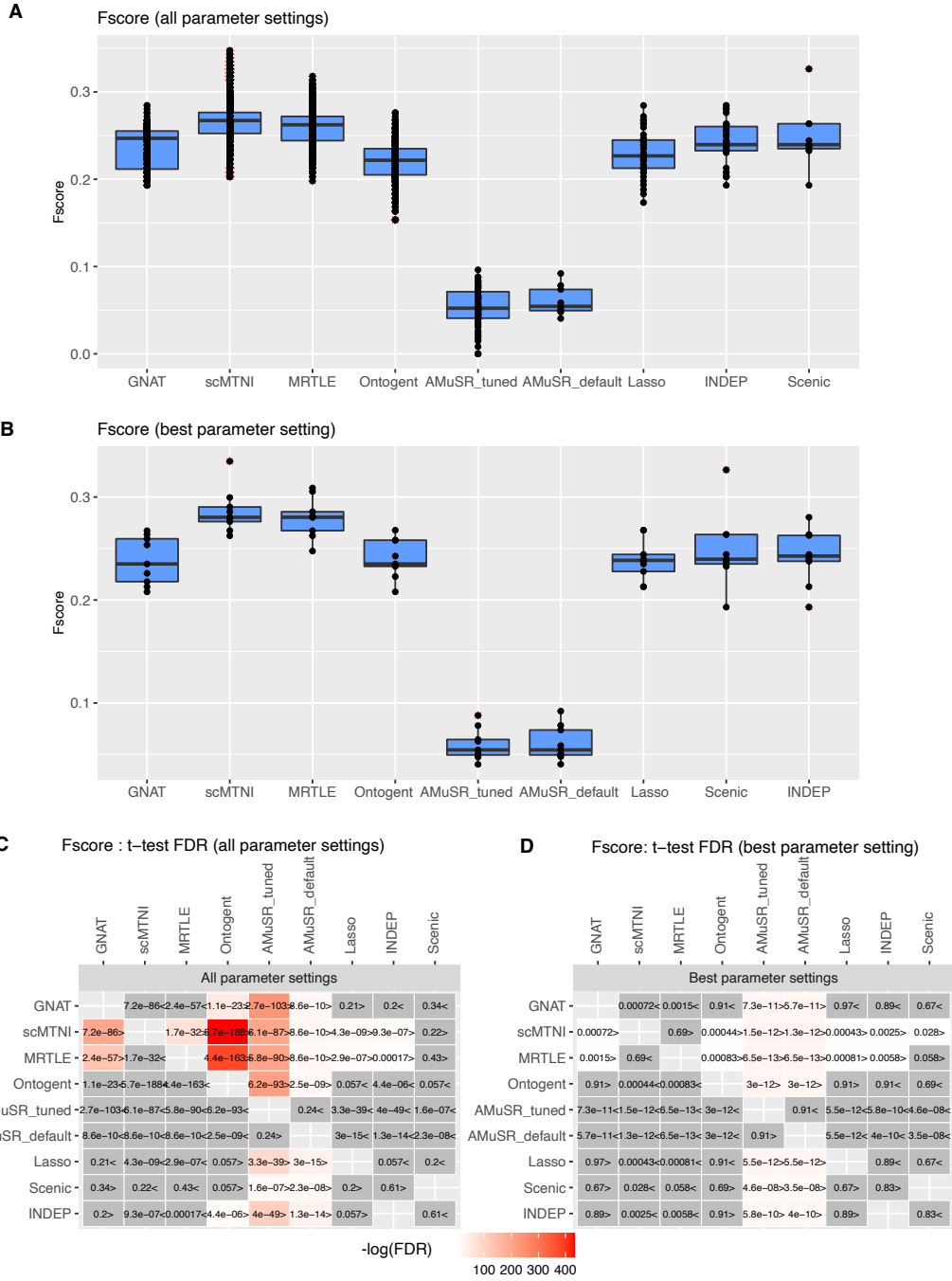
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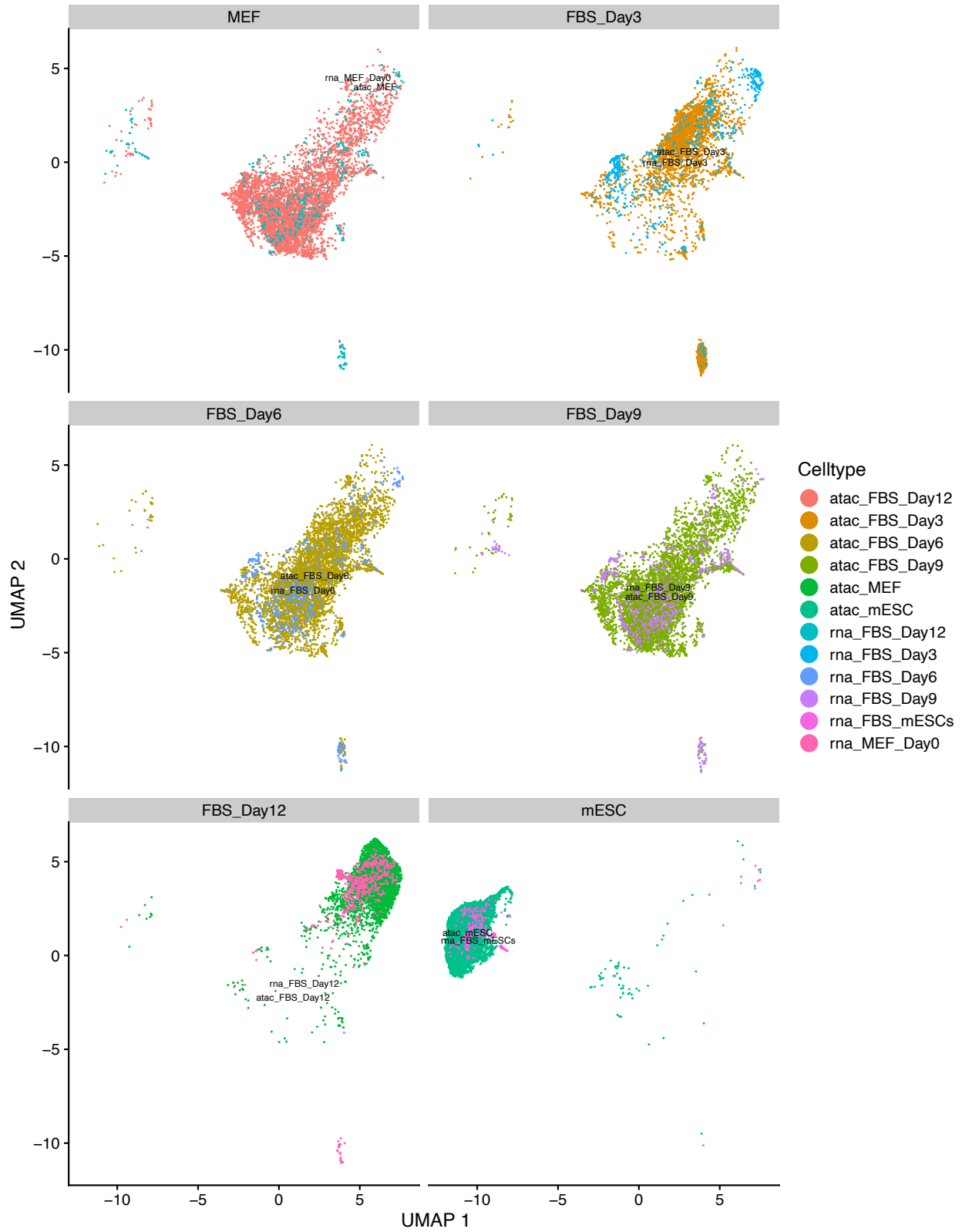
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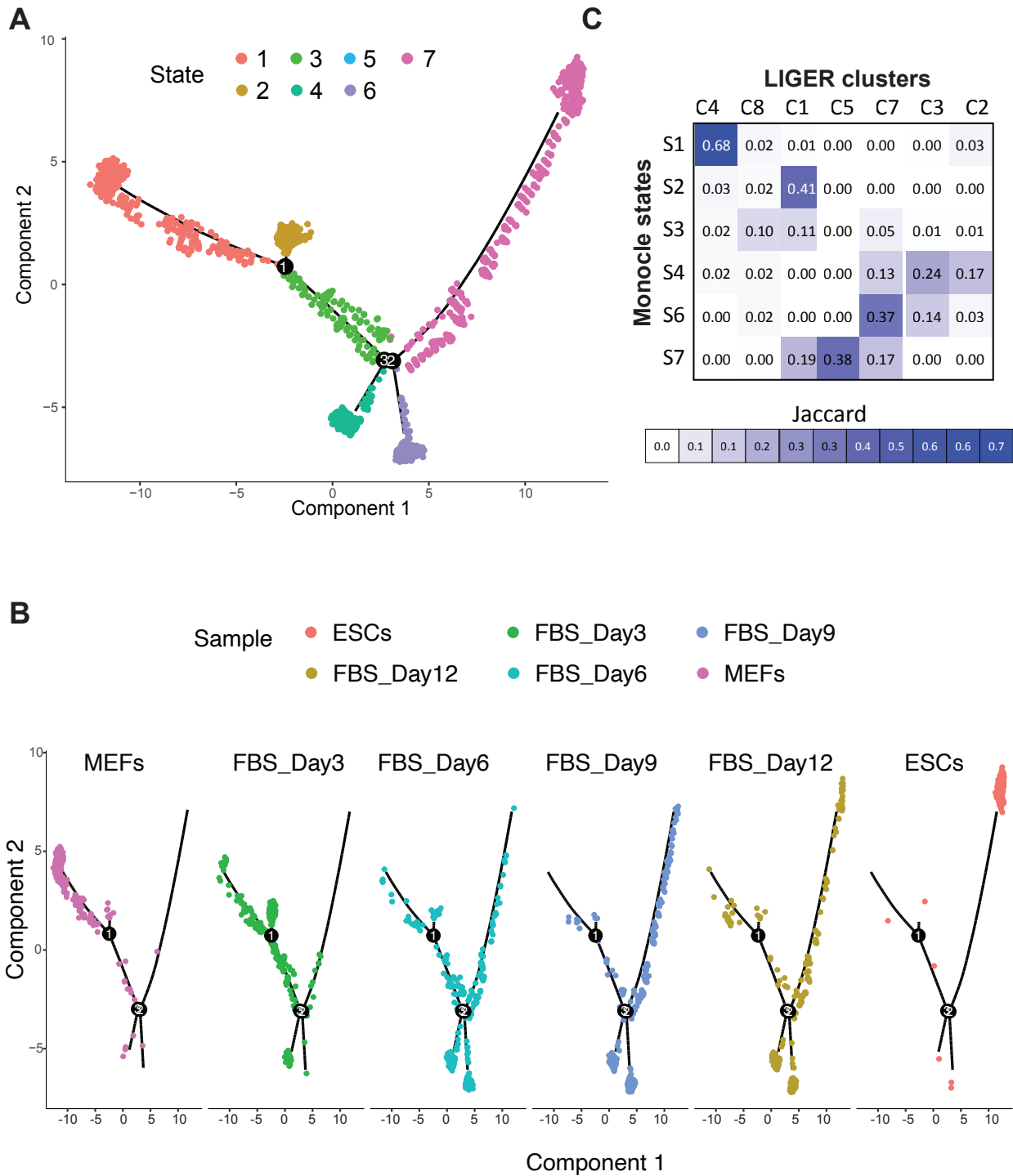
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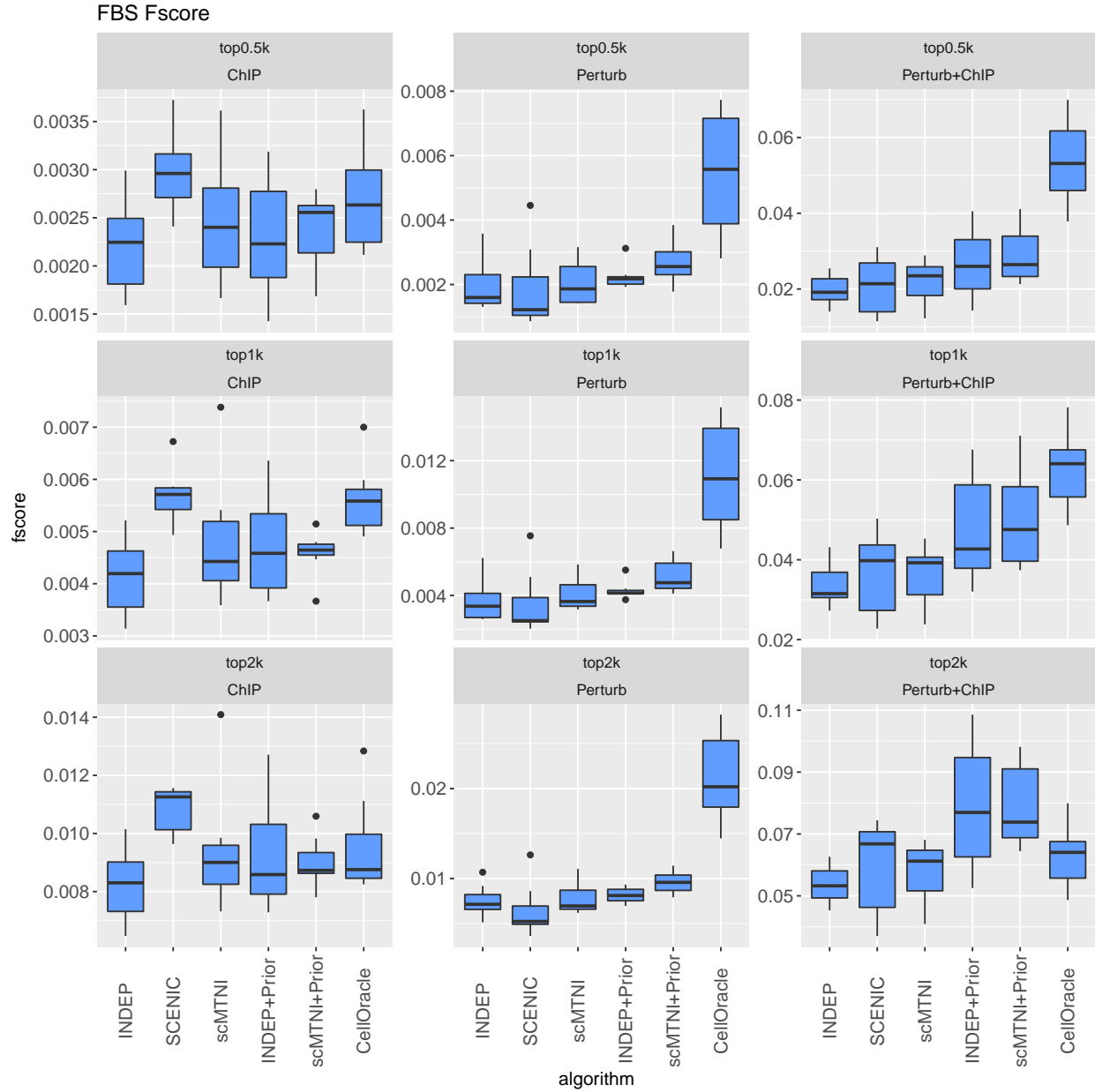
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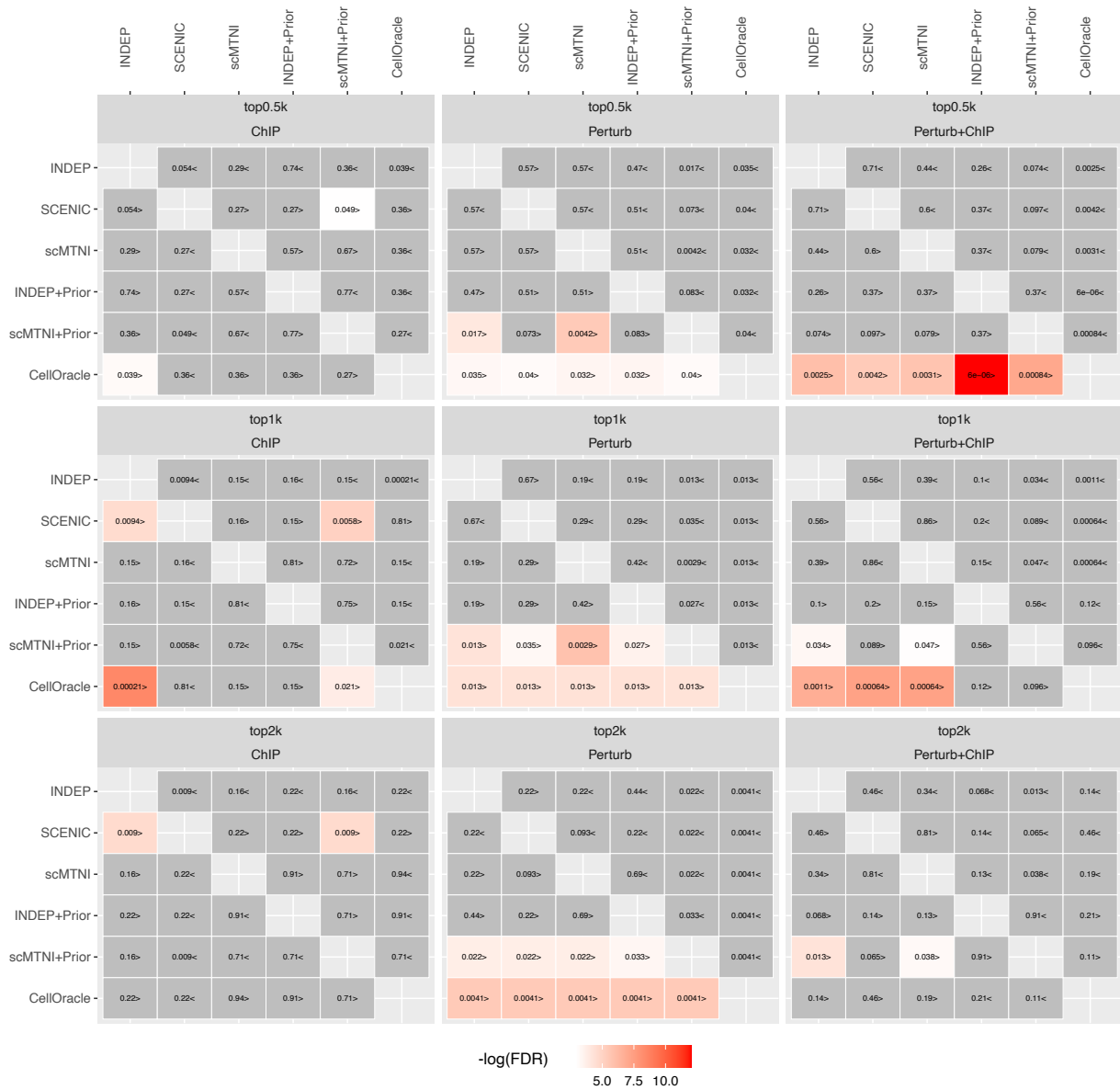


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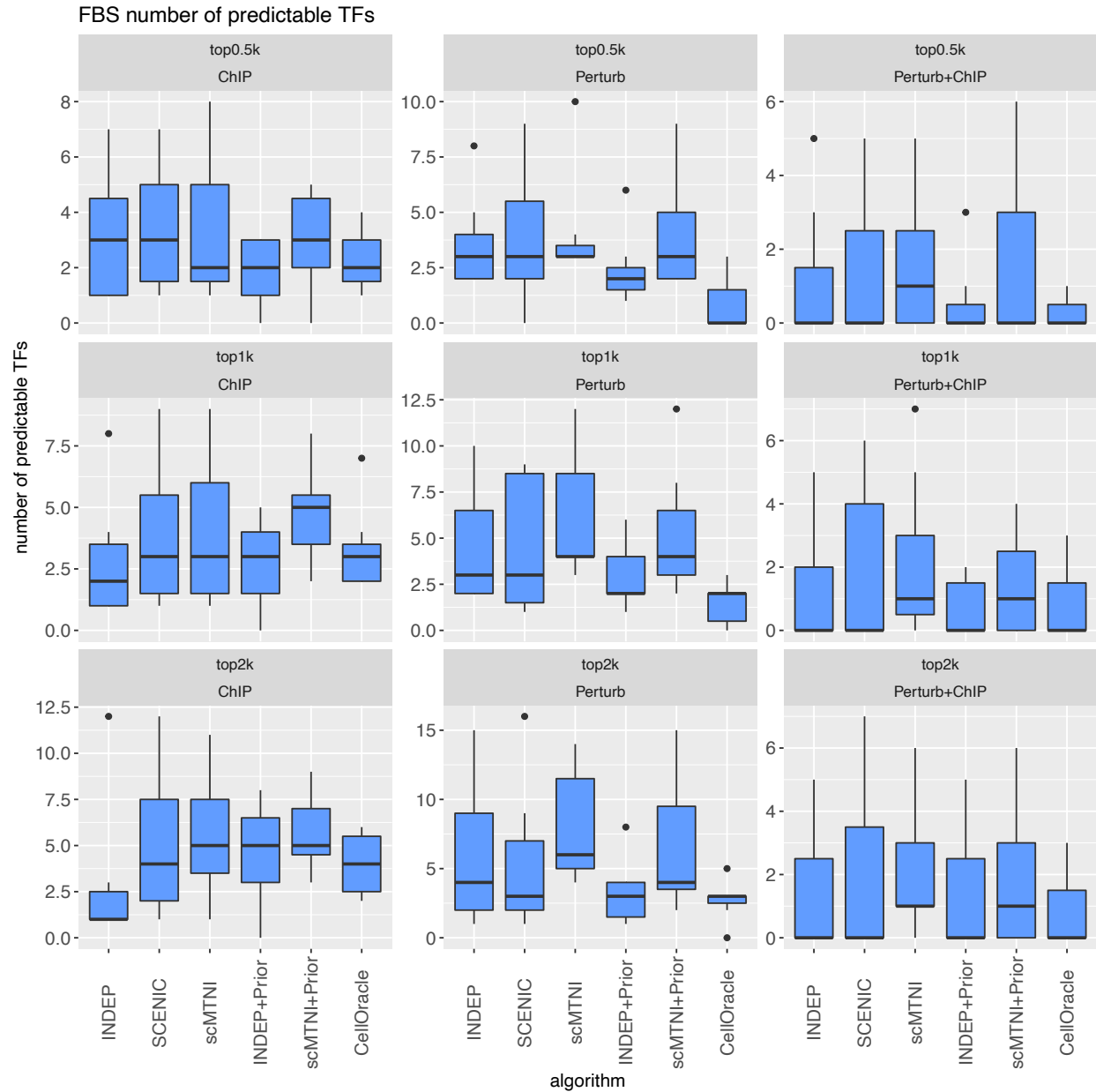


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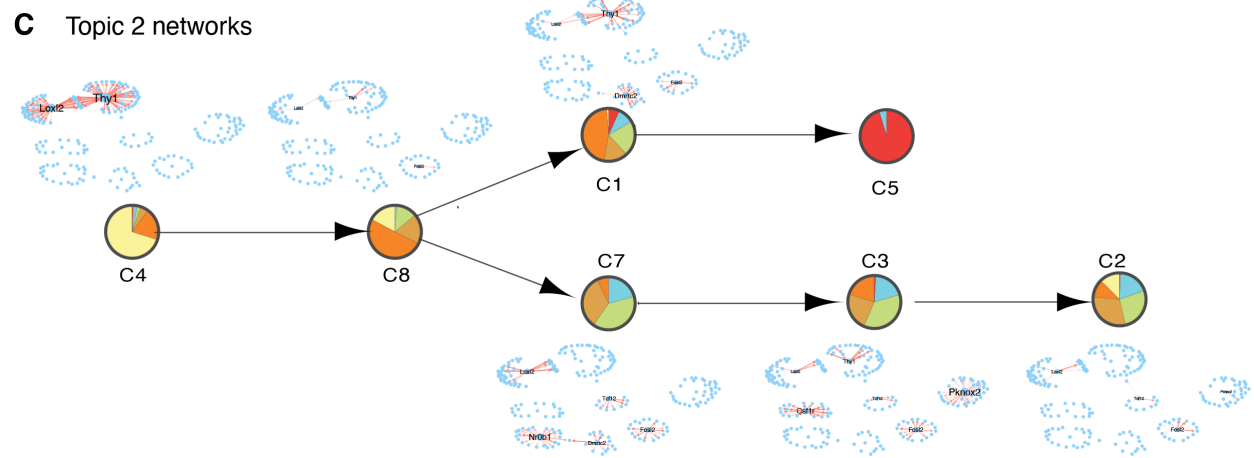
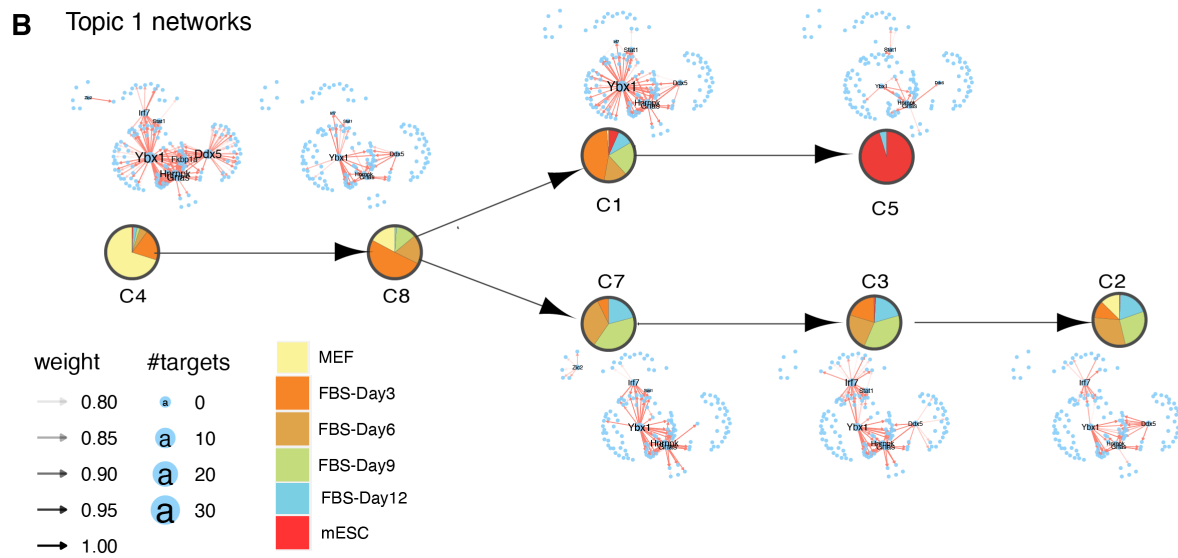
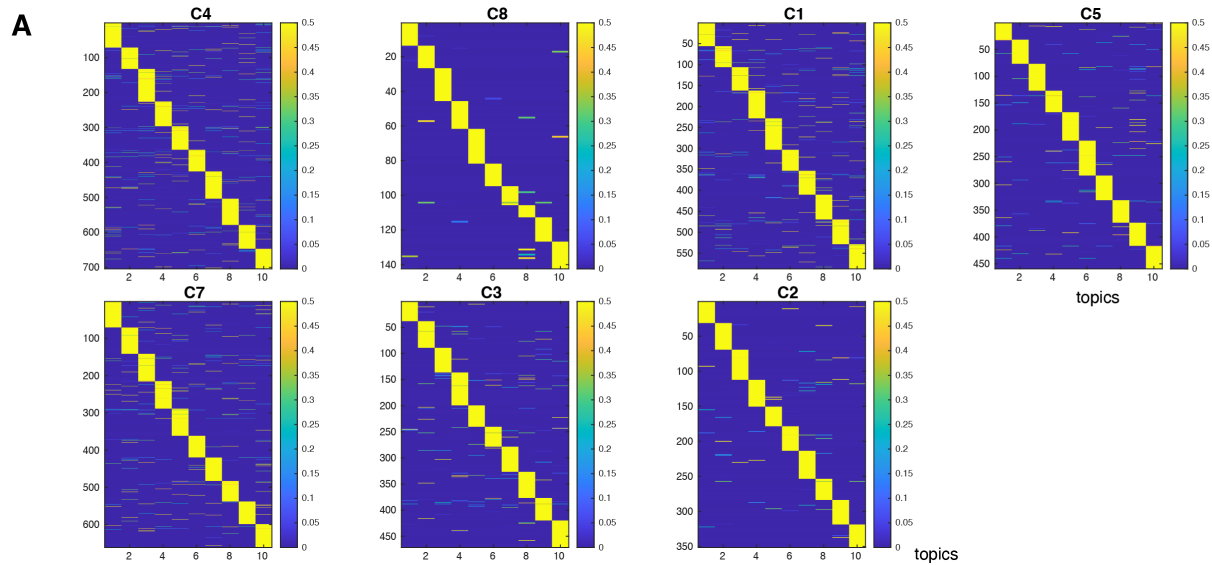
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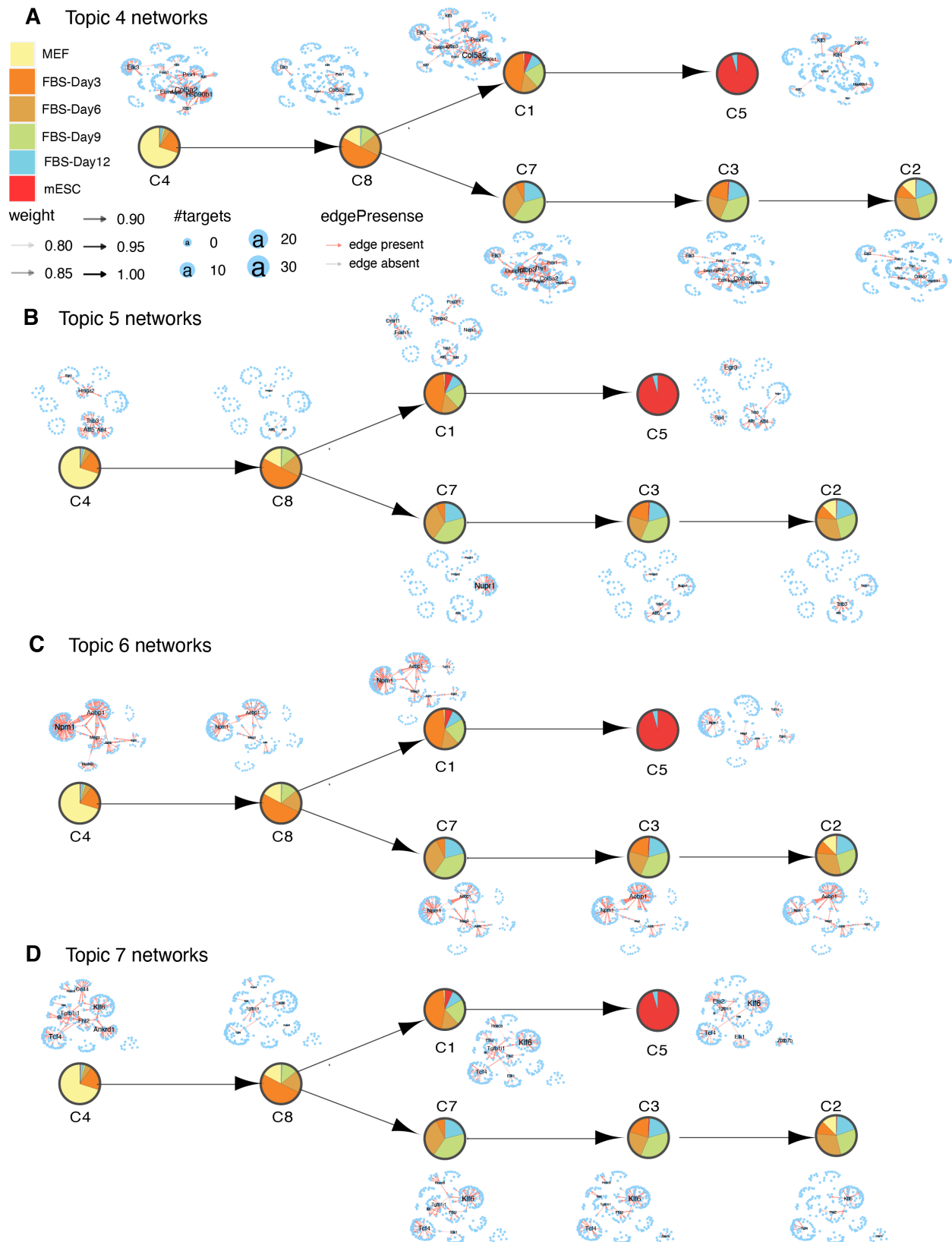
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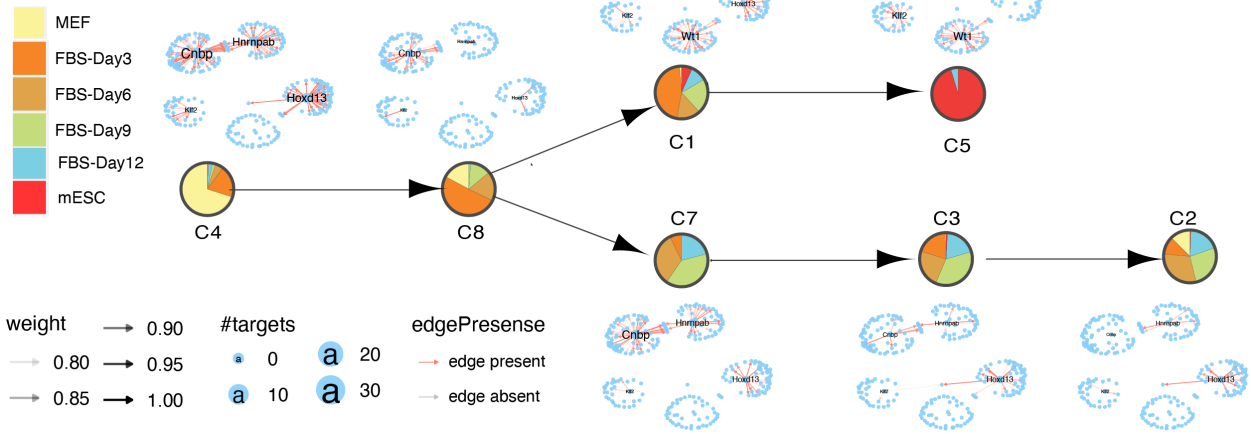


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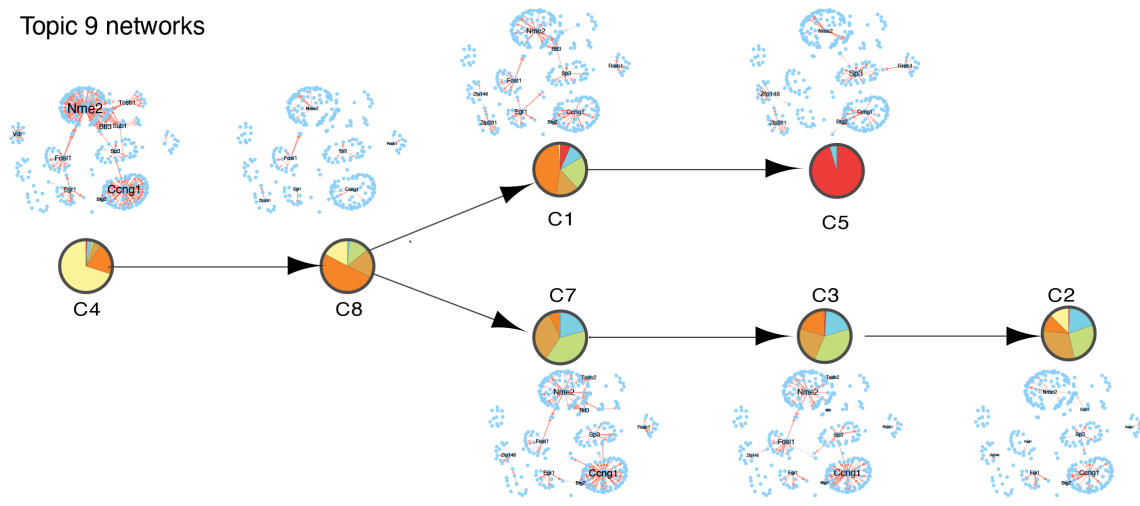


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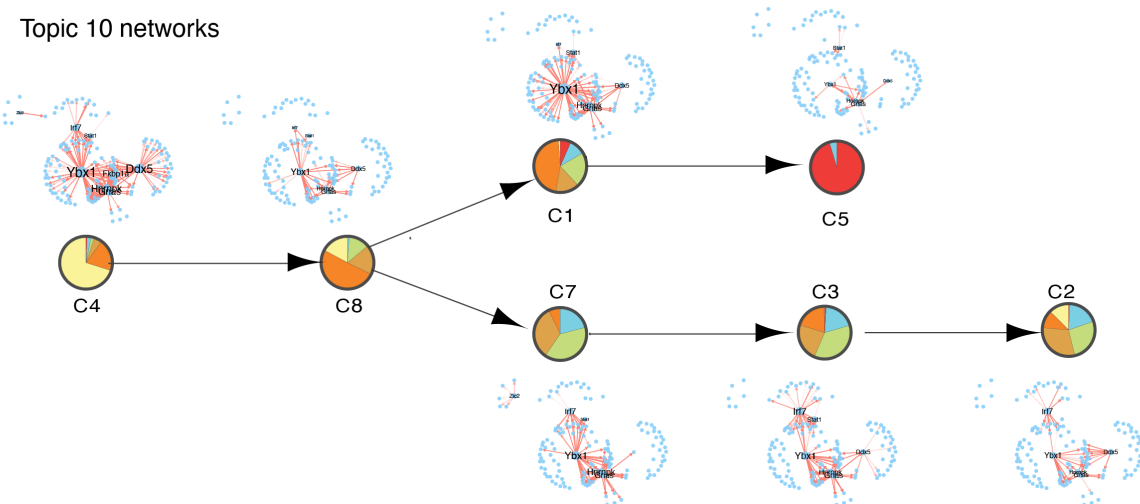
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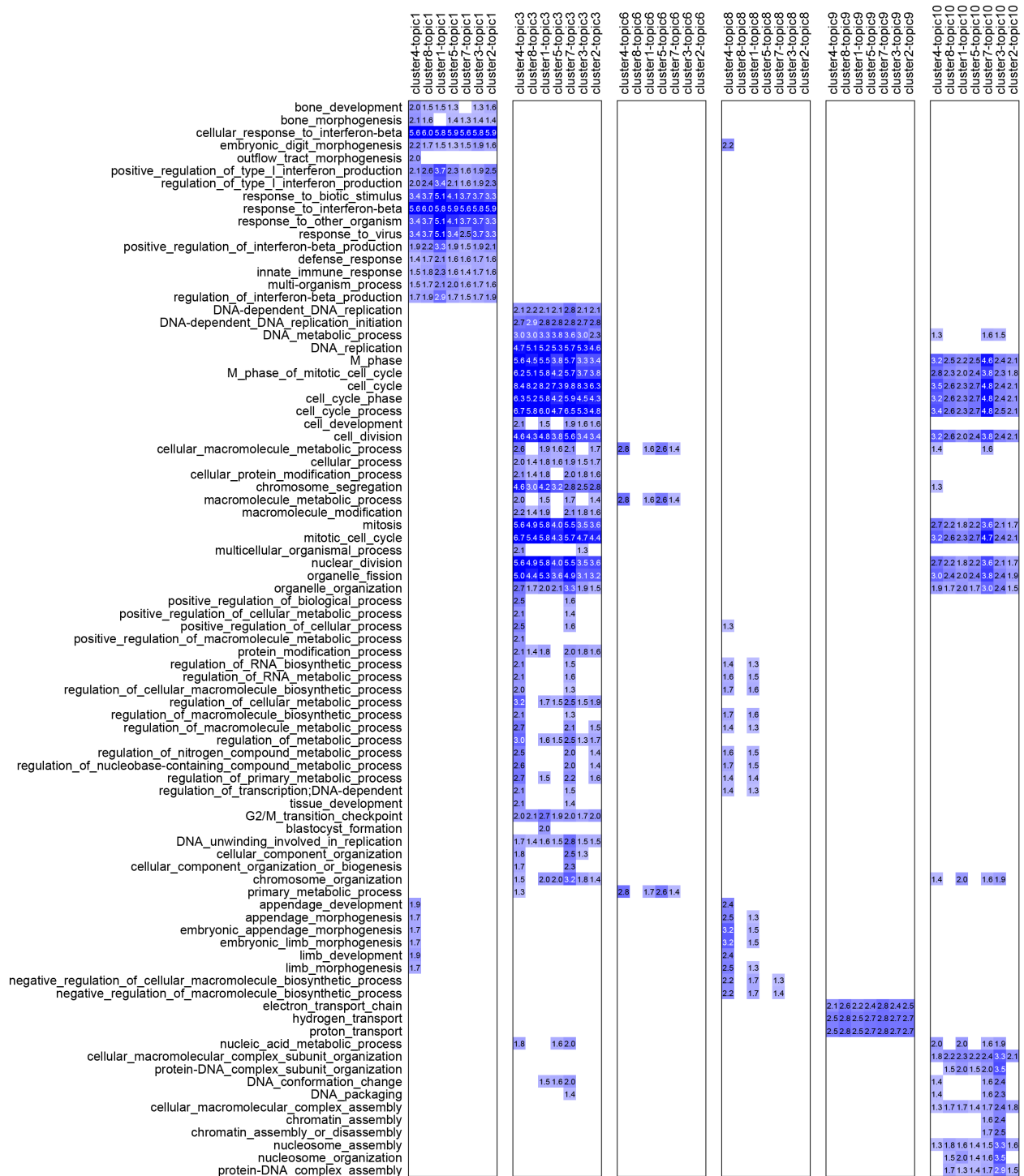
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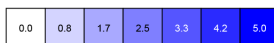
C Topic 10 networks



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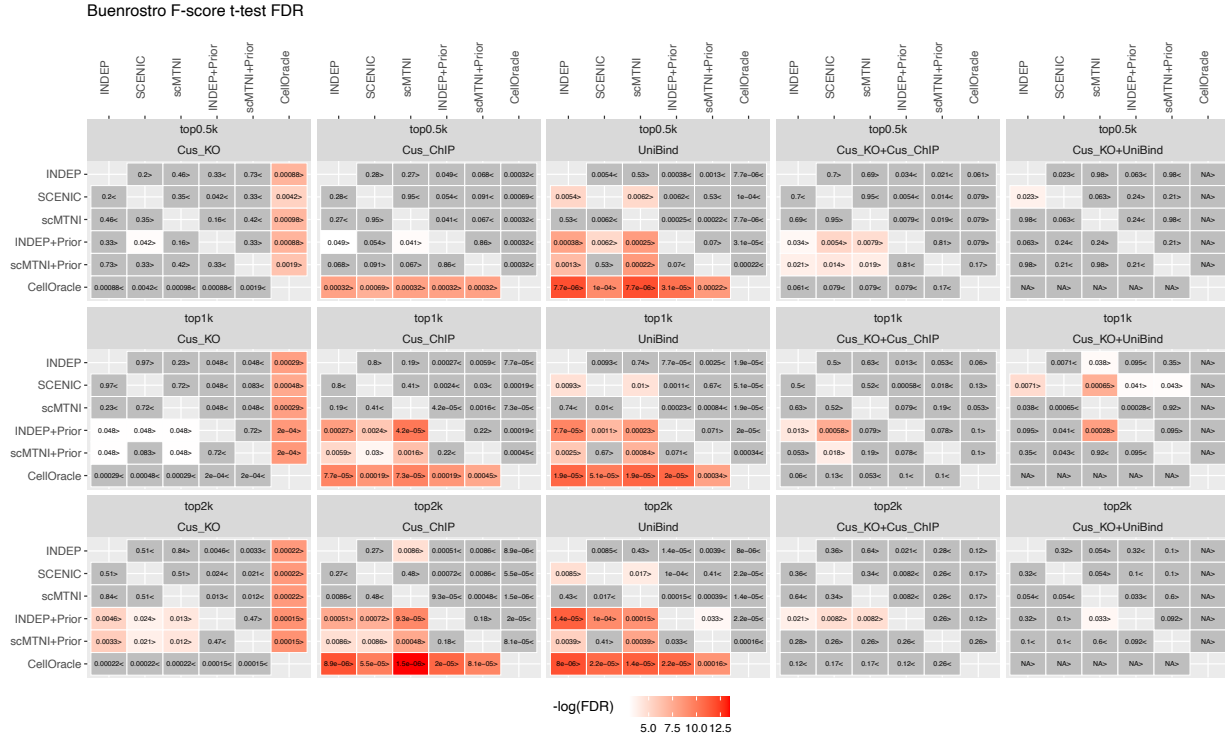
Enrichment



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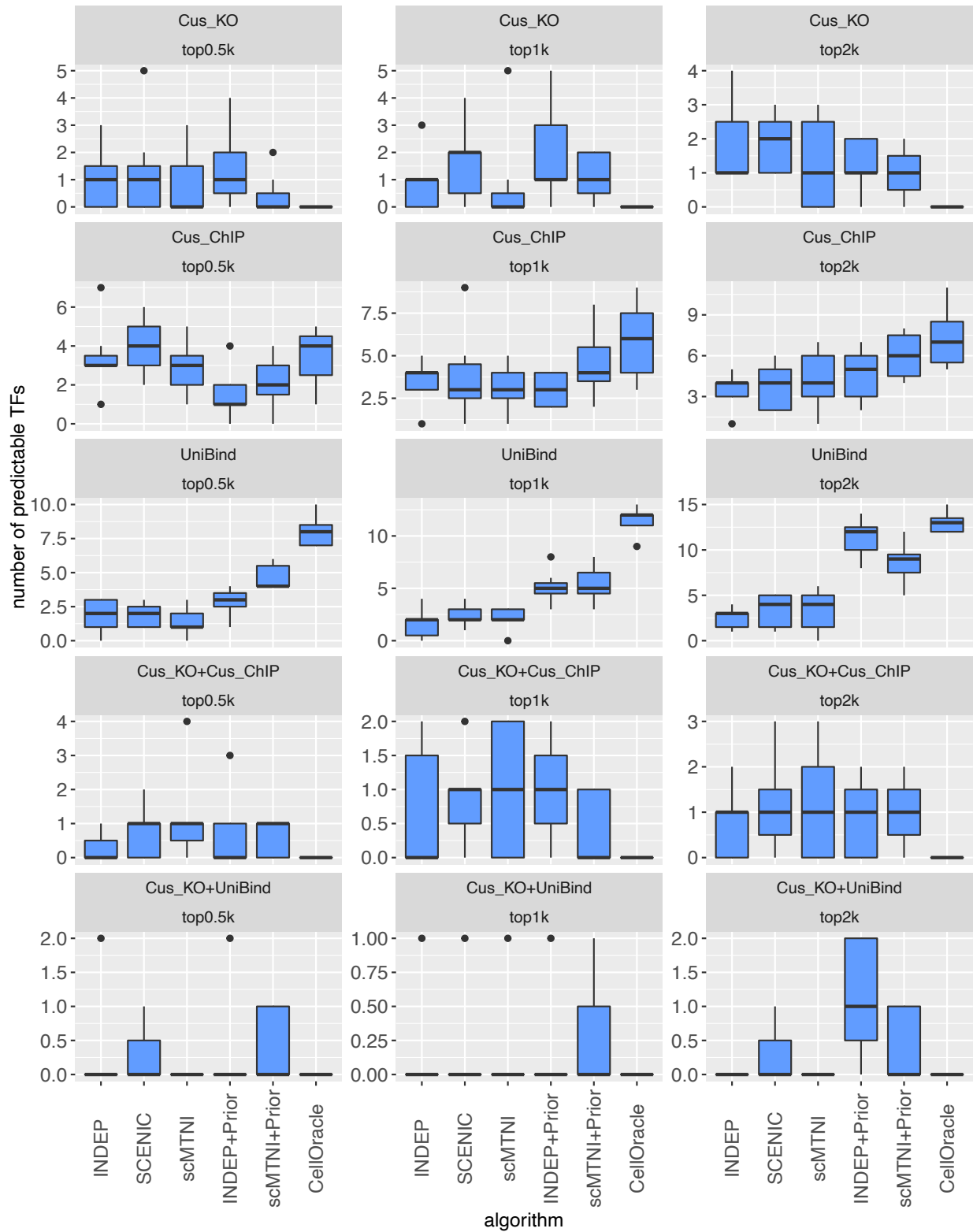


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Buenrostro number of predictable TFs

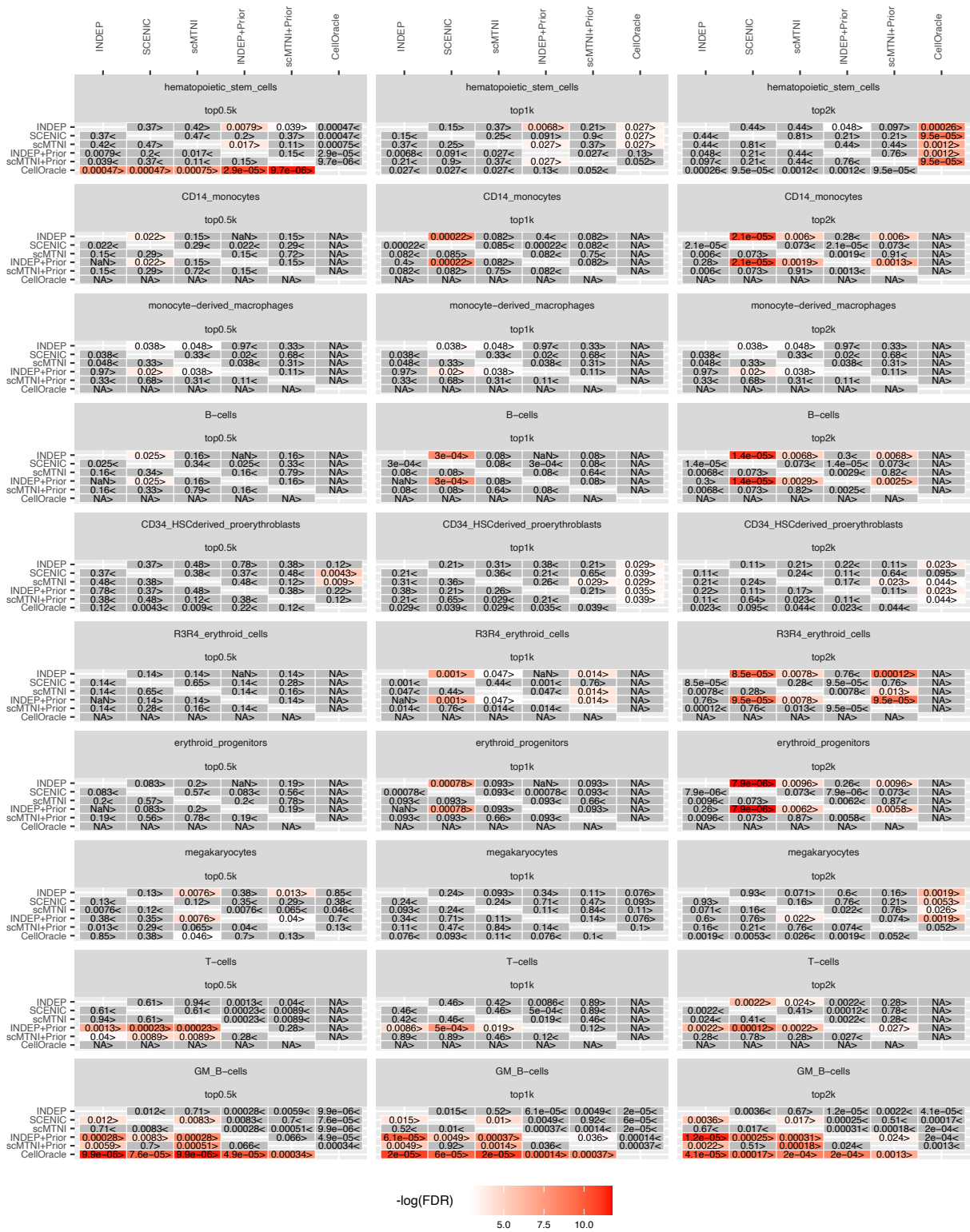


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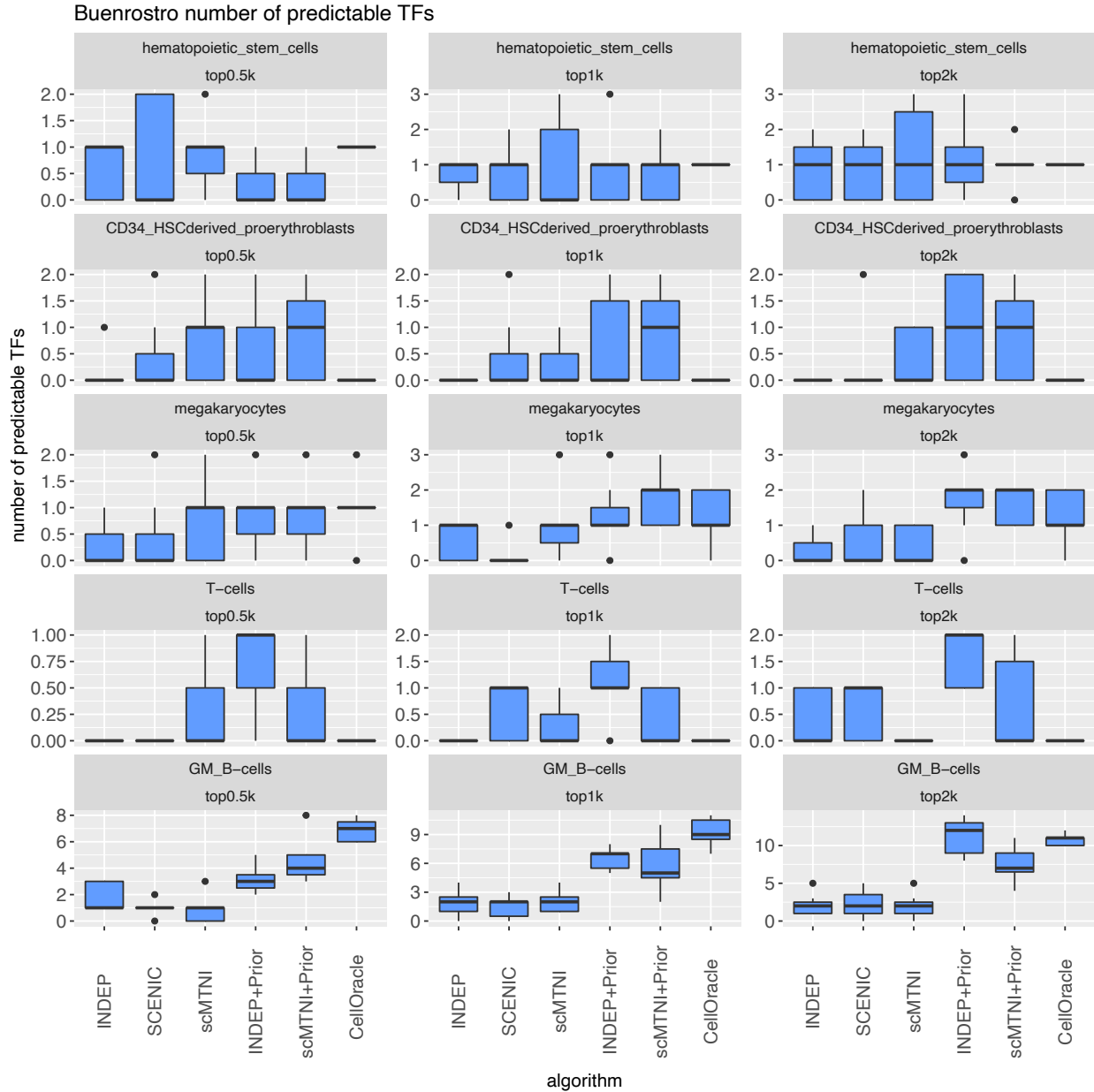


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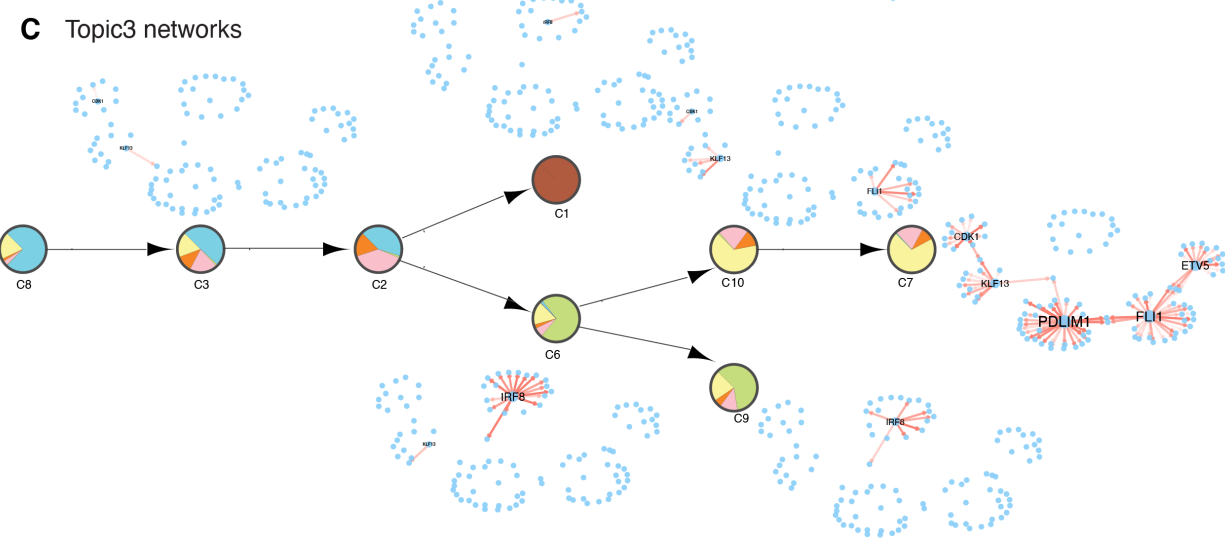
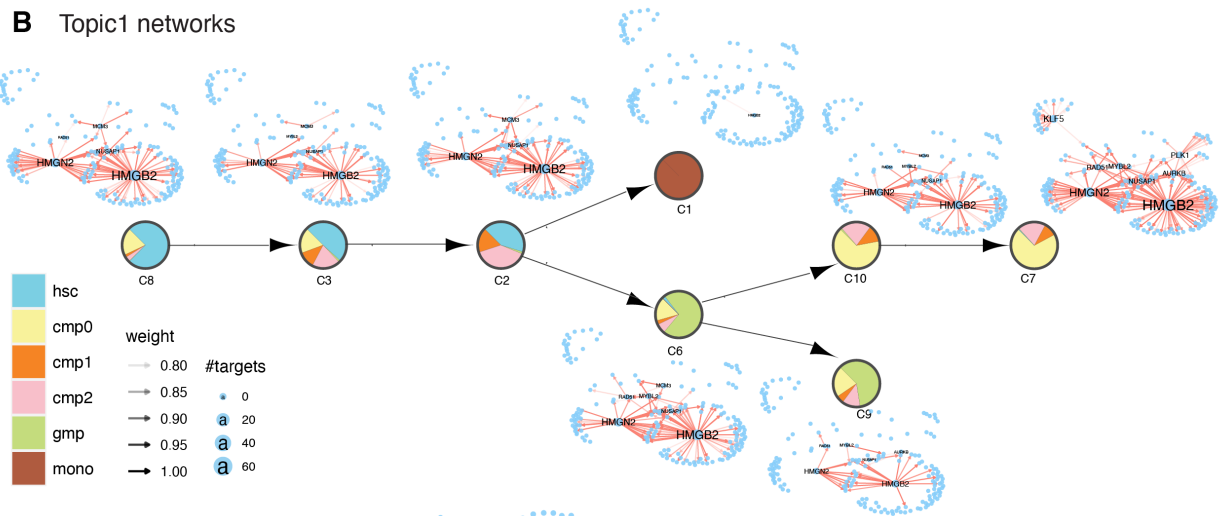
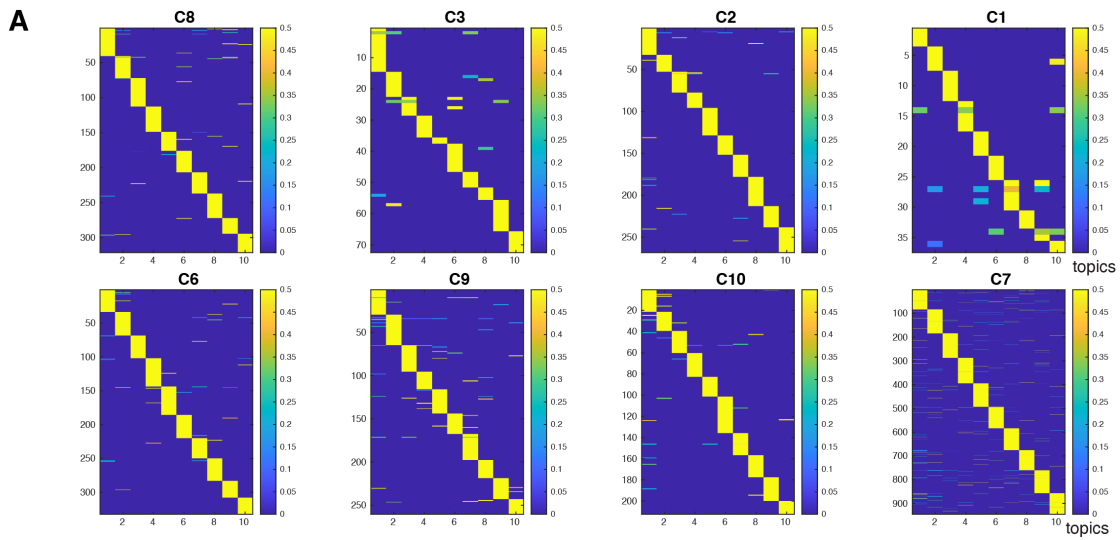
Buenrostro F-score t-test FDR



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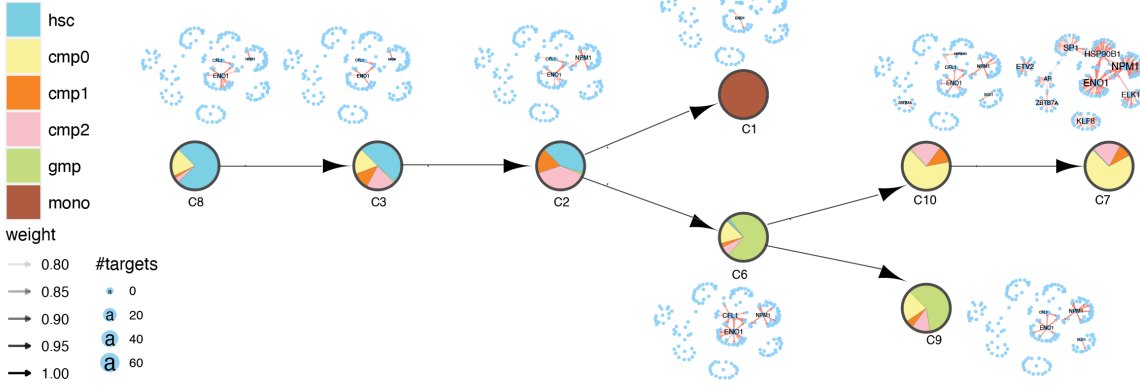


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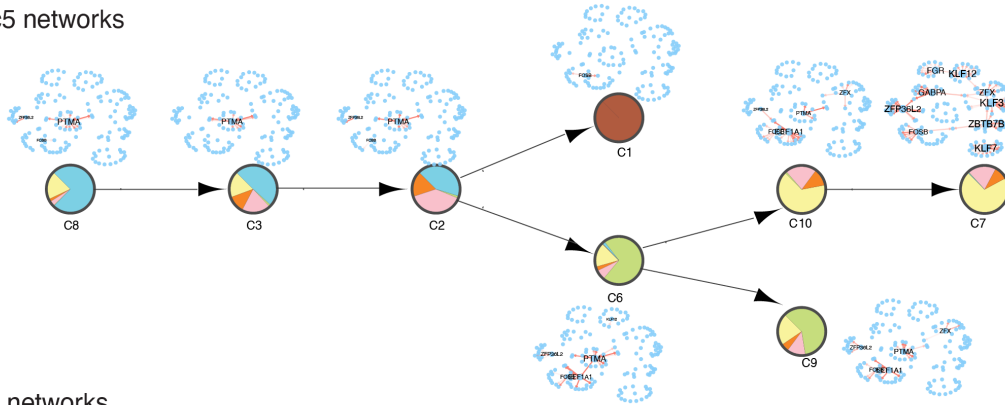


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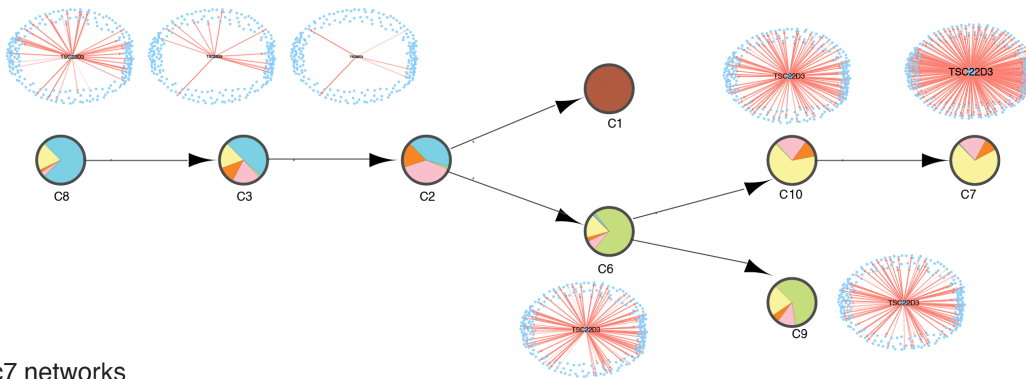
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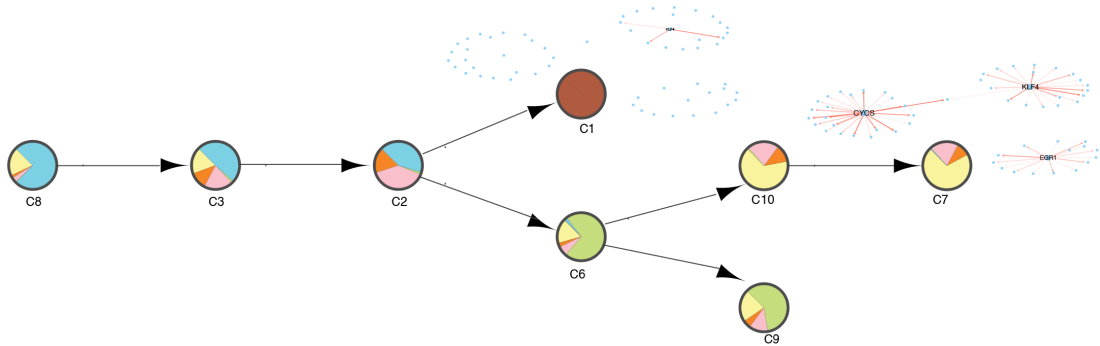
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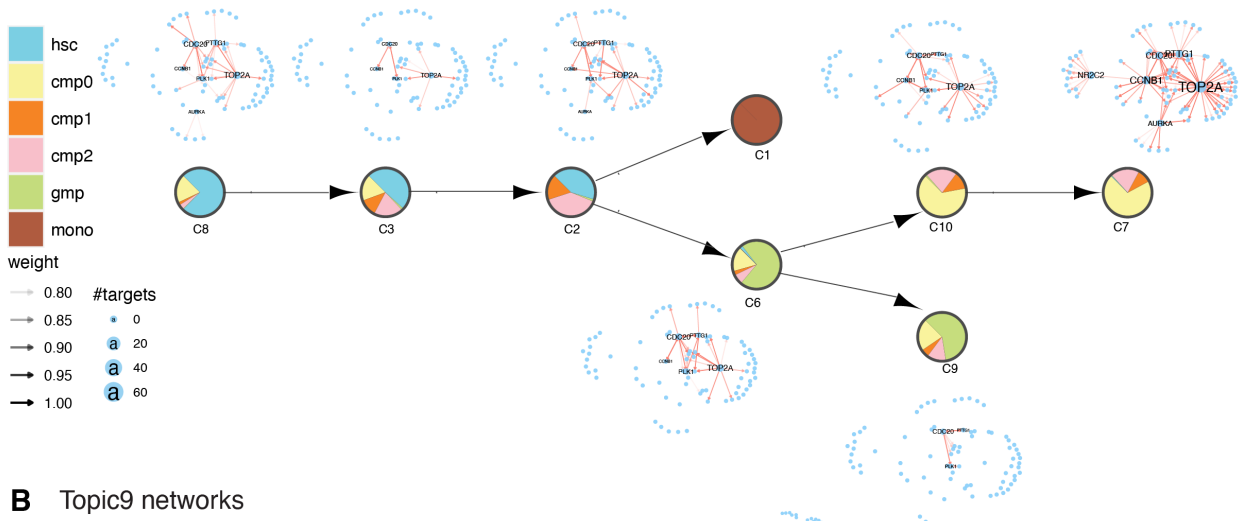


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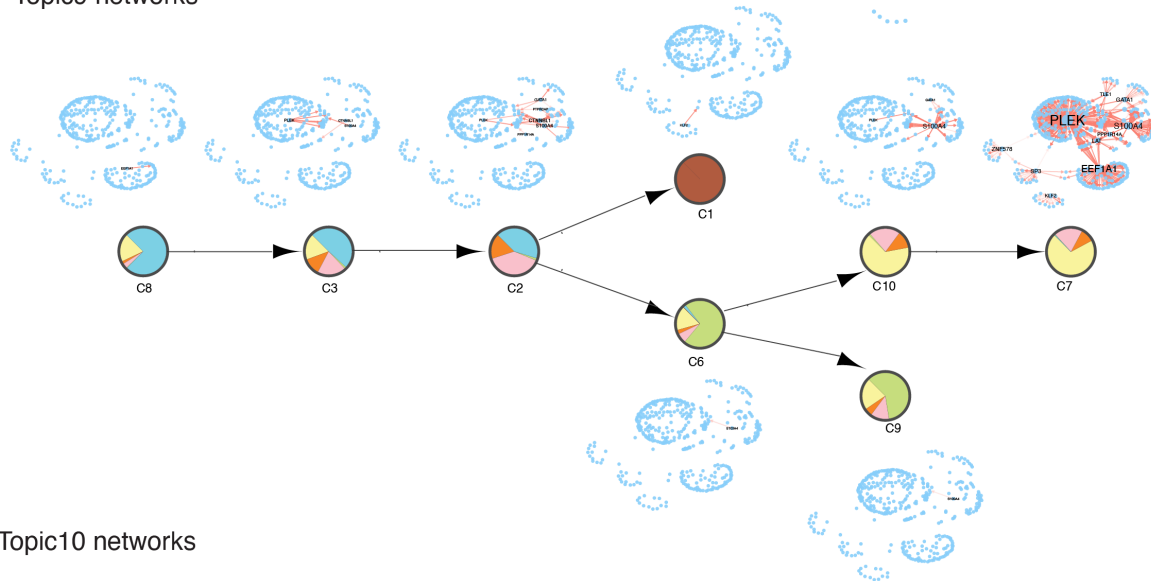


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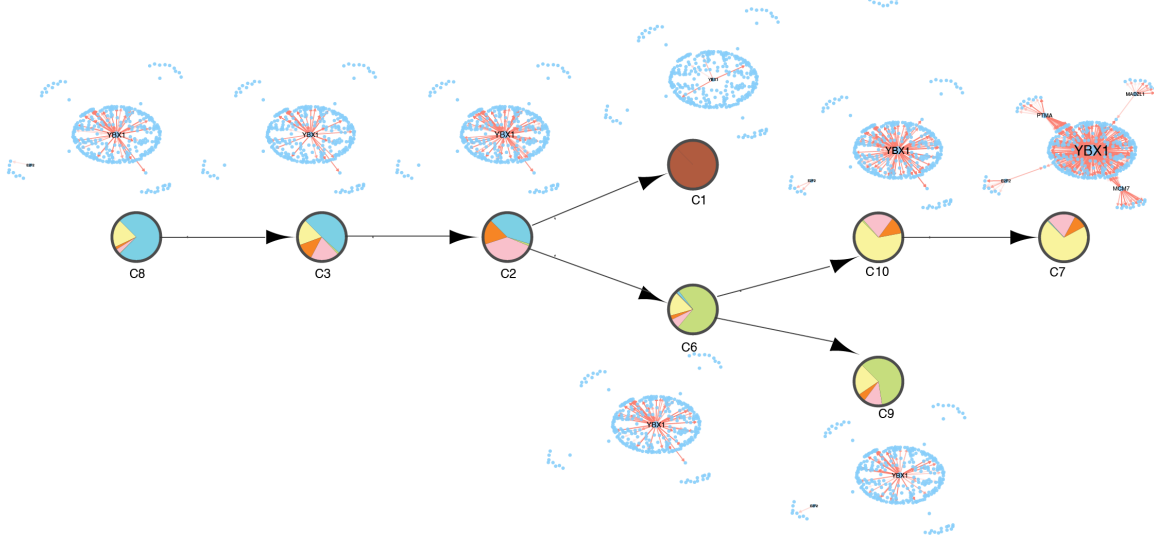
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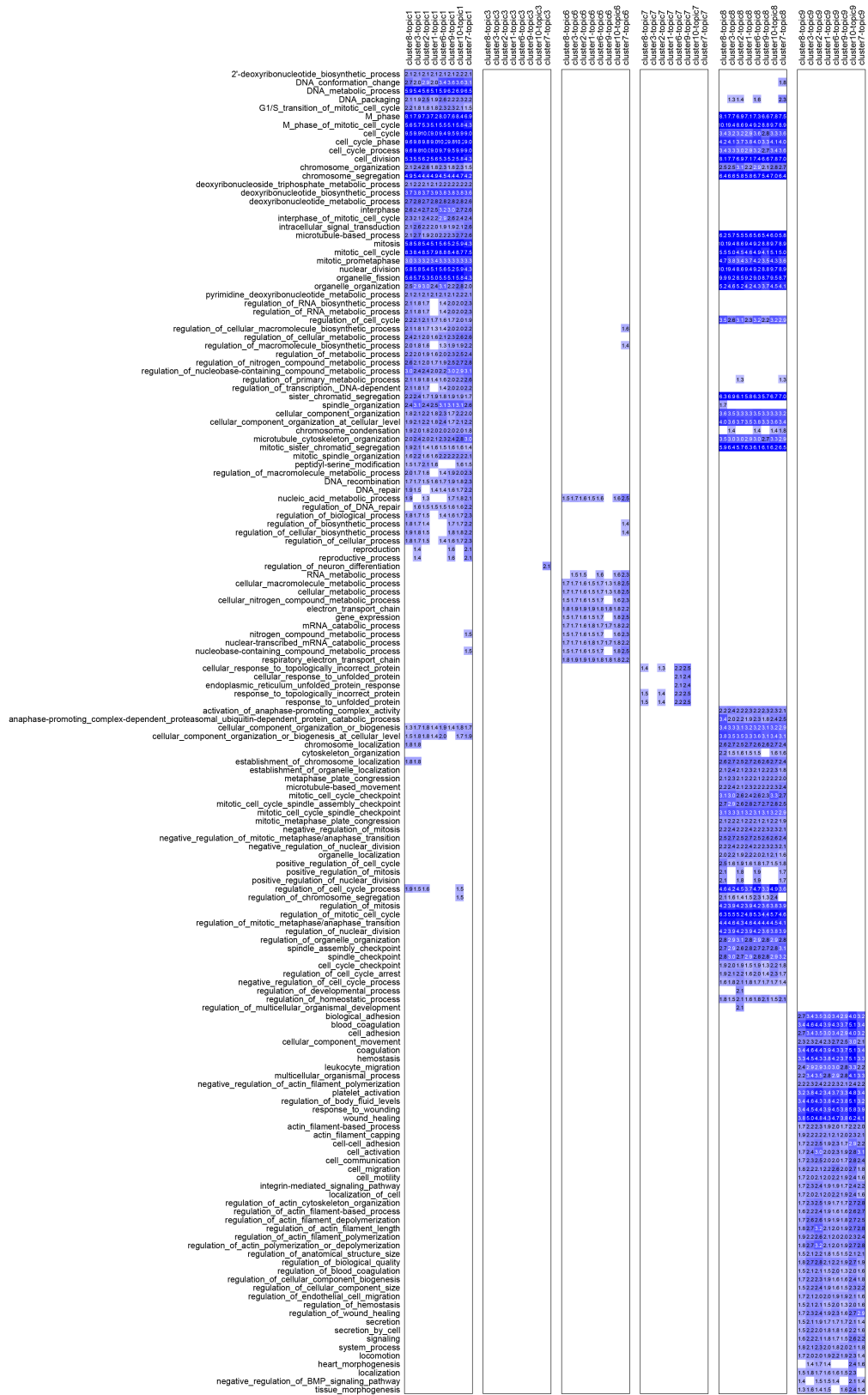
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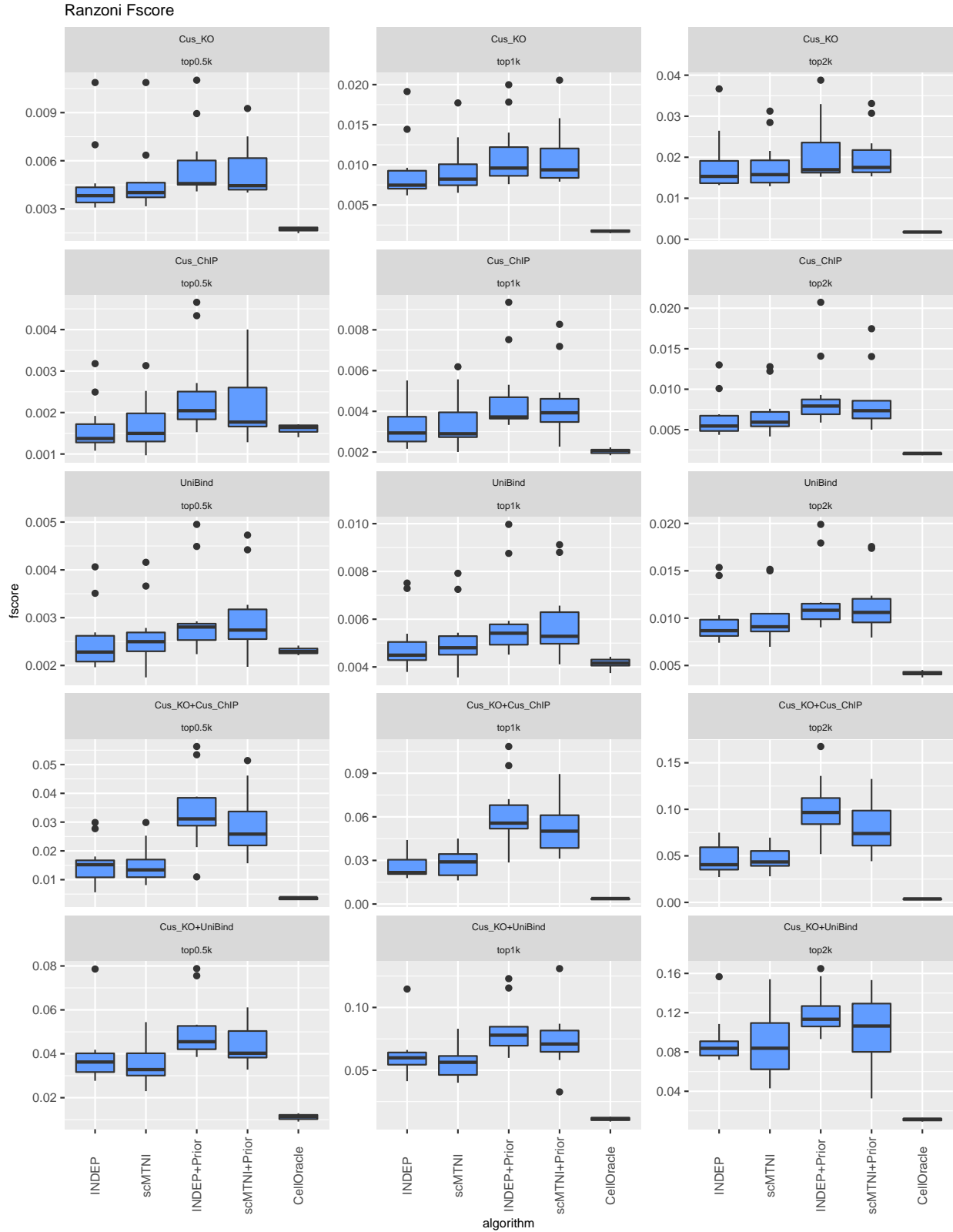
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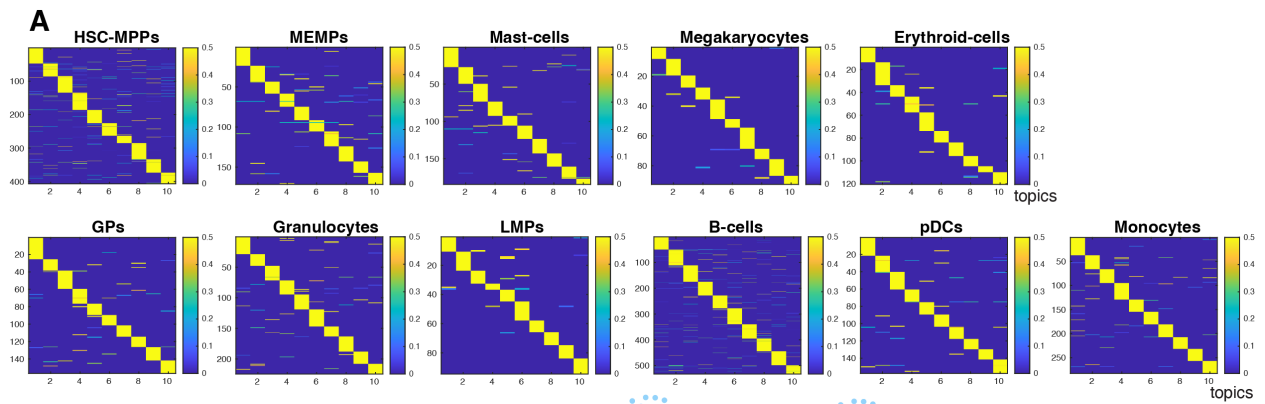
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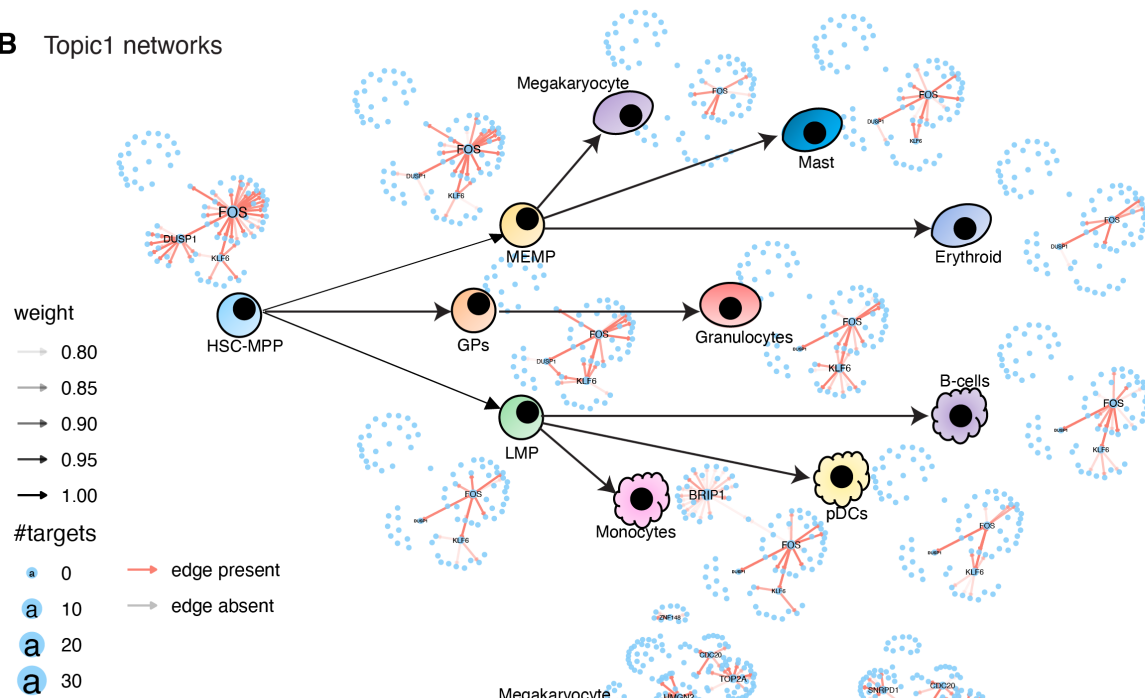
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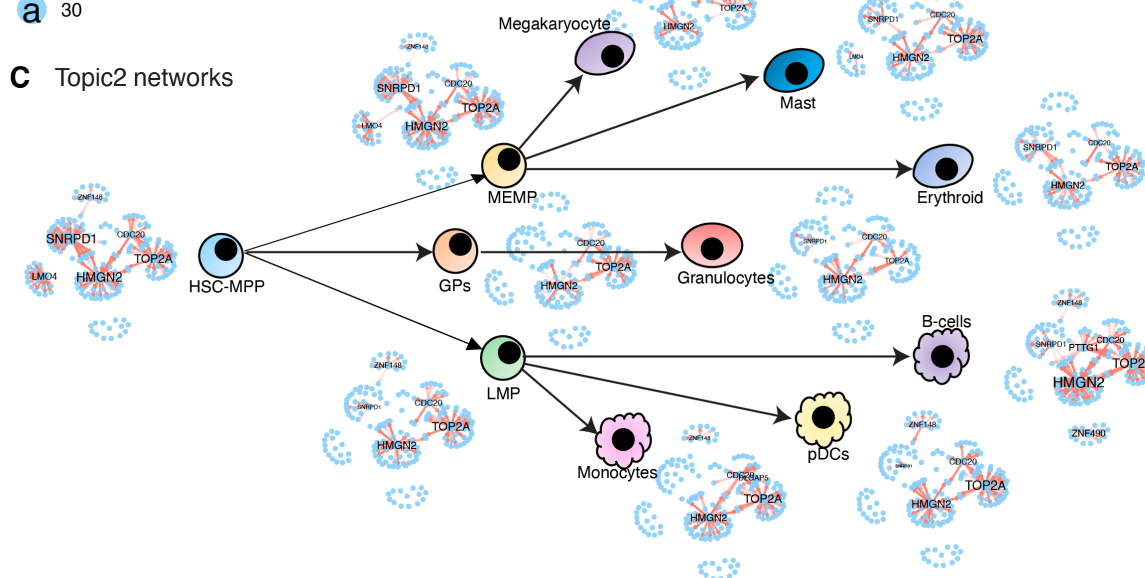
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B Topic1 networks

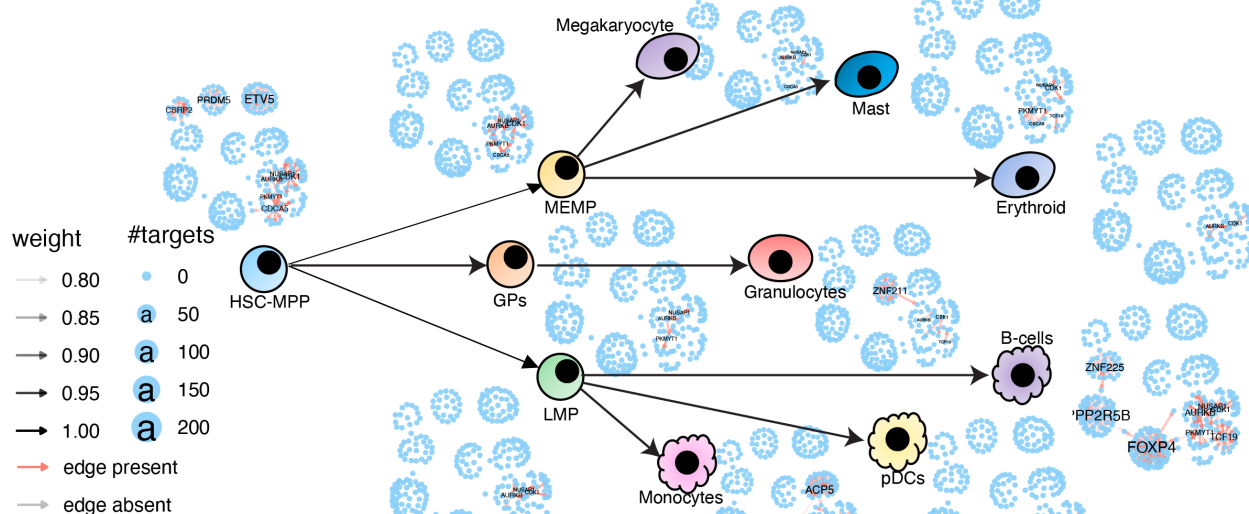


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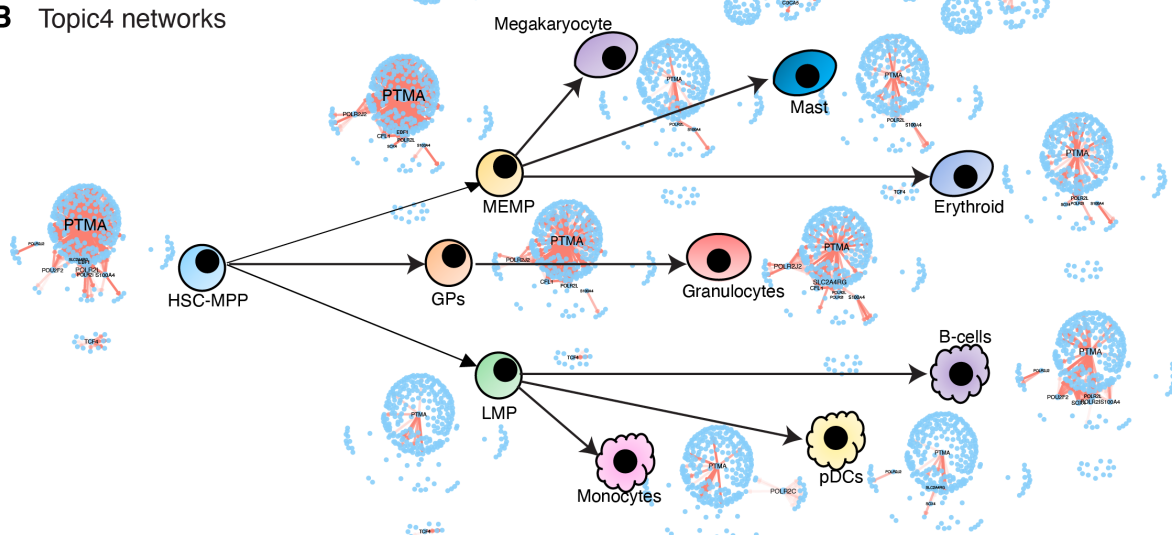


Supplementary Figure 25. LDA analysis for scMTNI inferred networks on human fetal hematopoiesis from Ranzoni et al. using the fine lineage structure. **A.** The document-topic weight matrix for all regulators for all cell clusters with 10 topics. Topic-specific networks across each cell cluster for topic 1 (**B**) and topic 2 (**C**).

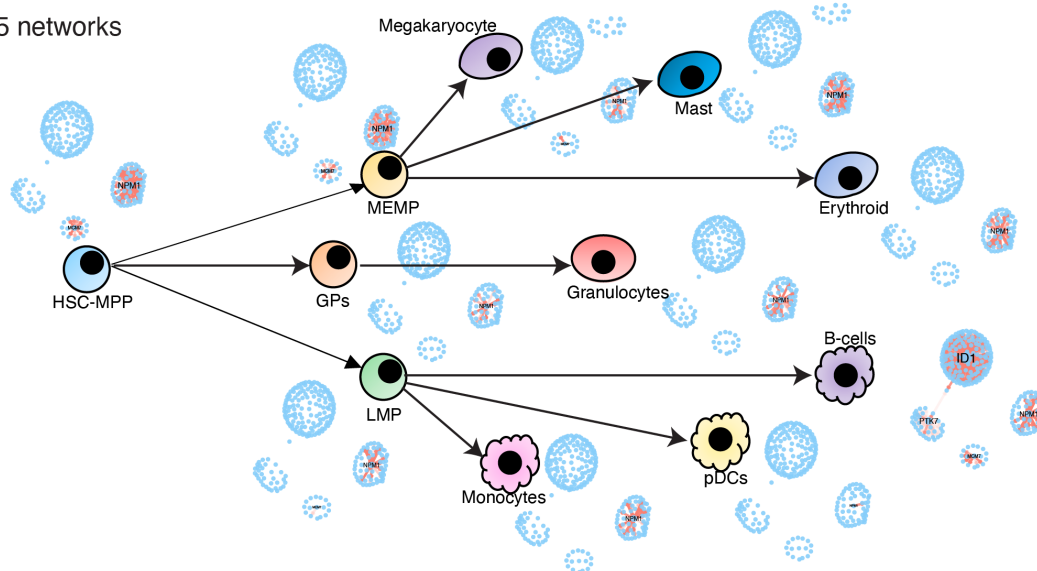
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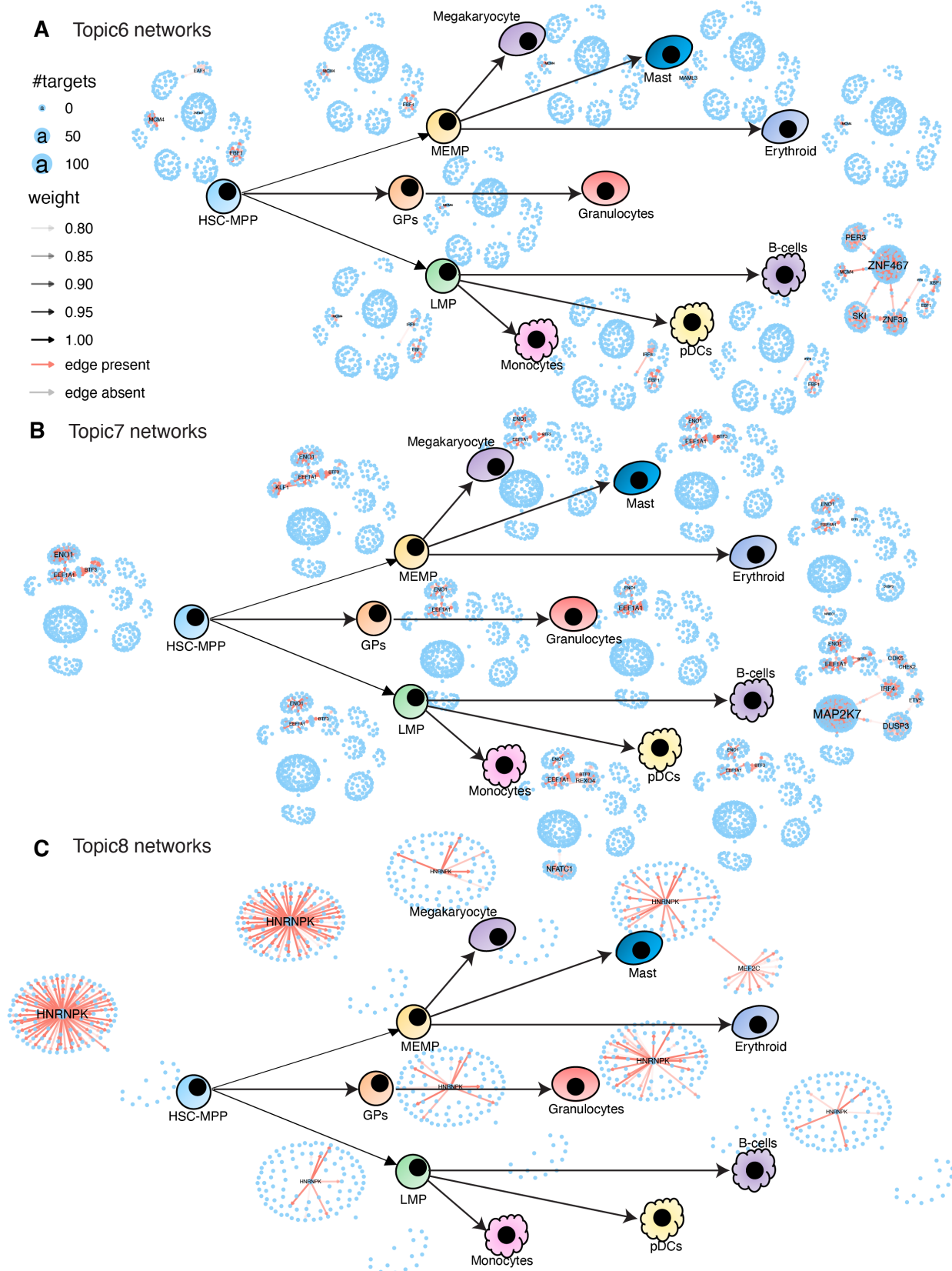
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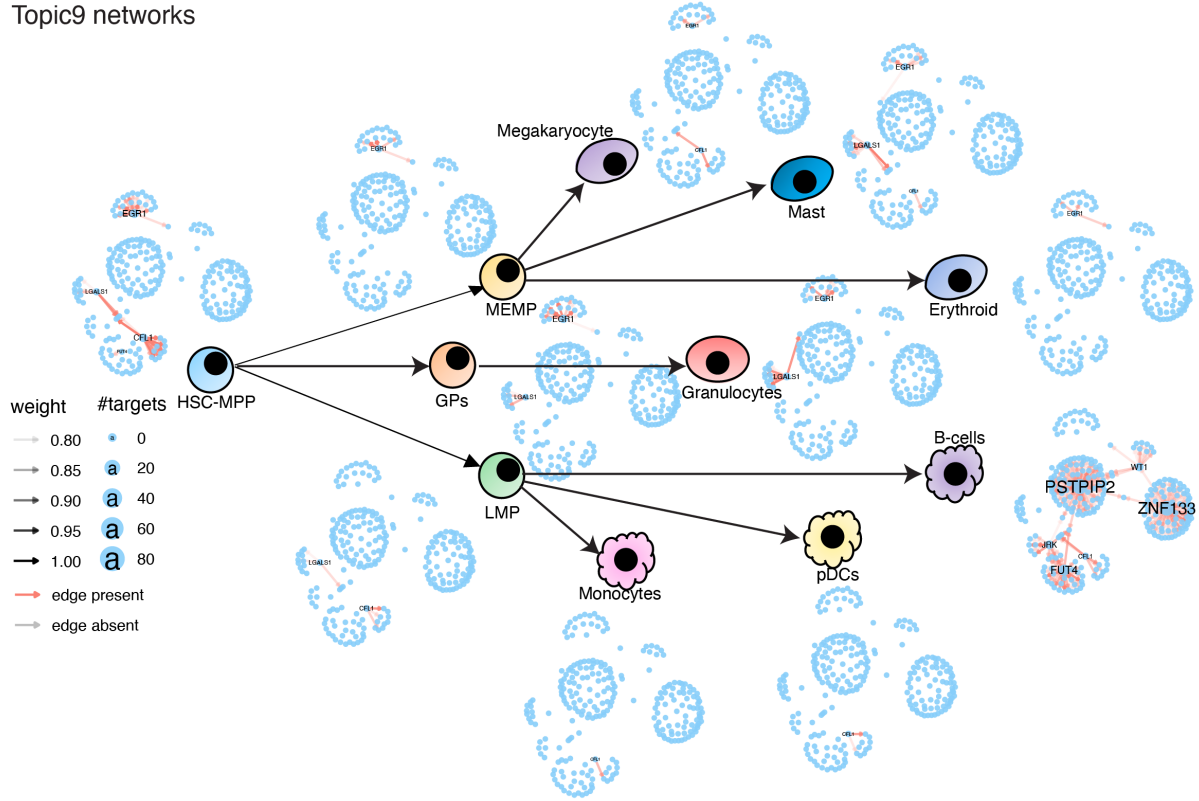


Supplementary Figure 26. Topic-specific networks obtained from scMTNI inferred networks on fetal human hematopoietic differentiation data from Ranzoni et al using the fine lineage. Shown are topic-specific networks for topic 3 (A), topic 4 (B) for topic 5 (C).

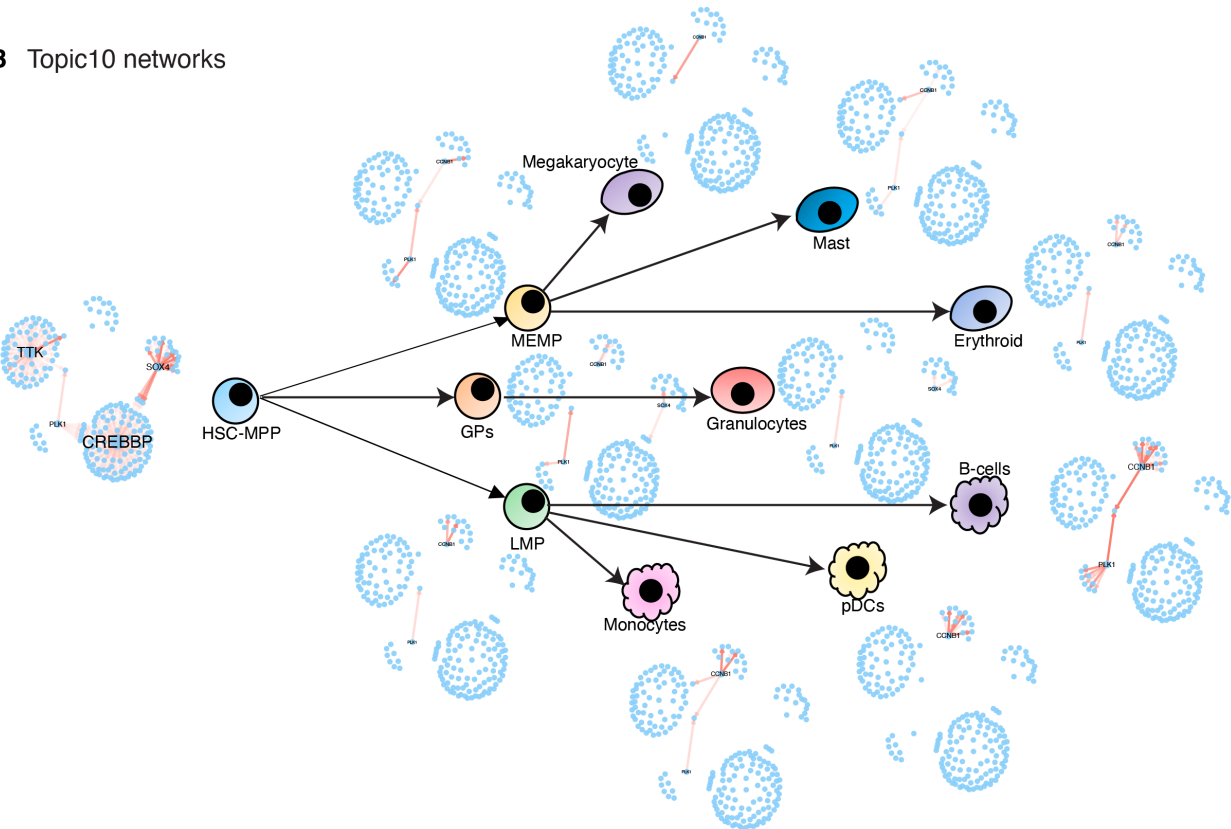


Supplementary Figure 27. Topic-specific networks obtained from scMTNI inferred networks on human fetal hematopoiesis data from Ranzoni et al using the fine lineage for topic 6 (A), topic 7 (B), and topic 8 (C).

A Topic9 networks



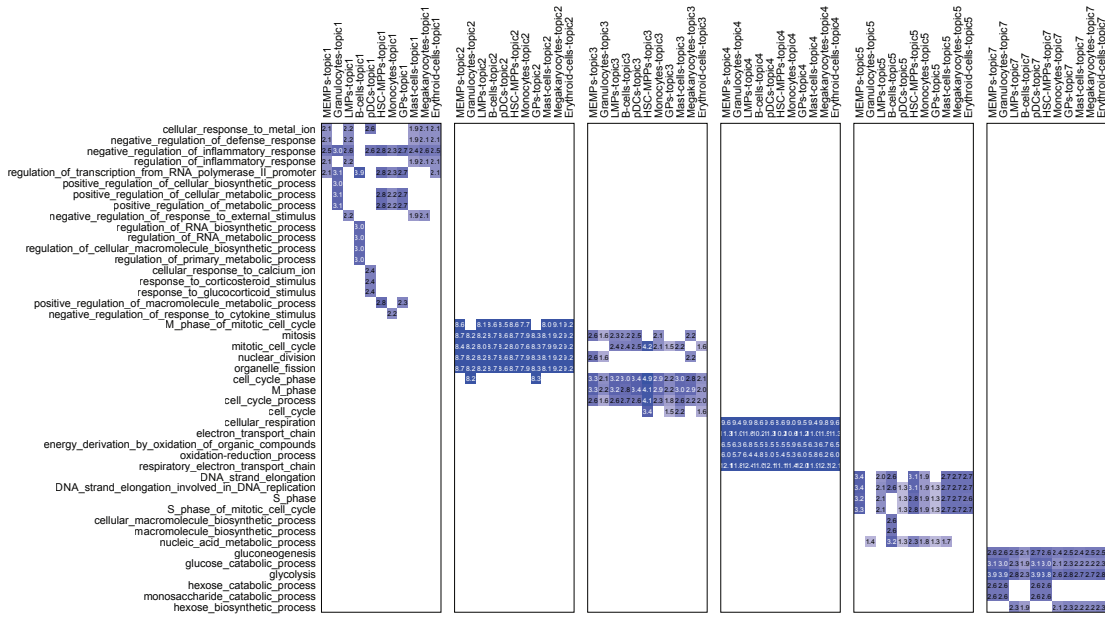
B Topic10 networks



Supplementary Figure 28. Topic-specific networks obtained from scMTNI inferred networks on human fetal hematopoiesis data from Ranzoni et al using the fine lineage for topic 9 (A) and topic 10 (B).

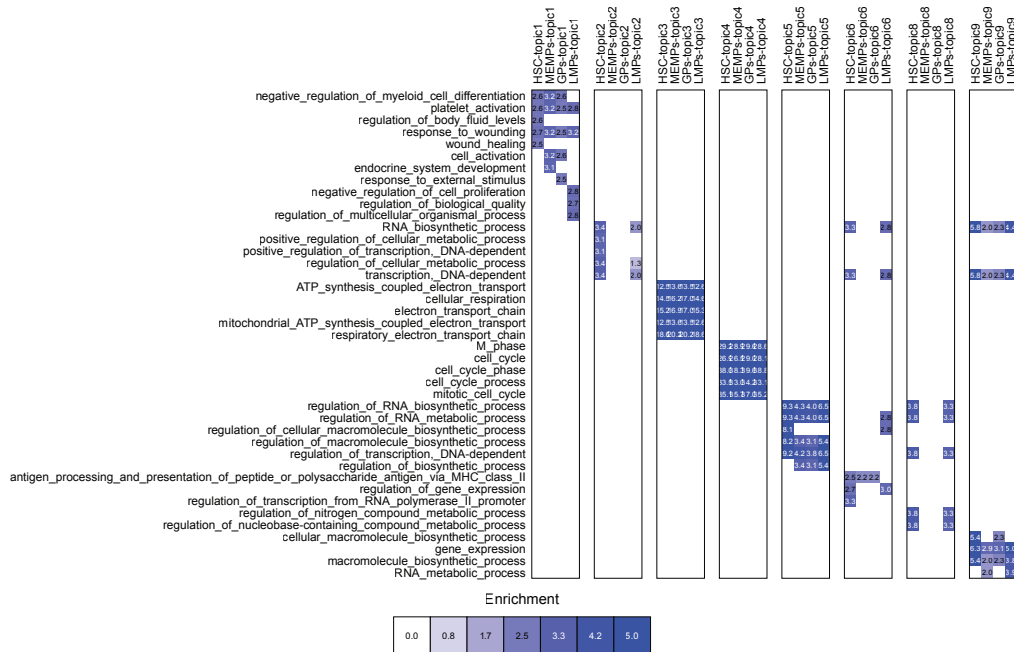
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GO enrichment of fine lineage of fetal hematopoiesis

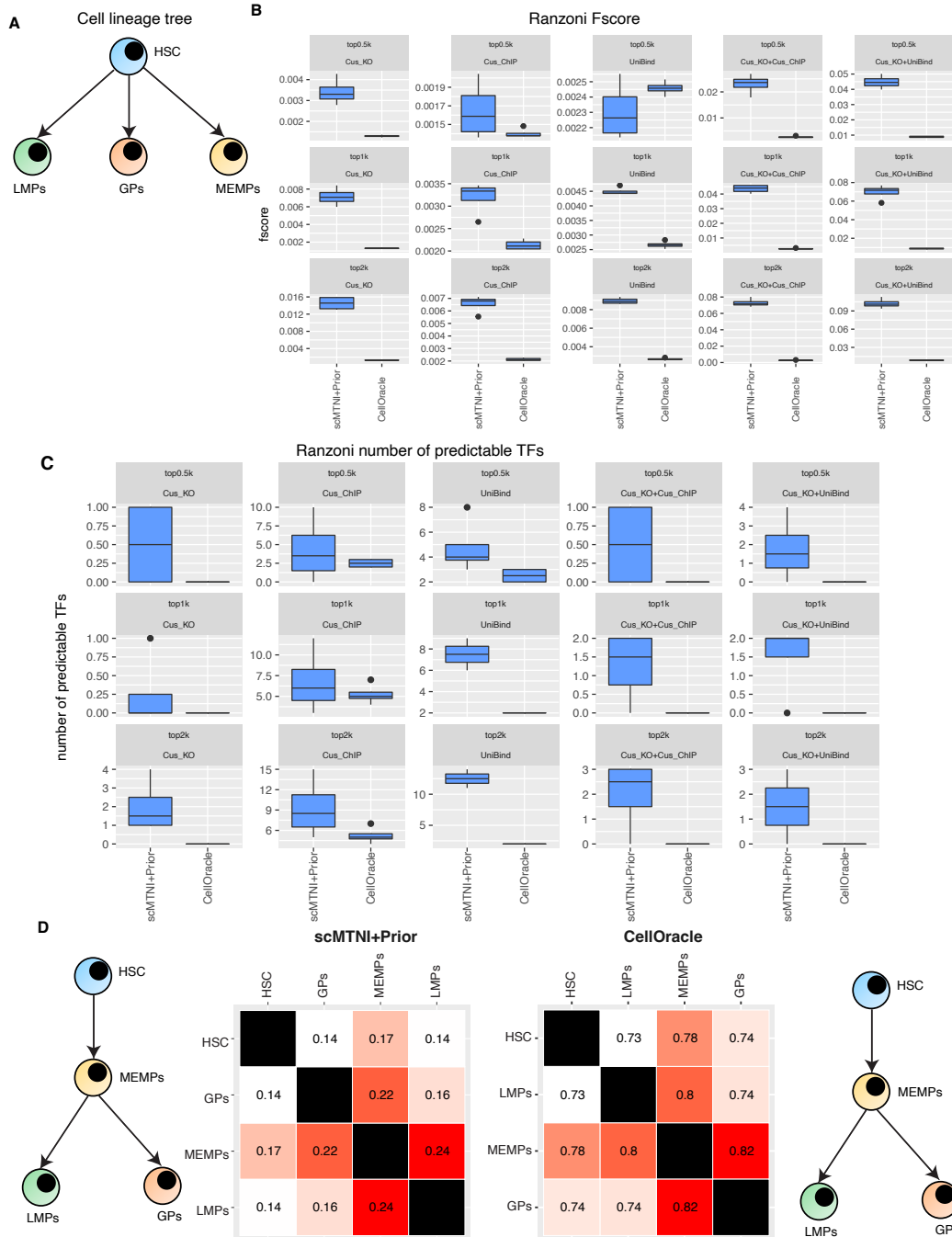


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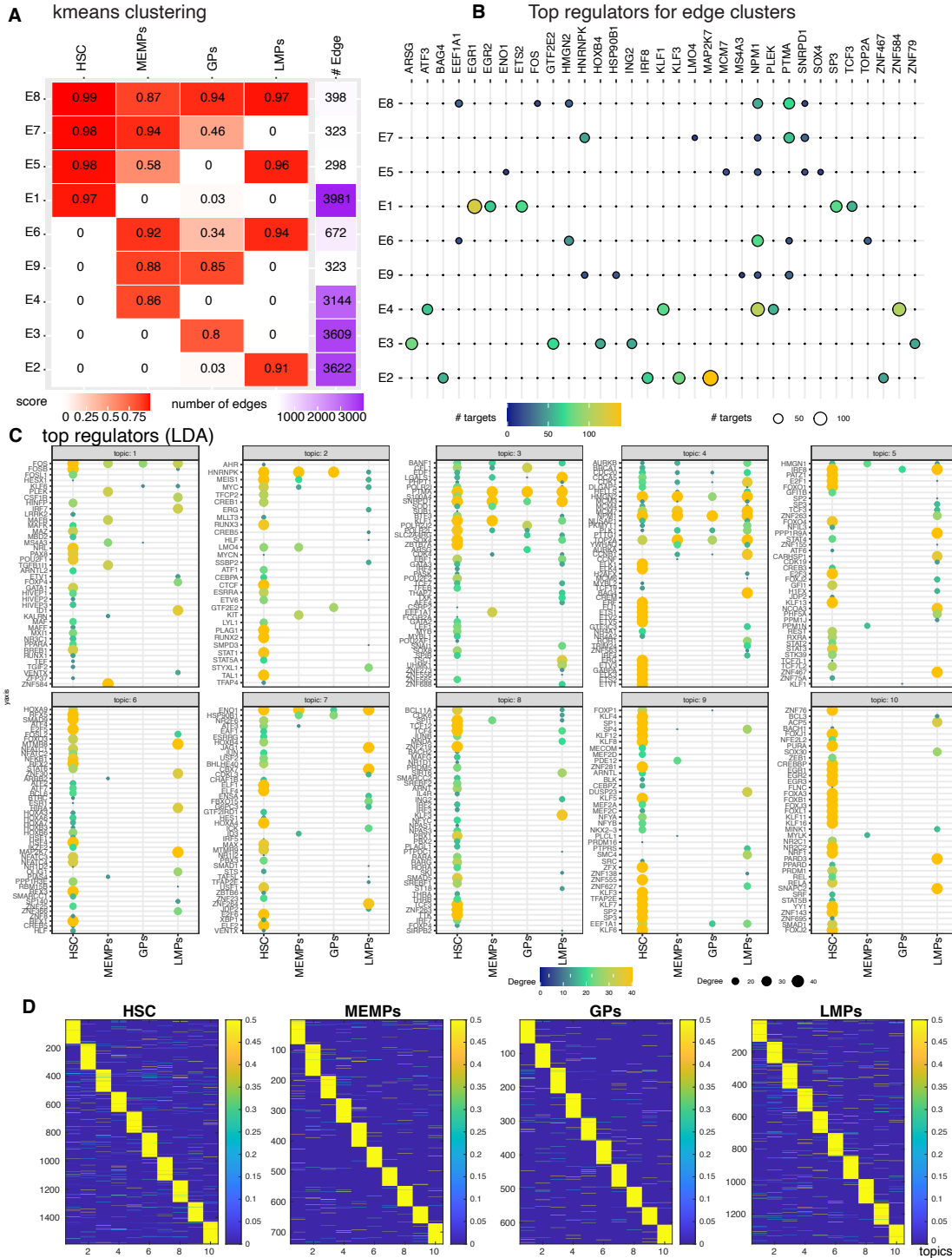
GO enrichment of coarse lineage of fetal hematopoiesis



Supplementary Figure 29. Gene Ontology enrichment of LDA topics in fetal hematopoiesis from Ranzoni et al. **A.** Gene ontology terms enriched in genes for each topic identified by LDA for the fine lineage. Top 5 terms for each topic and cell type, with an $\text{FDR} < 0.01$ are shown. **B.** Gene ontology terms enriched in genes for each topic identified by LDA for the coarse lineage. Top 5 terms for each topic and cell type, with an $\text{FDR} < 0.01$ are shown. For both **A** and **B**, the blue intensity of the heat map is proportional to $-\log_{10}(\text{FDR})$ of enrichment.

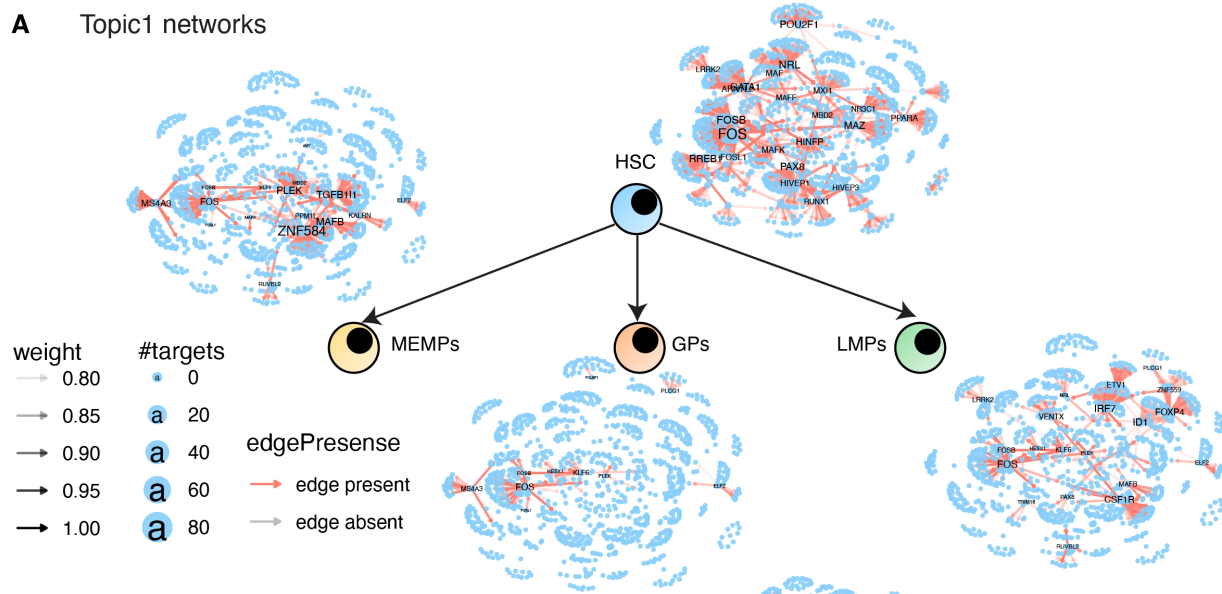


Supplementary Figure 30. Application of scMTNI+Prior and CellOracle to human fetal hematopoiesis data from Ranzoni et al using coarse lineage structure. **A.** The cell lineage structure used as input to scMTNI. **B.** Performance of scMTNI and CellOracle assessed using F-score of $n = 4$ cell clusters on five different gold standards (rows). Each column shows values for the top 500, 1k or 2k edges. **C.** Number of predictable TFs of $n = 4$ cell clusters for scMTNI+Prior and CellOracle for five different gold standards using the top 500, 1k or 2k edges. In both **B** and **C**, the horizontal middle line of each plot is the median. The bounds of the box are 0.25 quantile (Q_1) and 0.75 quantile (Q_3). The upper whisker is the minimum of the maximum value and $Q_3 + 1.5 * IQR$, where $IQR = Q_3 - Q_1$. The lower whisker is the maximum of the minimum value and $Q_1 - 1.5 * IQR$. **D.** Inferred cell lineage trees using minimum spanning trees on the pairwise network similarity. The inferred cell-lineage tree for scMTNI+Prior is shown on the left, and inferred cell-lineage tree for CellOracle is shown on the right. The heatmap shows the pairwise similarity of networks from each cell cluster assessed using F-score on the top 5k edges.

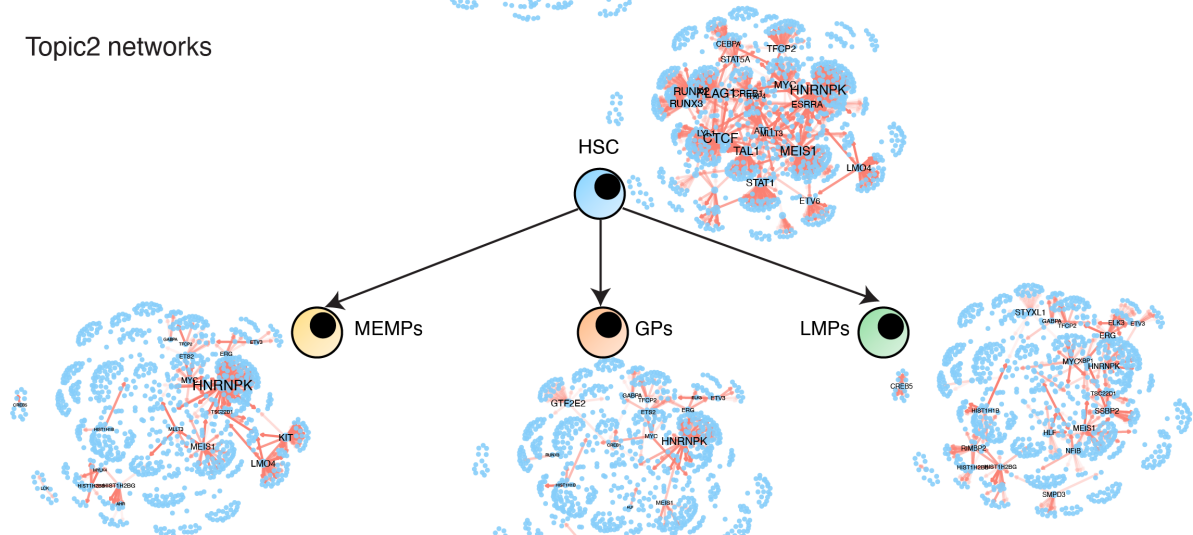


Supplementary Figure 31. K-means and LDA analysis of scMTNI+Prior inferred networks on the human fetal hematopoiesis data from Ranzoni et al using the coarse lineage structure. **A.** k-means analysis of scMTNI inferred networks showing edge cluster patterns. **B.** The top regulators associated with each edge cluster. **C.** LDA analysis on the scMTNI inferred networks. Top regulators for each topic obtained from LDA analysis of scMTNI inferred networks. **D.** The document-topic weight matrix for all regulators for all cell clusters with 10 topics.

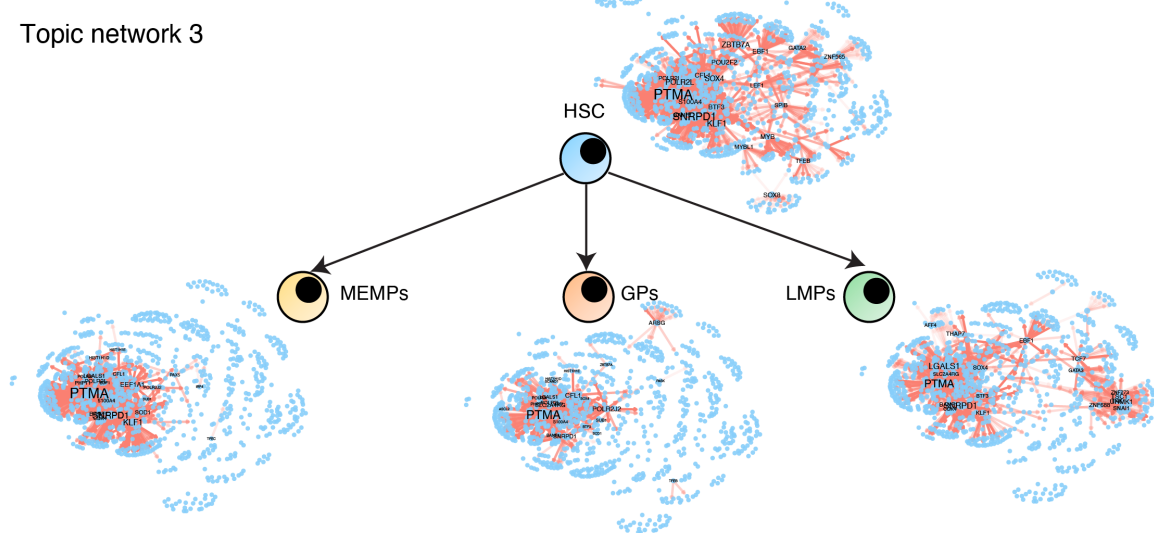
A Topic1 networks



B Topic2 networks

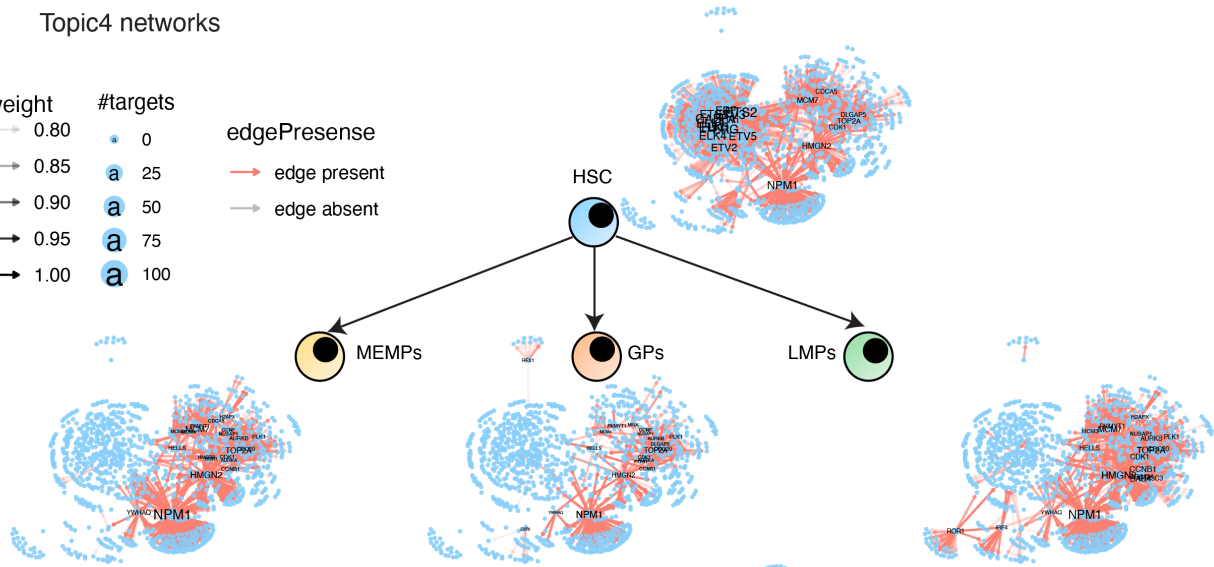
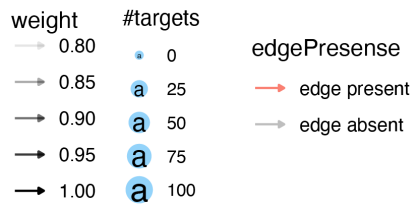


C Topic network 3

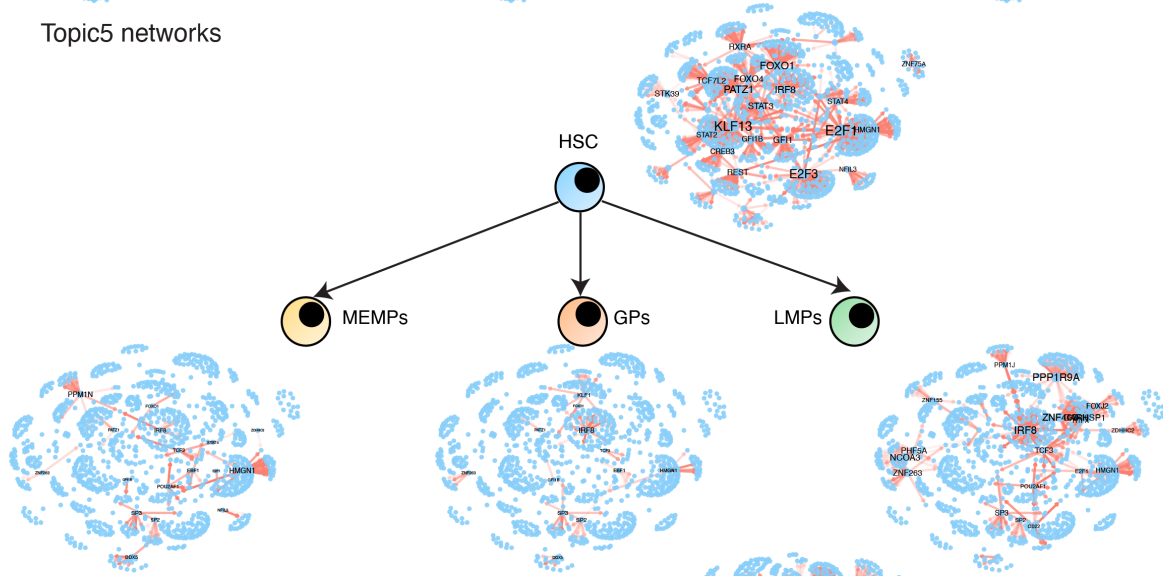


Supplementary Figure 32. Topic-specific networks obtained from scMTNI-inferred networks for human fetal hematopoiesis data with coarse tree from Ranzoni et al for topic 1 (A), topic 2 (B) and topic 3 (C).

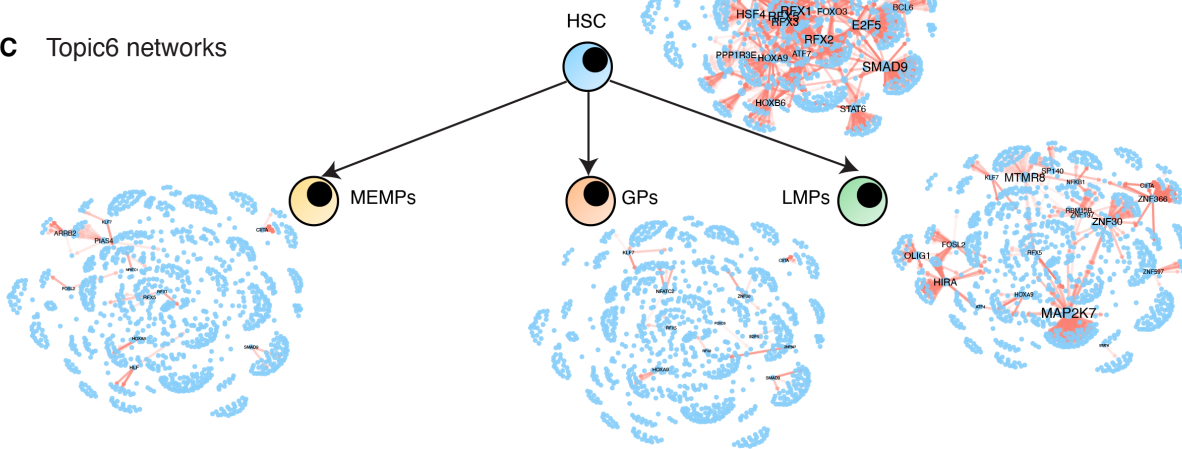
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B Topic5 networks

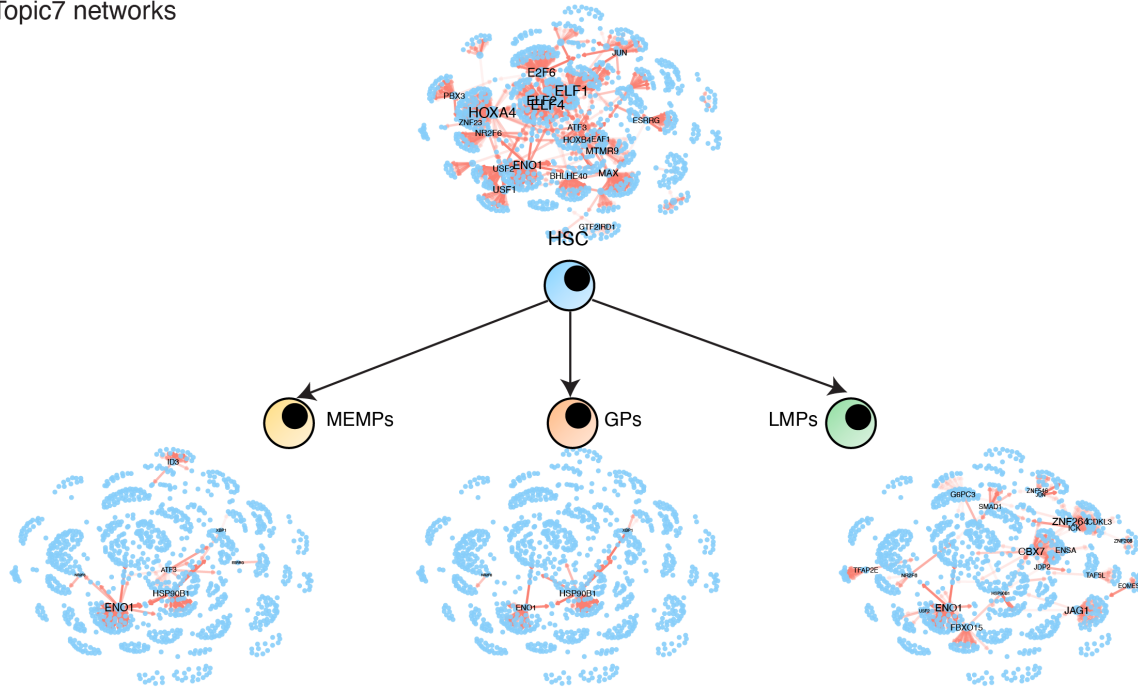


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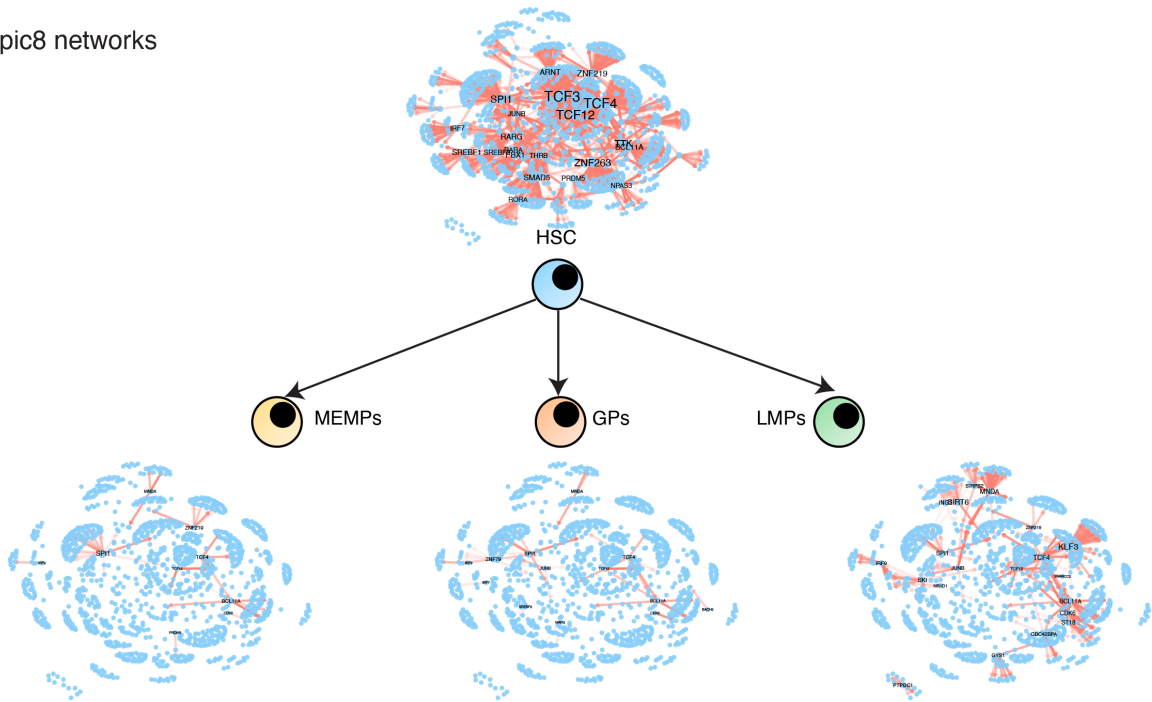


Supplementary Figure 33. Topic-specific networks obtained from scMTNI-inferred networks for human fetal hematopoiesis data with coarse tree from Ranzoni et al for topic 4 (A), topic 5 (B) and topic 6 (C).

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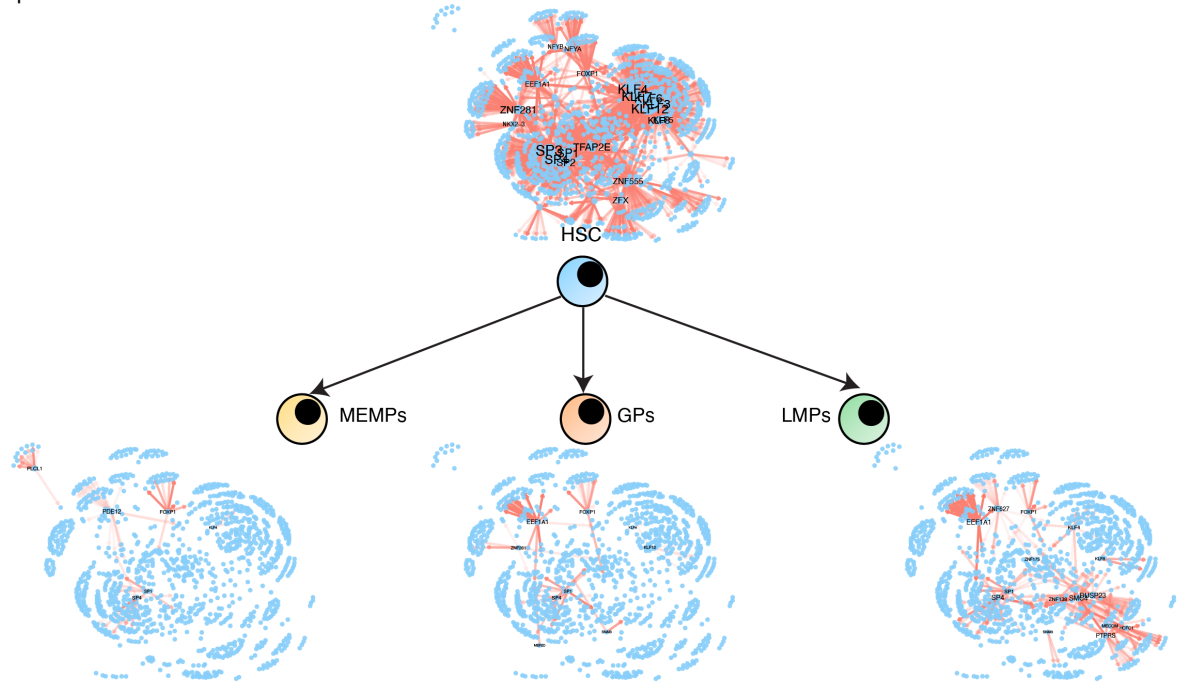


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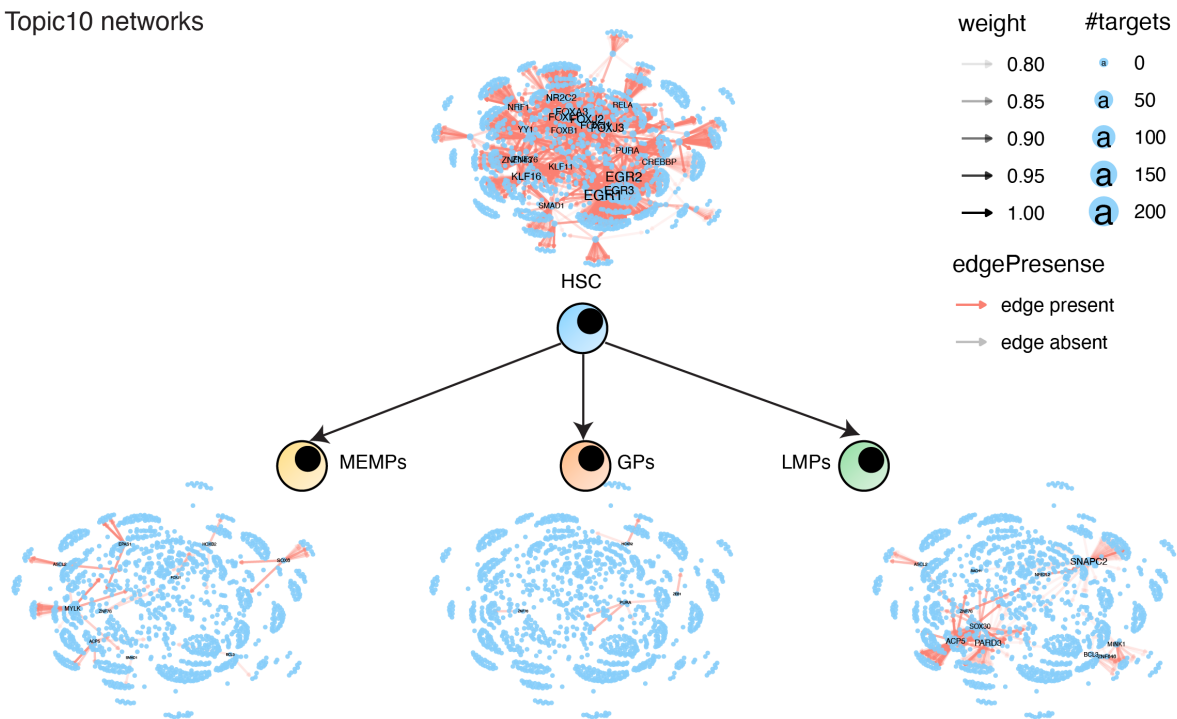


Supplementary Figure 34. Topic-specific networks obtained from scMTNI-inferred networks for human fetal hematopoiesis data with coarse tree from Ranzoni et al for topic 7 (A) and topic 8 (B).

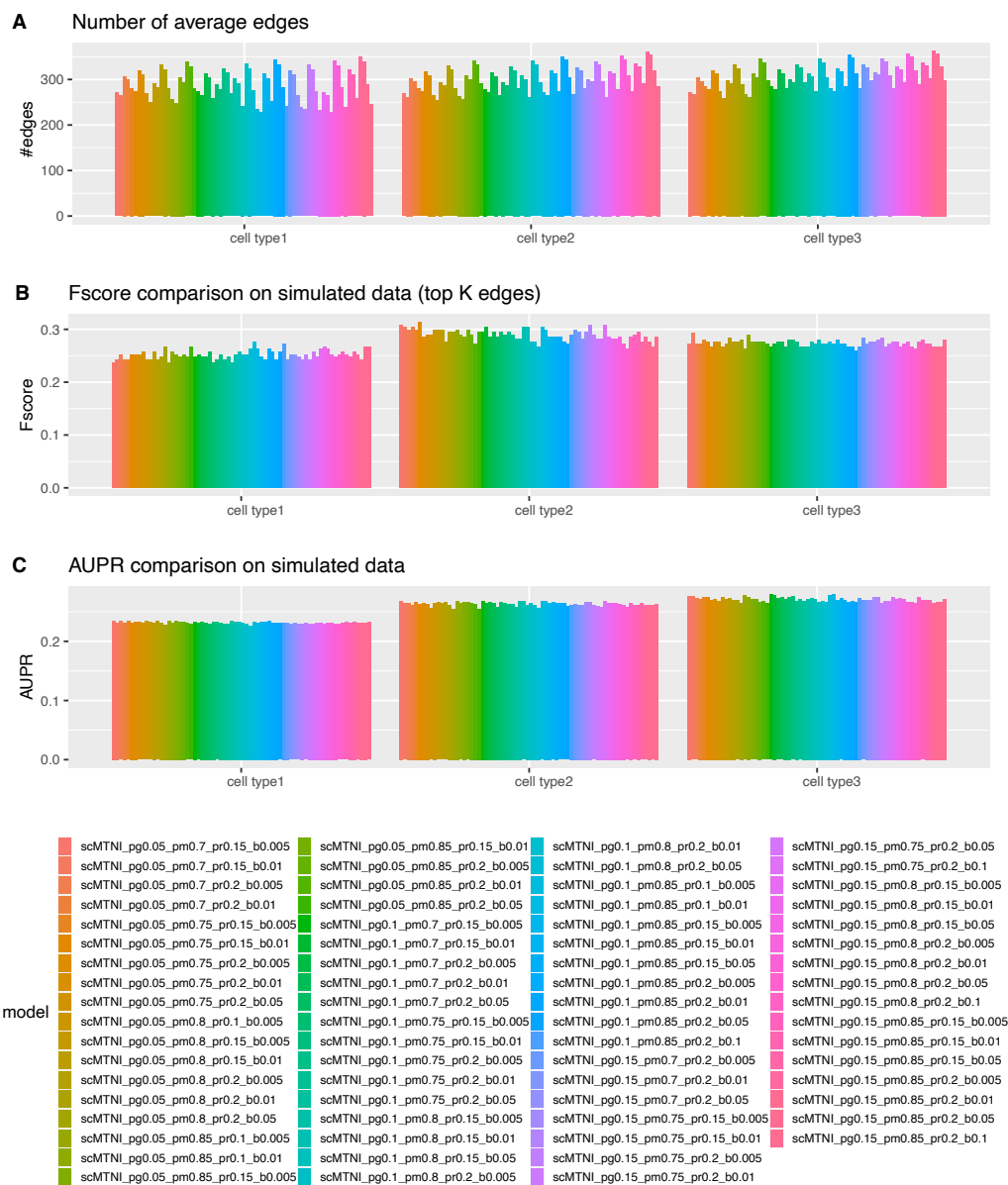
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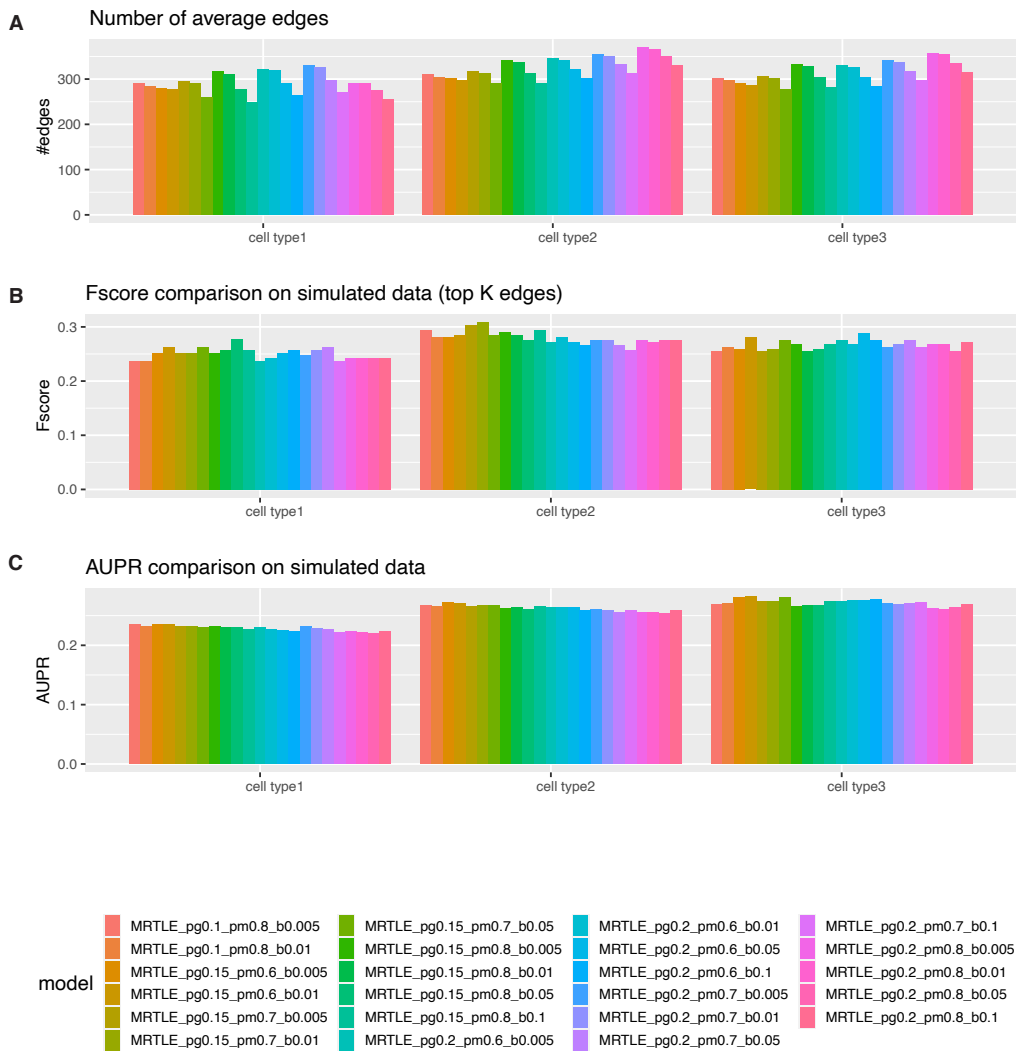
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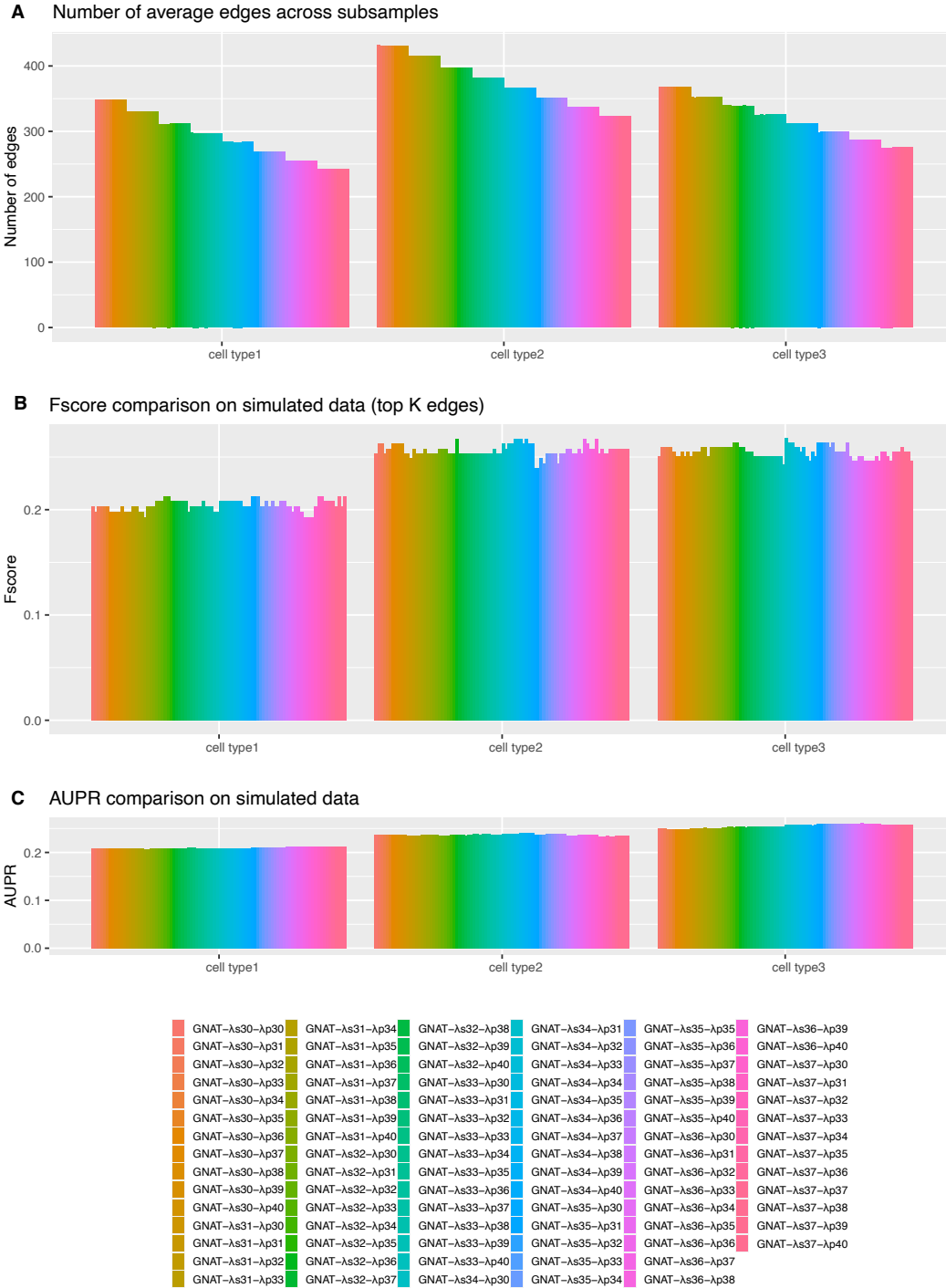
Supplementary Figure 35. Topic-specific networks obtained from scMTNI-inferred networks for human fetal hematopoiesis data with coarse tree from Ranzoni et al for topic 9 (**A**) and topic 10 (**B**).



Supplementary Figure 36. Performance of scMTNI on simulated dataset 1 with different parameter settings of p_r , p_g , p_m , $b = |\beta_0|$. **A.** The average of number of edges in the inferred network across 50 subsamples. **B.** F-score comparing top edges in inferred networks to simulated ground truth networks. **C.** AUPR comparing inferred networks to simulated ground truth networks.

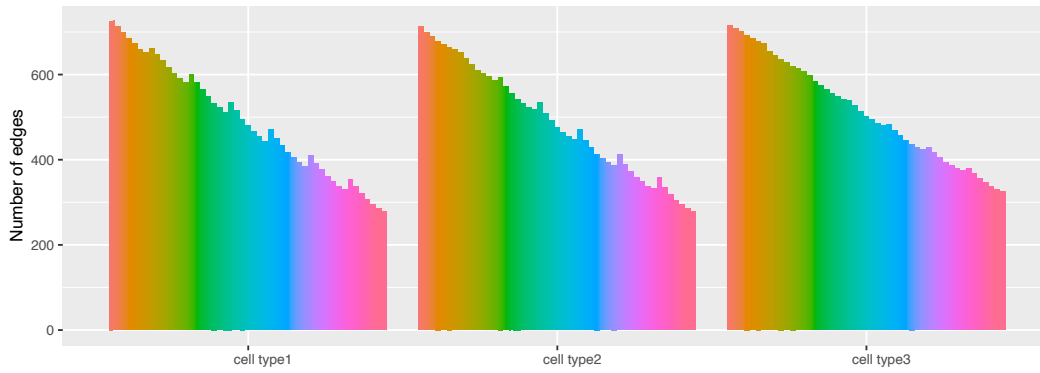


Supplementary Figure 37. Performance of MRTLE on simulated dataset 1 with different parameter settings of p_g , p_m , $b = |\beta_0|$. **A.** The average of number of edges output from each algorithm run across 50 subsamples. **B.** F-score comparing top edges in inferred networks to simulated ground truth networks. **C.** AUPR comparing inferred networks to ground truth networks.

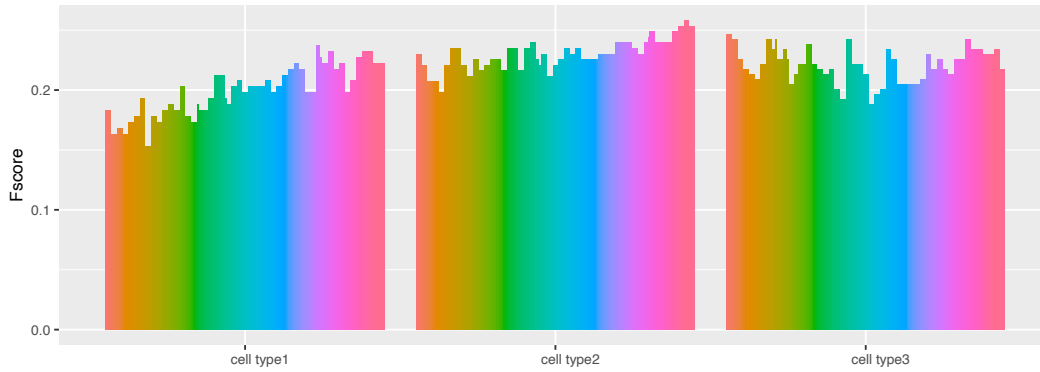


Supplementary Figure 38. Performance of GNAT on simulated dataset 1 with different parameter settings of λ_s and λ_p . **A.** The average of number of edges output from each algorithm run across 50 subsamples. **B.** F-score comparing top edges in inferred networks to simulated ground truth networks. **C.** AUPR comparing inferred networks to simulated ground truth networks.

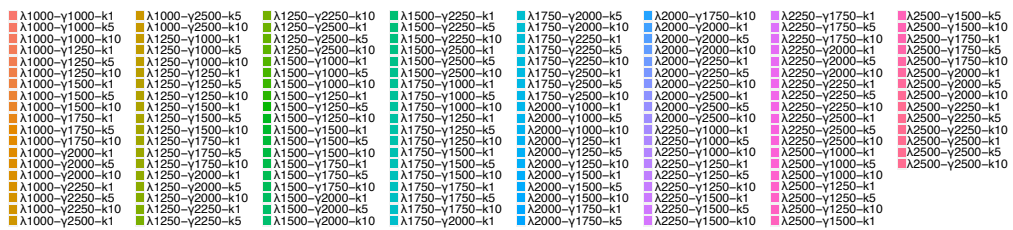
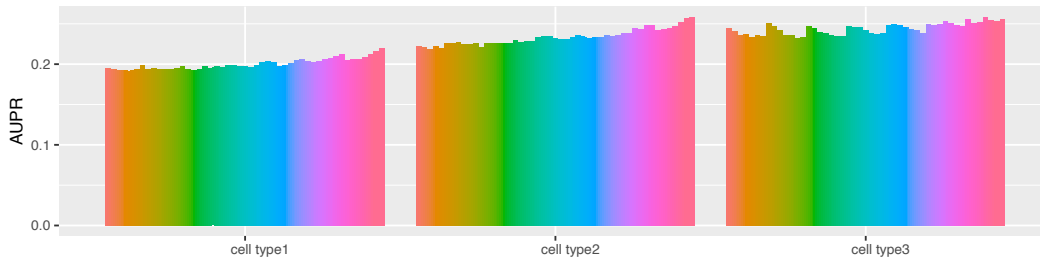
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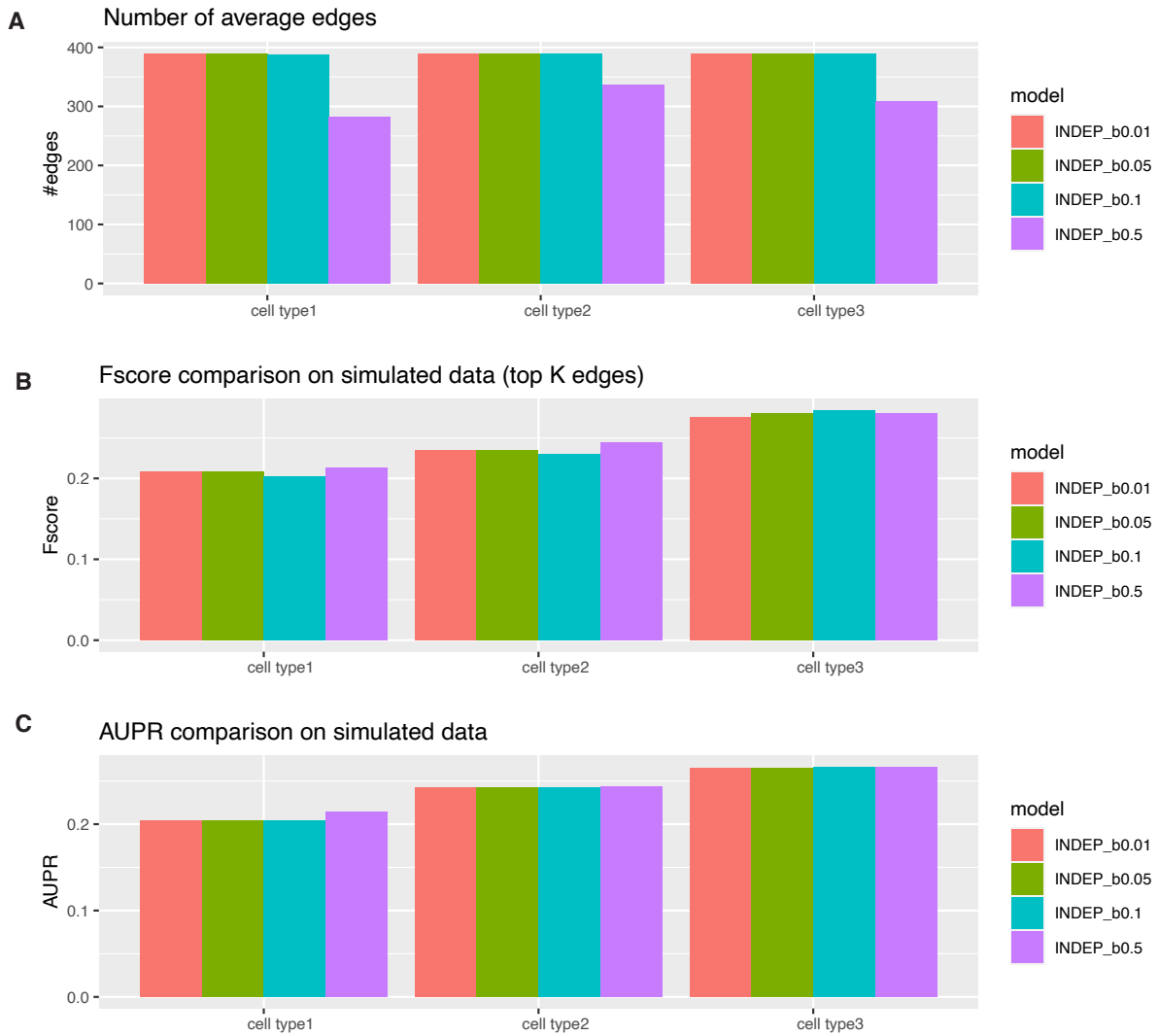
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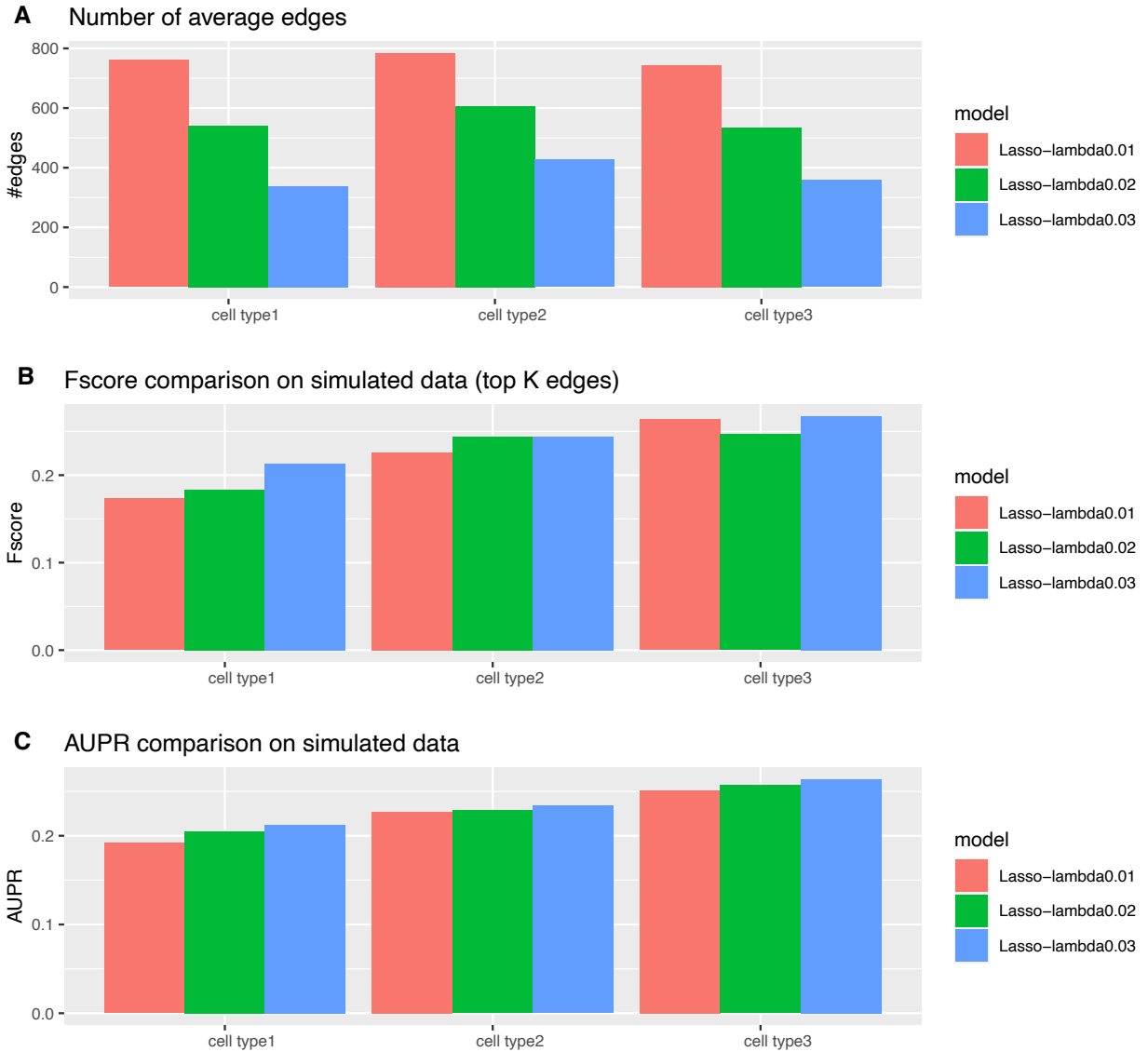
C AUPR comparison on simulated data



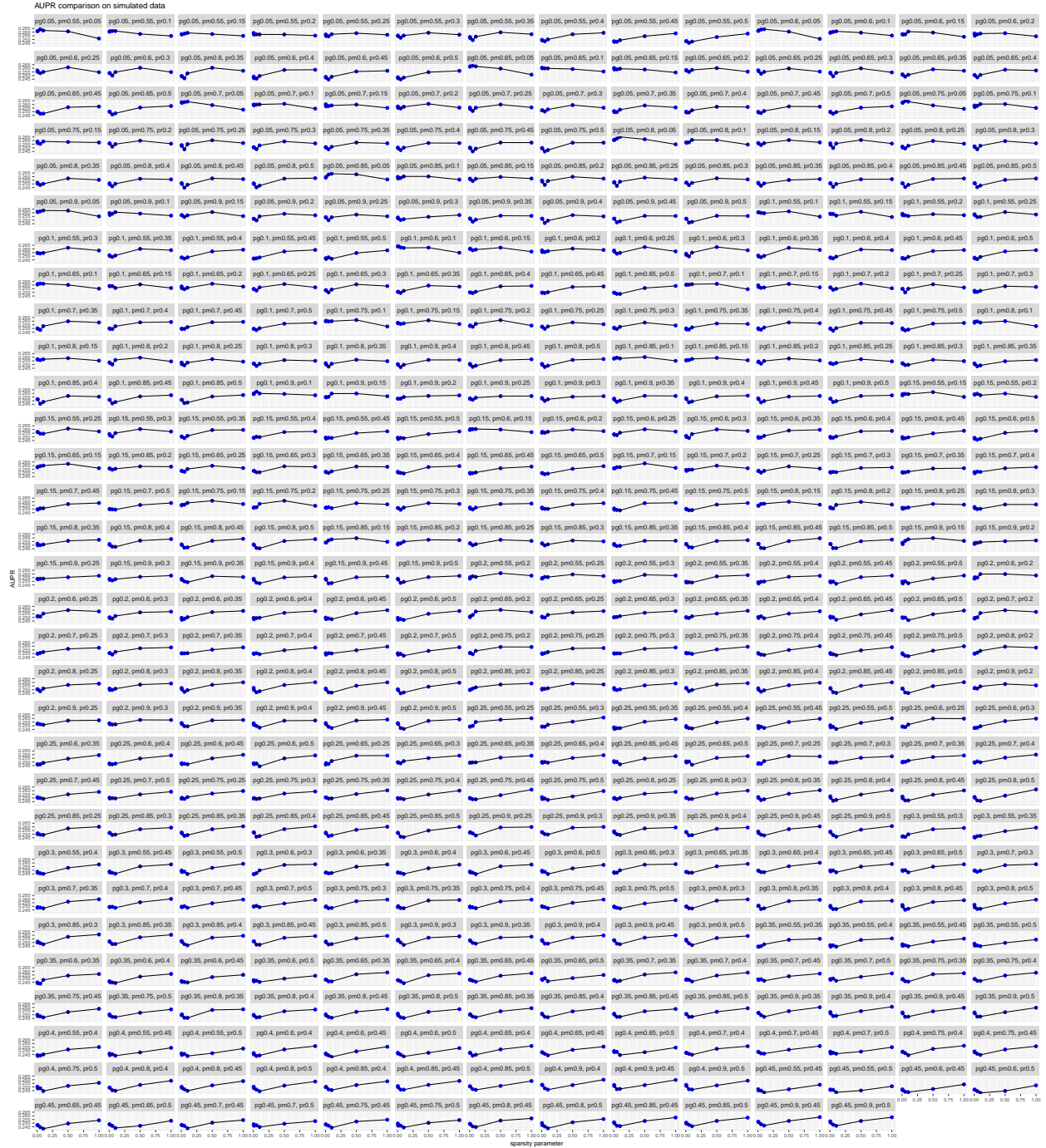
Supplementary Figure 39. Performance of Ontogenet on simulated dataset 1 with different parameter settings of λ , γ and κ . **A.** The average of number of edges output from each algorithm run across 50 subsamples. **B.** F-score comparing top edges in inferred networks to simulated ground truth networks. **C.** AUPR comparing inferred networks to simulated ground truth networks.



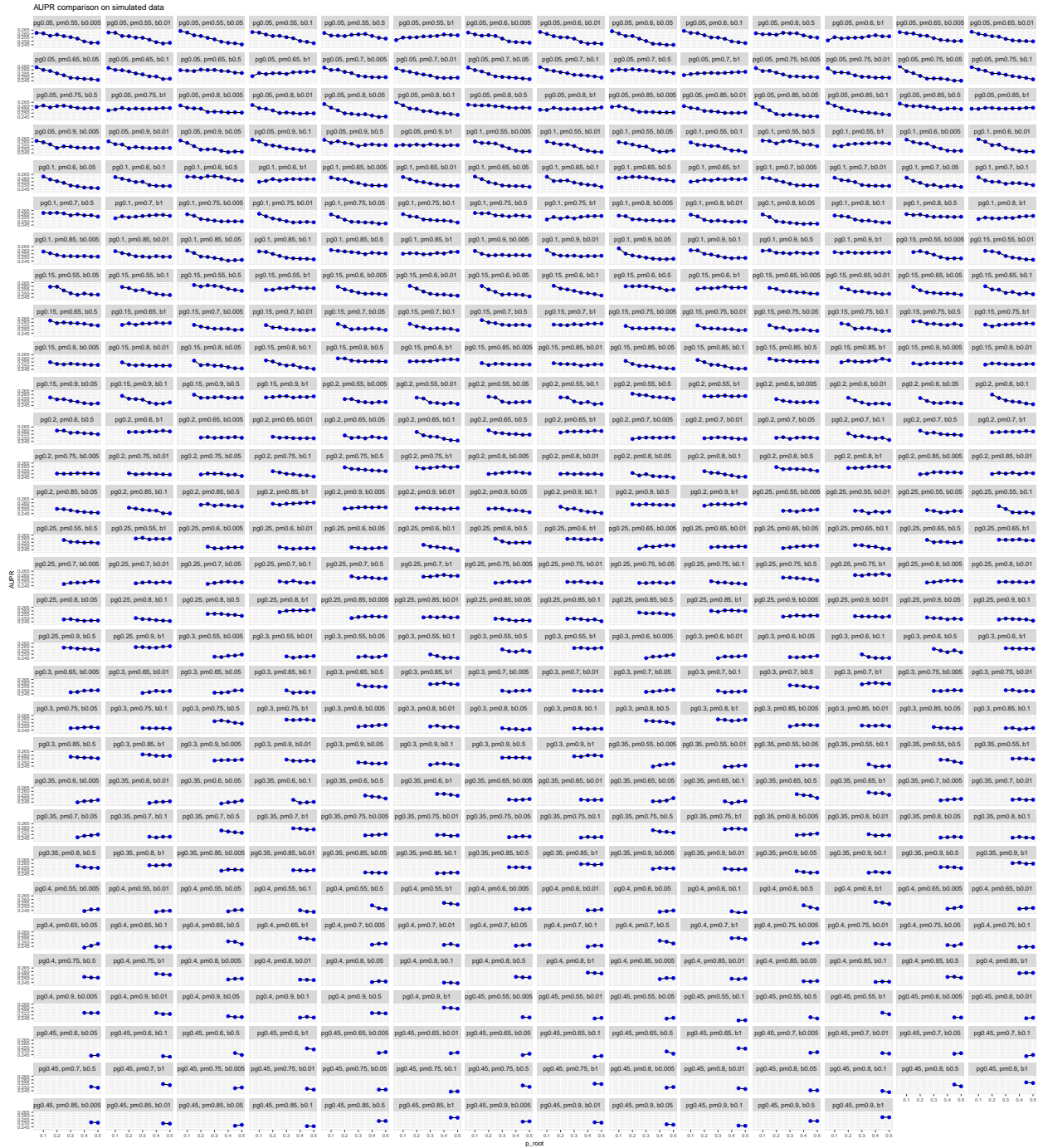
Supplementary Figure 40. Performance of INDEP on simulated dataset 1 with different parameter settings of $b = |\beta_0|$. **A.** The average of number of edges output from each algorithm run across 50 subsamples. **B.** F-score comparing top edges in inferred networks to simulated ground truth networks. **C.** AUPR comparing inferred networks to simulated ground truth networks.



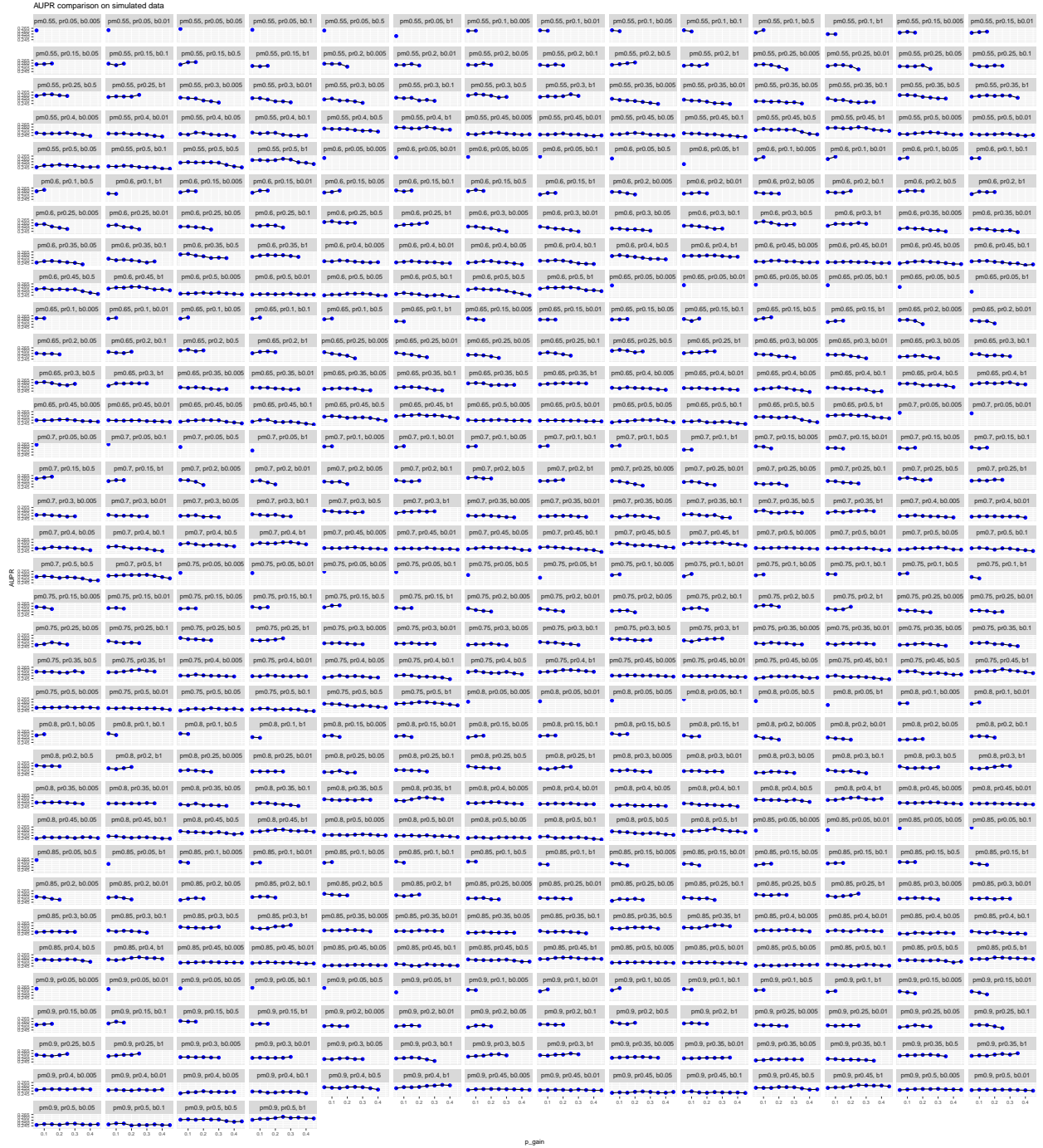
Supplementary Figure 41. Performance of LASSO on simulated dataset 1 with different parameter settings of λ . **A.** The average of number of edges output from each algorithm run across 50 subsamples. **B.** F-score comparing top edges in inferred networks to simulated ground truth networks. **C.** AUPR comparing inferred networks to simulated ground truth networks.



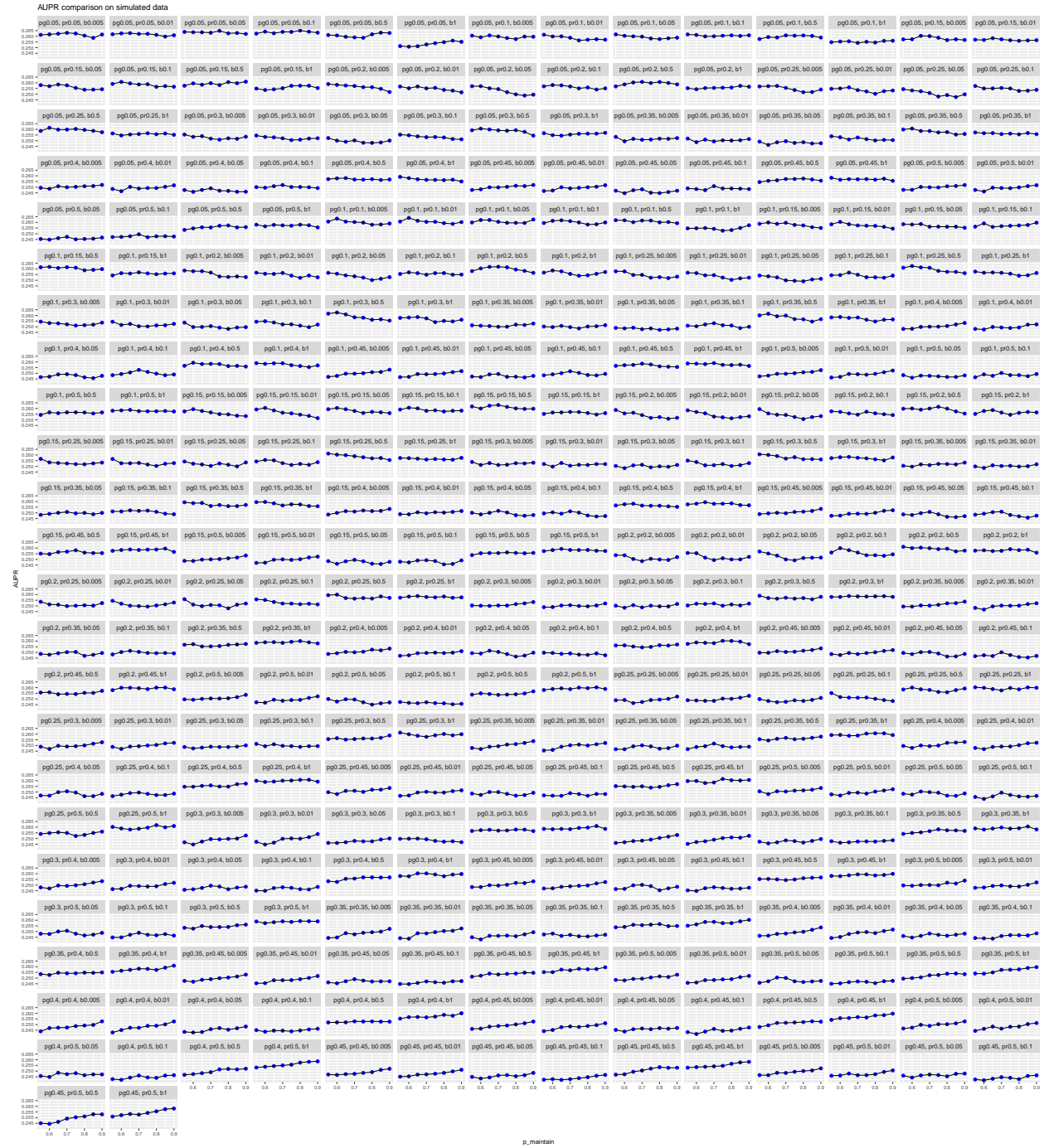
Supplementary Figure 42. Effect of sparsity parameter on the overall AUPR. Each subplot shows the AUPR as a function of changing the sparsity β_0 parameter (x-axis, $\beta_0 < 0$, $|\beta_0|$ is shown), while keeping the other parameters, p_r, p_m, p_g fixed. The specific setting for these parameters are in the title. Shown is the average performance across 3 cell types based on AUPR on simulated dataset 1.



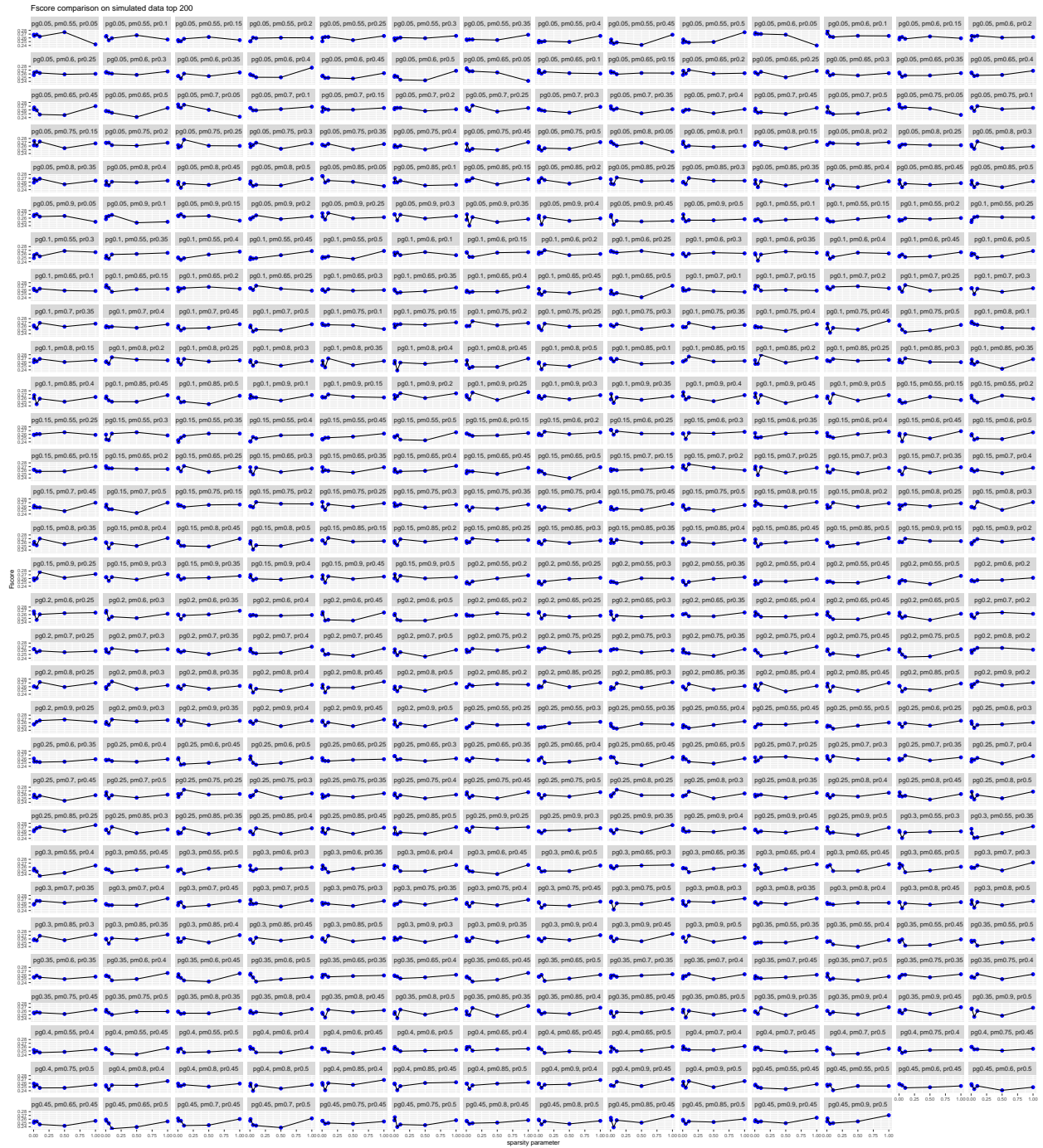
Supplementary Figure 43. Effect of p_r parameter on the overall AUPR. Changing the p_r parameter while keeping the other parameters fixed, the average performance across 3 cell types based on AUPR on simulated dataset 1.



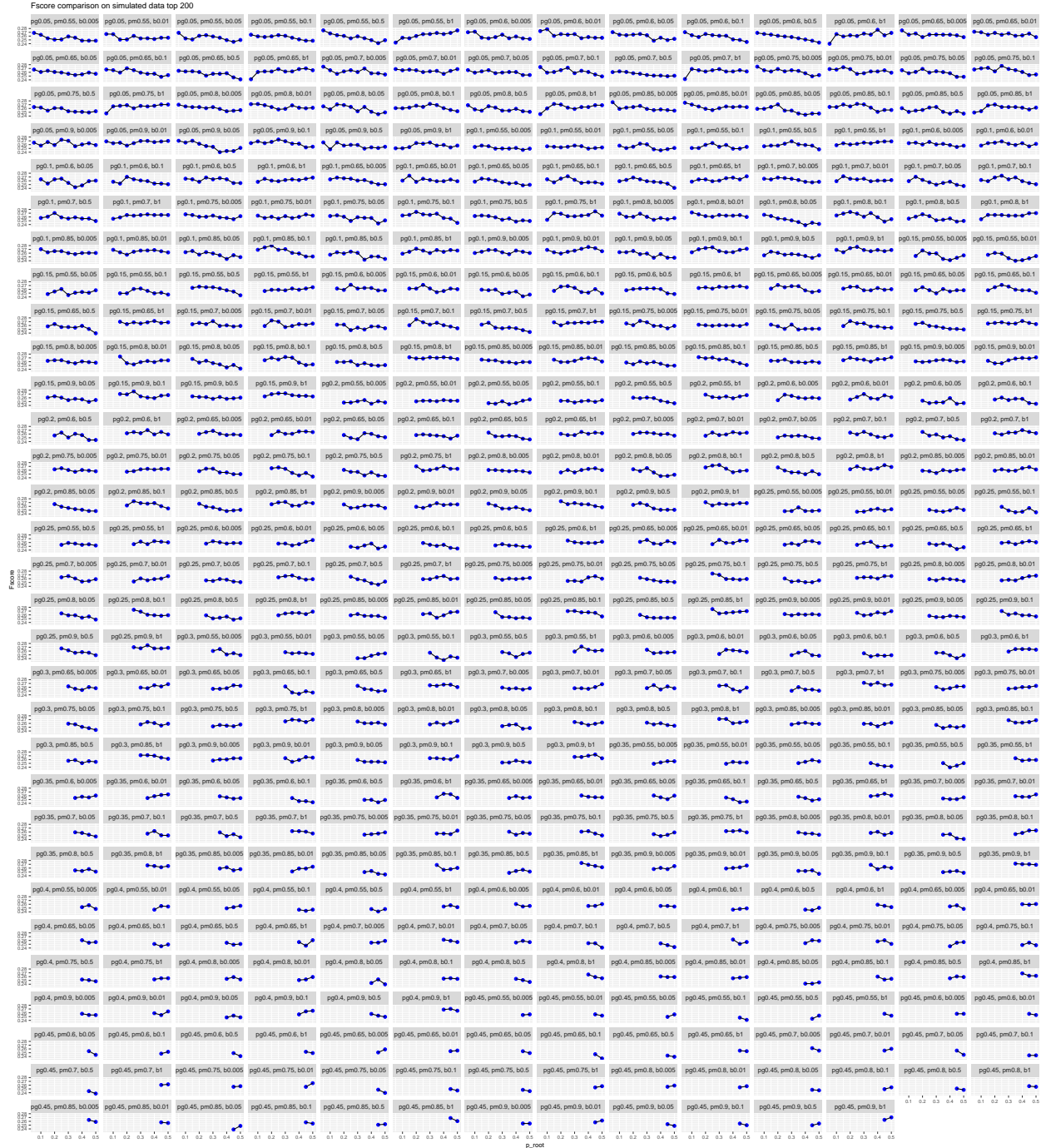
Supplementary Figure 44. Effect of p_g parameter on the overall AUPR. Changing the p_g parameter while keeping the other parameters fixed, the average performance across 3 cell types based on AUPR on simulated dataset 1.



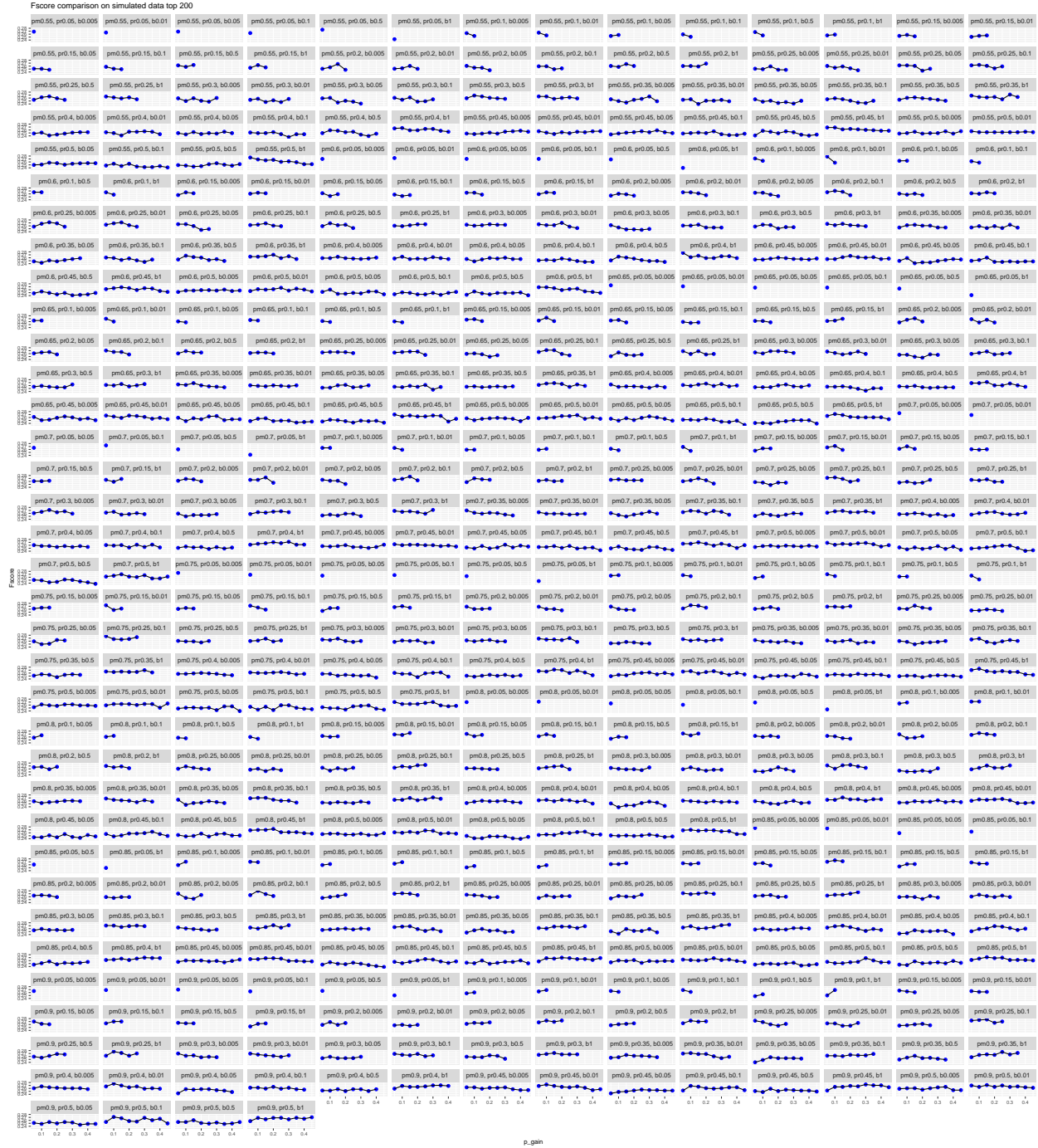
Supplementary Figure 45. Effect of p_m parameter on the overall AUPR. Changing the p_m parameter while keeping the other parameters fixed, the average performance across 3 cell types based on AUPR on simulated dataset 1.



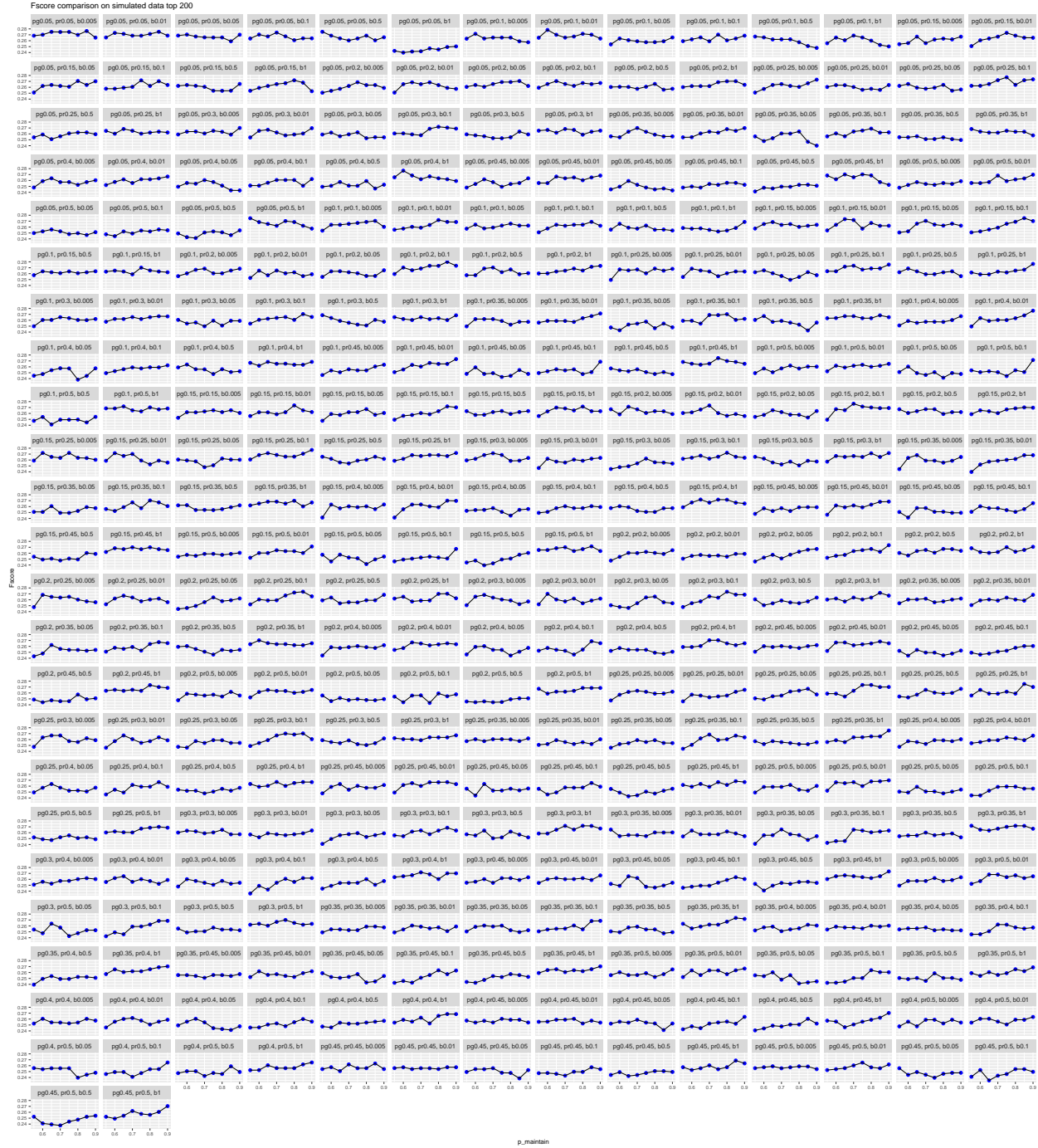
Supplementary Figure 46. Effect of sparsity parameter on the overall F-score. Changing the sparsity β_0 (x-axis, $\beta_0 < 0$, $|\beta_0|$ is shown) parameter while keeping the other parameters fixed, the average performance across 3 cell types based on F-score of top 200 edges on simulated dataset 1.



Supplementary Figure 47. Effect of p_r parameter on the overall F-score. Changing the p_r parameter while keeping the other parameters fixed, the average performance across 3 cell types based on F-score of top 200 edges on simulated dataset 1.



Supplementary Figure 48. Effect of p_g parameter on the overall F-score. Changing the p_g parameter while keeping the other parameters fixed, the average performance across 3 cell types based on F-score of top 200 edges on simulated dataset 1.



Supplementary Figure 49. Effect of p_m parameter on the overall F-score. Changing the p_m parameter while keeping the other parameters fixed, the average performance across 3 cell types based on F-score of top 200 edges on simulated dataset 1.

Supplementary Methods

scMTNI learning algorithm

scMTNI learns the graphs for all cell types simultaneously using a greedy graph learning algorithm with a score-based approach. The score is composed of the data likelihood as well as the structure prior (**Equation 1**).

$$P(\mathbf{G}, \Theta | \mathbf{D}) \propto P(\mathbf{D} | \mathbf{G}, \Theta) P(\Theta | \mathbf{G}) P(\mathbf{G}) \quad (1)$$

Our structure learning algorithm begins with M empty graphs for the M cell types and proposes edge additions of possible connections between regulators and targets (**Algorithm 1**). At each iteration, the algorithm scores a candidate edge from regulator u to target gene v based on the change in pseudo likelihood in **Equation (2)** and prior distribution $P(\mathbf{T})$ in **Equation (3)** and $P(\mathbf{S})$ in **Equation (5)**, and selects the one that corresponds to a local optima. The cell type-specific score improvement of adding an edge from regulator u to target gene v for cell type d is computed as below:

$$\Delta \text{Score}_{u \rightarrow v}^{(d)} = \log P(X_v^{(d)} | \mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{X}_v}^{(d)} \cup X_u^{(d)}) - \log P(X_v^{(d)} | \mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{X}_v}^{(d)}) + \Delta \log P(T^{(d)})_{u \rightarrow v}. \quad (2)$$

The first two terms are the change in pseudo likelihood, where $\log P(X_v^{(d)} | \mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{X}_v}^{(d)})$ is the conditional log likelihood of $X_v^{(d)}$ given its neighbor set $\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{X}_v}^{(d)}$ in cell type d 's current graph. The third term is the change of the structure prior, computed as:

$$\Delta \log P(T^{(d)})_{u \rightarrow v} = \log P(I_{u,v}^{(d)} = 1) - \log P(I_{u,v}^{(d)} = 0). \quad (3)$$

Since each $I_{u,v}^{(d)}$ can take 1 or 0, there are totally 2^M possible combinations of $(I_{u,v}^{(1)}, \dots, I_{u,v}^{(M)})$. To make it efficient, we constrain the candidate configurations that meets the following criteria. Based on the cell lineage tree, scMTNI first generates all paths starting from the root node to each leaf node. For each path, it allows up to 1 transition from edge status of 0 to 1 or 1 to 0. For case with 1 transition, we set root cell type status to be x , choose one of the intermediate cell types to be $1 - x$, set its descendants to $1 - x$, and set its ancestors to be the same as root. To capture cell type-specific regulation, we also add cell type-specific configurations (i.e. edge present only in one cell type) to the candidate configurations. Among

these candidate configurations of edge status across M cell types $(I_{u,v}^{(1)}, \dots, I_{u,v}^{(M)})$, we computed the score improvement for each configuration and selected the one that gives the highest score improvement computed as below:

$$\Delta \text{Score}_{u \rightarrow v} = \sum_{d=1}^M (\Delta \text{Score}_{u \rightarrow v}^{(d)} * I_{u,v}^{(d)}) + \Delta \log P(\mathbf{S})_{u \rightarrow v}, \quad (4)$$

where $\Delta \log P(\mathbf{S})_{u \rightarrow v}$ is computed using (5) as the difference of the prior distribution of current configuration and the prior distribution of the previous configuration before adding this edge.

$$\Delta \log P(\mathbf{S})_{u \rightarrow v} = P(I_{u,v}^{(1)}, \dots, I_{u,v}^{(d)} = 1, \dots, I_{u,v}^{(M)}) - P(I_{u,v}^{(1)}, \dots, I_{u,v}^{(d)} = 0, \dots, I_{u,v}^{(M)}) \quad (5)$$

Algorithm 1 scMTNI algorithm

- 1: **Input:**
 - 2: - Cell lineage tree τ with M cell types/clusters
 - 3: - single-cell expression data $\mathbf{D}^{(d)} = \{\mathbf{X}_1^{(d)}, \dots, \mathbf{X}_N^{(d)}\} \in \mathbf{R}^{N \times C}$ for each cell type/cluster d
 - 4: - Structure Prior parameters \mathbf{S} : $p_r, p_g, p_m^{(d)}$
 - 5: - Prior parameters for cell-type specific prior, β_0, β_1
 - 6: - Prior network for each cell type $P(\mathbf{T})$
 - 7: **Output:**
 - 8: - M cell type-specific gene regulatory networks for each cell type
 - 9: **Algorithm:**
 - 10: **while** not converged **do**
 - 11: **for** X_v in target gene set **do**
 - 12: **for** X_u in regulator set **do**
 - 13: **for** cell d in cells **do**
 - 14: Compute score improvement of adding this edge $X_u^{(d)} \rightarrow X_v^{(d)}$ to the current network in cell type d , $\Delta \text{Score}_{u \rightarrow v}^{(d)}$
 - 15: **end for**
 - 16: Compute score improvement of different configurations $\Delta \text{Score}_{u \rightarrow v}$ for the edge $X_u^{(d)} \rightarrow X_v^{(d)}$ in all cell types, select the configuration c with the highest score.
 - 17: **end for**
 - 18: Select the regulator $X_{\tilde{u}}$ that gives the highest score improvement and record its configuration \tilde{c} .
 - 19: **for** cell d in cells **do**
 - 20: **if** the edge status for cell type d in configuration \tilde{c} is 1 **then**
 - 21: Add edge $X_{\tilde{u}}^{(d)} \rightarrow X_v^{(d)}$ to the network of cell type d .
 - 22: **end if**
 - 23: **end for**
 - 24: **end for**
 - 25: **end while**
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Sensitivity of scMTNI to different parameter settings

We examined how the different parameters affect the overall AUPR and F-score by varying one parameter and keeping the others fixed. For AUPR, decreasing the sparsity parameter β_0 (i.e. increasing the penalty on adding new edges, $|\beta_0|$ is shown in the figures) while keeping the other parameters fixed, the average performance across cell types will generally go up slowly for majority of the (p_g, p_m, p_r) settings (**Supplementary Figure 42**). A few exceptions are when p_g and p_r are low, which is likely because the networks being learned are too sparse. However, the overall impact of AUPR was minimal and ranged from 0.25 to 0.26. Increasing the p_r parameter while keeping the other parameters fixed, the average performance generally decreased slightly for settings with smaller p_g and stayed the same for $p_g \geq 0.2$ (**Supplementary Figure 43**). This is also likely due to the fact that the networks are too sparse with a low p_g and low p_r . However, here as well the overall change in AUPR was not substantial, ranging from 0.245 to 0.265. Increasing the p_g parameter while keeping the other parameters fixed, the average performance across cell types does not change substantially; it decreases with increasing p_g for some settings (e.g., $\beta_0 = -0.01, p_m = 0.6, p_r = 0.3$) but remain unchanged for most of the settings (**Supplementary Figure 44**). Finally, increasing the p_m parameter while keeping the other parameters fixed, the average performance across cell types stayed largely unchanged for most of the settings with a few exceptions for higher p_r and p_m where there was a small boost in performance (**Supplementary Figure 45**).

Next, we computed F-score of top 200 edges and examined how the different parameters affect the overall F-score. The F-score helped to more uniformly compare across different settings as the overall density of the inferred edges can affect performance. Based on F-score, decreasing the sparsity parameter β_0 ($\beta_0 < 0$) had a less discernable pattern and in most cases the performance remained the same. For some cases, there was increase in performance for higher sparsity, especially when p_r or p_m was high (**Supplementary Figure 46**). Increasing the p_r parameter while keeping the other parameters fixed, the average performance across cell types changed in a manner similar to AUPR with a small downward trend with increasing p_r when p_g was low (**Supplementary Figure 47**). Increasing the p_g parameter affected the average performance in a manner similar to AUPR, with a slight decrease in performance across cell types but remaining unchanged for most of the settings (**Supplementary Figure 48**). Finally, increasing the p_m parameter generally did not affect the average performance for most of the settings with a few exceptions for

Algorithm	Parameter	Dataset 1	Dataset 2	Dataset 3
scMTNI	p_r	0.1	0.2	0.4
	p_g	0.1	0.15	0.35
	p_m	0.85	0.65	0.9
	β_0	-0.005	-0.005	-0.01
MRTLE	p_g	0.15	0.2	0.4
	p_m	0.6	0.55	0.85
	β_0	-0.01	-0.05	-0.01
GNAT	λ_s	35	22	7
	λ_p	35	22	5
Ontogenet	λ	2500	1000	500
	γ	2250	1000	525
	κ	10	1	10
INDEP	β_0	-0.5	-0.05	-0.1
LASSO	λ	0.03	0.04	0.06

Supplementary Table 1. Best parameters used for different algorithms on the simulation dataset

higher p_r and p_m where there was a small boost in performance (**Supplementary Figure 49**). In general, the sparsity parameter β_0 and p_r parameter affected the performance the most, while p_g and p_m parameters did not affect the performance substantially. Overall performance of scMTNI was stable across different parameter configurations (**Supplementary Figure 36**). To compare against methods, we used values across the all different parameter settings (**Supplementary Figure 1, 2**) as well as the best parameter setting (**Supplemental Table 1, Supplementary Figure 1, 2**).

Dataset	# genes	# regu- lators	# cell types	Avg cells	Memory		Runtime	
					scMTNI	scMTNI+Prior	scMTNI	scMTNI+Prior
Cellular re- programming	12,216	2,036	7	329	1.03±0.50	0.90±0.359	0.805±0.20	0.361±0.106
Adult hematopoiesis	11,994	1,999	8	346	3.06±0.794	2.11 ±0.594	0.637±0.194	0.379±0.80
Fetal hematopoiesis	16,737	2,195	11	255	0.523±0.043	0.519±0.138	0.632 ±0.325	0.286±0.142

Supplementary Table 2. Characteristics of real datasets and runtimes of scMTNI and scMNTI+prior. Memory (GB) and runtime (hrs) for 50 genes per run for all cell types together in mouse cellular reprogramming data, human hematopoietic data from Buenrostro et al. , and human fetal hematopoiesis data from Ranzoni et al. For memory and runtime, data are presented as mean value +/- SD (number of experiments for cellular reprogramming: $n = 12250$, adult hematopoiesis: $n = 12000$, fetal hematopoiesis: $n = 16750$).