

BayReL: Bayesian Relational Learning for Multi-omics Data Integration

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Introduction

BayReL is a novel Bayesian relational learning method:

- Integrating high-dimensional multi-omics data
- Taking advantage of **a priori known** relationships modeled as a **graph at each corresponding view**
- Inferring the relational interactions as a **bipartite graph without** any pre-known interactions across views
- Exploiting **non-linear** and deep transformations of data
- Enabling **Bayesian interpretation**

Method

Embedding nodes to the latent space

Independently parametrize the distribution over the adjacency matrix of each view

$$\int p_{\theta}(\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{U}) d\mathcal{U} = \prod_{v=1}^V \int p_{\theta}(\mathbf{A}^v, \mathbf{U}_v) d\mathbf{U}_v = \prod_{v=1}^V \int p_{\theta}(\mathbf{A}^v | \mathbf{U}_v) p(\mathbf{U}_v) d\mathbf{U}_v,$$

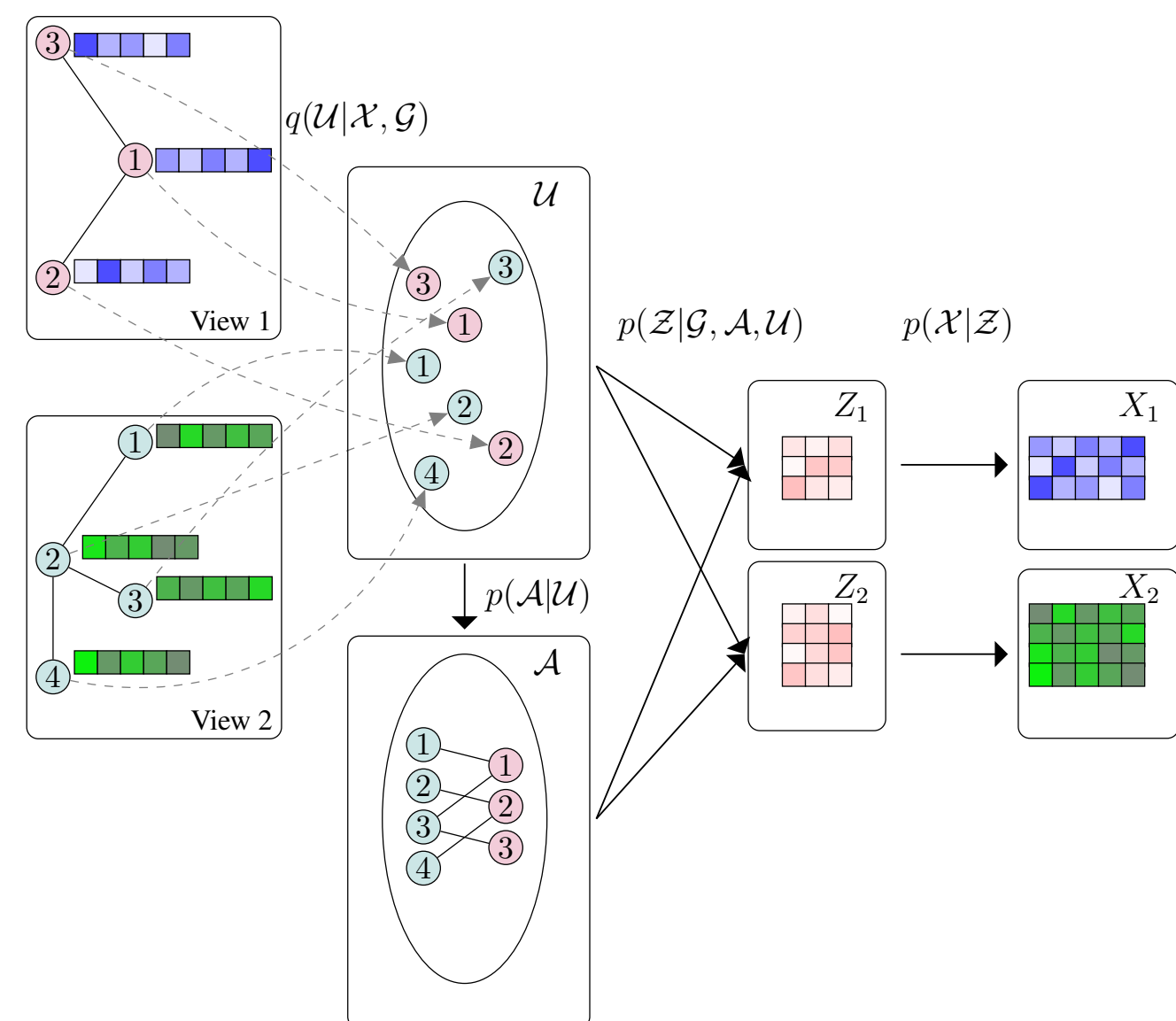
where the **prior distribution** of $\mathbf{U}_v$'s are standard Gaussian. We further **approximate the distribution** of $\mathcal{U}$ with a factorized posterior distribution

$$q(\mathcal{U} | \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{G}) = \prod_{v=1}^V q(\mathbf{U}_v | \mathbf{X}_v, G_v) = \prod_{v=1}^V \prod_{i=1}^{N_v} q(\mathbf{u}_{i,v} | \mathbf{X}_v, G_v),$$

$$q(\mathbf{u}_{i,v} | \mathbf{X}_v, G_v) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{u}_{i,v} | \boldsymbol{\mu}_{i,v}, \text{diag}(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{i,v}^2)),$$

$$\boldsymbol{\mu}_v = \varphi_v^{\text{emb}, \mu}(\mathbf{X}_v, G_v), \quad \log(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_v) = \varphi_v^{\text{emb}, \sigma}(\mathbf{X}_v, G_v)$$

ϕ_v^{emb} : **variants of graph neural networks** including GCN, GIN, GraphSAGE



Schematic illustration of BayReL

Constructing relational multi-partite graph

The distribution of bi-adjacency matrices are defined as follows

$$p(\mathbf{A}^{vv'} | \mathbf{U}_v, \mathbf{U}_{v'}) = \prod_{i=1}^{N_v} \prod_{j=1}^{N_{v'}} \text{Bernoulli}(\mathbf{A}_{ij}^{vv'} | \varphi^{\text{sim}}(\mathbf{u}_{i,v}, \mathbf{u}_{j,v'})),$$

where $\varphi_{\text{sim}} = \sigma(\mathbf{u}_{i,v} \mathbf{u}_{j,v'}^T)$ is a **score function** measuring the similarity between the latent representations of nodes.

Inferring view-specific latent variables

Parametrize the distributions for node attributes at each view independently

$$\int p_{\theta}(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Z} | \mathcal{G}, \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{U}) d\mathcal{Z} = \prod_{v=1}^V \prod_{i=1}^{N_v} \int p_{\theta}(\mathbf{z}_{i,v} | \mathcal{G}, \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{U}) p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{i,v} | \mathbf{z}_{i,v}) d\mathbf{z}_{i,v}.$$

Prior construction

$$p_{\theta}(\mathcal{Z} | \mathcal{G}, \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{U}) = \prod_{v=1}^V \prod_{i=1}^{N_v} p_{\theta}(\mathbf{z}_{i,v} | \mathcal{G}, \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{U}), \quad p_{\theta}(\mathbf{z}_{i,v} | \mathcal{G}, \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{U}) = \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_{i,v}^{\text{prior}}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{i,v}^{\text{prior}}),$$

$$\boldsymbol{\mu}^{\text{prior}} = \varphi^{\text{prior}, \mu}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{U}), \quad \boldsymbol{\sigma} = \varphi^{\text{prior}, \sigma}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{U})$$

Approximate the posterior

$$q(\mathcal{Z} | \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{G}) = \prod_{v=1}^V \prod_{i=1}^{N_v} q(\mathbf{z}_{i,v} | \mathbf{X}_v, G_v), \quad q(\mathbf{z}_{i,v} | \mathbf{X}_v, G_v) = \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_{i,v}^{\text{post}}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{i,v}^{\text{post}})$$

$$\boldsymbol{\mu}^{\text{post}} = \{\varphi_v^{\text{post}, \mu}(\mathbf{X}_v, G_v)\}_{v=1}^V, \quad \boldsymbol{\sigma}^{\text{post}} = \{\varphi_v^{\text{post}, \sigma}(\mathbf{X}_v, G_v)\}_{v=1}^V$$

Overall likelihood and learning

Marginal likelihood

$$p_{\theta}(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{G}) = \int \prod_{v=1}^V p_{\theta}(\mathbf{X}_v | \mathbf{Z}_v) p_{\theta}(\mathbf{Z}_v | \mathcal{G}, \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{U}) p(\mathcal{A} | \mathcal{U}) p(\mathcal{G} | \mathcal{U}) p(\mathcal{U}) d\mathbf{Z}_1 \dots d\mathbf{Z}_V d\mathcal{A} d\mathcal{U}.$$

Evidence Lower Bound (ELBO)

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_{v=1}^V \left[\mathbb{E}_{q_{\phi}}(\mathbf{z}_v | \mathcal{G}, \mathcal{X}) \log p_{\theta}(\mathbf{X}_v | \mathbf{Z}_v) + \mathbb{E}_{q_{\phi}}(\mathbf{Z}_v, \mathcal{U} | \mathcal{G}, \mathcal{X}) \log p_{\theta}(\mathbf{Z}_v | \mathcal{G}, \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{U}) \right. \\ \left. - \mathbb{E}_{q_{\phi}}(\mathbf{Z}_v | \mathcal{G}, \mathcal{X}) q_{\phi}(\mathbf{Z}_v | \mathcal{G}, \mathcal{X}) \right] - \text{KL}(q_{\phi}(\mathcal{U} | \mathcal{G}, \mathcal{X}) || p(\mathcal{U})),$$

Experiments

Microbiome-metabolome interactions in cystic fibrosis

Data description

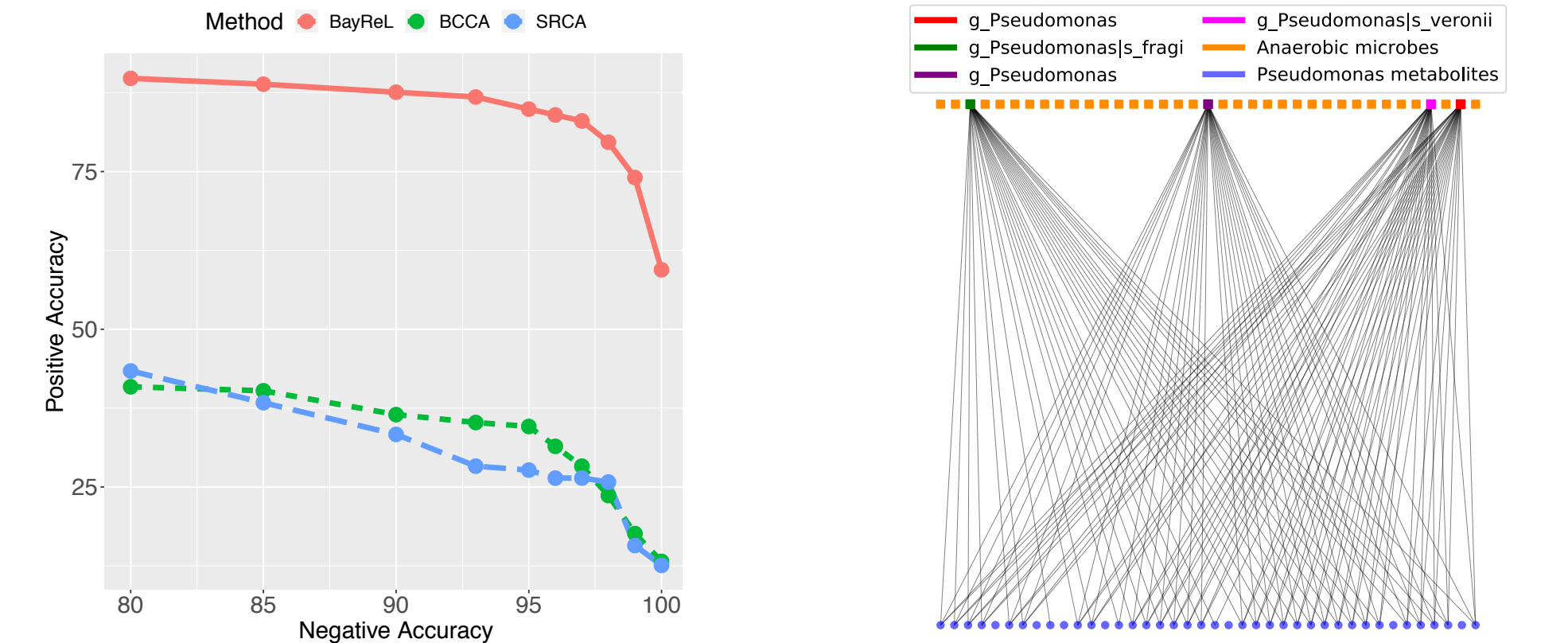
- 172 patients with CF
- 138 unique microbial taxa
- 462 metabolite features

Graph density of input networks:

- Microbiome network: 0.102
- Metabolite network: 0.011

Evaluation metrics

- **Positive accuracy**: accuracy to identify the validated molecules interacting with *P. aeruginosa*
- **Negative accuracy**: accuracy of not detecting common targets between anaerobic microbes and notable pathogen



Left: Positive vs negative accuracy in CF dataset. **Right:** A sub-network of dependency graph consisting of *P. aeruginosa*.

miRNA-mRNA interactions in breast cancer

Data description

- 1156 patients with BRCA
- 11872 genes
- 432 miRNA

Networks:

- Gene regulatory networks (GRN): GENIE3 R package
- miRNA-miRNA: MISIM v2.0
- miRNA-mRNA validation: miRNet

Table 1: Prediction sensitivity (in %) in TCGA for different percentage of training samples.

Avg. degree	BCCA			BayReL		
	# of training samples			# of training samples		
	289 (25%)	578 (50%)	1156 (100%)	289 (25%)	578 (50%)	1156 (100%)
0.20	17.4 ± 0.8	17.6 ± 1.0	21.0 ± 0.0	31.9 ± 3.0	32.1 ± 1.0	34.0 ± 2.5
0.30	26.0 ± 0.8	26.4 ± 1.0	31.1 ± 0.7	45.8 ± 3.1	45.9 ± 1.5	47.4 ± 2.6
0.40	35.4 ± 0.8	35.5 ± 0.7	41.1 ± 0.2	57.6 ± 4.4	58.7 ± 1.3	59.5 ± 3.0

Precision medicine in acute myeloid leukemia

Data description

- 30 AML patients
- 53 drugs
- 9071 genes

Networks:

- GRN: 14 AML cell lines
- drug-drug: action mechanisms
- drug-gene validation: DGldb

Evaluation metrics

- **Prediction sensitivity** of identifying reported drug-gene interactions

Table 2: Comparison of prediction sensitivity (in %) in AML dataset for different graph densities.

Avg. degree	0.10	0.15	0.20	0.25	0.30	0.40	0.50
SRCA	8.03	12.00	17.15	20.70	26.85	34.93	45.79
BCCA	9.65 ± 0.75	14.34 ± 0.06	18.96 ± 0.42	23.29 ± 0.52	28.22 ± 0.66	38.02 ± 2.15	46.88 ± 1.88
BayReL	15.56 ± 0.75	21.70 ± 0.65	27.20 ± 0.17	32.43 ± 1.02	37.76 ± 0.85	47.90 ± 0.43	56.76 ± 0.50

- **Consistency** of significant gene-drug interactions in two different AML datasets with 30 patients and 14 cell lines: KL divergence between two inferred bipartite graphs are 0.38 and 0.66 for BayReL and BCCA, respectively.

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