Additional file 2 – The precision for yeast cell cycle

Discussions

Precision relates to the quality of an operation by which a result is obtained. As this is real-world data, the whole "real" gene connections of network are not available and, therefore, the accuracy of referred connections is determined by searching known gene connections in databases such as SGD [1] and BIND [2] for yeast cell cycle data. SGD is a database of the molecular biology and genetics of the yeast *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*. This database includes a variety of genomic and biological information, descriptions and classifications of yeast genes' biological roles, molecular functions, and subcellular localizations. BIND is a database and stores full descriptions of interactions, molecular complexes or pathways for yeast and other species. As a result, we compare the referred interactions with those in known databases, and provide the precision in the table listed below.

The boldface gene names listed in table indicate the true positive (TP) targets that confirmed by searching in databases, and the gene names with red color represent the false positive (FP) targets. For the purpose of demonstration, we list experimental results of 8 regulators that [3] or [4] also provide. For instance, the experimental results for target genes of regulator MBP1 are provided by [4], but not [3]. Therefore, some fields represent N/A. The table also lists the precision of each regulator for our work and the average precision (TP/ (TP+FP)) is 80.14%.

Regulator ³	Target predicted by [3]	Target predicted	Target predicted by our approach ²	Precision of
	expression data from Chou	by [4] ¹	expression data from Spellman et al., 1998	our work
	<i>et al.</i> , 1998.	expression data		Precision
		from Spellman		=TP/(TP+FP)
		et al., 1998		
SWI4	PCL1, CCN2, OCH1, HO, SWE1,	CDC28, SWI4, CLB2,	SWI4, CDC6, APT2, TRF5, RFC3, <u>MVD1</u> ,	72.73%
	GIN4, RNR1, PLB3, MNN1,	CLB5	<u>ELO1</u> , TOS1 , <u>ECM14</u> , <u>PSE1</u> , HO , <u>TOS7</u> , RSR1 ,	
	NDD1, FKS1, CLB2, SPT21,		TOS10, PLB3, HTA1, <u>PAN5</u> , PDR16, PCL1,	
	RSR1, CWP1, BUD4, MBP1,		CWP1, RFC3, CLB5	
	PCL2, CLB6,			
ACE2	SPO12	N/A	KAR4, <u>ASH1</u> , <u>PCL9</u> , <u>PMA1</u> , FRS2, STE12,	72.73%
			STE20, PHD1, AGP3, YAP1, GDH3, NCE4	
MCM1	STE6, PIR3, CLN2, CLN3, GIN4,	N/A	SWI4, CDC46, TRF5, RFC3, <u>MVD1</u> , ELO1,	84.21%
	SIM1, MFA1		CDC6, <u>API2</u> , PCL1, MSG5, MRD1, PIS1,	
			MTF2, STE6, SAC7, TFC4, CLN3, UFD1,	
			CDC46	
FKH1	BUD8, HHF_1, ACE2, UTR2,	N/A	BUD8, RHK1, CHA1, HOS3 MKK2, YMC2,	91.67%
	SWI6		RPN11, SVL3, PNP1, CLB4, DYN1, RHO4,	
			SSO2, APE2, ACE2, ADH4, KIP2, SPC24,	
			CHA1, DEM1, SUB2, ESP1, NUP145, ERS1	
SWI6	HTB2, SIM1, YPR075, CDC6,	SKP1, CLN2, SWI6	<u>SPL2, ARO9, PCL1, HPR5, TOK1, AGP3,</u>	82.35%
	AGA1, SPO12		MOT3, RFC3, CLB5, TOF1, MCD1, SWI2,	
			TPS3, MRPL4, SWI4, ECM33, CLN1	
SWI5	EGT2, MFA2, YLR463	CLB1, SWI5, SIC1	TPS3, CDC34, PST1, SIC1, MRPL4, NMT1,	79.12%
			DPM1, PCL9, NDD1, ASH1, SWI2, ASH1,	
			FRS2, FAA3, KEX2, ENO1, DLD1, PDC6,	
			PRY1, CST13, HSP150, GAT1, BUD9, <u>EGT2</u>	
FKH2	GIC1, CLB4	N/A	<u>SWI2</u> , ACE2, <u>ASH1, PCL9</u> , <u>PMA1</u> , FRS2,	75%
			ETG2,SWI5, ACE2, KAR4, YMC2, SSO2,	
			HOS3, MYO4, ADH4, KIP2, LTE1, RRM3,	
			NCE4, UTH1	
MBP1	N/A	MCM1, MBP1, SKP1	CLB5, TOF1, MSH6, SWI4, ELO1, PCL1,	83.33%
			KAR4, TRF5, RFC3, <u>YCK2, MCM2</u> , MCD1,	

Table 1 - The precision for yeast cell cycle

Avg.=80.14%

¹ For the purpose of a numeric demonstration provided by [4], they chose 20 yeast cyclin genes. Therefore, some results are N/A.

² The boldface gene names indicate the true positive (TP) targets that confirmed by searching in databases [1][2], and the gene names with underlines represent the false positive (FP) targets. The average precision (TP/ (TP+FP)) is 80.14%.

³For the purpose of demonstration, we list experimental results of 8 regulators that [3] or [4] also provide. For example, the regulator ACE2, [3] provides the experimental results for target genes of ACE2, but [4] does not. Therefore, some fields listed above are represented N/A. We also provide the target genes predicted by our system for the common regulators, and search in database to verify.

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