

# Introduction to the pageRank Package

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## 1 Introduction

### 1.1 Background

The *pageRank* package provides implementations of temporal PageRank as defined by [1], as well as multiplex PageRank as defined by [2]. As the extension of original steady-state PageRank [3,4] in temporal networks, temporal PageRank ranks nodes based on their connections that change over time. Multiplex PageRank, on the other hand, extends PageRank analysis to multiplex networks. In such networks, the same nodes might interact with one another in different layers. Multiplex PageRank is calculated according to the topology of a predefined

base network, with regular PageRank of other supplemental networks as edge weights and personalization vector.

PageRank-related approaches can be applied to prioritize key transcriptional factors (TFs) in gene regulatory networks (GRNs). Specifically, the *pageRank* package provides functions for generating temporal GRNs from corresponding static counterparts. The *pageRank* package also provides functions for converting multi-omics, e.g. gene expression, chromatin accessibility and chromosome conformation profiles to multiplex GRNs. Such temporal and multiplex GRNs can thus be used for temporal and multiplex PageRank-based TF prioritization, respectively.

## 1.2 Installation

*pageRank* requires the R version 4.0 or later, packages *BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19*, *TxDb.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19.knownGene*, *org.Hs.eg.db*, *annotate*, *GenomicFeatures*, *JASPAR2018*, *TFBSTools* and *bcellViper*, to run the examples. After installing R, all required components can be obtained with:

```
if (!requireNamespace("BiocManager", quietly=TRUE)) install.packages("BiocManager")
BiocManager::install("BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19")
BiocManager::install("TxDb.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19.knownGene")
BiocManager::install("org.Hs.eg.db")
BiocManager::install("annotate")
BiocManager::install("GenomicFeatures")
BiocManager::install("JASPAR2018")
BiocManager::install("TFBSTools")
BiocManager::install("bcellViper")
```

# 2 PageRank Analysis

## 2.1 Temporal PageRank

We applied *diff\_graph()* to calculate temporal PageRank. This is a simplified version of temporal PageRank described by [1] by only analyzing temporally adjacent graph pairs.

```
> library(pageRank)
> set.seed(1)
> graph1 <- igraph::erdos.renyi.game(100, 0.01, directed = TRUE)
> igraph::V(graph1)$name <- 1:100
> #the 1st graph with name as vertex attributes
> set.seed(2)
> graph2 <- igraph::erdos.renyi.game(100, 0.01, directed = TRUE)
> igraph::V(graph2)$name <- 1:100
> #the 2nd graph with name as vertex attributes
> diff_graph(graph1, graph2)
```

```

IGRAPH 8077800 DN-- 98 190 --
+ attr: name (v/c), pagerank (v/n), moi (e/n)
+ edges from 8077800 (vertex names):
[1] 1 ->60 2 ->15 2 ->57 3 ->10 3 ->16 3 ->84 4 ->43 5 ->20 5 ->6
[10] 5 ->72 5 ->81 5 ->91 6 ->25 6 ->50 7 ->37 7 ->67 7 ->73 7 ->85
[19] 8 ->80 9 ->90 10->26 11->6 11->100 12->70 12->82 12->92 13->30
[28] 13->48 13->51 13->61 15->74 15->77 16->85 17->31 17->32 17->34
[37] 17->50 17->58 19->17 19->96 20->23 20->79 20->87 21->41 21->43
[46] 22->4 22->41 23->57 24->61 25->66 26->34 26->39 26->72 27->22
[55] 27->43 28->98 29->95 30->84 32->49 33->10 34->16 34->99 35->81
[64] 36->17 36->33 36->45 36->53 36->77 37->33 37->54 38->6 38->17
+ ... omitted several edges

```

Differential graph graph1-graph2 will be outputed. The Differential graph has "moi (mode of interaction, 1 and -1 for interactions gained and losed in graph1, respectively)" as edge attribute. The Differential graph has "pagerank" and "name" as vertex attributes.

## 2.2 Multiplex PageRank

We applied `multiplex_page_rank()` to calculate multiplex PageRank following definition by [2].

```

> set.seed(1)
> graph1 <- igraph::erdos.renyi.game(100, 0.01, directed = TRUE)
> igraph::V(graph1)$name <- 1:100
> igraph::V(graph1)$pagerank <- igraph::page_rank(graph1)$vector
> #the base graph with pagerank and name as vertex attributes.
> set.seed(2)
> graph2 <- igraph::erdos.renyi.game(100, 0.01, directed = TRUE)
> igraph::V(graph2)$name <- 1:100
> igraph::V(graph2)$pagerank <- igraph::page_rank(graph2)$vector
> #the supplemental graph with pagerank and name as vertex attributes.
> multiplex_page_rank(graph1, graph2)

```

1	2	3	4	5	6
0.024486930	0.003587882	0.003269234	0.025062625	0.002517812	0.014031152
7	8	9	10	11	12
0.019560780	0.002517812	0.010657975	0.024750578	0.003587882	0.002517812
13	14	15	16	17	18
0.002517812	0.002517812	0.012543315	0.011993811	0.011752012	0.002517812
19	20	21	22	23	24
0.002517812	0.005019851	0.005073934	0.019579420	0.010917862	0.006654581
25	26	27	28	29	30

```

0.008481052 0.024875556 0.018813575 0.012145212 0.002517812 0.005371332
      31          32          33          34          35          36
0.028390794 0.003870287 0.022958947 0.007132217 0.026500261 0.014220612
      37          38          39          40          41          42
0.003894189 0.014025489 0.007048515 0.006489236 0.009884435 0.011620308
      43          44          45          46          47          48
0.021776702 0.005804823 0.007274354 0.005973955 0.002517812 0.003231192
      49          50          51          52          53          54
0.008363678 0.018470262 0.007252872 0.007734145 0.007333127 0.008132101
      55          56          57          58          59          60
0.002517812 0.009882306 0.012570845 0.005099961 0.009773330 0.005728022
      61          62          63          64          65          66
0.008887585 0.009392001 0.002517812 0.012318772 0.002517812 0.012403356
      67          68          69          70          71          72
0.003894189 0.008046953 0.006637398 0.012164635 0.004952221 0.025846022
      73          74          75          76          77          78
0.007717015 0.017071807 0.004497441 0.031878419 0.006205317 0.006125093
      79          80          81          82          83          84
0.007674159 0.004657952 0.036708345 0.004133414 0.003587882 0.008317756
      85          86          87          88          89          90
0.019805589 0.003587882 0.010071696 0.003779210 0.002517812 0.010708381
      91          92          93          94          95          96
0.009826976 0.006014406 0.020117463 0.010635582 0.006048082 0.004657952
      97          98          99         100
0.012988768 0.015761377 0.004243860 0.003249976

```

Multiplex PageRank values corresponded to nodes in graph1 (base network) will be outputed.

## 2.3 Adjusting PageRank Calculations

The `clean_graph()` can remove nodes by residing subgraph sizes, vertex names and PageRank values. We thus can adjust graphs for PageRank calculation.

```

> set.seed(1)
> graph <- igraph::erdos.renyi.game(100, 0.01, directed = TRUE)
> igraph::V(graph)$name <- 1:100
> igraph::V(graph)$pagerank <- igraph::page_rank(graph)$vector
> #the graph to be cleaned, with pagerank and name as vertex attributes.
> clean_graph(graph, size=5)

IGRAPH 7077b87 DN-- 82 96 -- Erdos-Renyi (gnp) graph
+ attr: name (g/c), type (g/c), loops (g/l), p (g/n), name (v/n),
| pagerank (v/n)

```

```

+ edges from 7077b87 (vertex names):
[1] 72-> 1 88-> 3 22-> 4 11-> 6 65-> 6 87-> 6 60-> 7 85->
[9] 84-> 9 33-> 10 100-> 10 11->100 2-> 15 40-> 15 3-> 16 34->
[17] 19-> 17 46-> 17 5-> 20 69-> 20 100-> 20 92-> 21 27-> 22 83->
[25] 42-> 24 6-> 25 10-> 26 74-> 27 94-> 27 43-> 31 36-> 33 38->
[33] 59-> 35 90-> 35 60-> 36 70-> 36 53-> 38 26-> 39 46-> 40 88->
[41] 21-> 41 71-> 41 49-> 42 65-> 42 77-> 42 87-> 43 100-> 43 52->
[49] 21-> 45 54-> 46 32-> 49 92-> 49 6-> 50 17-> 50 43-> 52 54->
+ ... omitted several edges

```

Adjusted graph will be outputed, with "pagerank" and "name" as vertex attributes.

The `adjust_graph()` can re-calculate PageRank with updated damping factor, personalized vector and edge weights.

```

> set.seed(1)
> graph <- igraph::erdos.renyi.game(100, 0.01, directed = TRUE)
> igraph::V(graph)$name <- 1:100
> igraph::V(graph)$pagerank <- igraph::page_rank(graph, damping=0.85)$vector
> #the graph to be adjusted, with pagerank and name as vertex attributes.
> adjust_graph(graph, damping=0.1)

```

```

IGRAPH a808b6f DN-- 100 98 -- Erdos-Renyi (gnp) graph
+ attr: name (g/c), type (g/c), loops (g/l), p (g/n), name (v/n),
| pagerank (v/n)
+ edges from a808b6f (vertex names):
[1] 72-> 1 88-> 3 22-> 4 11-> 6 65-> 6 87-> 6 60-> 7 85->
[9] 84-> 9 33-> 10 100-> 10 11->100 2-> 15 40-> 15 3-> 16 34->
[17] 19-> 17 46-> 17 5-> 20 69-> 20 100-> 20 92-> 21 27-> 22 83->
[25] 42-> 24 6-> 25 10-> 26 74-> 27 94-> 27 63-> 30 43-> 31 36->
[33] 38-> 35 59-> 35 90-> 35 60-> 36 70-> 36 53-> 38 26-> 39 46->
[41] 88-> 40 21-> 41 71-> 41 49-> 42 65-> 42 77-> 42 87-> 43 100->
[49] 52-> 44 21-> 45 54-> 46 32-> 49 92-> 49 6-> 50 17-> 50 13->
+ ... omitted several edges

```

Adjusted graph will be outputed, with updated "pagerank" and "name" as vertex attributes.

Please note `diff_graph()`, `multiplex_page_rank()`, `clean_graph()` and `adjust_graph()` can be used in combination for customized PageRank analysis tasks.

### 3 Prioritizing TFs in GRNs

#### 3.1 Generating GRNs from Multi-Omics Profiles

The `aracne_network()` can re-format ARACNe network in regulon object for PageRank analysis. It can also handle GRNs reverse engineered using other algorithms, as long as such

GRNs are written in regulon object.

```
> library(bcellViper)
> data(bcellViper)
> head(aracne_network(regulon[1:10]))
```

	reg	target	direction
1	AATF	SAMM50	1
2	AATF	DRG1	1
3	AATF	ATIC	1
4	AATF	SMARCC1	1
5	AATF	AHCY	1
6	AATF	HSD17B10	1

The accessibility\_network() can build network from accessibility, e.g. ATAC-Seq peaks.

```
> table <- data.frame(Chr=c("chr1", "chr1"), Start=c(713689, 856337), End=)
+                               row.names=c("A", "B"), stringsAsFactors=FALSE)
> regulators=c("FOXF2", "MZF1")
> #peaks and regulators to be analyzed
>
> library(GenomicRanges)
> library(GenomicFeatures)
> library(TxDb.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19.knownGene)
> library(org.Hs.eg.db)
> library(annotation)
> promoter <- promoters(genes(TxDb.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19.knownGene))
> names(promoter) <- getSYMBOL(names(promoter), data="org.Hs.eg")
> promoter <- promoter[!is.na(names(promoter))]
> #get promoter regions
>
> library(JASPAR2018)
> library(TFBSTools)
> library(motifmatchr)
> pfm <- getMatrixSet(JASPAR2018, list(species="Homo sapiens"))
> pfm <- pfm[unlist(lapply(pfm, function(x) name(x))) %in% regulators]
> #get regulator position frequency matrix (PFM) list
>
> library(BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19)
> accessibility_network(table, promoter, pfm, "BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19")
```

	target	reg
1	LOC100288069	FOXF2

```

2 LOC100288069 MZF1
3     LINC02593 FOXF2
4         SAMD11 FOXF2
5     LINC02593 MZF1
6         SAMD11 MZF1

```

The `conformation_network()` can build network from conformation, e.g. HiChIP records.

```

> table <- data.frame(Chr1=c("chr1", "chr1"), Position1=c(569265, 713603),
+                       Chr2=c("chr4", "chr1"), Position2=c(206628, 715110),
+                       row.names=c("A", "B"), stringsAsFactors=FALSE)
> regulators=c("FOXF2", "MZF1")
> #peaks and regulators to be analyzed
>
> promoter <- promoters(genes(TxDb.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19.knownGene) )
> names(promoter) <- getSYMBOL(names(promoter), data="org.Hs.eg")
> promoter <- promoter[!is.na(names(promoter)) ]
> #get promoter regions
>
> pfm <- getMatrixSet(JASPAR2018, list(species="Homo sapiens"))
> pfm <- pfm[unlist(lapply(pfm, function(x) name(x))) %in% regulators]
> #get regulator position frequency matrix (PFM) list
>
> conformation_network(table, promoter, pfm, "BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19",
+                       target      reg
1       ZNF876P   MZF1
2 LOC100288069 FOXF2
3 LOC100288069 MZF1

```

## 3.2 Filter GRNs with Expression Profiles

The `P_graph()` can filter GRNs by quantifying joint and margin probability distributions of regulator-target pairs. Statistically significant non-random regulator-target pairs will be kept.

```

> dset <- exprs(dset)
> net <- do.call(rbind, lapply(1:10, function(i, regulon){
+   data.frame(reg=rep(names(regulon)[i], 10),
+             target=names(regulon[[i]][[1]])[1:10],
+             stringsAsFactors = FALSE)}, regulon=regulon))
> P_graph(dset, net, method="difference", null=NULL, threshold=0.05)

```







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+ attr: name (v/c), pagerank (v/n), pvalue (e/n)
+ edges from ffc0a5b (vertex names):
[1] PPM1G ->AATF    CTBP2 ->APP      TAGLN ->APP      MTSS1 ->APP      JMJD1C->AR

```

### 3.3 Session Information

```

> sessionInfo()

R version 4.4.0 beta (2024-04-15 r86425)
Platform: x86_64-pc-linux-gnu
Running under: Ubuntu 22.04.4 LTS

Matrix products: default
BLAS:      /home/biocbuild/bbs-3.19-bioc/R/lib/libRblas.so
LAPACK:   /usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/lapack/liblapack.so.3.10.0

locale:
[1] LC_CTYPE=en_US.UTF-8          LC_NUMERIC=C
[3] LC_TIME=en_US.UTF-8          LC_COLLATE=en_US.UTF-8
[5] LC_MONETARY=en_US.UTF-8       LC_MESSAGES=en_US.UTF-8
[7] LC_PAPER=en_US.UTF-8          LC_NAME=C
[9] LC_ADDRESS=C                 LC_TELEPHONE=C
[11] LC_MEASUREMENT=en_US.UTF-8   LC_IDENTIFICATION=C

time zone: America/New_York
tzcode source: system (glibc)

attached base packages:
[1] stats4      stats       graphics   grDevices  utils      datasets   methods
[8] base

```

```

other attached packages:
[1] BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19_1.4.3
[2] BSgenome_1.72.0
[3] rtracklayer_1.64.0
[4] BiocIO_1.14.0
[5] Biostrings_2.72.0
[6] XVector_0.44.0
[7] motifmatchr_1.26.0
[8] TFBSTools_1.42.0
[9] JASPAR2018_1.1.1
[10] annotate_1.82.0
[11] XML_3.99-0.16.1
[12] org.Hs.eg.db_3.19.1
[13] TxDb.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19.knownGene_3.2.2
[14] GenomicFeatures_1.56.0
[15] AnnotationDbi_1.66.0
[16] GenomicRanges_1.56.0
[17] GenomeInfoDb_1.40.0
[18] IRanges_2.38.0
[19] S4Vectors_0.42.0
[20] bcellViper_1.39.0
[21] Biobase_2.64.0
[22] BiocGenerics_0.50.0
[23] pageRank_1.14.0

```

loaded via a namespace (and not attached) :

[1] DBI_1.2.2	bitops_1.0-7
[3] rlang_1.1.3	magrittr_2.0.3
[5] matrixStats_1.3.0	compiler_4.4.0
[7] RSQLite_2.3.6	png_0.1-8
[9] vctrs_0.6.5	reshape2_1.4.4
[11] stringr_1.5.1	pwalign_1.0.0
[13] pkgconfig_2.0.3	crayon_1.5.2
[15] fastmap_1.1.1	caTools_1.18.2
[17] utf8_1.2.4	Rsamtools_2.20.0
[19] tzdb_0.4.0	pracma_2.4.4
[21] UCSC.utils_1.0.0	DirichletMultinomial_1.46.0
[23] bit_4.0.5	zlibbioc_1.50.0
[25] cachem_1.0.8	CNEr_1.40.0
[27] jsonlite_1.8.8	blob_1.2.4
[29] DelayedArray_0.30.0	BiocParallel_1.38.0
[31] parallel_4.4.0	R6_2.5.1

```
[33] stringi_1.8.3                  Rcpp_1.0.12
[35] SummarizedExperiment_1.34.0    R.utils_2.12.3
[37] readr_2.1.5                   Matrix_1.7-0
[39] igraph_2.0.3                  tidyselect_1.2.1
[41] abind_1.4-5                  yaml_2.3.8
[43] codetools_0.2-20              curl_5.2.1
[45] lattice_0.22-6               tibble_3.2.1
[47] plyr_1.8.9                   KEGGREST_1.44.0
[49] pillar_1.9.0                  MatrixGenerics_1.16.0
[51] generics_0.1.3                RCurl_1.98-1.14
[53] hms_1.1.3                     ggplot2_3.5.1
[55] munsell_0.5.1                 scales_1.3.0
[57] gtools_3.9.5                  xtable_1.8-4
[59] glue_1.7.0                    seqLogo_1.70.0
[61] tools_4.4.0                   TFPValue_0.0.9
[63] GenomicAlignments_1.40.0     powerlaw_0.80.0
[65] grid_4.4.0                    colorspace_2.1-0
[67] GenomeInfoDbData_1.2.12      restfulr_0.0.15
[69] cli_3.6.2                     fansi_1.0.6
[71] S4Arrays_1.4.0                dplyr_1.1.4
[73] gtable_0.3.5                  R.methodsS3_1.8.2
[75] SparseArray_1.4.0              rjson_0.2.21
[77] memoise_2.0.1                 R.oo_1.26.0
[79] lifecycle_1.0.4                httr_1.4.7
[81] GO.db_3.19.1                 bit64_4.0.5
```

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