

# *keggorth*: the KEGG orthology as graph

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## 1 Introduction

KEGG is the Kyoto Encyclopedia of Genes and Genomes. An important product of the KEGG group is a catalog of pathways. The KEGG Orthology (KO) organizes the pathways into a conceptual hierarchy. This package encodes the hierarchy as a graph, and provides some support for deriving sets of array feature identifiers from the hierarchy.

## 2 K0graph

```
> library(keggorth)
> library(graph)
> data(K0graph)
> K0graph
```

A graphNEL graph with directed edges  
Number of Nodes = 358  
Number of Edges = 357

```
> nodes(K0graph)[1:5]
```

```
[1] "KO.Feb10root"           "Metabolism"
[3] "Carbohydrate Metabolism" "Glycolysis / Gluconeogenesis"
[5] "Citrate cycle (TCA cycle)"
```

The upper component of the hierarchy is:

```
> adj(KOgraph, nodes(KOgraph)[1])
```

```
$KO.Feb10root
[1] "Metabolism"
[2] "Genetic Information Processing"
[3] "Environmental Information Processing"
[4] "Cellular Processes"
[5] "Organismal Systems"
[6] "Human Diseases"
```

Graph operations can be used to explore the orthology. For example, the context of the PPAR signaling pathway is found as follows:

```
> library(RBGL)
> sp.between(KOgraph, nodes(KOgraph)[1], "PPAR signaling pathway")

$`KO.Feb10root:PPAR signaling pathway`$length
[1] 3

$`KO.Feb10root:PPAR signaling pathway`$path_detail
[1] "KO.Feb10root"           "Organismal Systems"      "Endocrine System"
[4] "PPAR signaling pathway"

$`KO.Feb10root:PPAR signaling pathway`$length_detail
$`KO.Feb10root:PPAR signaling pathway`$length_detail[[1]]
    KO.Feb10root->Organismal Systems
                                1
    Organismal Systems->Endocrine System
                                1
    Endocrine System->PPAR signaling pathway
                                1
```

Fixed-length identifiers are used to label pathways. These are available as the 'tag' nodeData attribute.

```
> nodeData(KOgraph, , "tag")[1:5]
```

```
$KO.Feb10root
[1] "NONE"

$Metabolism
[1] "01100"

$`Carbohydrate Metabolism`
[1] "01101"

$`Glycolysis / Gluconeogenesis`
[1] "00010"

$`Citrate cycle (TCA cycle)`
[1] "00020"
```

The depth of each term is also available.

```
> nodeData(KOgraph, , "depth") [1:5]
```

```
$KO.Feb10root
[1] 0
```

```
$Metabolism
[1] 1

$`Carbohydrate Metabolism`
[1] 2

$`Glycolysis / Gluconeogenesis`
[1] 3

$`Citrate cycle (TCA cycle)`
[1] 3
```

### 3 Application to gene filtering

Several functions are available for retrieving relevant information from the orthology. If you know a substring of the pathway name of interest, you can obtain the numerical tag(s).

```
> getKOtags("insulin")

Insulin signaling pathway
"04910"
```

We can get probe set identifiers corresponding to a term. The default chip annotation package used is hgu95av2.db.

```
> library(hgu95av2.db)
> mp = getK0probes("Methionine")
> library(ALL)
> data(ALL)
> ALL[mp, ]

ExpressionSet (storageMode: lockedEnvironment)
assayData: 30 features, 128 samples
  element names: exprs
  protocolData: none
  phenoData
    sampleNames: 01005, 01010, ..., LAL4 (128 total)
    varLabels and varMetadata description:
      cod: Patient ID
      diagnosis: Date of diagnosis
      ...: ...
      date last seen: date patient was last seen
      (21 total)
  featureData: none
  experimentData: use 'experimentData(object)'
    pubMedIds: 14684422 16243790
  Annotation: hgu95av2
```

## 4 Infrastructure considerations

Based on keggorth read of KEGG orthology, March 2 2010. Specifically, we run wget on `ftp://ftp.genome.jp/pub/kegg/brite/ko/ko00001.keg` and use parsing and modeling code given in `inst/keggHTML` to generate a data frame respecting the hierarchy, and then `keggDF2graph` function in `keggorth` package to construct the graph.

## 5 Session info

```
> sessionInfo()

R version 2.11.0 Under development (unstable) (2010-02-01 r51089)
x86_64-unknown-linux-gnu

locale:
[1] LC_CTYPE=en_US           LC_NUMERIC=C           LC_TIME=en_US
```

```
[4] LC_COLLATE=en_US      LC_MONETARY=C          LC_MESSAGES=en_US
[7] LC_PAPER=en_US        LC_NAME=C            LC_ADDRESS=C
[10] LC_TELEPHONE=C       LC_MEASUREMENT=en_US LC_IDENTIFICATION=C

attached base packages:
[1] tools      stats      graphics   grDevices utils      datasets   methods
[8] base

other attached packages:
[1] ALL_1.4.7           RBGL_1.23.0         keggorth_1.99.0
[4] hgu95av2.db_2.3.5    org.Hs.eg.db_2.3.6  RSQLite_0.8-3
[7] DBI_0.2-5           AnnotationDbi_1.9.4 Biobase_2.7.5
[10] graph_1.25.10
```