How noisy is *E. coli*? (update)

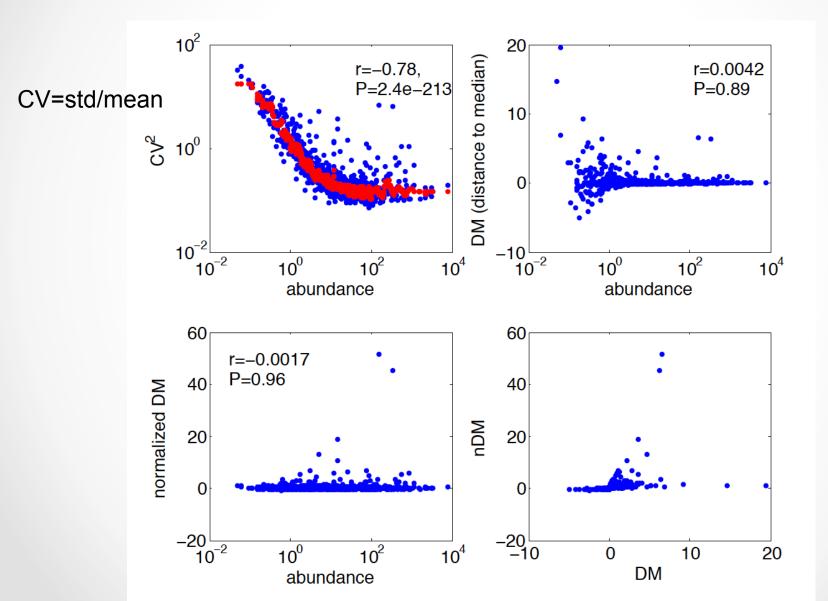
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Genetic approach to noise

- Understand from a system-wide standpoint why certain genes are more noisy or quiet (variation of protein abundance in a population of cells)
- How noise is being controlled or exploited?
- Noise versus the organization of networks
 - o *E. coli*
 - PPI: Proteins forming complexes are less noisy
 - No apparent correlation between the transcription regulatory network and noise (NOT the case in yeast)

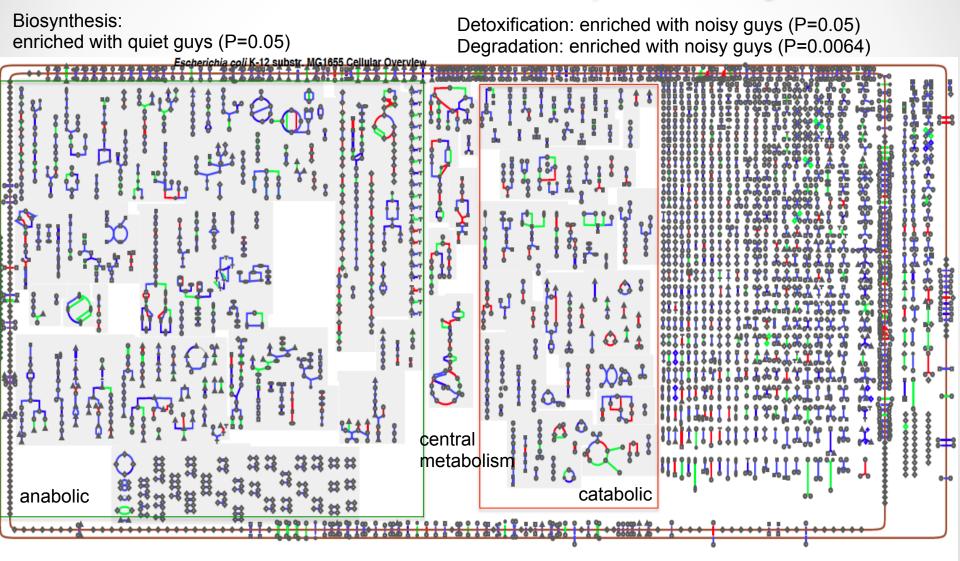
Various noise metrics



Annotated Pathways

- Biocyc (Ecocyc)
- 361 annotated pathways
 - o Biosynthesis (177)
 - Degradation (124)
 - Detoxification, Acid-Resistance, Antibiotic-Resistance (9)
 - Signaling (28)
 - Respiration, Energy-Metabolism, Fermentation, GLYCOLYSIS, TCA, Nitrate-Reduction, Electron-Transfer, Pentose-Phosphate-Cycle (26)
- Yeastcyc, 154 pathways
- Human, mouse, ...

Noise in individual pathways



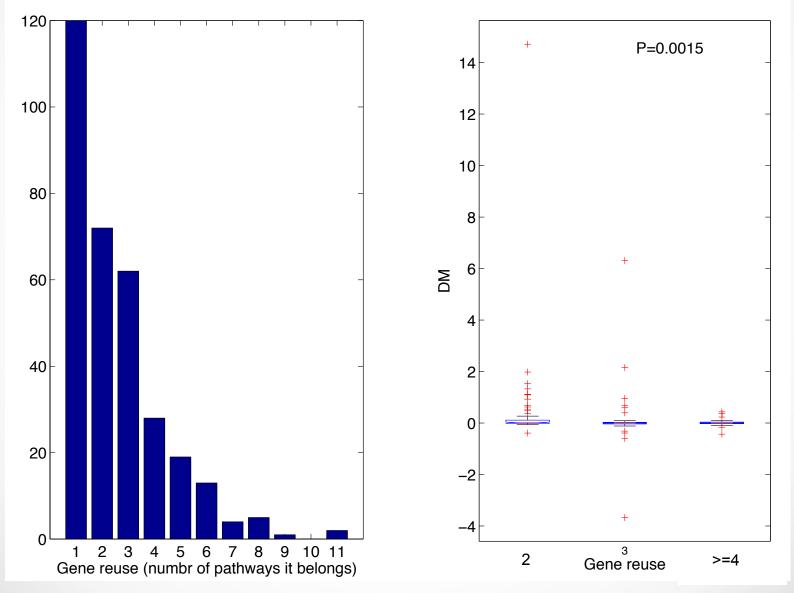
red: noisy, blue: middle, green: quiet

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Possibilities

- Genes in direct response to outside world are more noisy. A strategy to adapt to fluctuations in outside world, instead of incorporating a sophisticated sensory system. This is consistent to the noisy nature of detoxification pathways
- Synthesis involves genes that more less noisy. It is a waste to synthesize too much, or it's lethal to synthesize too little

Gene reuse versus noise



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Integration of Biocyc (Ecocyc) information

2000 Enzymes

4500 genes

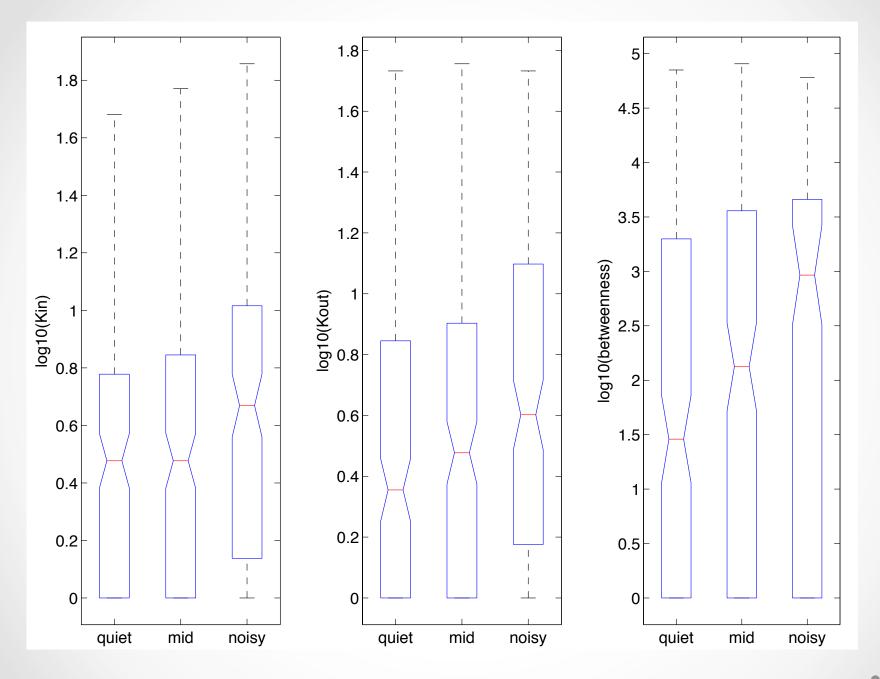
CPD1 E1 RXN1 G1 CPD2 E2 G2 RXN2 CPD3 E3 G3 CPD4 G4 RXNn Ee CPDm Gm

1700 RXNs

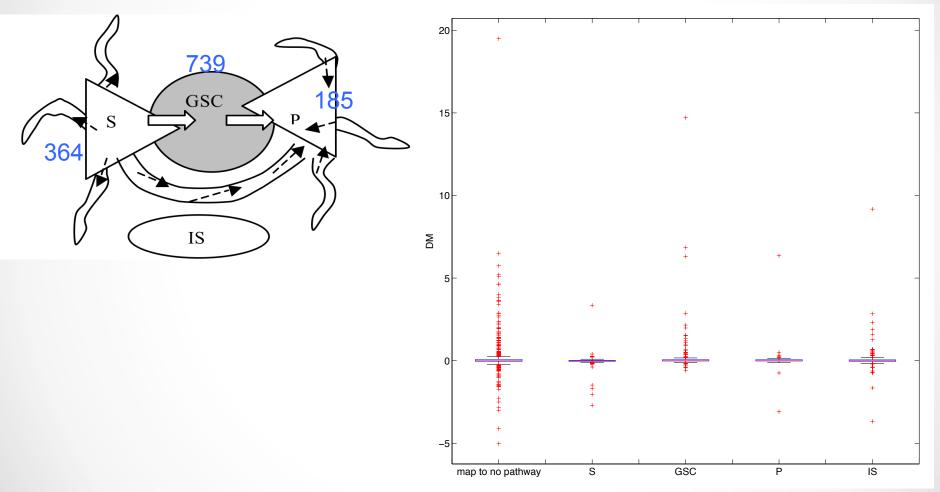
Noise of individual proteins

Reaction Network (integration of pathways)

- Most reactions are used in only 1 pathway, the maximum reuse is 6
 NAD⁺ + ______ + coenzyme A _____ NADH + _____ +H⁺
- A->B if a product of A feeds as an input to B
- 1662 nodes, 216500 edges, deg(in-hub,out-hub)~
 600, SCC~76%
- Compounds in many reactions: H+, H2O, ATP, ADP, phosphate, diphosphate, CO2, NH3, O2, NAD, NADP, NADH, NADPH
- 9856 edges, deg(in-hub)~70, deg(out-hub)~60, scc~45%



Components of the reaction network



Summary, and ...

- A basic understanding of using Biocyc
- Map noise information of E. coli to system-wide networks
 - o metabolic pathways
 - Pathways responsible for degradation are noisier
 - Central guys are noisier?
- Incorporate more knowledge from biochemistry, what kind of biosynthesis?
- Metabolic pathways analysis for yeast, any difference between E. coli and yeast