

Modeling gene regulation from paired expression and chromatin accessibility data

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文献阅读

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1.背景

➤ 关键词

TF : transcription factor

REs : cis-regulatory elements

CRs : chromatin regulators

TGs : target genes

PECA : paired expression and chromatin accessibility

➤ 数据来源

训练集数据(expression and accessibility data)来自mouse ENCODE project

Protein-protein 互作数据来自 BIOGRID database

TFs motif 数据来自JASPAR, TRANSFAC, UniPROBE, and Taipale

CRs 来自GO注释

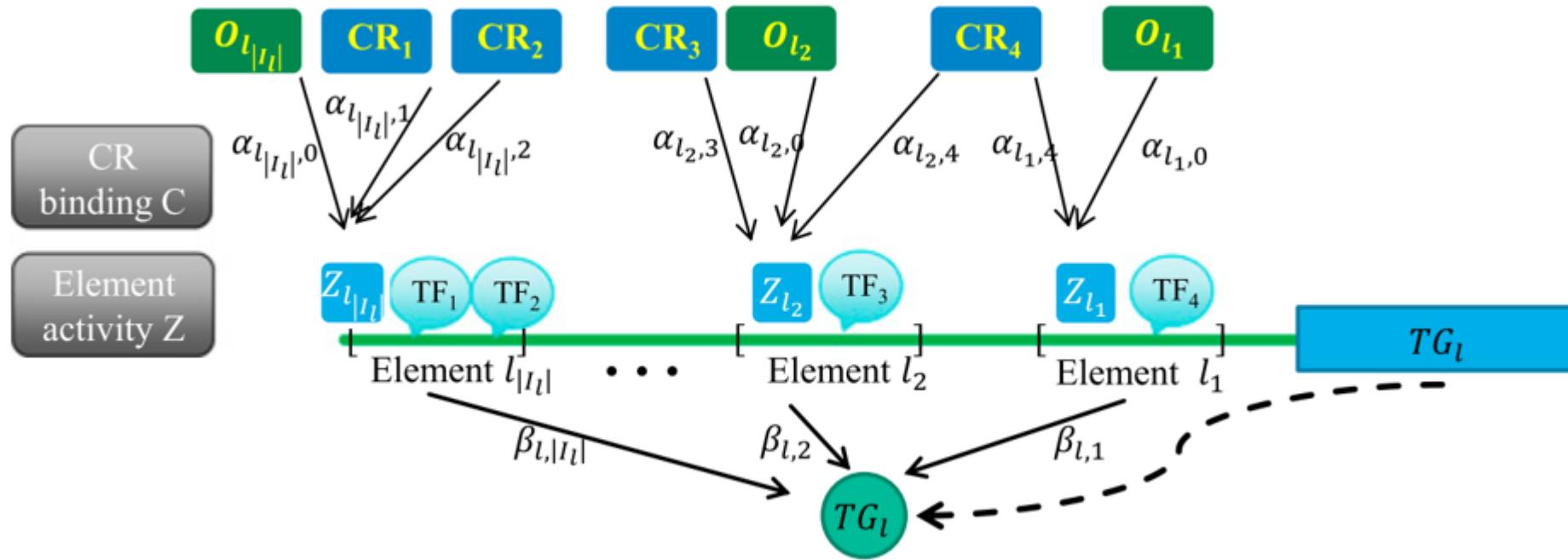
1. 背景

- RNA-seq : 对于了解转录机制只能提供少部分信息 (无转录因子的结合 , 染色质修饰等信息)
 - ChIP-seq : 检测到特定转录因子结合位点 , 一些遗传学标记 , 但是 one by one
 - Dnase-seq or ATAC-seq : 检测到染色质的开放状态

form mouse ENCODE project

2.方法

➤ PECA model



Input of PECA : the expression of TF genes, CR genes, and TGS
the openness of REs
the motif binding in the elements for TFs
Protein – protein interactions (PPI) among CRs and TFs

2.方法

➤ PECA model

➤ Model of CR binding to REs

$$\log \frac{P(C_{i,j} = 1 | TF, O_i)}{1 - P(C_{i,j} = 1 | TF, O_i)} = \eta_{I,0} + \eta_{I,1} \sum_{k \in S_{i,j}} (TF_k TFS_k B_{i,k} O_i)^{\frac{1}{4}}$$

$$P(C_{i,j} = 1 | TF, O_i) = \frac{\exp\left(\eta_{I,0} + \eta_{I,1} \sum_{k \in S_{i,j}} (TF_k TFS_k B_{i,k} O_i)^{\frac{1}{4}}\right)}{1 + \exp\left(\eta_{I,0} + \eta_{I,1} \sum_{k \in S_{i,j}} (TF_k TFS_k B_{i,k} O_i)^{\frac{1}{4}}\right)},$$

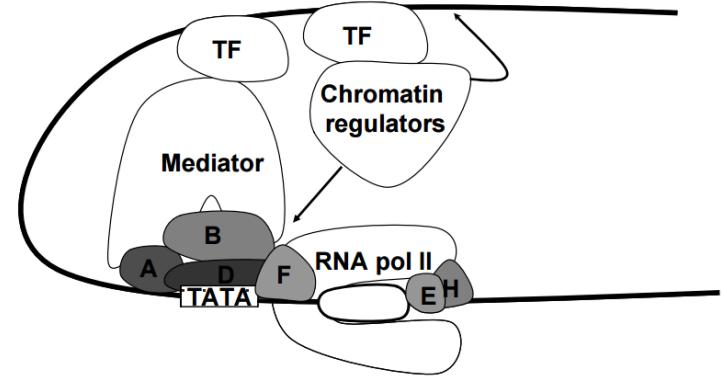
$C_{i,j}$: recruitment status of the jth CRs on the ith RE

TF_k : TF expression

TFS_k : TF specificity expression score

B_i : TF motif-binding strength on RE

$O_{i,k}$: openness of RE



2.方法

➤ PECA model

➤ Model of RE activity

$$\log \left(\frac{P(Z_i = 1 | O_i, CR, C_i)}{1 - P(Z_i = 1 | O_i, CR, C_i)} \right) = \alpha_{i,-1} + \alpha_{i,0} O_i + \sum_{j=1}^J \alpha_{ij} C_{i,j} CR_j$$

$$P(Z_i = 1 | O_i, CR, C_i) = \frac{\exp\left(\alpha_{i,-1} + \alpha_{i,0} O_i + \sum_{j=1}^J \alpha_{ij} C_{i,j} CR_j\right)}{1 + \exp\left(\alpha_{i,-1} + \alpha_{i,0} O_i + \sum_{j=1}^J \alpha_{ij} C_{i,j} CR_j\right)},$$

$C_{i,j}$: recruitment status of the jth CRs on the ith RE

CR_j : the expressions of binding CRs

O_i : openness of RE

Z_i : activation status of the ith RE

2.方法

- PECA model
- Model of TG expression

$$TG_I | TF, Z \sim N \left(\beta_{I,0} + \sum_{i \in I_I} \beta_{I,i} Z_i \left(\sum_{k \in MB_i} \gamma_{I,k} B_{i,k} TF_k \right), \sigma_I^2 \right); I \in \{1, 2, \dots, L\}.$$

TG_I : TG expression

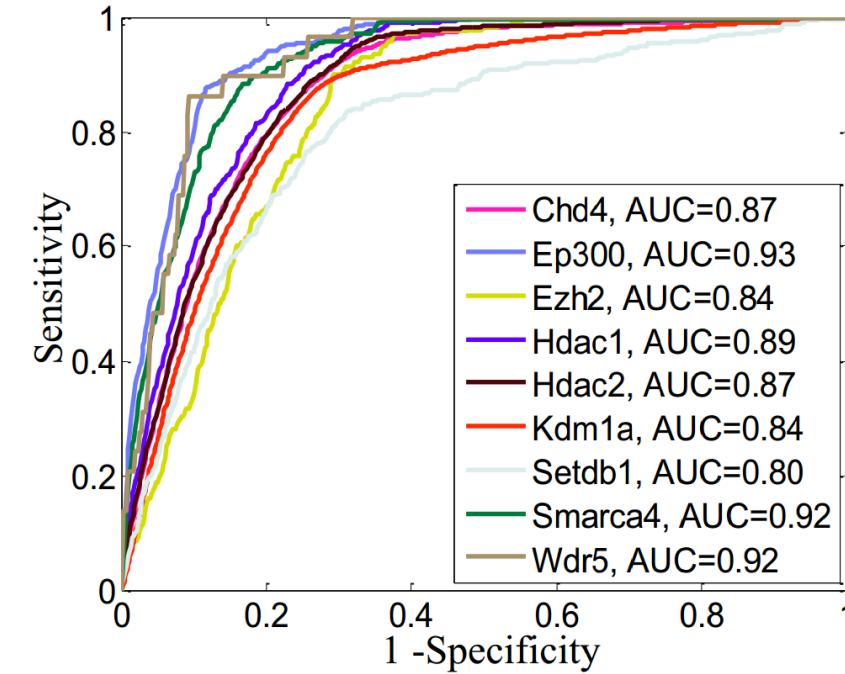
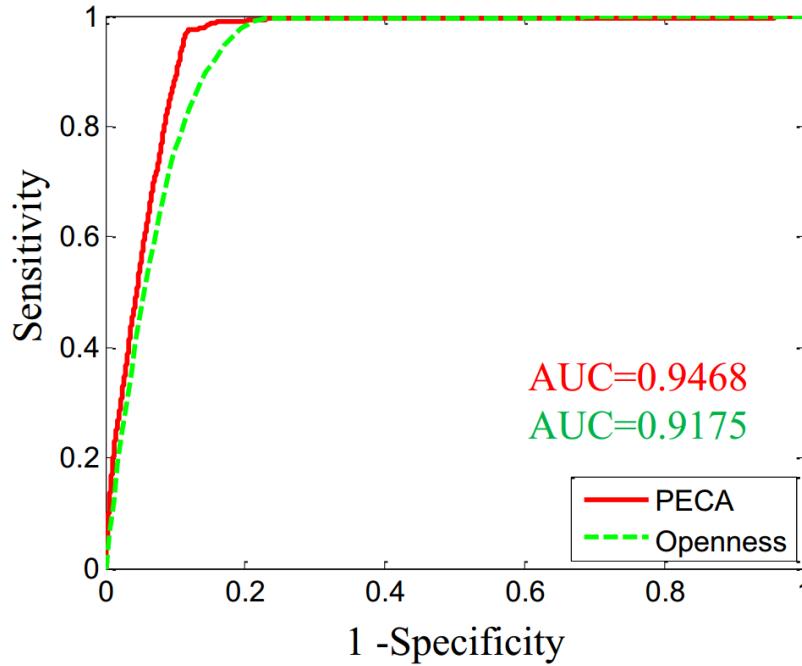
Z_i : activation status of the i th RE

B_i : TF motif-binding strength on RE

TF_k : TF expression

3.结果

➤ Inference of the Recruitment Status of Chromatin Regulators



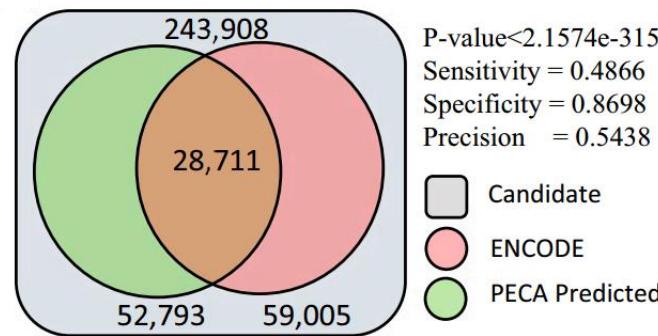
1. 基于PECA预测与基于RE可及性预测的ROC曲线比较

2. 基于PECA预测不同CR招募水平的RC曲线

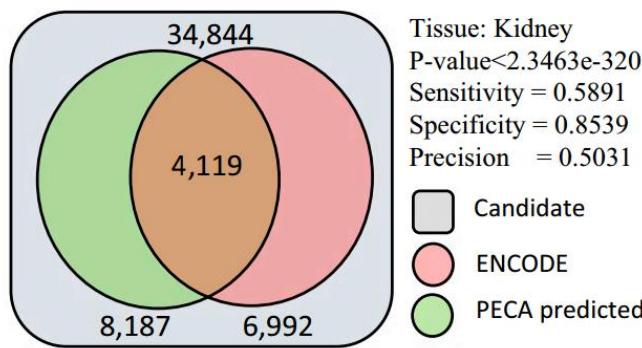
➤ PECA预测CR招募水平的结果较好，好于只用openness数据预测

3.结果

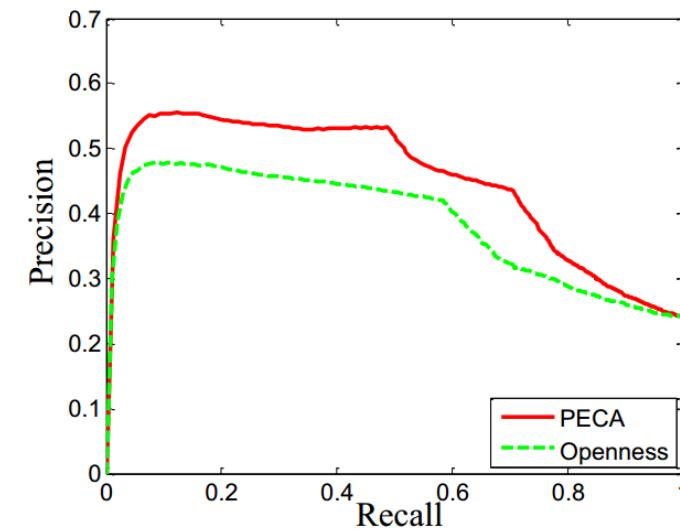
➤ Prediction of the Activation Status of Regulatory Elements



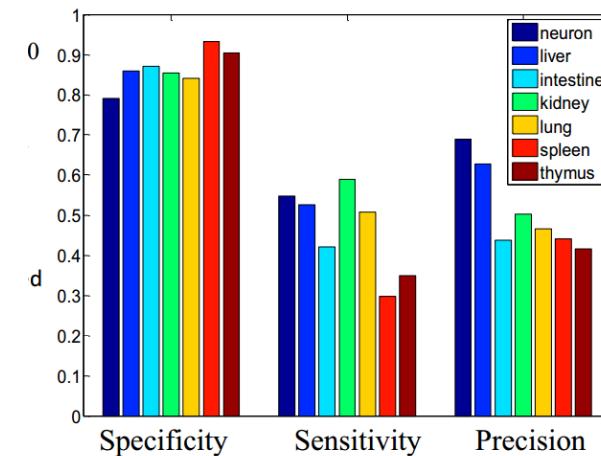
1.(7个组织)PECA预测RE活性与ENCODE注释比较



3.(肾)PECA预测RE活性与基于开放性预测比较



2.PECA预测RE活性与基于开放性预测比较

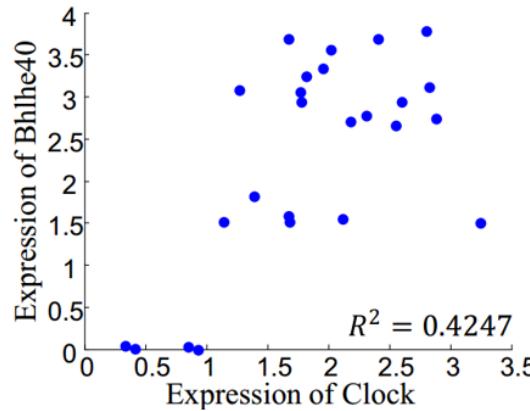


4.各组织PECA预测RE活性与ENCODE注释比较

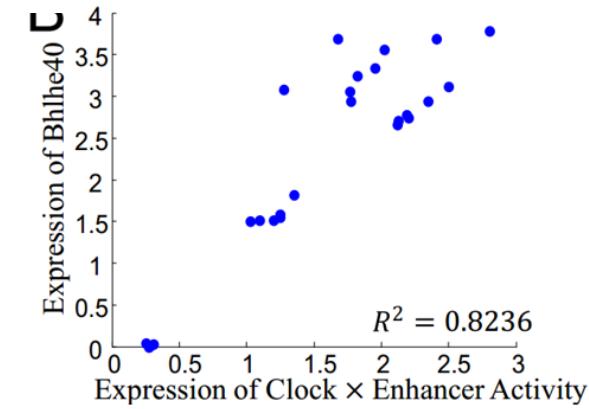
➤ PECA能够较准确的预测RE活性

3.结果

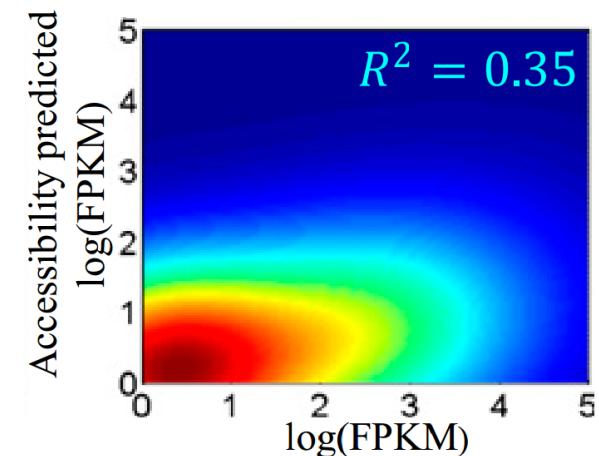
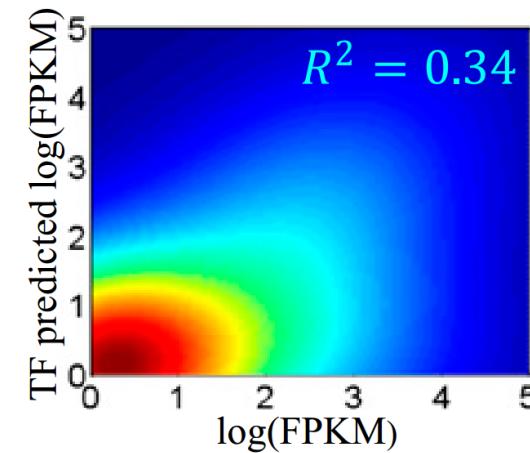
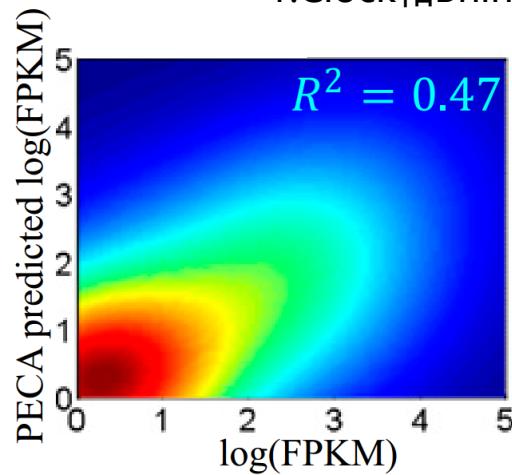
➤ Prediction of Gene Expression



1. Clock和Bhlhe40表达相关性



2. (Clock表达与enhancer活性)和Bhlhe40表达相关性

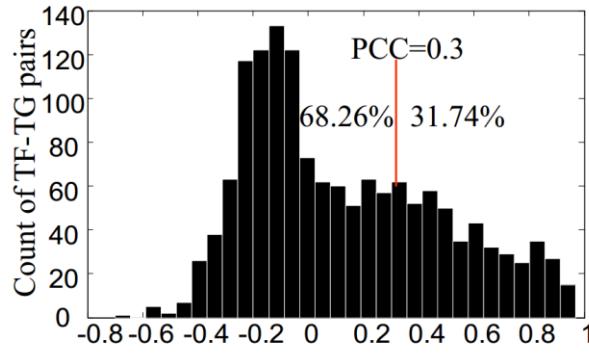


3.新的细胞背景 (RA处理) 基于PECA预测、基于TF表达量预测、基于RE可及性预测与TG表达量之间的相关性比较

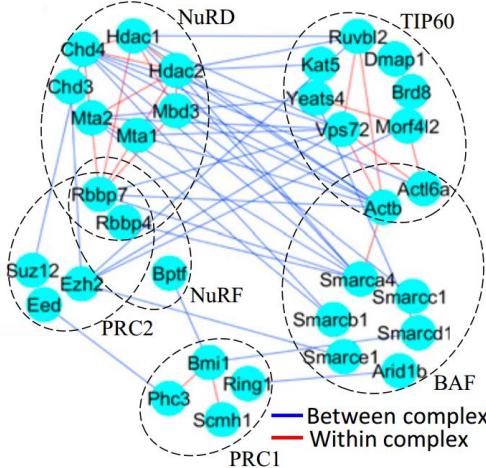
➤ 结合TF表达和RE活性显示出与TG表达量之间更高的相关性

3.结果

➤ Extraction of Regulatory Relations



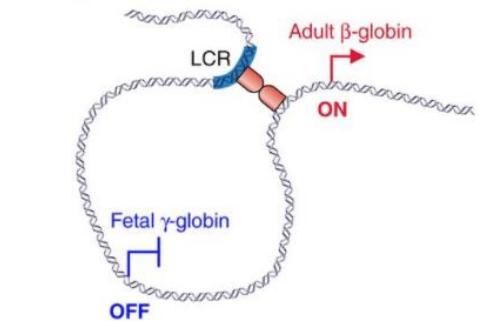
1. PECA 中TF-TG pairs PCC分布



3. Cooperating CR-CR pairs

TF1	TF2	# of interaction	# of validation	Validation rate	p-value
Jdp2	Atf2	190	108	0.5684	<0.001
E2f4	Brca1	1754	906	0.5165	<0.001
Jun	Fos	295	145	0.4915	<0.001
Jund	Fos	326	160	0.4908	<0.001
Jun	Jdp2	204	94	0.4608	<0.001
Yy1	Jund	69	37	0.5362	<0.001

2. Hi-C验证TF-TF pairs



chromatin looping

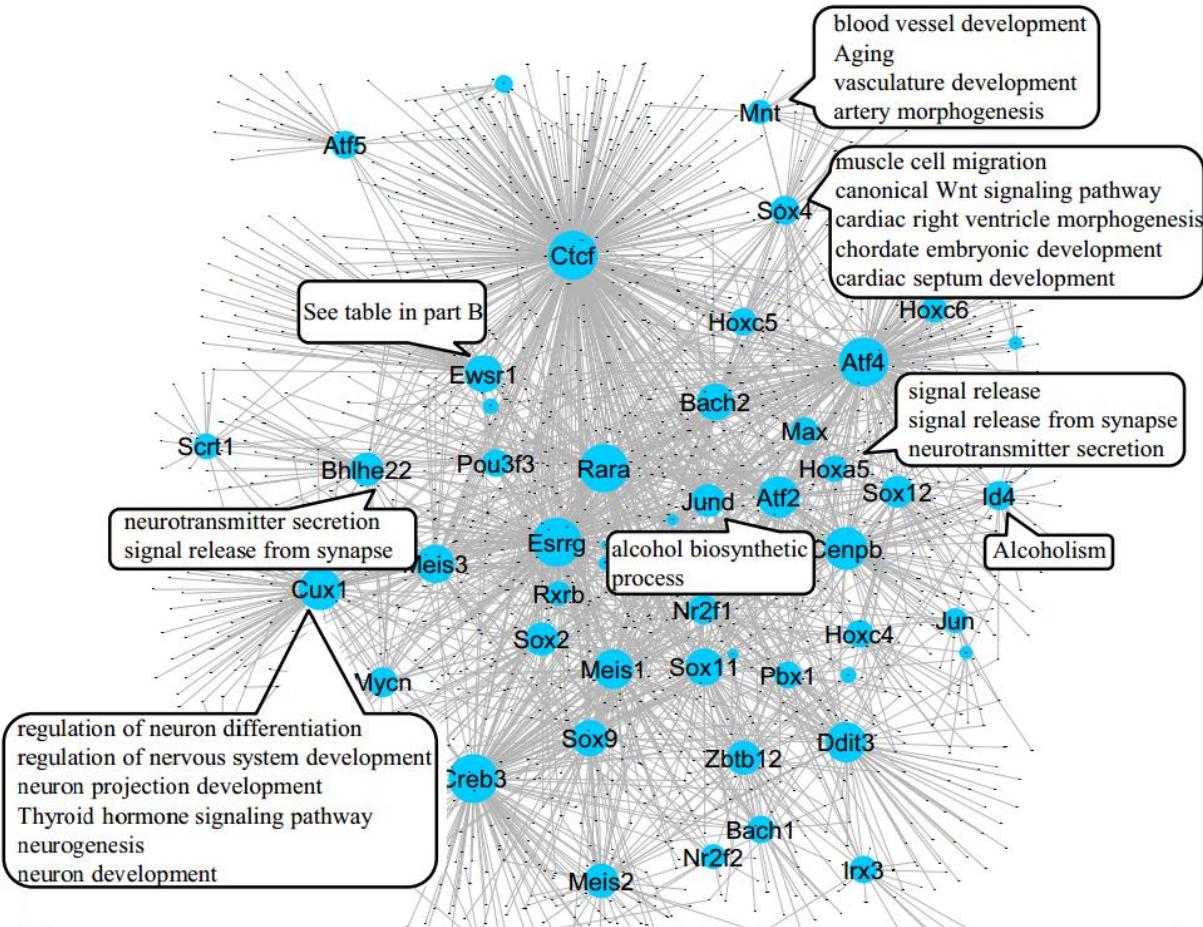
CR1(Complex)	CR2(Complex)	# of TG	Hi-C validation	Validation rate	p-value
Actb(BAF)	Chd4(NuRD)	3,877	3,545	0.9144	<0.001
Vps72(TIP60)	Mta1(NuRD)	3,064	2,596	0.8473	<0.001
Smarcd1(BAF)	Bmi1(PRC1)	3,497	3,098	0.8859	<0.001
Ruvbl2(TIP60)	Hdac1(NuRD)	3,400	3,168	0.9318	<0.001
Smarca4(BAF)	Rbbp7(NuRD, PRC2,NuRF)	3,279	2,935	0.8951	<0.001

4. Hi-C验证CR-CR pairs

- PECA能够检测到低PCC的TF-TG pairs
- 经Hi-C实验证，most TF-TF pairs和CR-CR pairs都是通过chromatin looping互作
- Most CR-CR pairs来自不同的CR complex

3.结果

➤ Inference of Context-Specific Regulatory Network



1.结果中部分背景特异的TFs；对应TGs的GO富集分析

Term	Genes	FC1	-logP	-logP x FC1
GO:0030516~regulation of axon extension	Twf2, Plxna1, Apoe, Pafah1b1, Cdk5, Ifrd1	4.00	3.86	15.44
GO:0061387~regulation of extent of cell growth	Twf2, Plxna1, Apoe, Pafah1b1, Cdk5, Ifrd1	3.84	3.62	13.90
GO:0048675~axon extension	Twf2, Plxna1, Apoe, Pafah1b1, Cdk5, Ifrd1	3.82	3.59	13.69
GO:0048667~cell morphogenesis involved in neuron differentiation	Lingo1, Twf2, Plxna1, Apoe, Id1, Pafah1b1, Rpl24, Cnp, Cdk5, Ifrd1, RERE	3.10	3.69	11.45
GO:1990138~neuron projection extension	Twf2, Plxna1, Apoe, Pafah1b1, Cdk5, Ifrd1	3.42	3.04	10.38
GO:0048812~neuron projection morphogenesis	Lingo1, Twf2, Plxna1, Apoe, Id1, Pafah1b1, Rpl24, Cnp, Cdk5, Ifrd1, RERE	2.94	3.43	10.09
GO:0007409~axonogenesis	Lingo1, Twf2, Plxna1, Apoe, Pafah1b1, Rpl24, Cnp, Cdk5, Ifrd1	2.97	3.06	9.09
GO:0050770~regulation of axonogenesis	Twf2, Plxna1, Apoe, Pafah1b1, Cdk5, Ifrd1	3.23	2.80	9.04
GO:0008361~regulation of cell size	Twf2, Plxna1, Apoe, Pafah1b1, Cdk5, Ifrd1	3.10	2.63	8.17
GO:0061564~axon development	Lingo1, Twf2, Plxna1, Apoe, Pafah1b1, Rpl24, Cnp, Cdk5, Ifrd1	2.82	2.84	8.02

2. Ewsr1 的TGs 具体GO富集结果

- 用训练集构建模型，表达数据和可及性
数据来自RA处理6d的mESC
- 选择活性REs，此背景下特异表达的TFs
和TGs构建网络

3.结果

➤ Interpretation of Genetic Variants Relevant to Traits and Diseases

QTL symbol	QTL study name	QTL length	No. SNPs	No. SNPs in TFBS in active REs		No. nonsynonymous SNPs on expressed gene	No. deleterious SNPs on expressed gene	Tissue contexts
Bhr1	Bronchial hyperresponsiveness	35,958,073	84,720	169		77	10	Lung, Immune
Hpi2	Hepatic PMN infiltration	27,225,093	52,957	9		6	0	Liver
Hpi1	Hepatic PMN infiltration	48,679,702	50,787	44		13	1	Liver
Bhr2	Bronchial hyperresponsiveness	39,081,857	69,497	186		107	15	Lung, Immune
Bhr3	Bronchial hyperresponsiveness	44,773,774	99,128	263		176	22	Lung, Immune
Vacq1	Voluntary alcohol consumption QTL	3,072,943	5,173	18		12	1	Neuron
Nilac10	Nicotine-induced locomotor activity	22,087,605	12,543	29		3	0	Neuron, Immune

1. 选取7个QTL区段(有明确的相关组织背景)的统计

- 99% 品种特异的SNP(定位到QTL区段)处于非编码区段
- Hpi1 , Hpi2 , Vacq1 , Nilac10表达基因中基本没有有害SNP , 说明位于非编码区的变异发挥重要作用 , 体现了该模型的重要性

4. 归纳总结

- 总结：利用基因表达量数据和染色质可及性数据构建基因调控模型。创新点在于该研究结合了多种信息构建模型。
- 启发：生物技术的发展(如ATAC-seq、Hi-C等)会使生物数据的种类更加多样，而这些数据会帮助我们进一步解答生物学问题。
- 存在的问题：

模型过于复杂，各参数对TG表达的影响权重不易确定，该研究用了各参数的几何平均数，合理性未知。

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