Chromatin 3D organization principles revealed by network theory: gene regulation, replication and beyond

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Overview of talk



Networks

Chromatin networks Chromatin Assortativity Tools Replication in 3D Perspectives



Chromatin 3D structure



Ea et al. 2015 Contribution of Topological Domains and Loop Formation to 3D Chromatin Organization. Stevens et al. 2017 3D structures of individual mammalian genomes studied by single-cell Hi-C Nagano et al. 2017 Cell-cycle dynamics of chromosomal organization at single-cell resolution

Chromatin networks





Principal players in gene regulation

Polycomb – gene repression RNAPII – gene transcription (RNAPIIS2p needed for elongation)

Genes can be co-transcribed (Promoter-Promoter contact, PP) Regulatory regions bind the gene promoters to activate genes (PO)





What about genes? PCHiC!

Problem so far: Genome wide interaction networks are dominated by interactions far from genes. Need very high coverage to pick promoters and see their interactions.

Solution: Promoter-Capture HiC (PCHiC) Add promoter capture step To ensure only interactions involving at least one promoter are kept. (No pull-downs, genome-wide)

Can look for transcription factories: Regions where functionally related transcripts are transcribed



Chakalova et al. 2015, **Replication and transcription: Shaping the landscape of the genome**; Schoenfelder, S. *et al.* 2015, **The pluripotent regulatory circuitry connecting promoters to their long-range interacting elements**.



The 3D genome as a network



Some other network approaches to chromatin:

Botta et al. 2010, Intra- and inter-chromosomal interactions correlate with CTCF binding genome wide

KS Sandhu et al. 2012, Large-scale functional organization of long-range chromatin interaction networks

Boulos et al. 2017 Multi-scale structural community organisation of the human genome

Mourad et al. 2017 **Uncovering direct and indirect molecular determinants of chromatin loops using a computational integrative approach**

Norton et al. 2018 **Detecting hierarchical genome folding** with network modularity

Chromatin Assortativity of epigenetic marks



Pancaldi et al. 2016 Integrating epigenomic data and 3D genomic structure with a new measure of chromatin assortativity.



Promoter Capture HiC networks in mESC

Nodes are chromatin fragments (5kb median size) Connections (edges) are 3D contacts Significant contacts are detected using CHiCAGO



Schoenfelder et al. 2015 The pluripotent regulatory circuitry connecting promoters to their long-range interacting elements.

Cairns et al. 2016 CHiCAGO: robust detection of DNA looping interactions in Capture Hi-C data.

Comparing ChAs in P-P and P-O subnetworks



Identify features that have different ChAs in P-P and P-O contacts in mESC





Assortativity of RNAPII

5 Different RNAPII features





Chromatin network analysis

Apply Moduland (Cytoscape plugin) to identify overlapping chromatin communities, measure bridgeness

	Bridgeness	Betweenness centrality	Degree	CC	Party/date
PCG	Low	High	High	Very low	PARTY
RNAPII general	High	Low	Low	Low	DATE
RNAPII S2p	Low	Very low	Very low	Medium	NOT HUB



Interpretation: PCG is a stable hub (across cells, in time?) RNAPII general dynamic (reflecting transcription regulation?) RNAPII S2p peripheral



The model

Whereas RNAPII S5P accumulates in transcription factories, RNAPII S2p stays peripheral





A model of transcription; gene promoters are loaded with RNAPII-Ser5P (Ser5 light gray) in factories. Elongating RNAPI S2p (Ser2, dark gray) moves to the adjacent nuclear space when it becomes phosphorylated at Ser2 by CDK9

A. Ghamari et al. In vivo live imaging of RNA polymerase II transcription factories in primary cells Genes Dev. 2013;27:767-777

Ghavi-Helm et al. Enhancer loops appear stable during development and are associated with paused polymerase. Nature. 2014;512:96–100.





Other applications

GARDEN-NET



Genome ARchitecture Data, Epigenome and Nucleome - Network Exploration Tool

https://pancaldi.bsc.es/garden-net



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GARDEN-NET

Genome ARchitecture Data, Epigenome and Nucleome - Network Exploration Tool

Interactive and processing in real time



Technologies



Chromatin Contact networks

Promoter Capture HiC data for haematopoietic cells in human. Javierre et al. 2016 Promoter Capture HiC data for mouse embryonic stem cells <u>Schoenfelder et al. 2015</u> **Features** Mouse embryonic stem cells histone modifications and 78 ChIP-Seq datasets. Juan et al. 2016 GeneExp from <u>Finotello et al. 2019</u> GeneExpEPIVAR for Monocytes, Neutrophils and Tcells from <u>Chen et al. 2016</u> Human Histone modification data: EPIVAR from <u>Chen et al. 2016</u> Human Replication Timing data (GM12878). <u>Pope et al. 2014</u> PCHiC data processed with CHiCAGO. <u>Cairns et al. 2016</u>

Technical details at https://github.com/VeraPancaldiLab/GARDEN-NET

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ChAseR: an R package



https://bitbucket.org/eraineri/chaser/



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Mammalian DNA replication in 3D



Stochastic firing model: constitutive, flexible, dormant origins



Cohesin might mediate replicon loops, which assemble in Replication Domains (coinciding with TADs)



Fragkos et al. **DNA replication origin activation in space and time**. Nat. Rev. Mol. Cell Biol. 2015 Guillou, E. et al. **Cohesin organizes chromatin loops at DNA replication factories**. Genes Dev. 2010



Jodkowska, Pancaldi et al unpublished



Perspectives

Chromatin, heterogeneity, plasticity, stemness

Chromatin state (methylation/histone modifications etc...) can affect

- Plasticity (rapidly regulated stress genes)
- Single cell heterogeneity (noisy promoters)
- Inter-individual differences
- Evolutionary divergence speed





A systems approach

Thermodynamics: from particles' positions and velocities to pressure and temperature



Network theory: from nodes and edges to degree distribution, clustering coefficient, ... Interdisciplinary approach: borrow concepts from studies on other networks



Cellular differentiation and response



Isogenic heterogeneity Large fluctuations, motion across landscape Plasticity – in response to external signals Reduced heterogenetity/plasticity Well-defined phenotype



System level Stress Response Network disaggregates into modules Increase in heterogeneity

Tuning gene expression to changing environments: from rapid responses to evolutionary adaptation López-Maury L et al. *Nat. Rev. Gen.* 2008. Pancaldi V, Schubert F and Bahler J. Meta-analysis of genome regulation and expression variability across hundreds of environmental and genetic perturbations in fission yeast. *Mol. BioSyst.*, 2010.

Stress induces remodelling of yeast interaction and co-expression networks Lehtinen S, Marsellach FX, Codlin S, Schmidt A, Clément-Ziza M, Beyer A, Bähler J, Orengo C, Pancaldi V. *Mol. BioSyst.*, 2013.

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