

Logic models of signalling networks & their training to experimental data with CellNOpt



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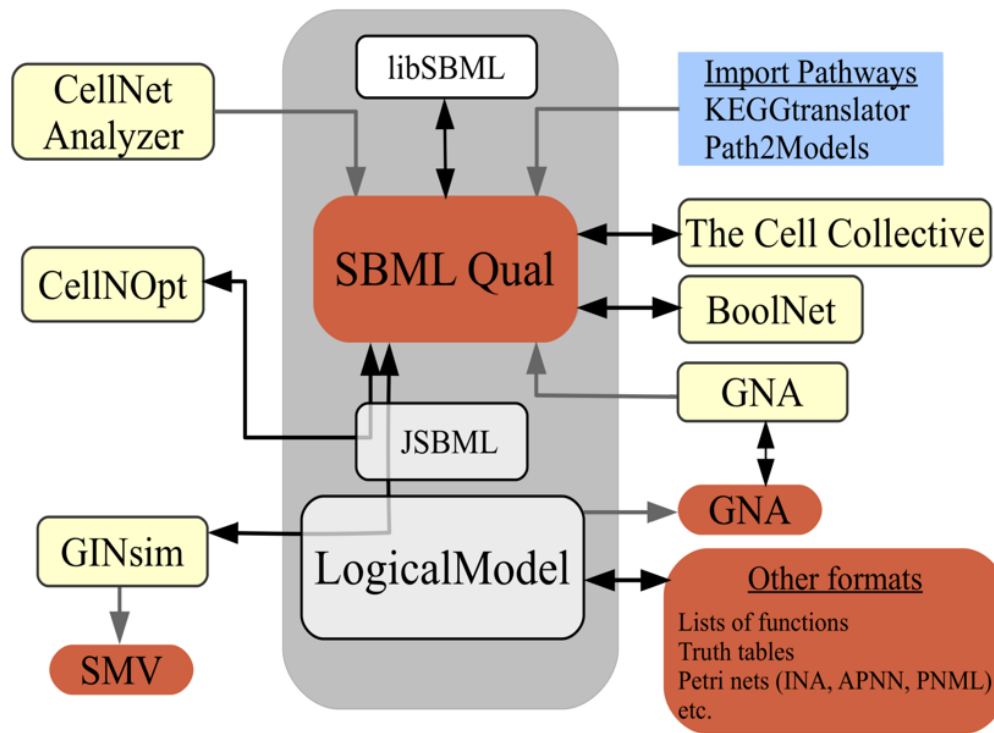
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CellNOpt in CoLoMoTo ecosystem: fit knowledge to data to build logic model

Complementary to other tools - models can be output to other tools



Consortium for Logical Models and Tools

(CoLoMoTo; Naldi et al, *Bioinformatics*, 2015; www.colomoto.org)

Exchange via SBML-qual (Chaouiya et al, *BMC Sys Bio*, 2013)



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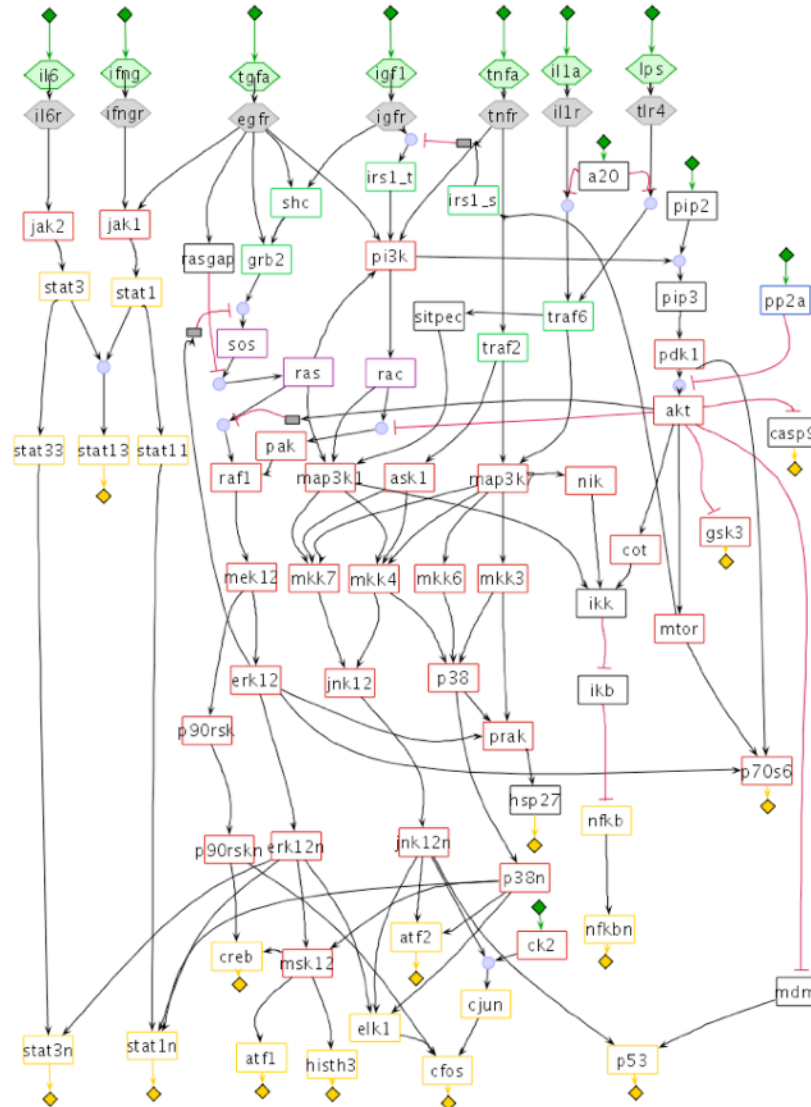
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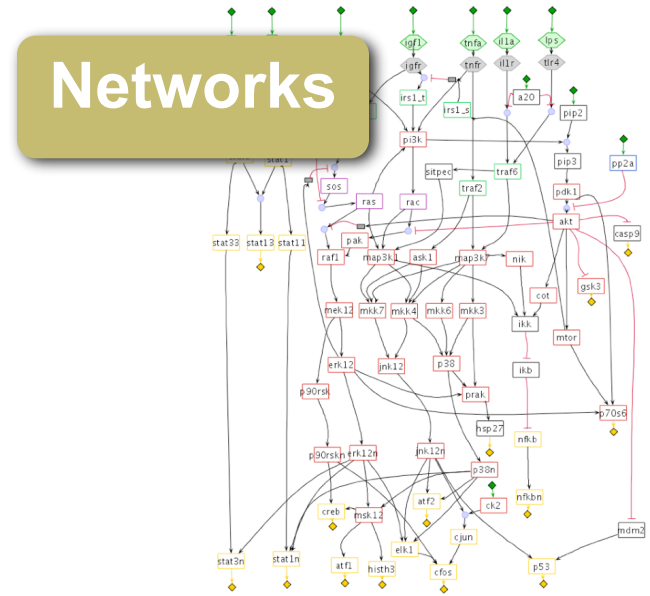
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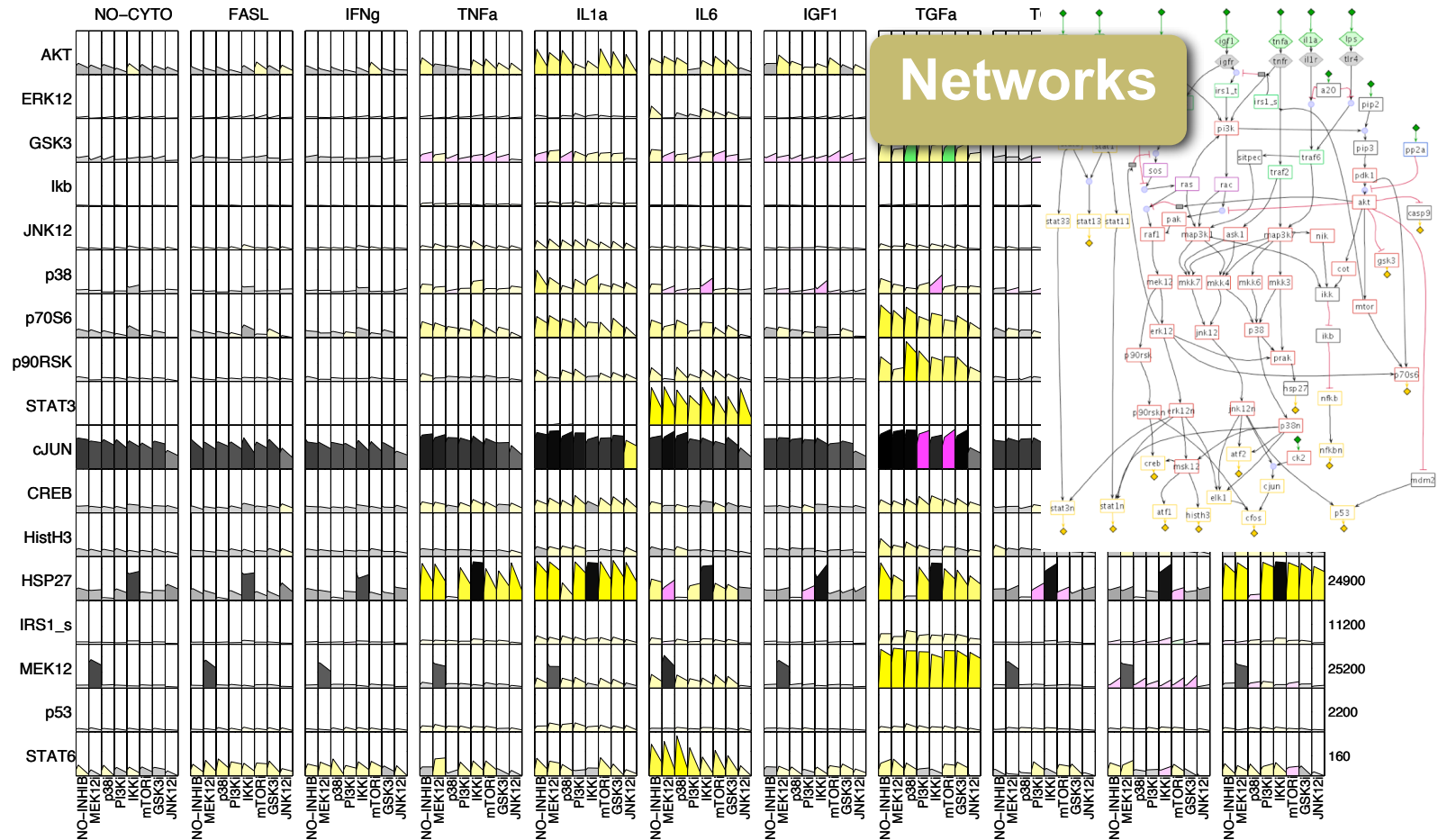
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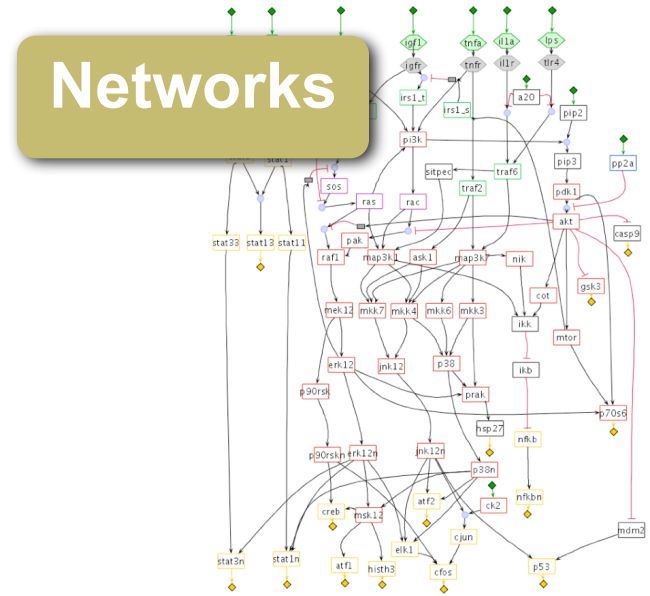
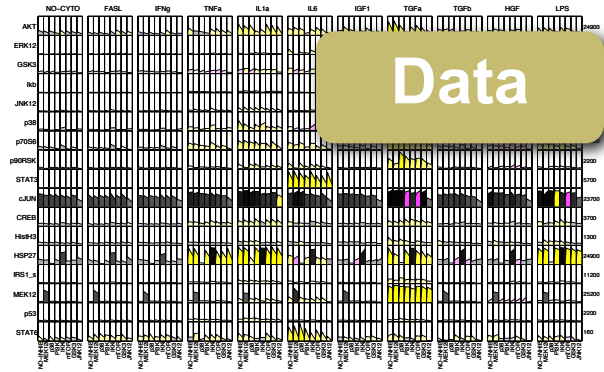
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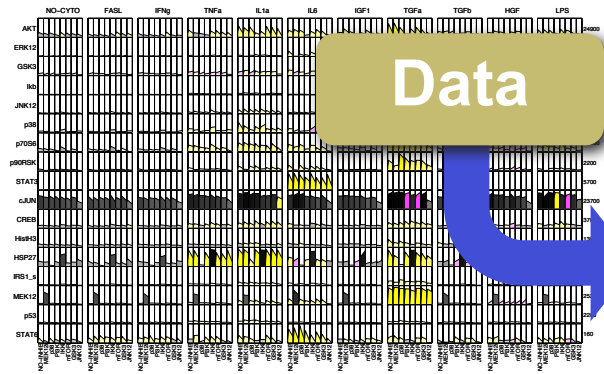
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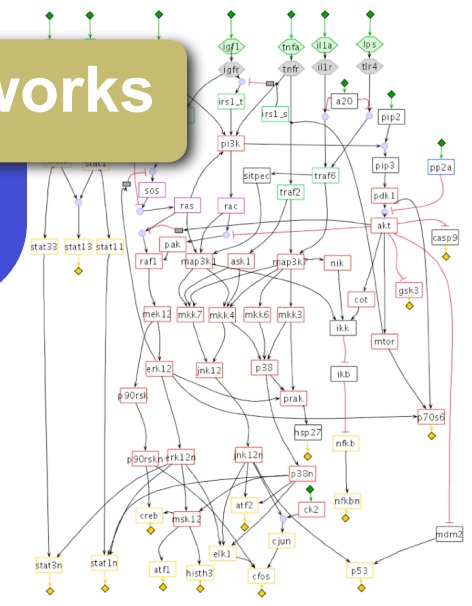
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Data

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Networks



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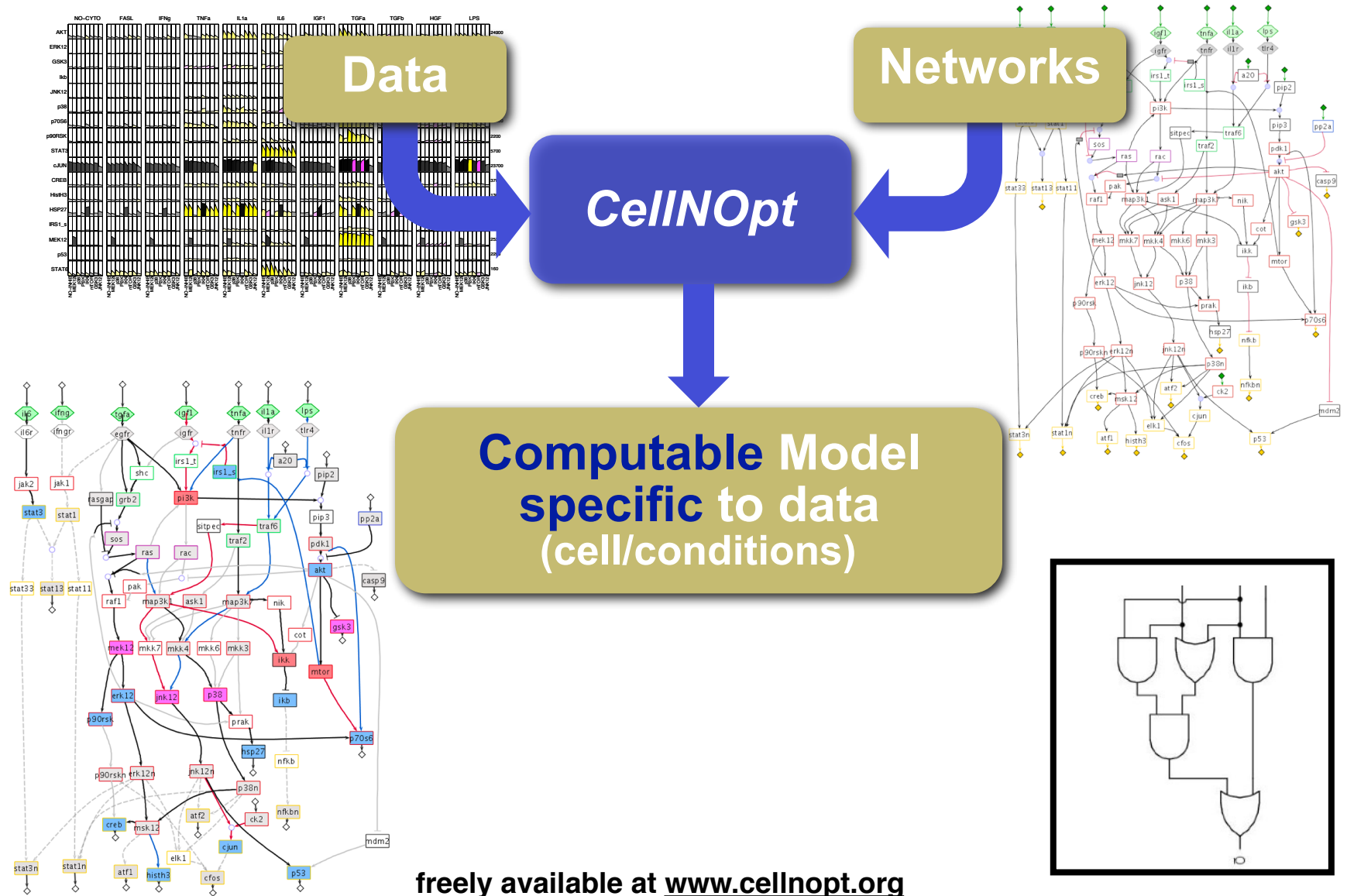
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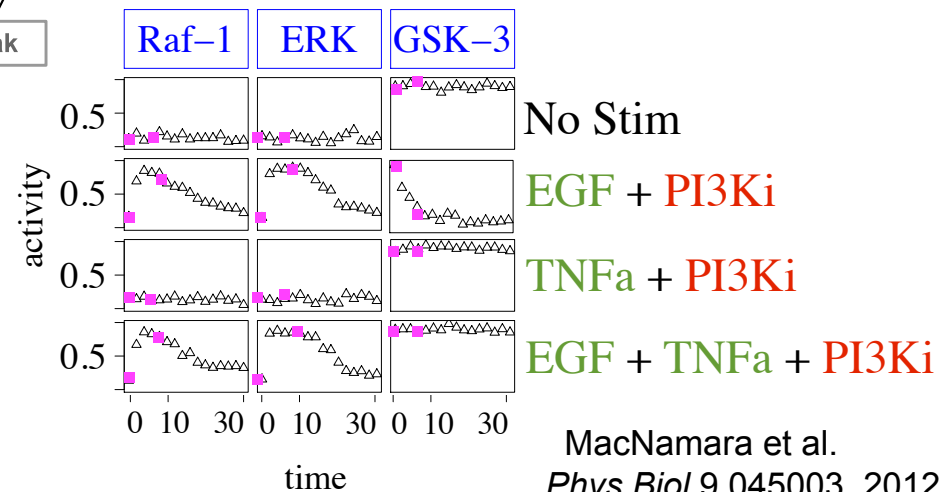
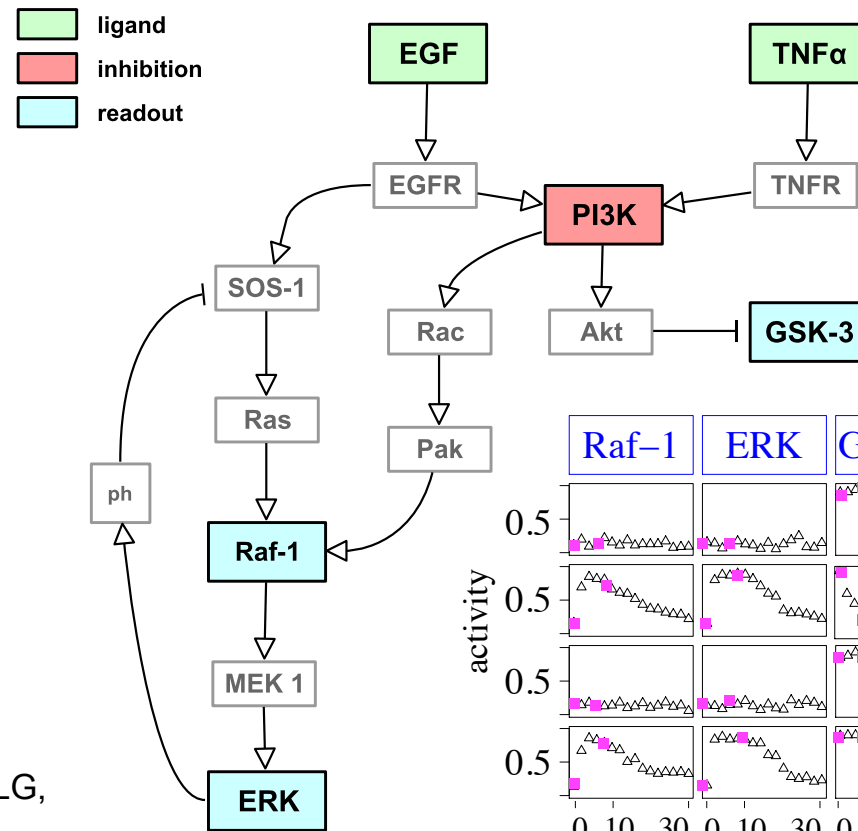
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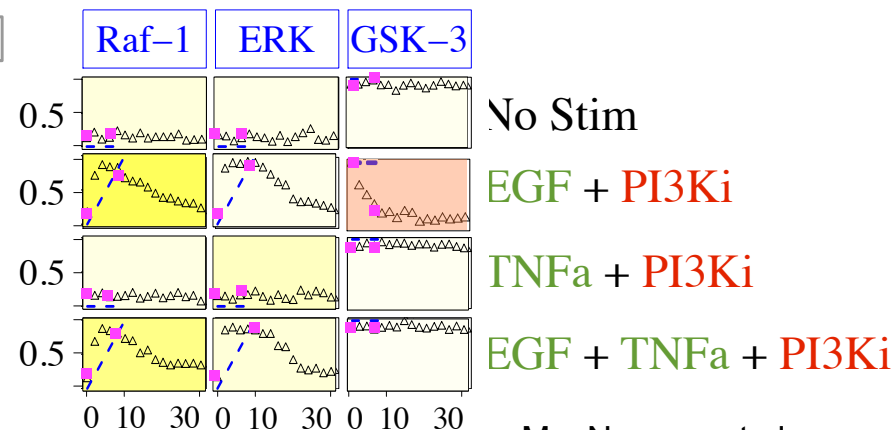
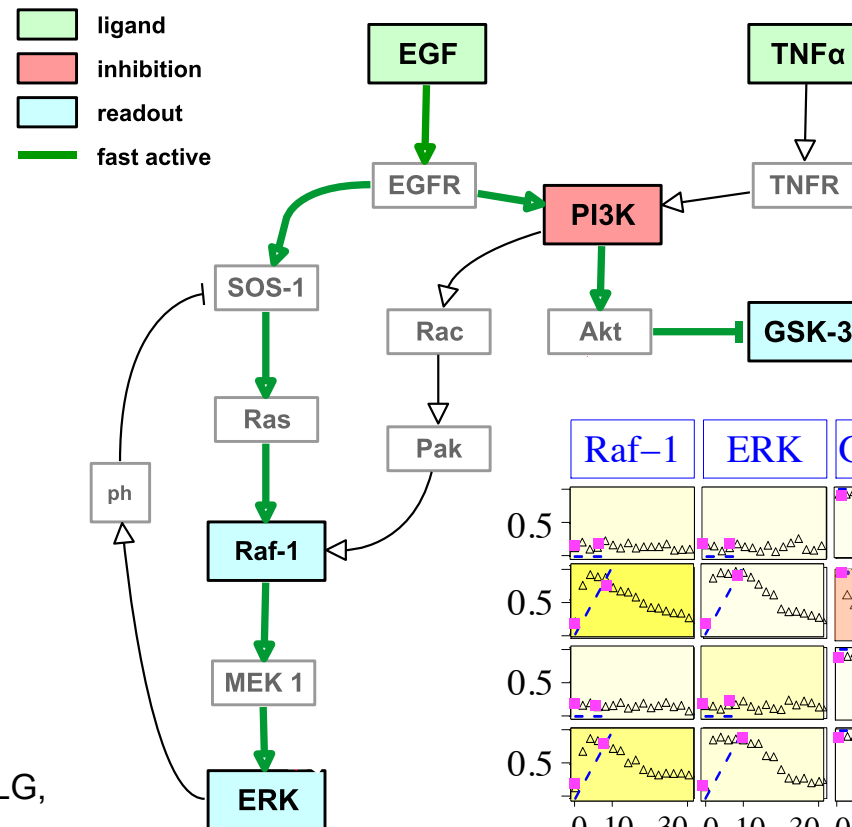
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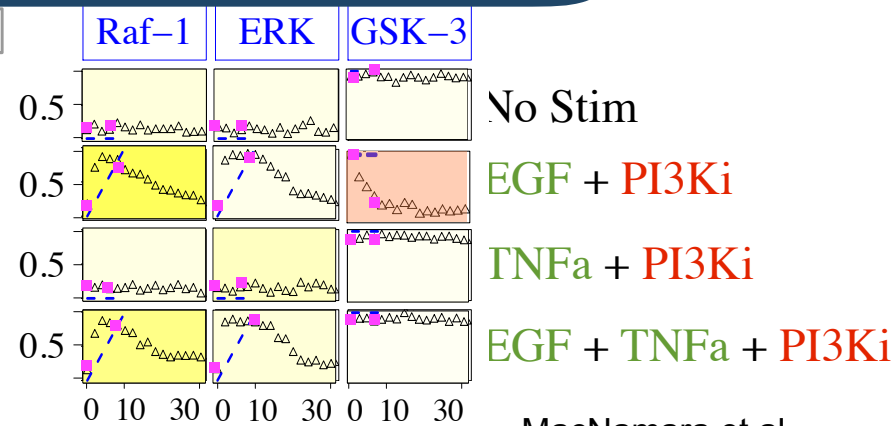
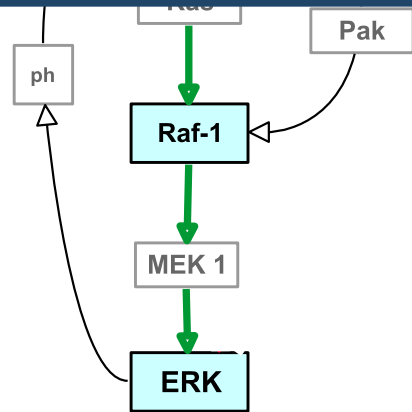


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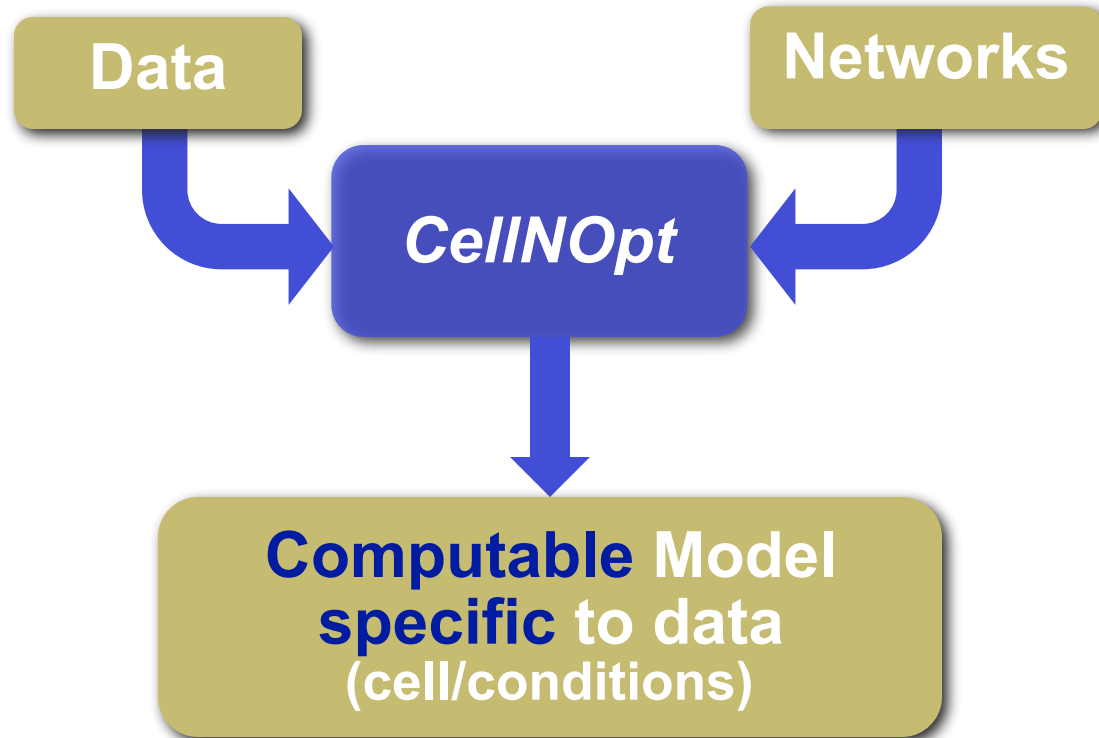
CytoCopter - CellNOpt in Cytoscape

A Cytoscape plugin to run CellNOptR
(<http://apps.cytoscape.org/apps/cytoCopter>)

The screenshot displays the CytoCopter run configuration wizard within the Cytoscape Desktop environment. The wizard is titled 'CytoCopter - CellNOptR in Cytoscape' and is currently on the 'Configurations' tab. It features a 'Simulation plot', 'Fitness plot', and 'Data plot' section at the top, with a list of nodes (raf1, erk, api, gsk3, p38, nfkb, Cues) and a corresponding fitness plot. The 'GA parameters' section includes the following settings:

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The background shows a network diagram with nodes such as tnfa, egf, egfr, sos, ras, raf1, erk, p38, ikk, gsk3, nfkb, and map3k1. The wizard also includes 'Load...' and 'Save...' buttons for the run configuration, and 'Back', 'Next', and 'Cancel' buttons at the bottom.





Omnipath: Integration of existing pathway resources to improve modelling

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www.omnipathdb.org

Networks

Structure & Mechanism

ComPPI
Gene Ontology



Subcellular localization (2)

3DComplexes
3DID
Instruct
Interactome3D



Domains and 3D structures (4)

dbPTM
ELM
HPRD
LMPID
MIMP
Phospho.ELM
PhosphoNetw.
PhosphoSite
Signor



Post-translational modifications (9)

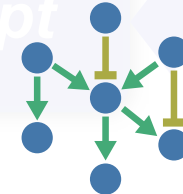
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Protein complexes (3)

Unified network of pathways with annotations

Omnipath & pypath



Tissue patterns



Expression

GIANT
HPA
HPM
Prot.DB



Mutations

GDSC

Protein-protein interaction resources (34)

Activity flow (12)

ARN+
CA1+
CancerCellMap*
DeathDomain
Guide2Pharma+
Macrophage+
NRF2ome+
PDZbase*
Signalink3+
Signor+
SPIKE+
TRIP+

Enzyme-substrate (8)

dbPTM*
DEPOD*
DOMINO
ELM
HPRD-phos*
LMPID
phospho.ELM*
PhosphoSite*

Undirected PPI (8)

BioGRID
DIP
HPRD
InnateDB
IntAct
MatrixDB
MPPI
Vidal HI-III

Process description (6)

ACSN
NCI-PID
NetPath
PANTHER
Reactome
WikiPathways

Intervention



Compound target binding

ChEMBL
LINCS
UniChem

Function

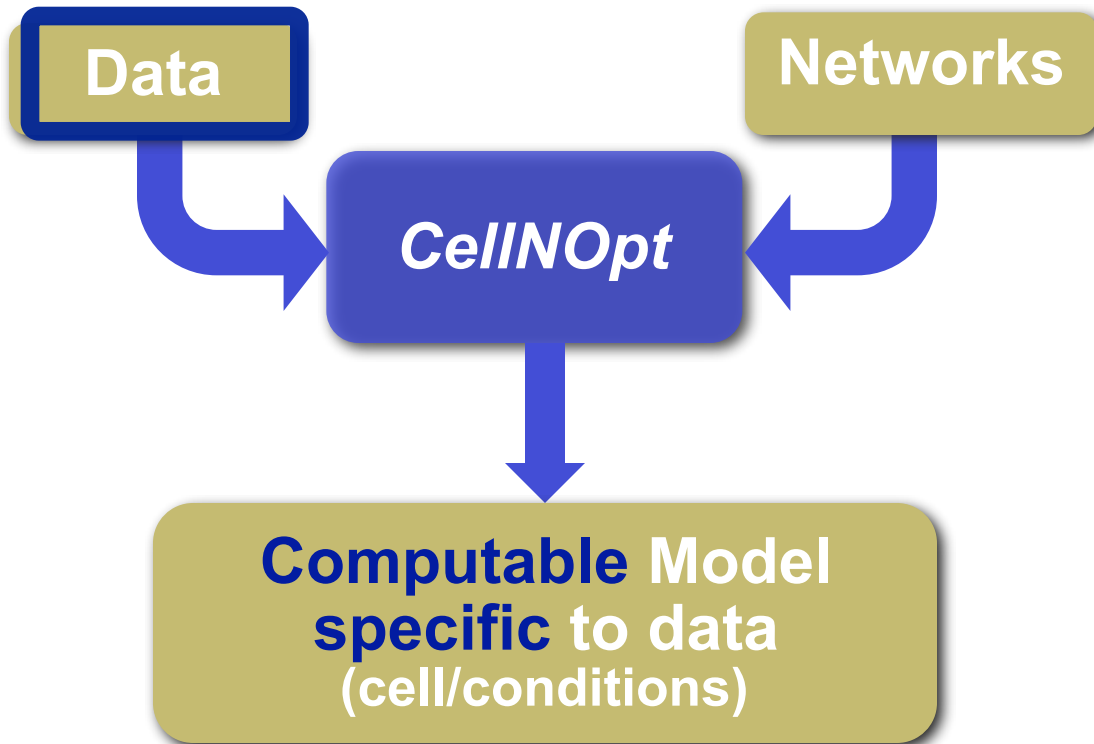


GSEA

GO
MSigDB



Gene Ontology





Plato's allegory of the cave



<http://www.zlw-ima.rwth-aachen.de/forschung/>



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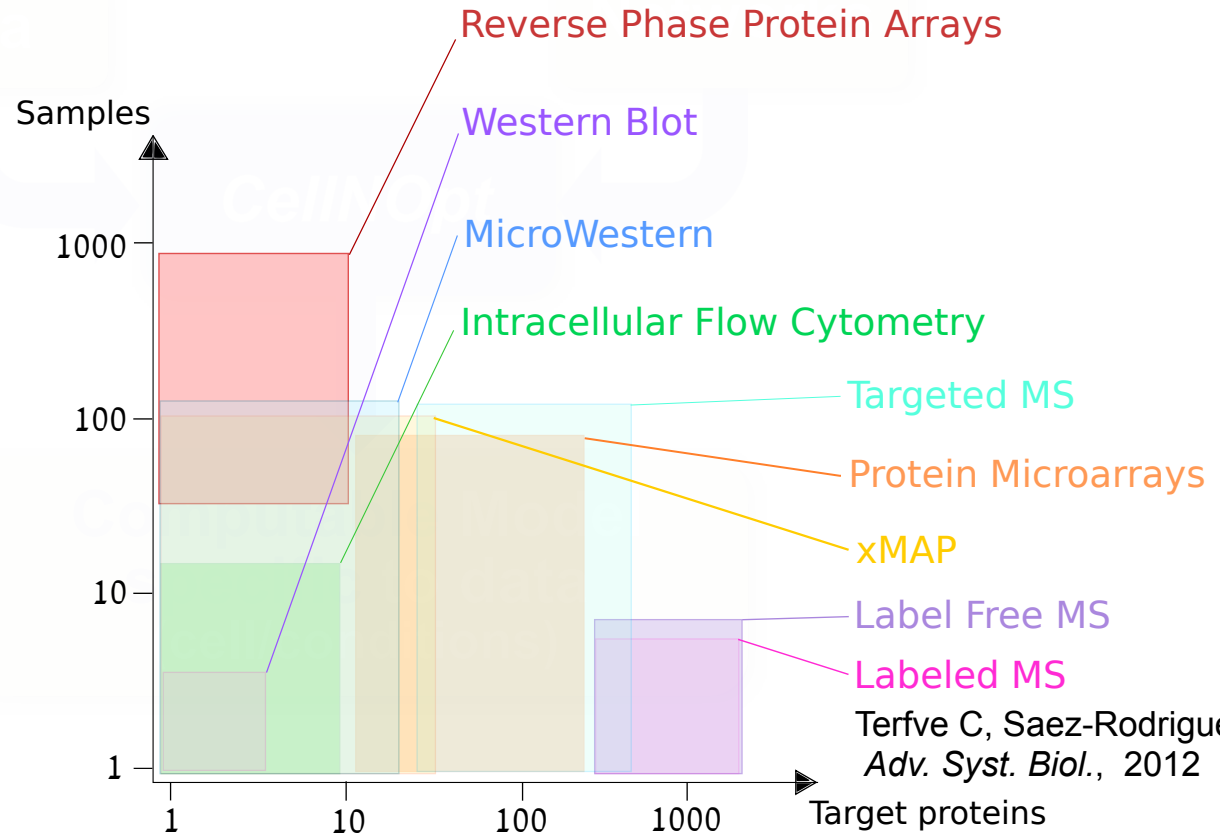
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- Different 'lights' (stimulation/perturbation) provide complementary information



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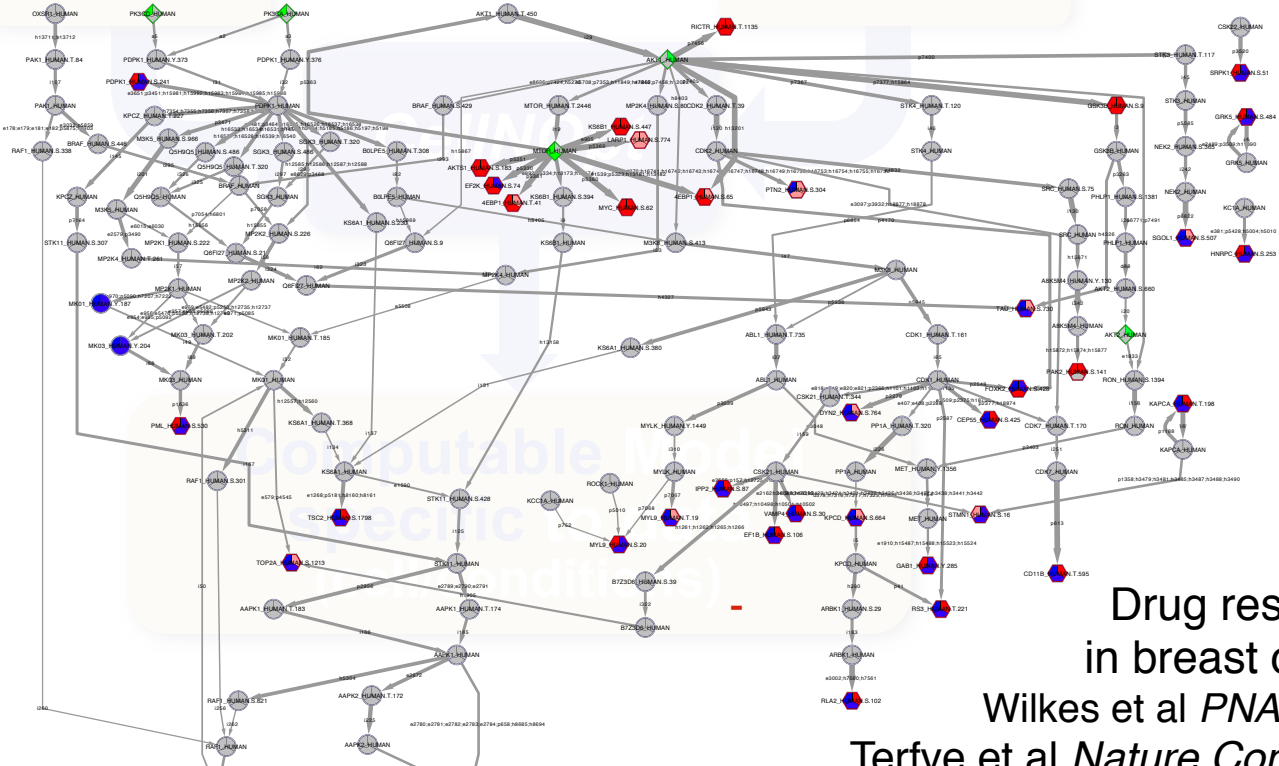


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Drug response
in breast cancer
Wilkes et al *PNAS* 2015
Terfve et al *Nature Com* 2015

Tool for modeling MS P-proteomics:
www.cellnpt.org/PHONEMeS

Crosstalk in yeast
Vaga et al, *Mol Syst Bio* 2014



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- **Single cell signaling:**
 - Imaging (w. C. Schultz, EMBL),
 - CytoF (w. B. Bodenmiller, U. Zurich)
- **Combination of proteomic and metabolomics**
(Blattmann et al *Cell Systems* 2017)
- **Transcriptomics** (complementary tool: **CARNIVAL**)
saezlab.github.io/CARNIVAL/



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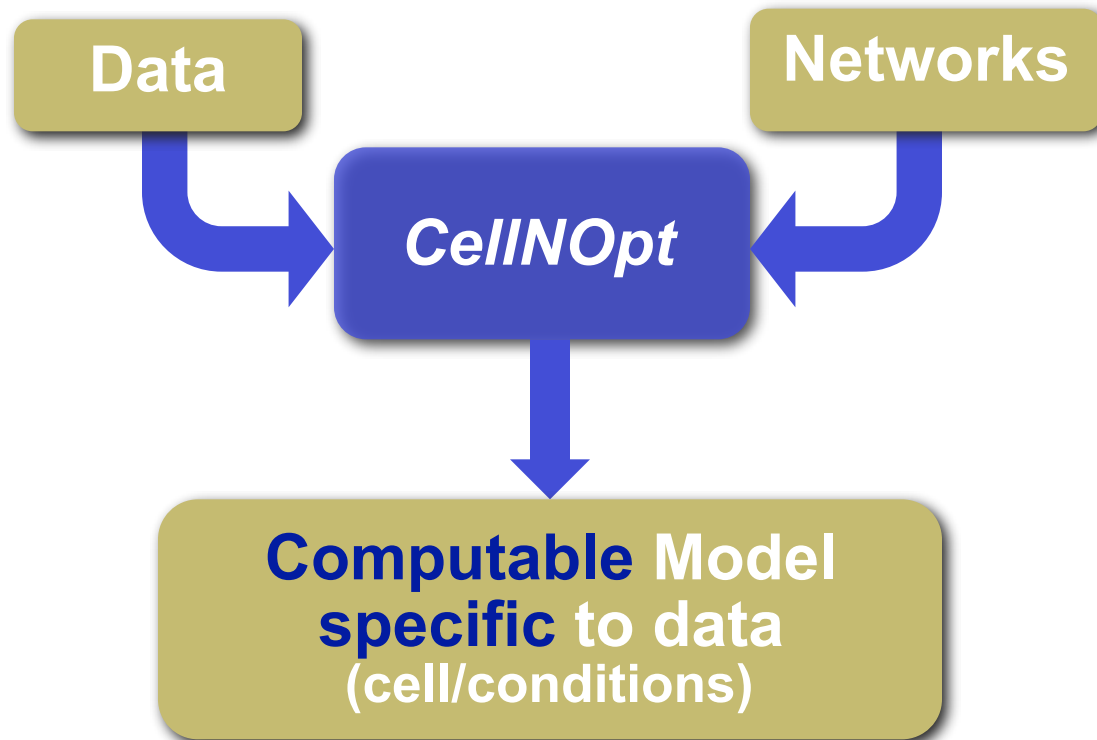
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Best model ~ minimum metric
(optimization problem) - can be solved algorithmically

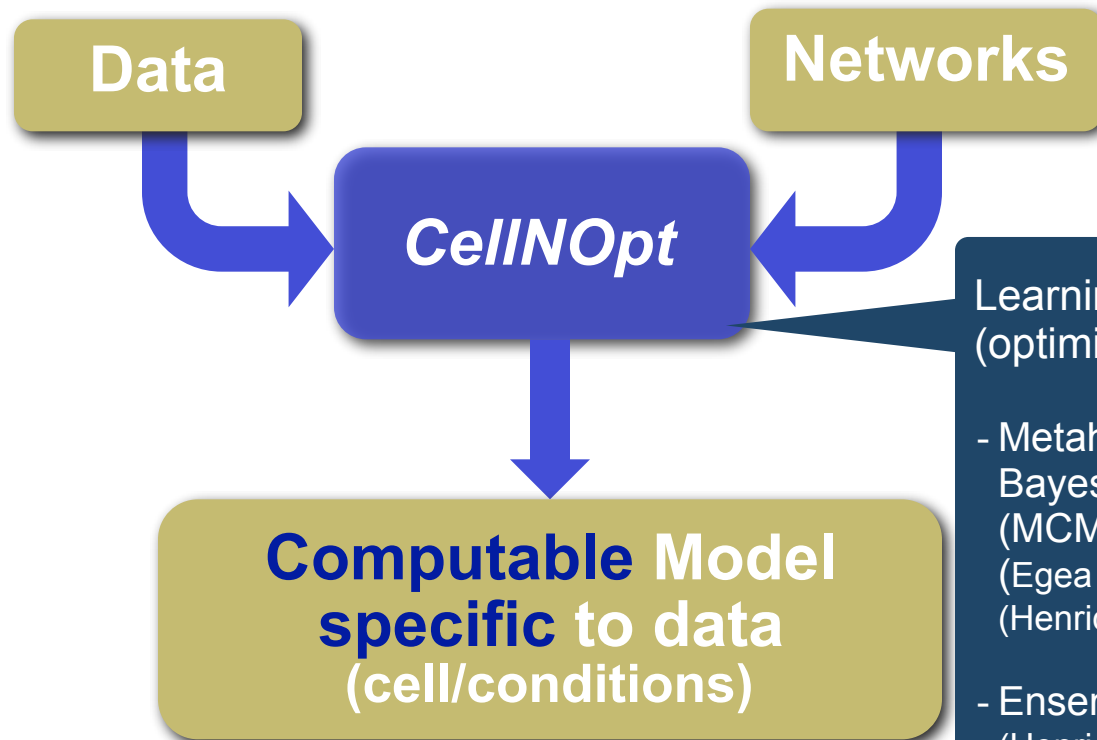


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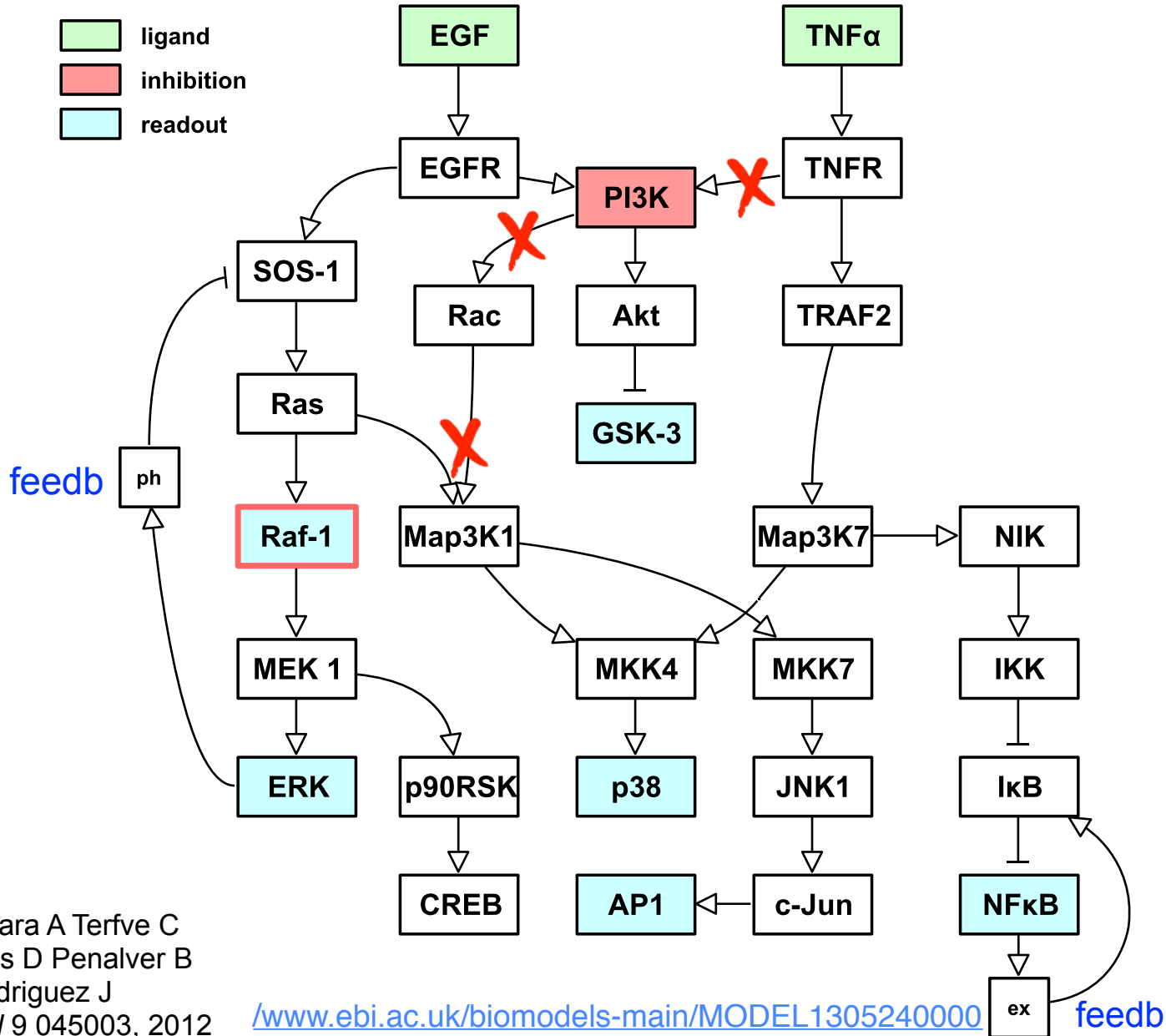


Learning algorithms (optimization):

- Metaheuristics & Bayesian Inference (MCMC) (Egea et al. *BMC Bioinf* 2014; (Henriques et al. *Bioinf* 2015)
- Ensembles of models (Henriques et al. *PLoS CB*, 2017)
- Use of Answer Set Programming (Guziolowski et al. *Bioinf* 2013, Videla et al. *Bioinf* 2017) and Integer Linear Programming (Mitsos et al *PLoS CB* 2009)

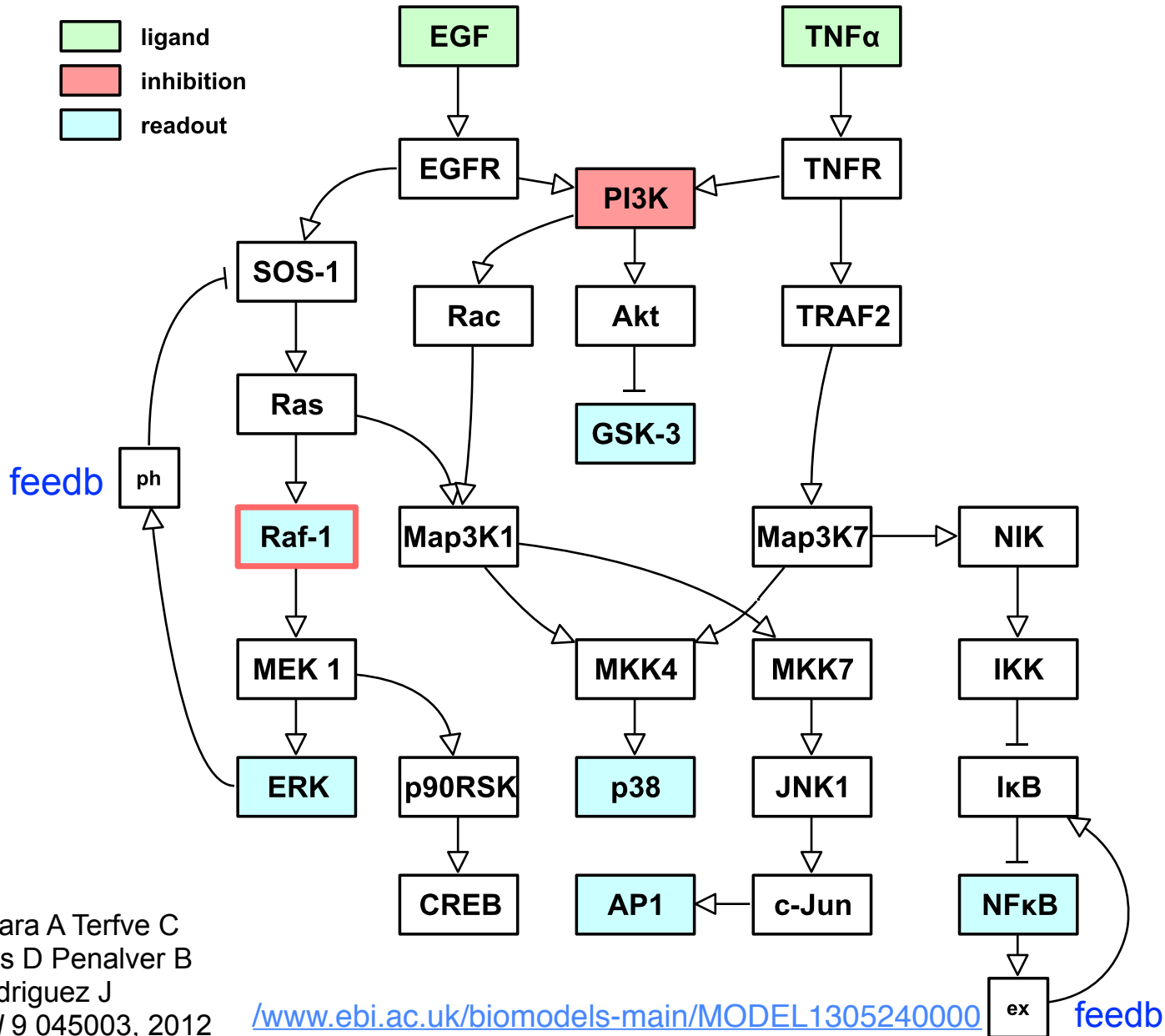


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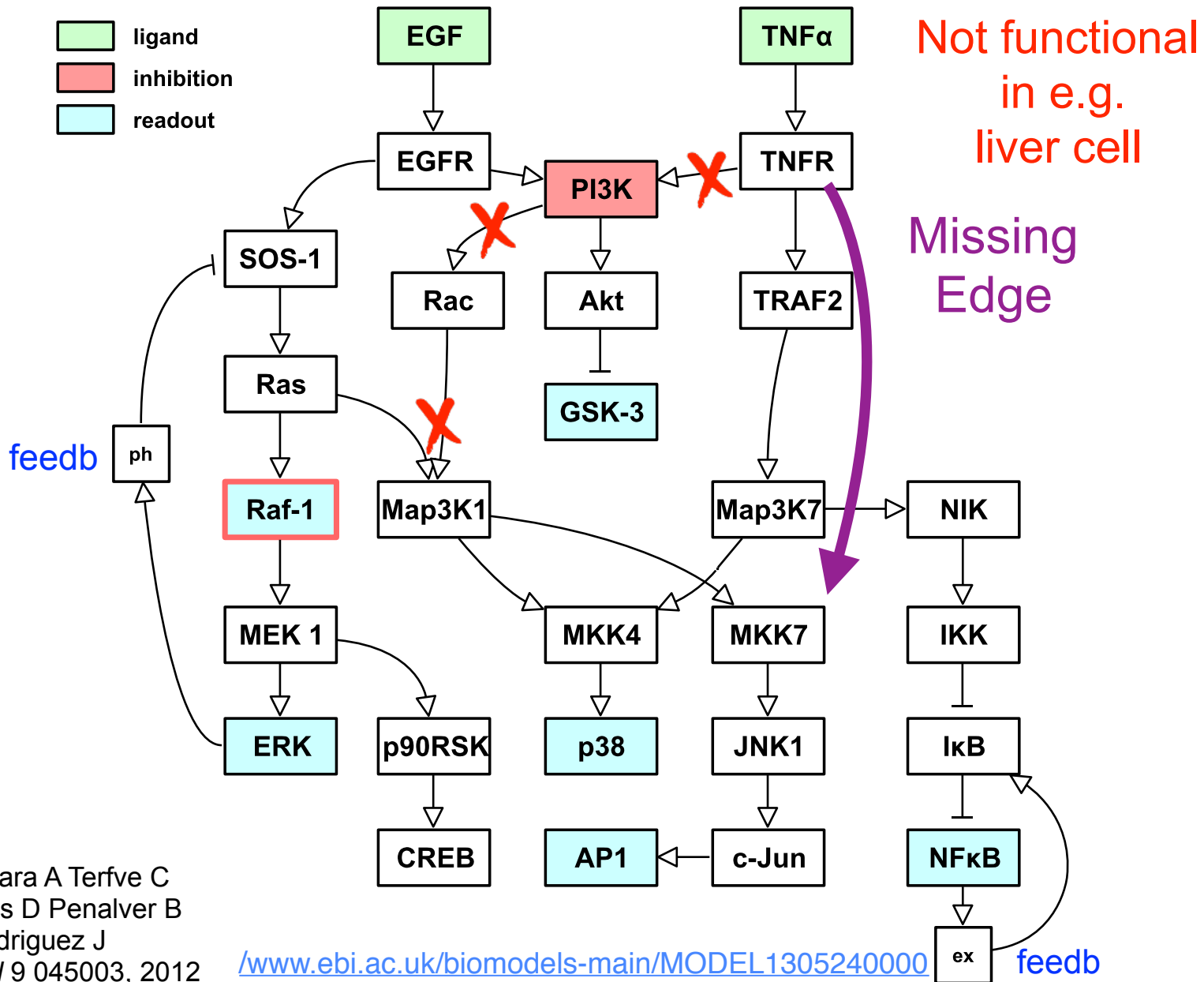


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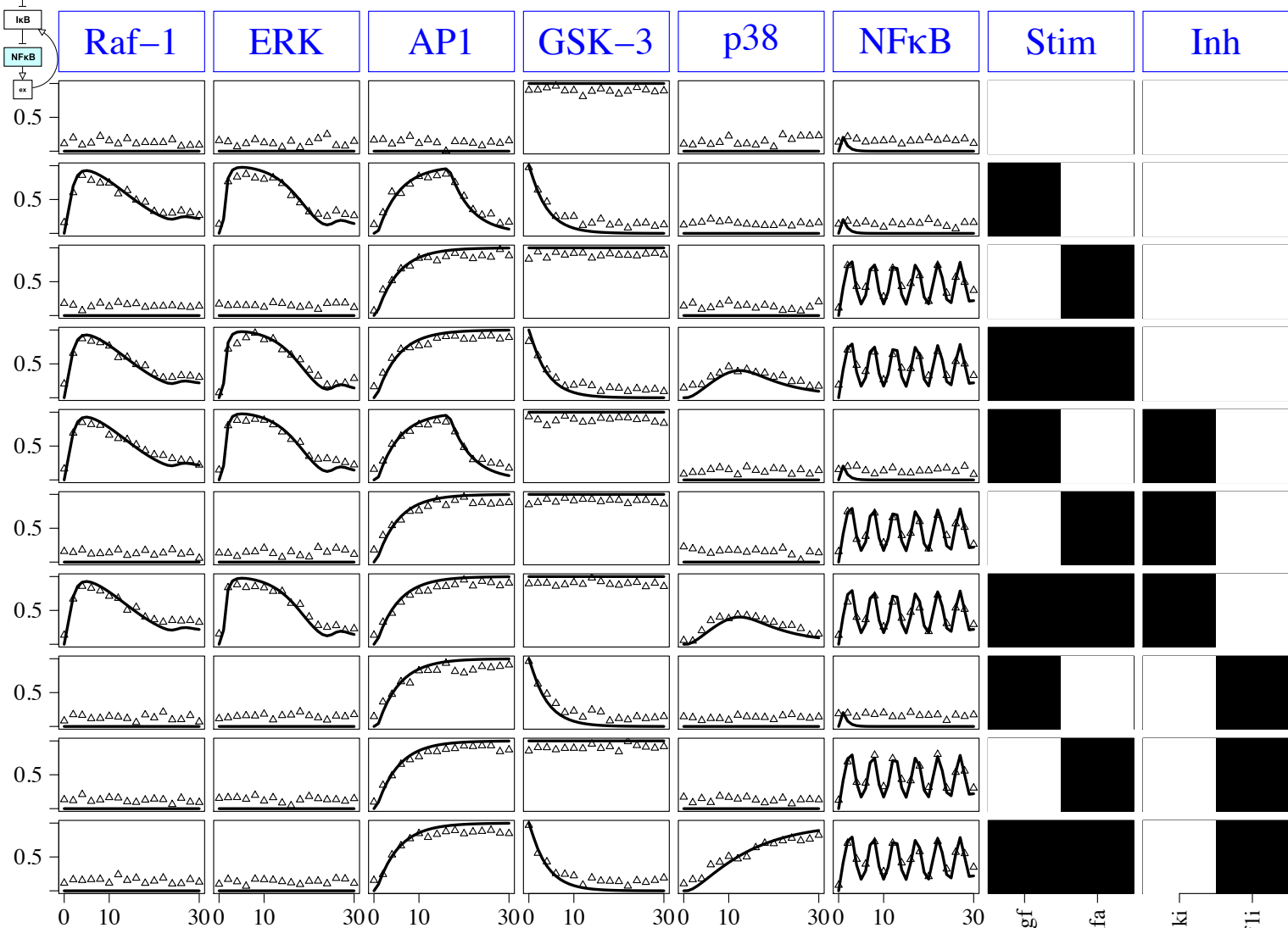
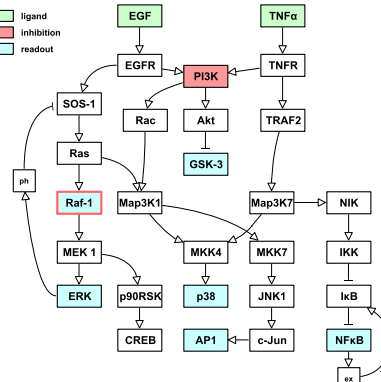




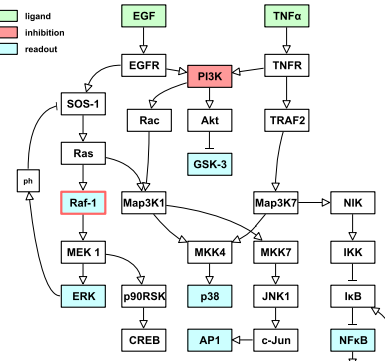
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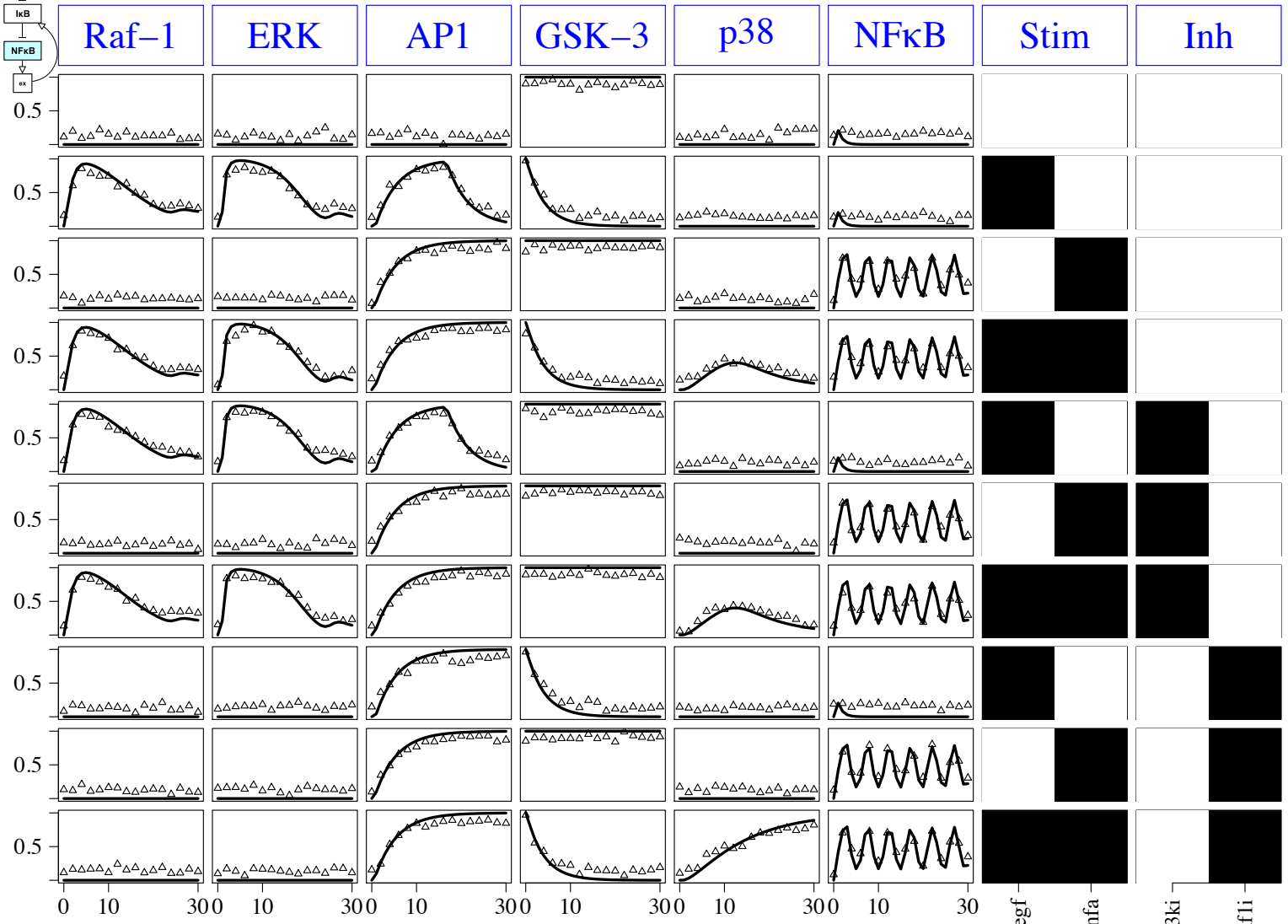
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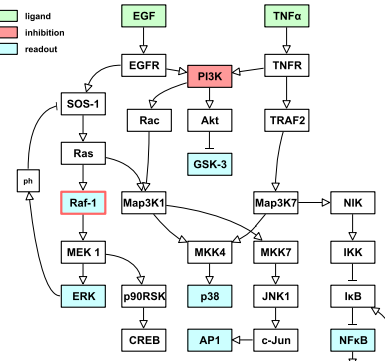


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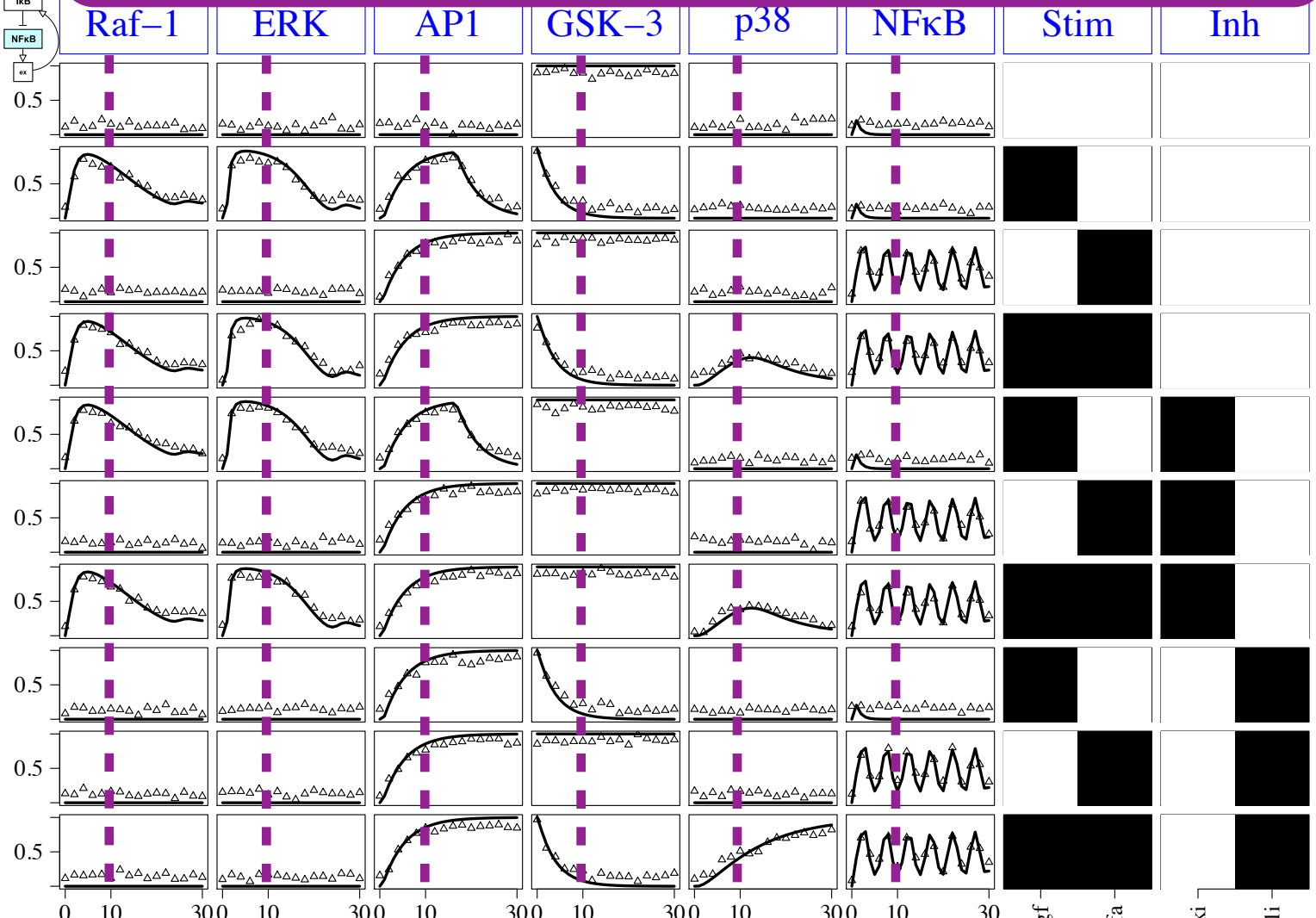


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If you can only pick one (\$\$), choose one representative of a 'time scale'

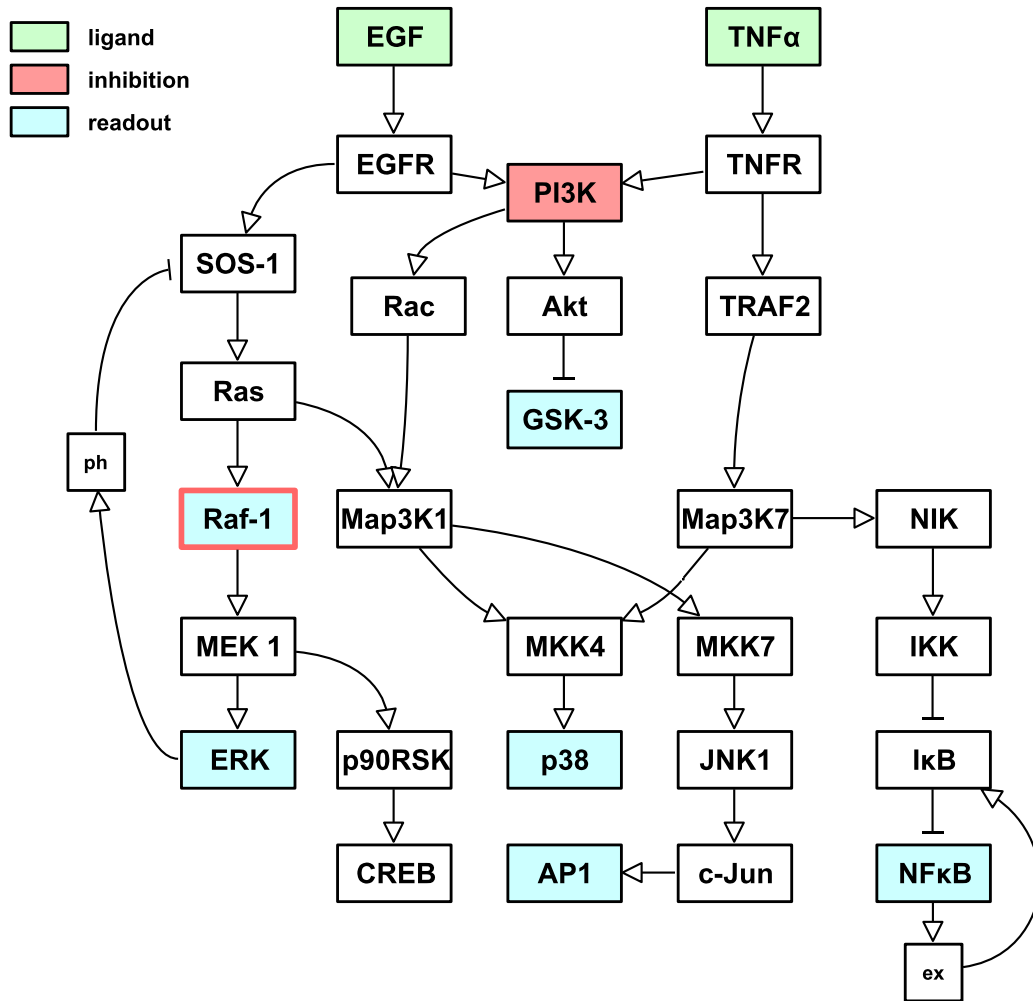


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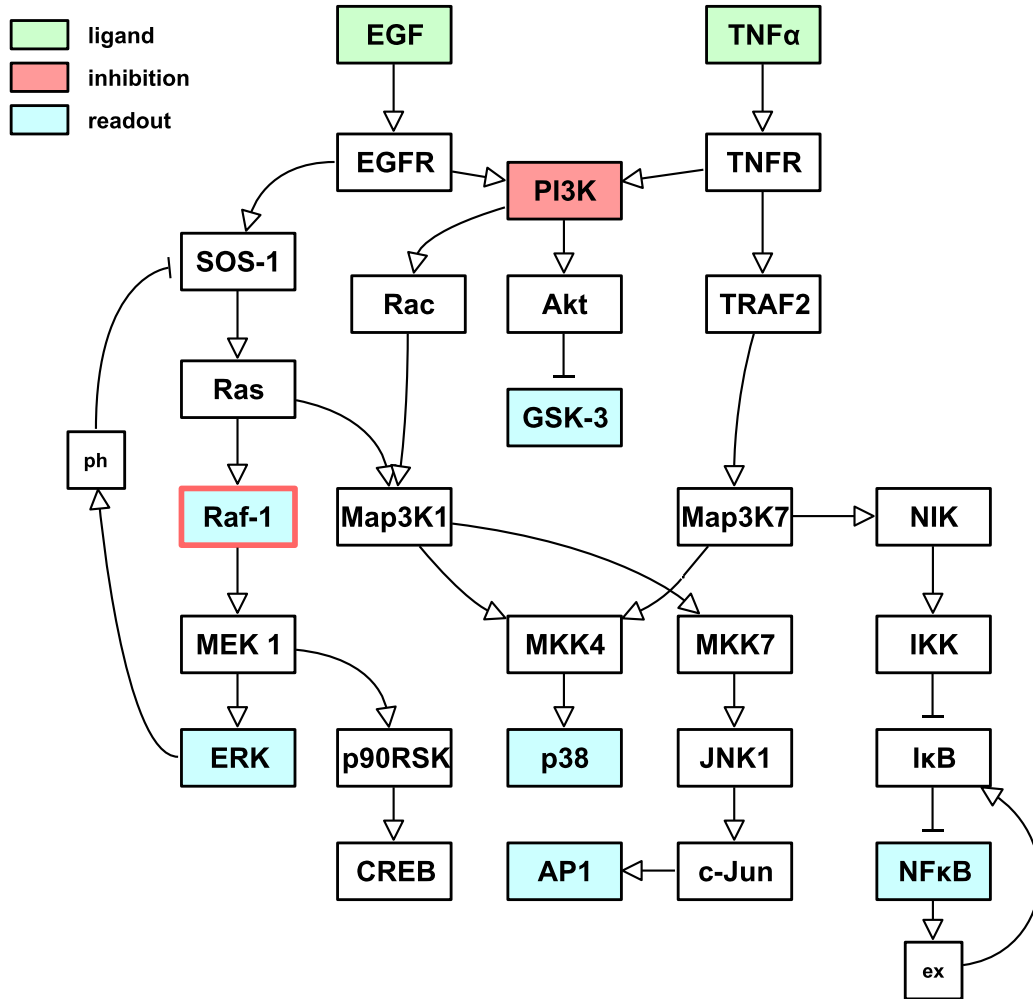


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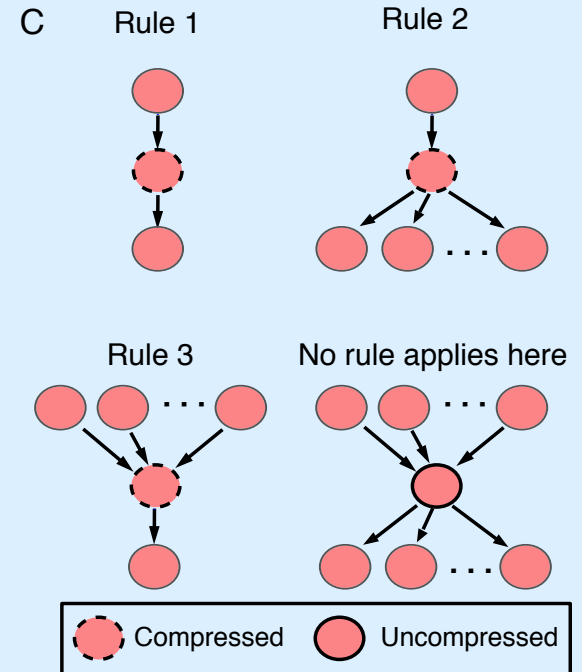




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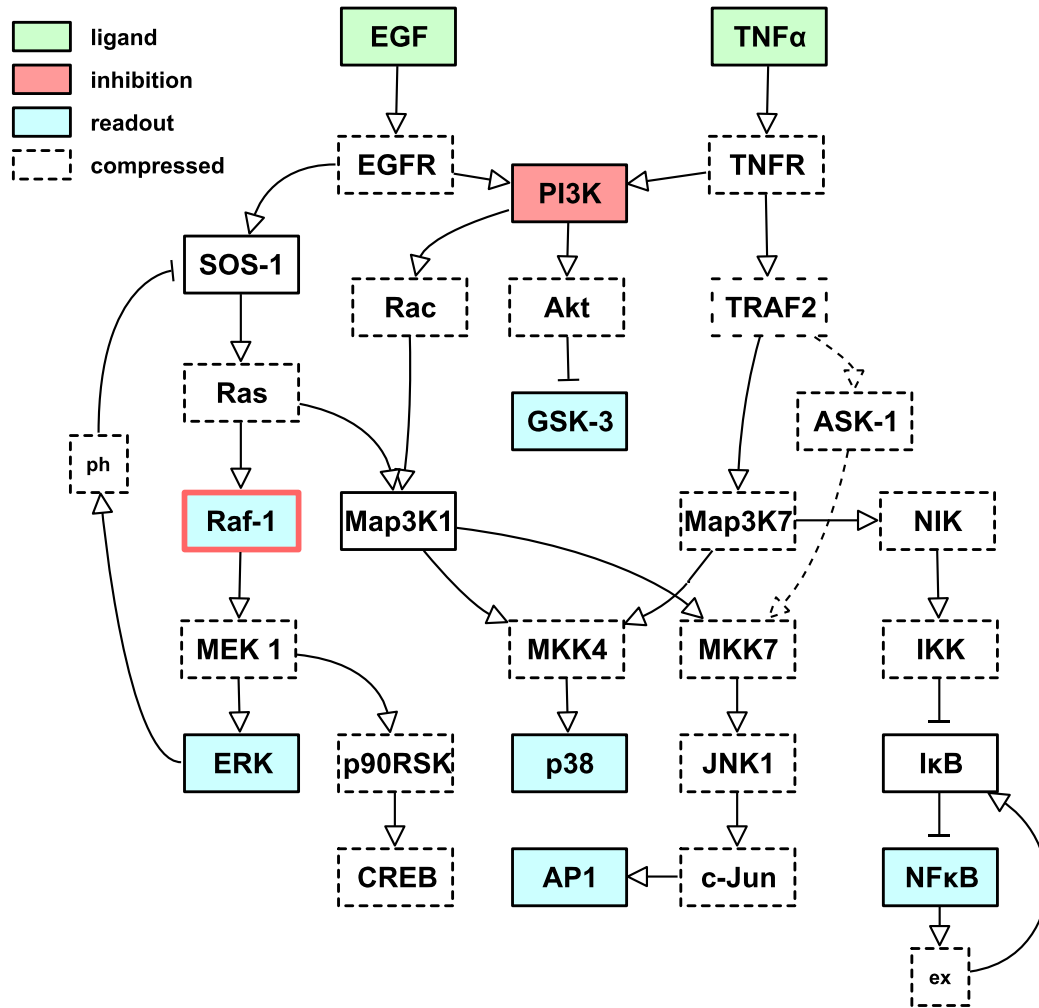
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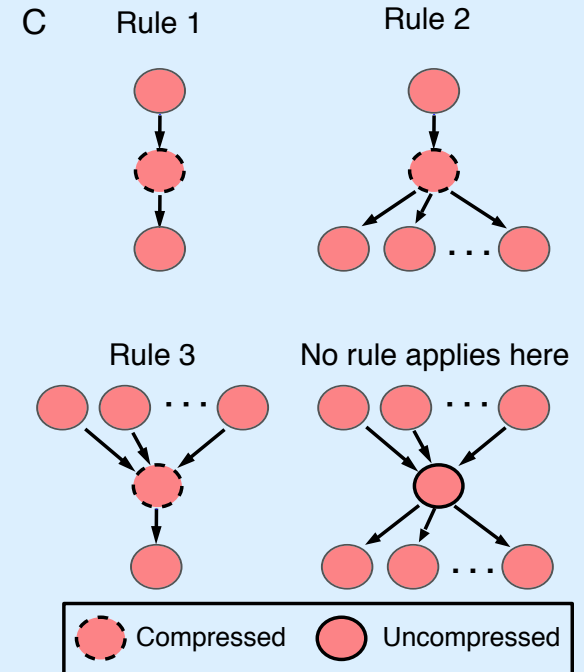
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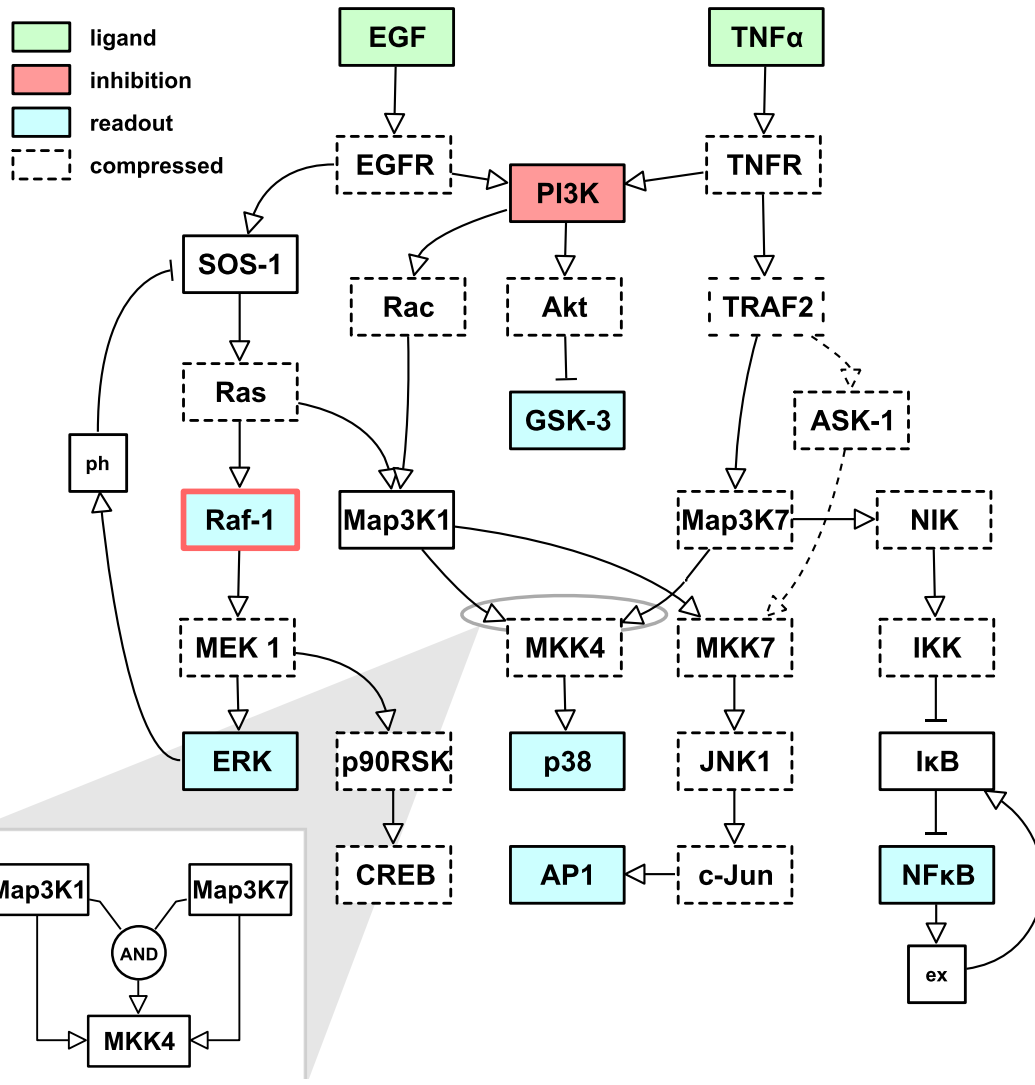
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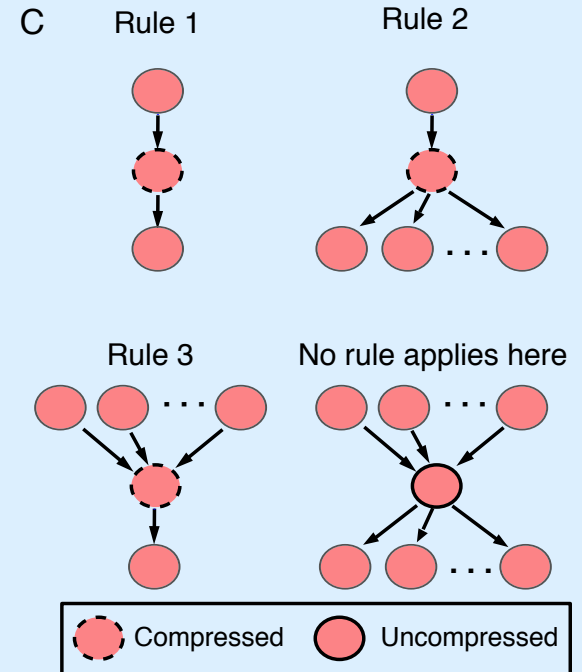
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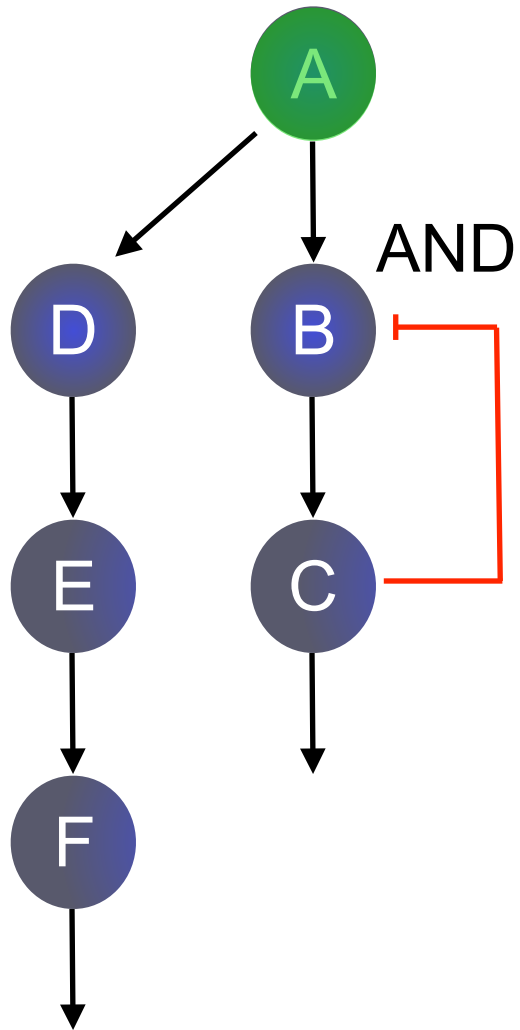
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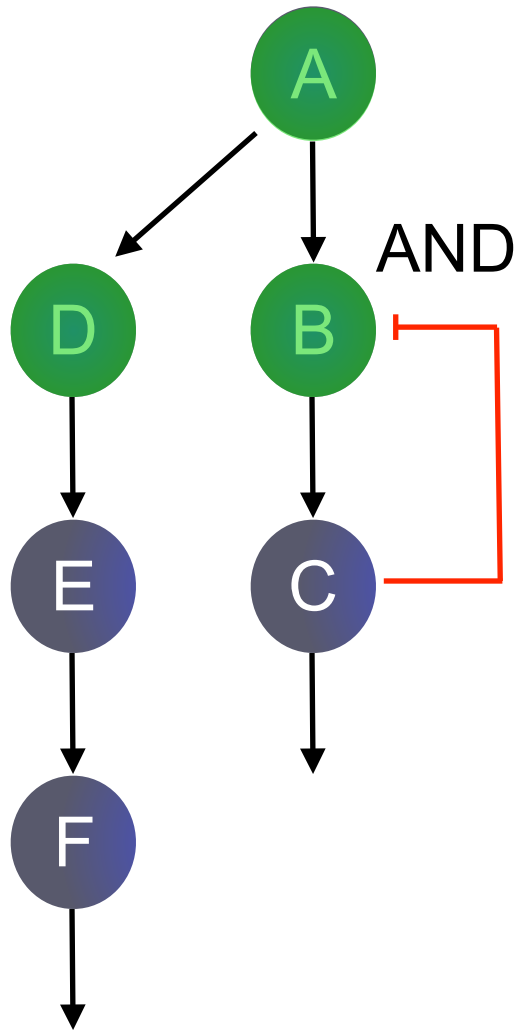


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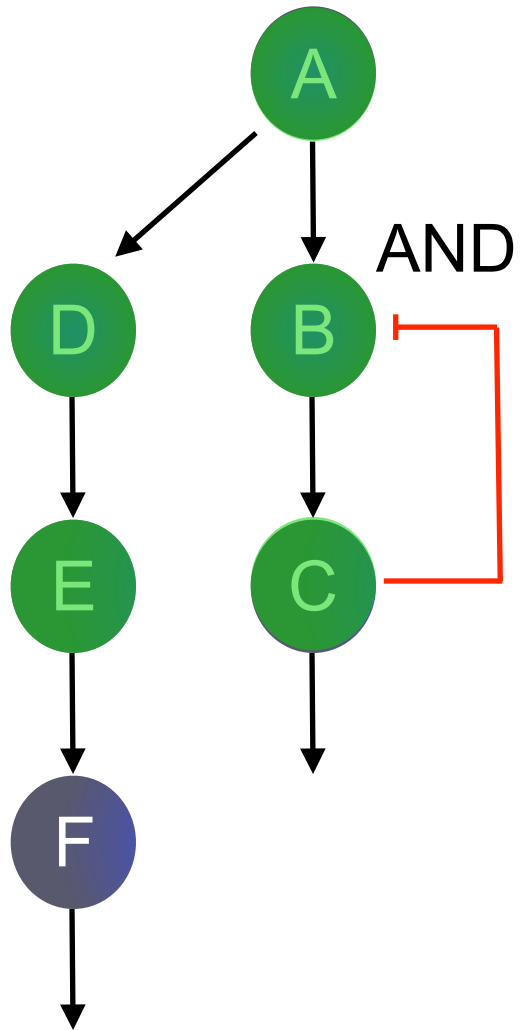


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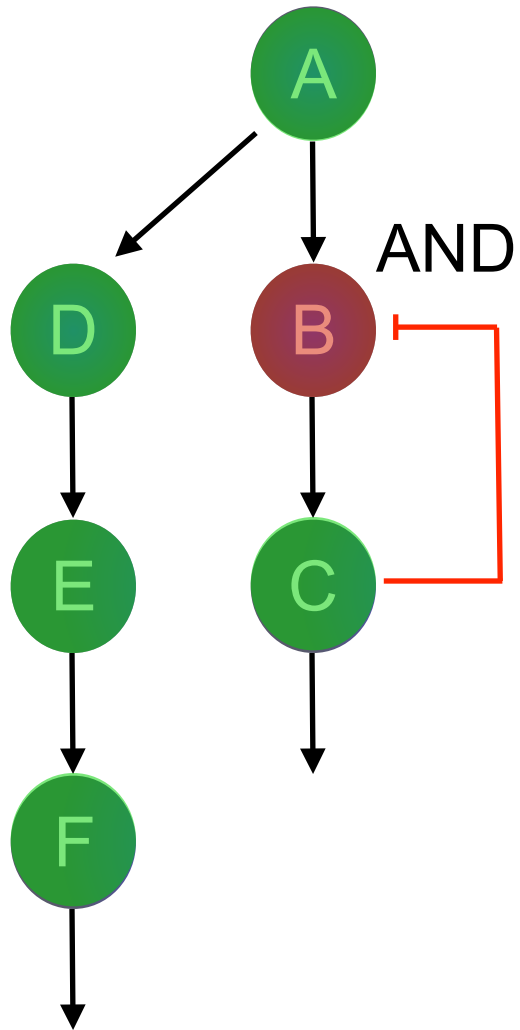


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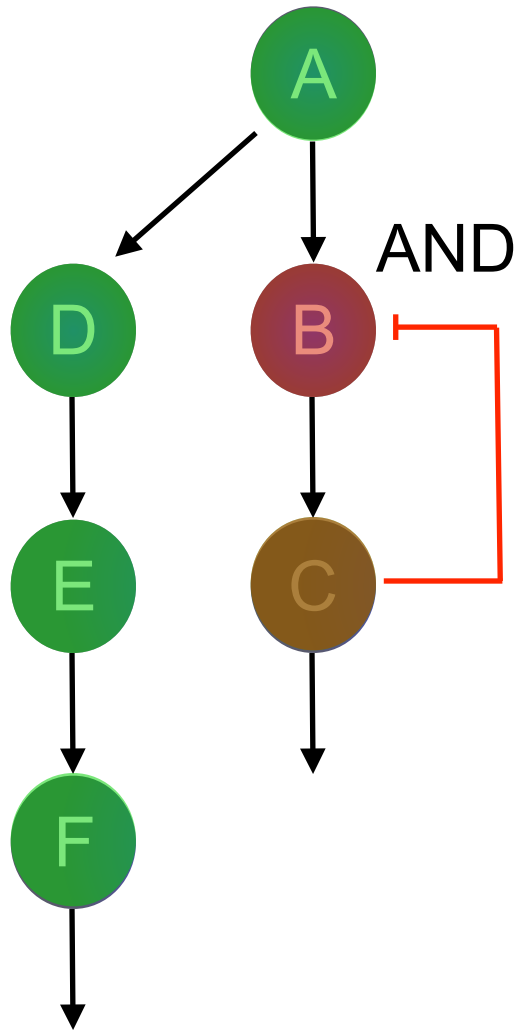


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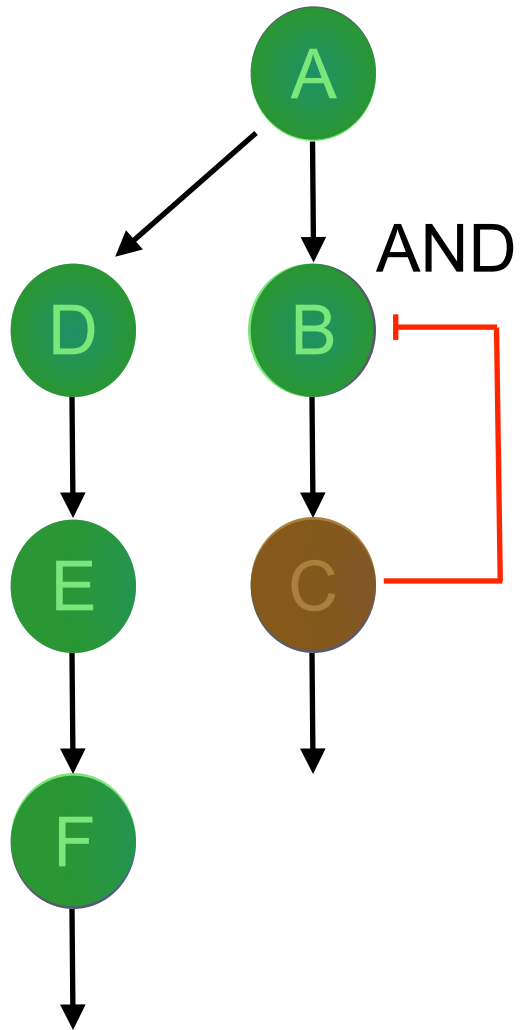


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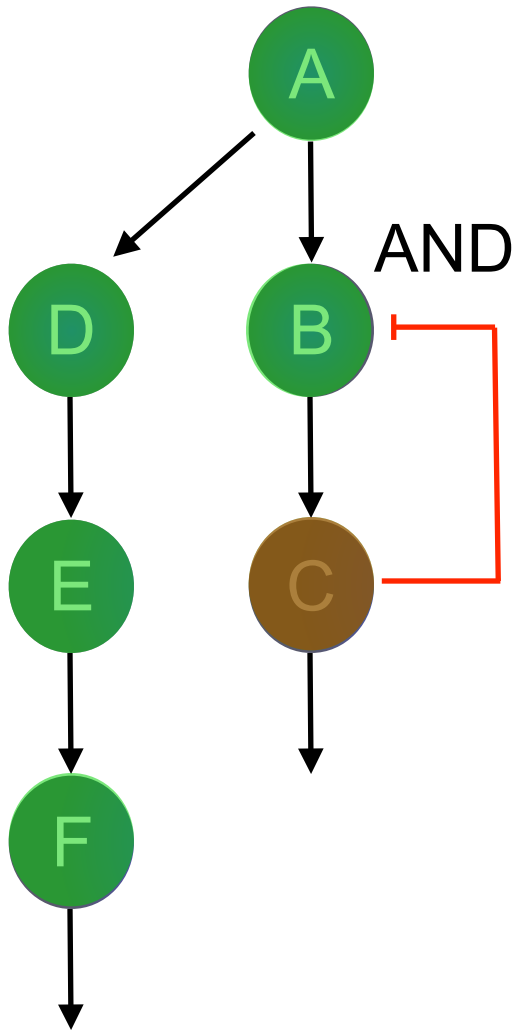


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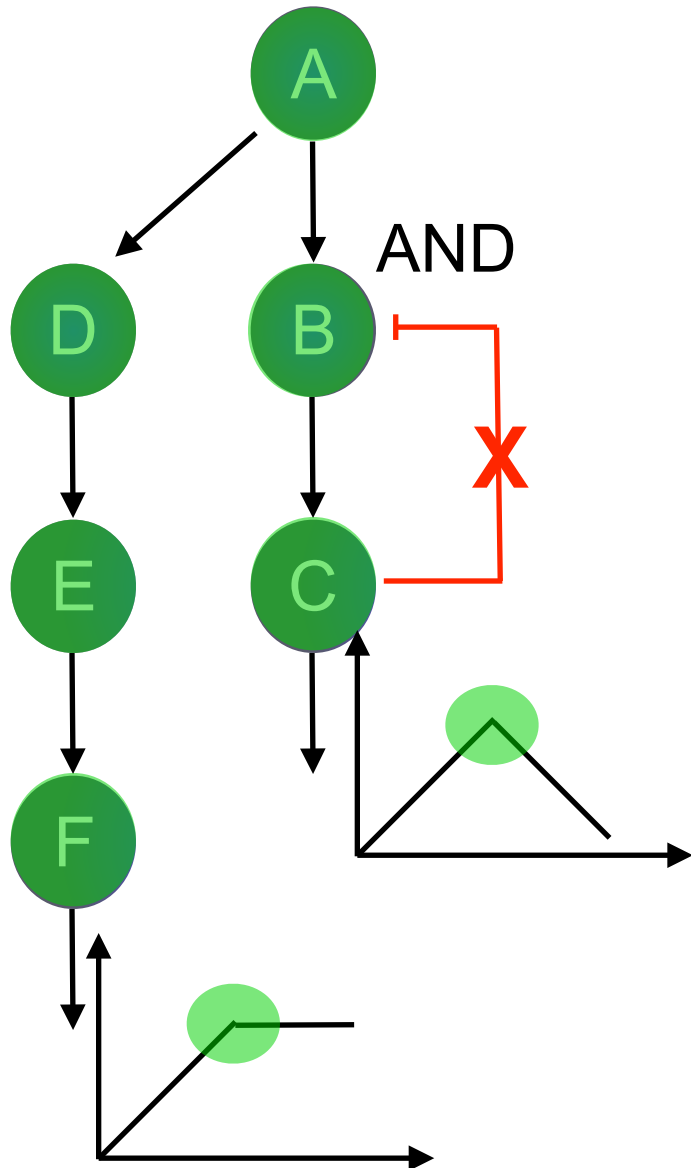
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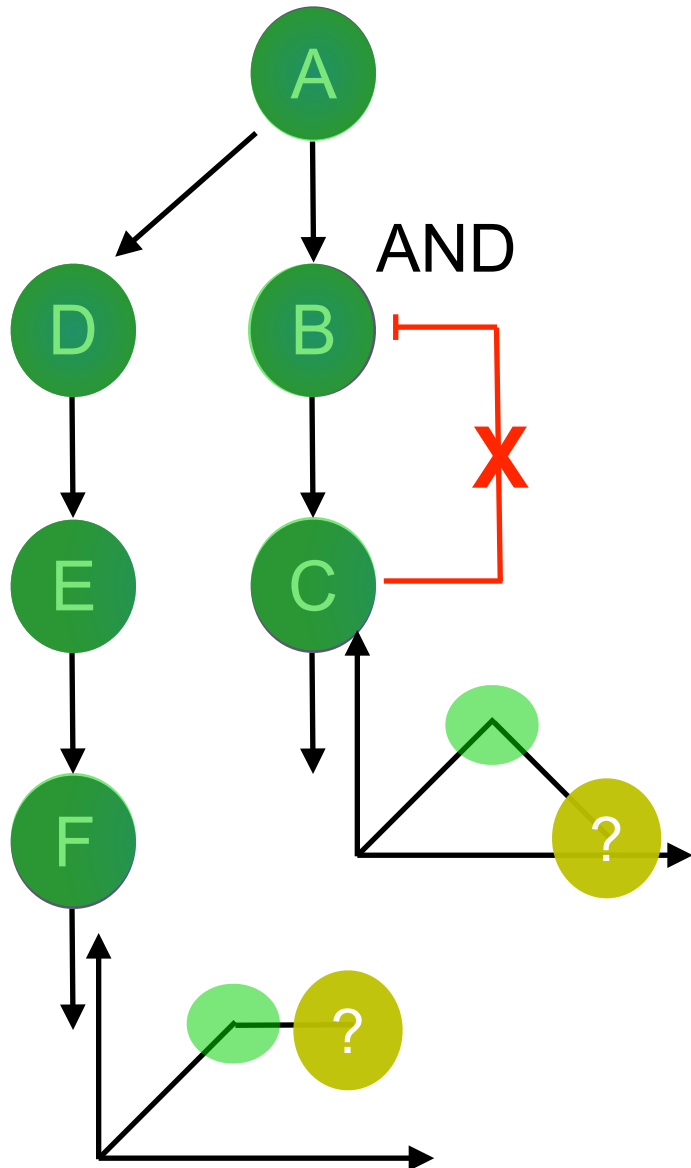
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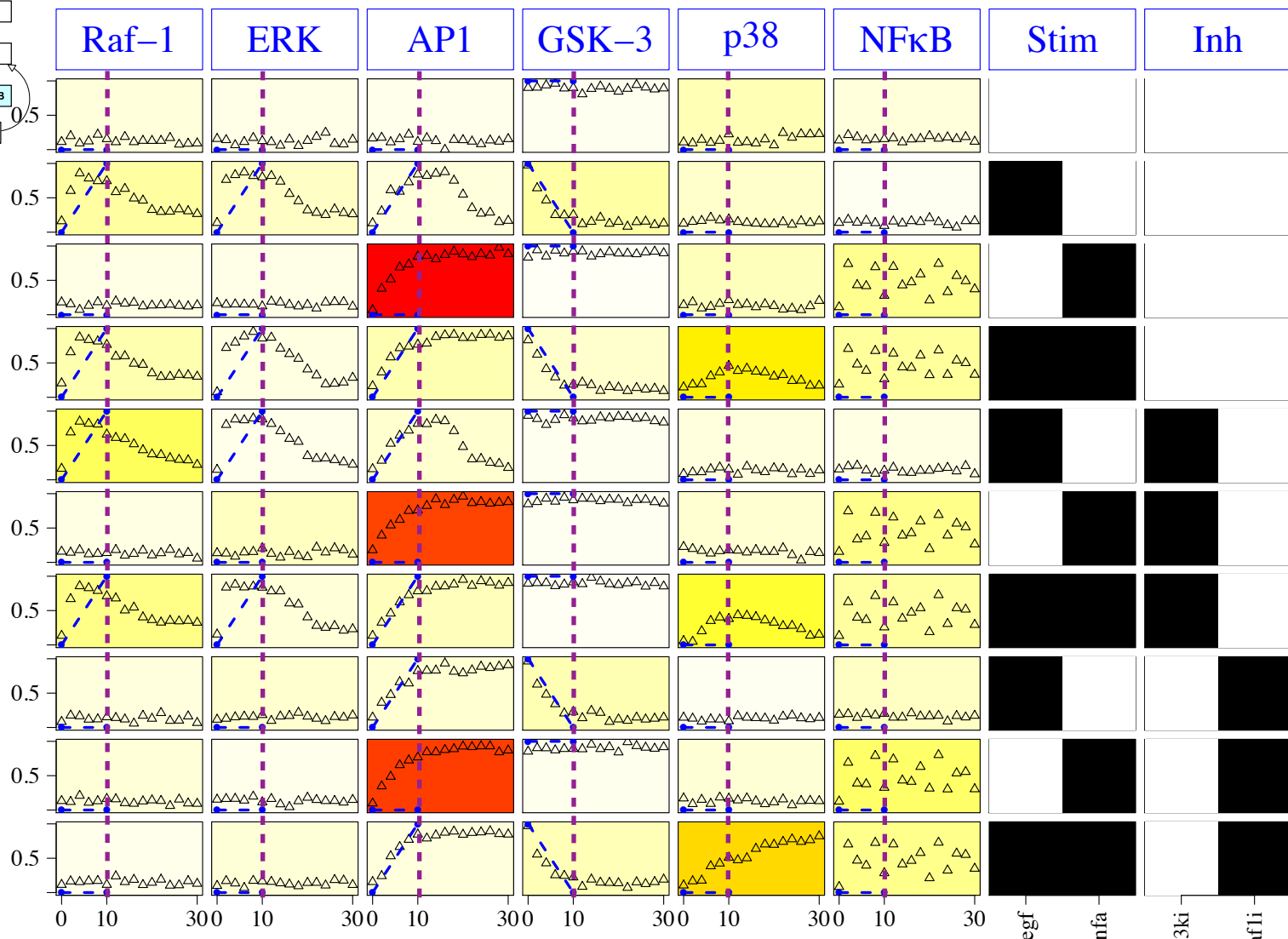
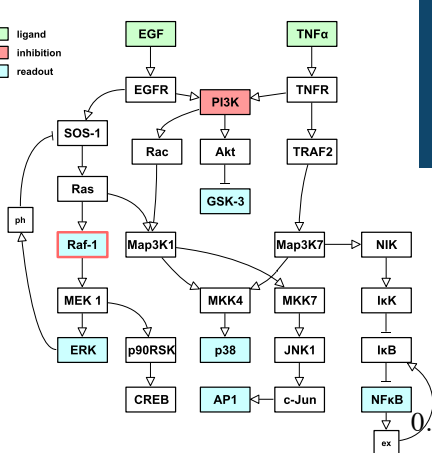


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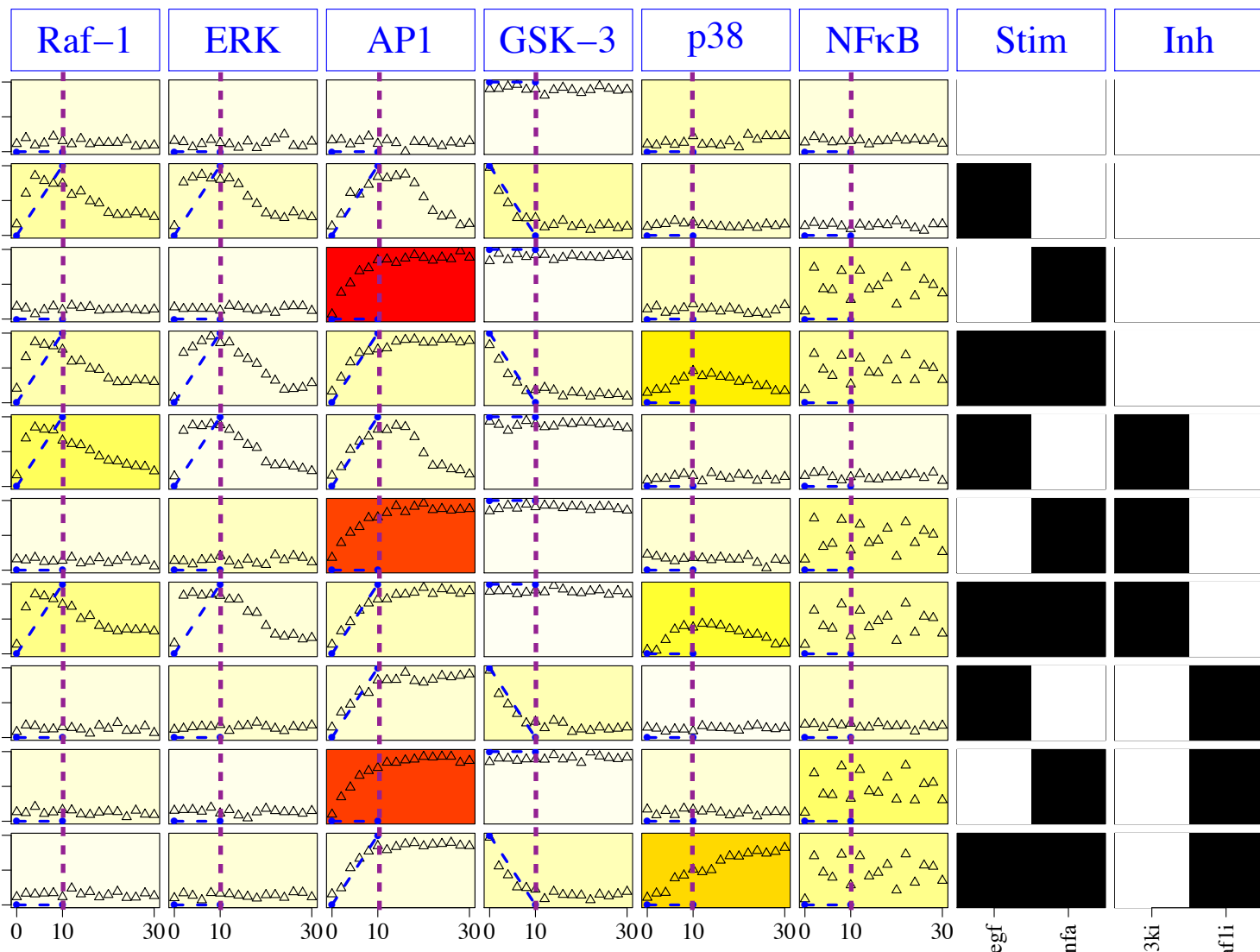
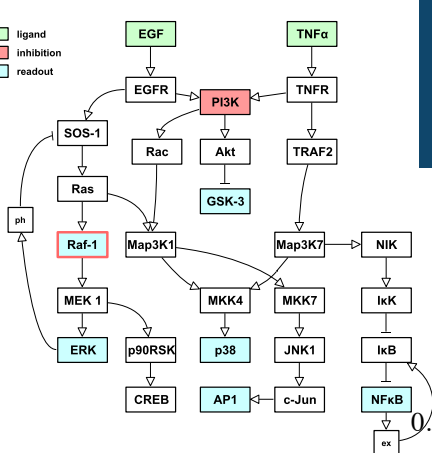


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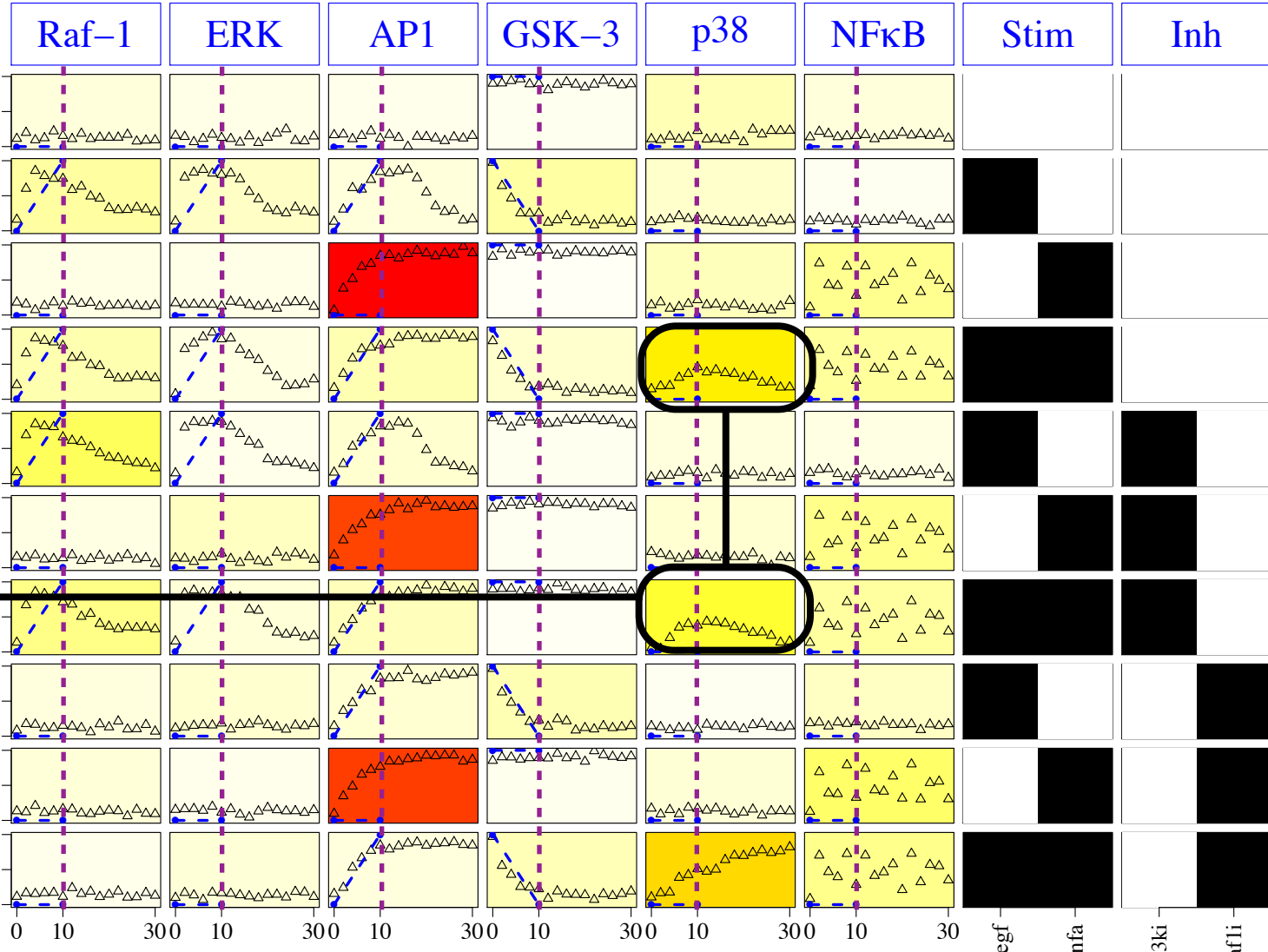
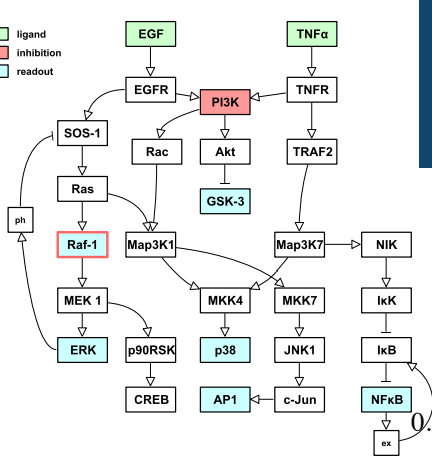


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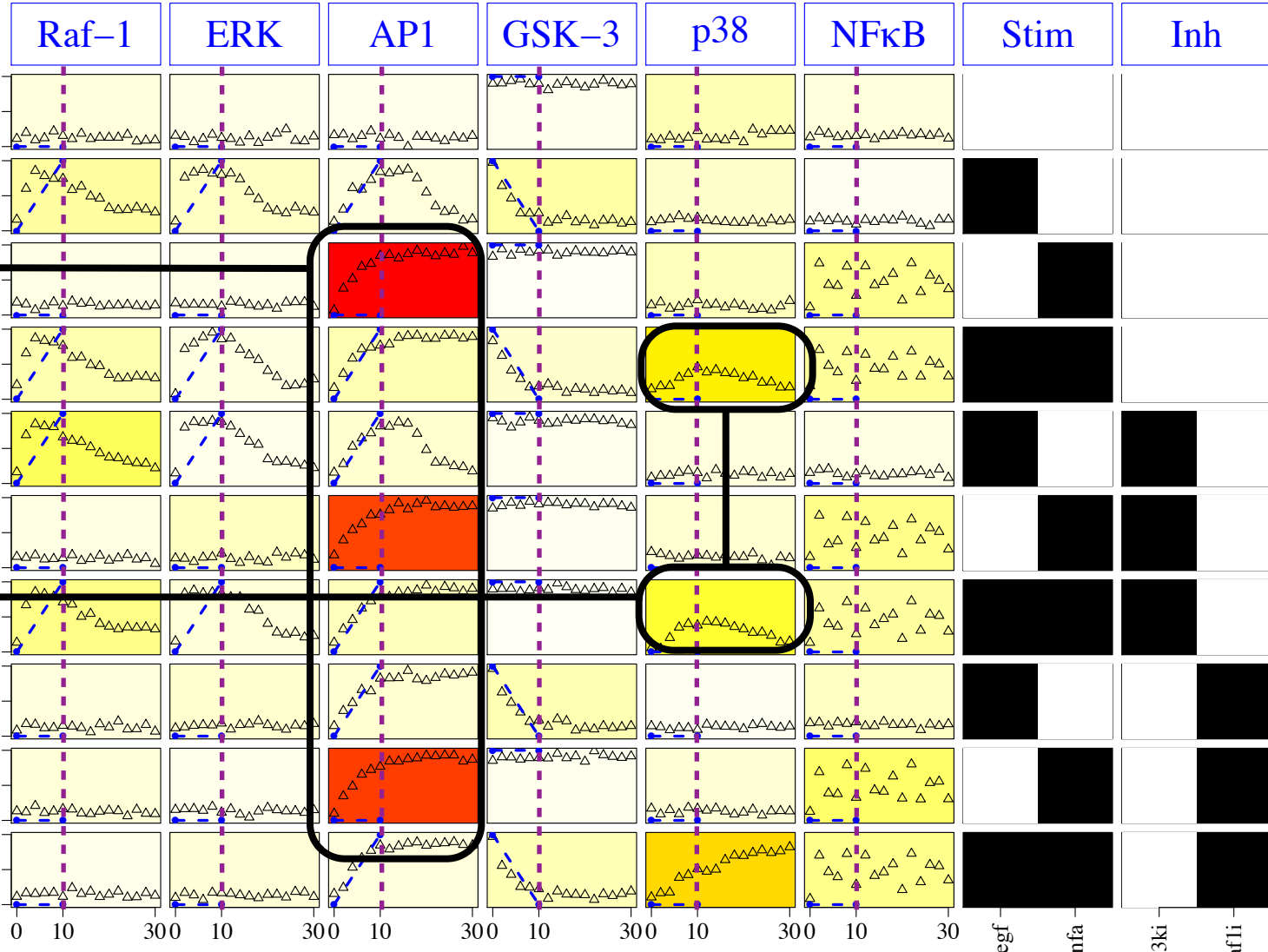
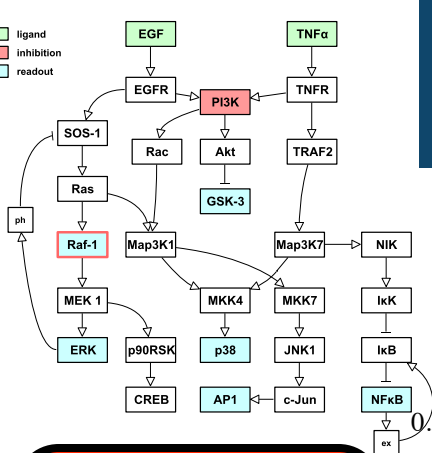
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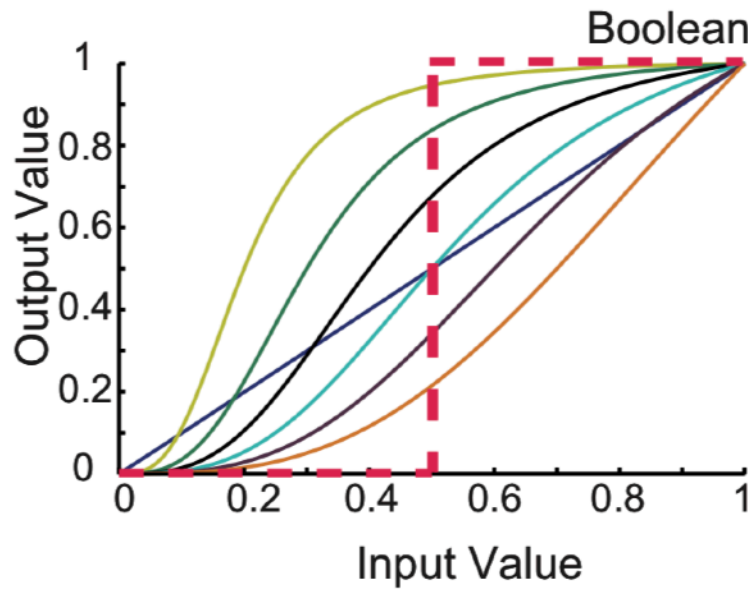
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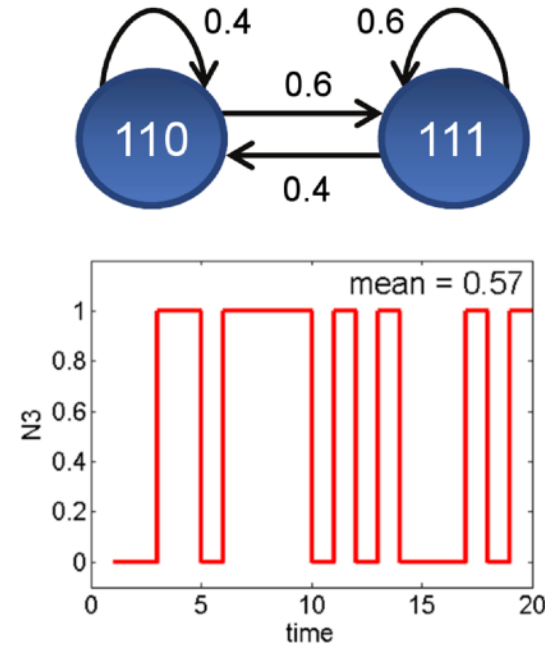


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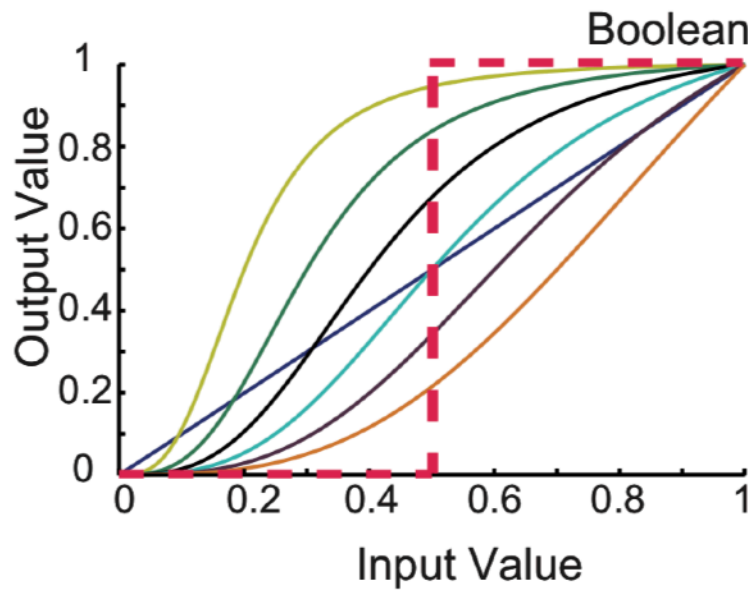


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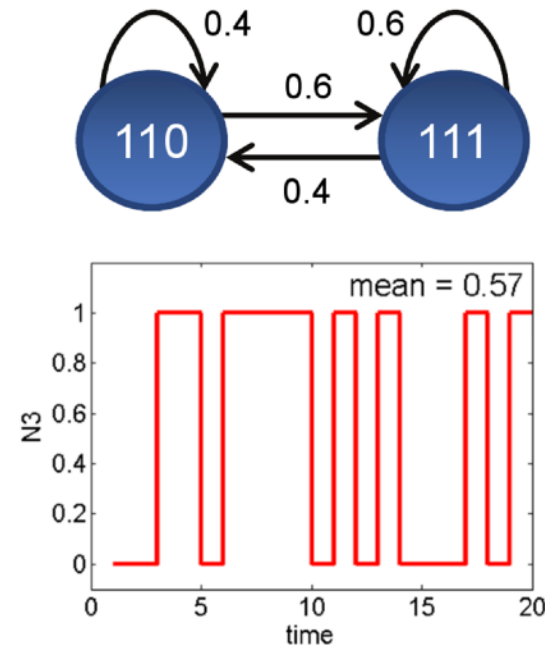


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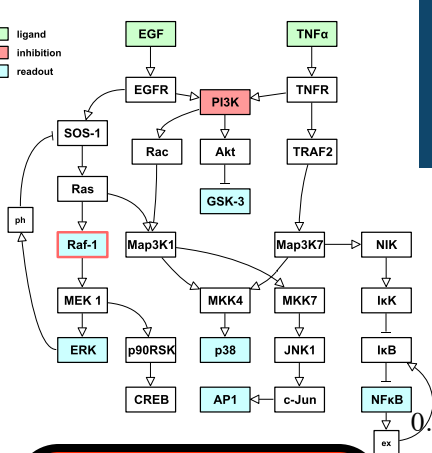


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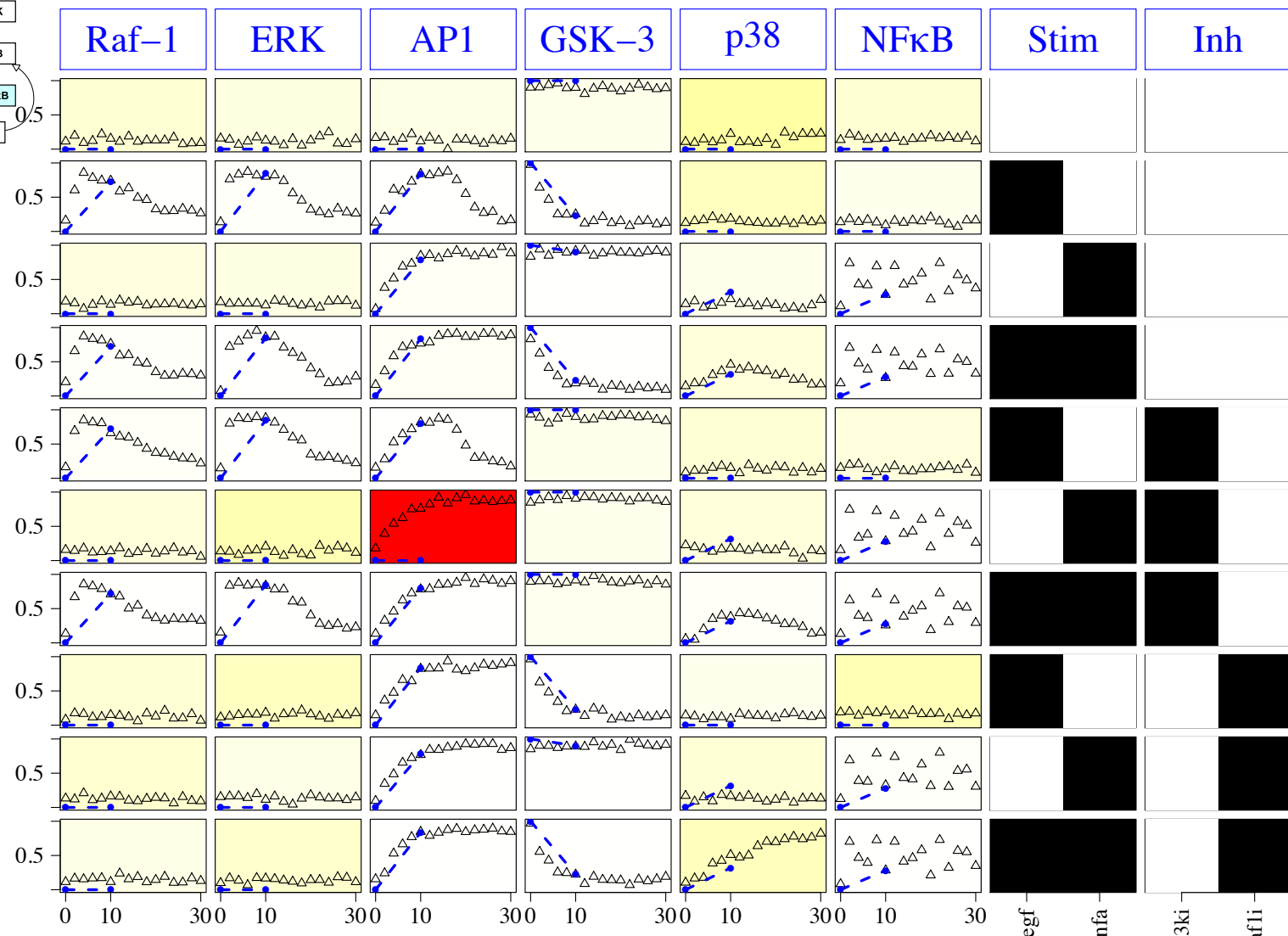
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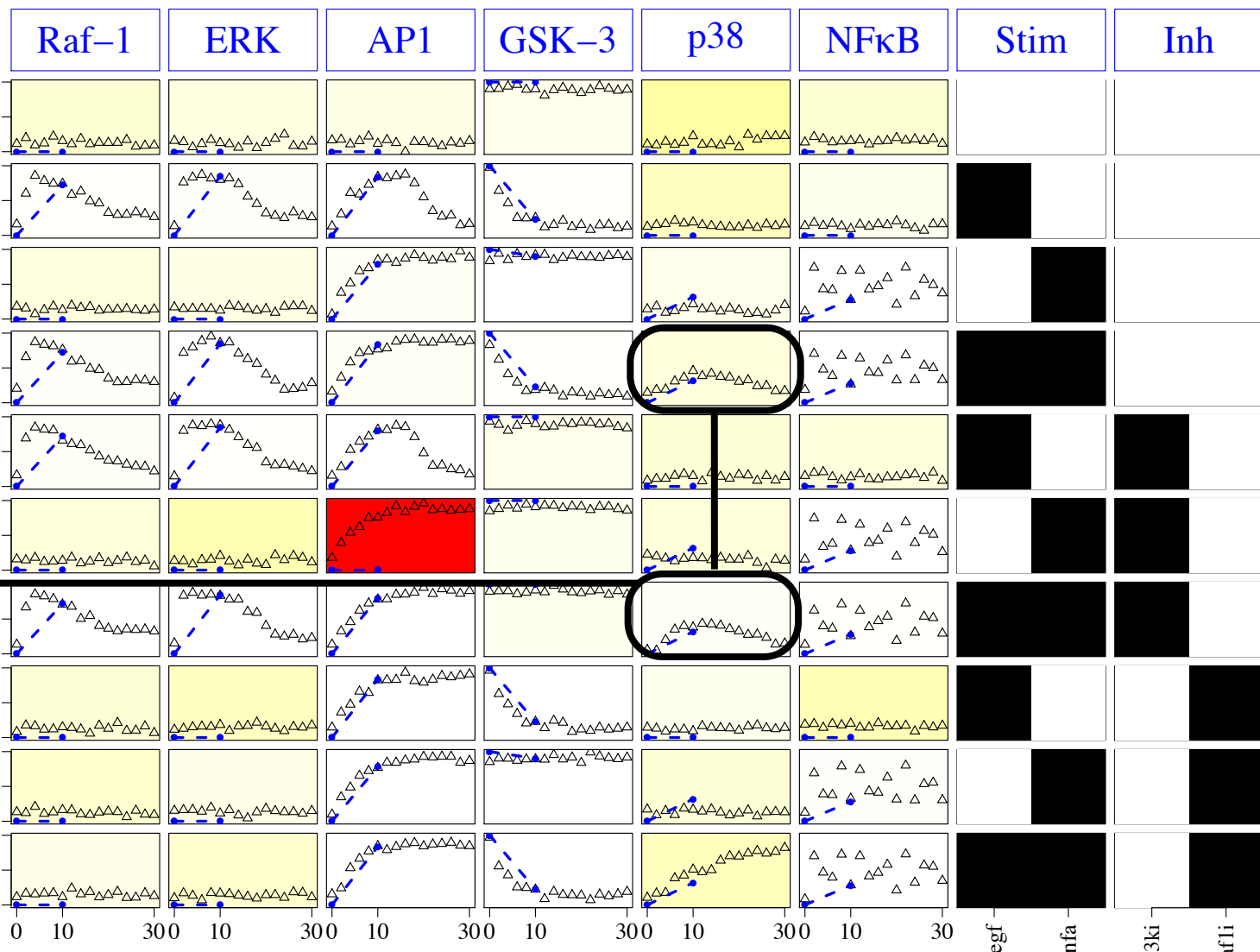
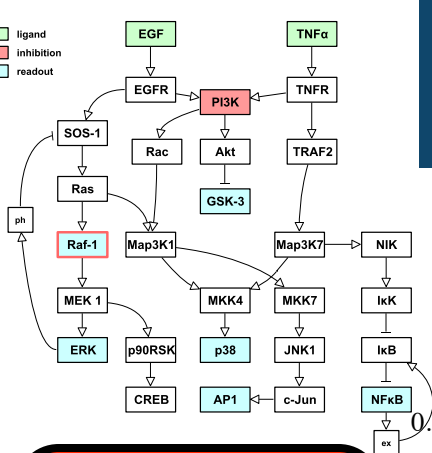
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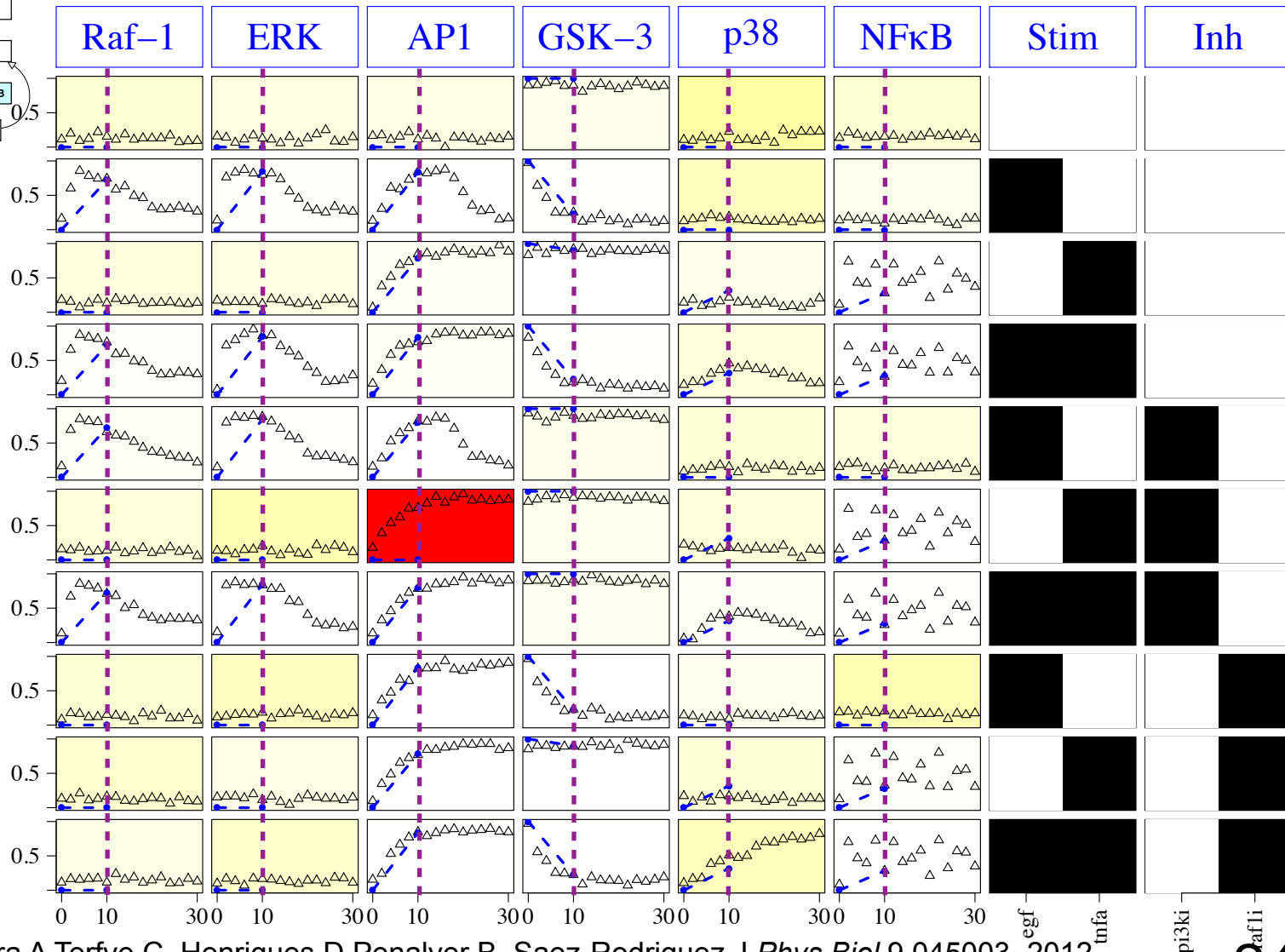
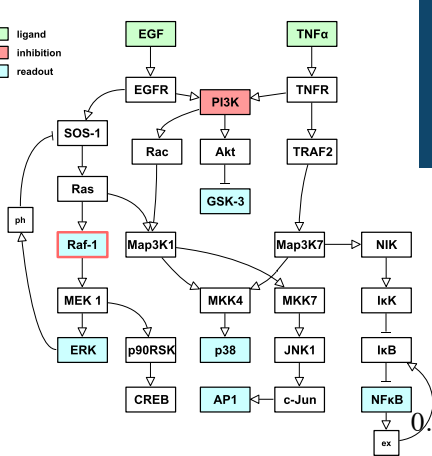


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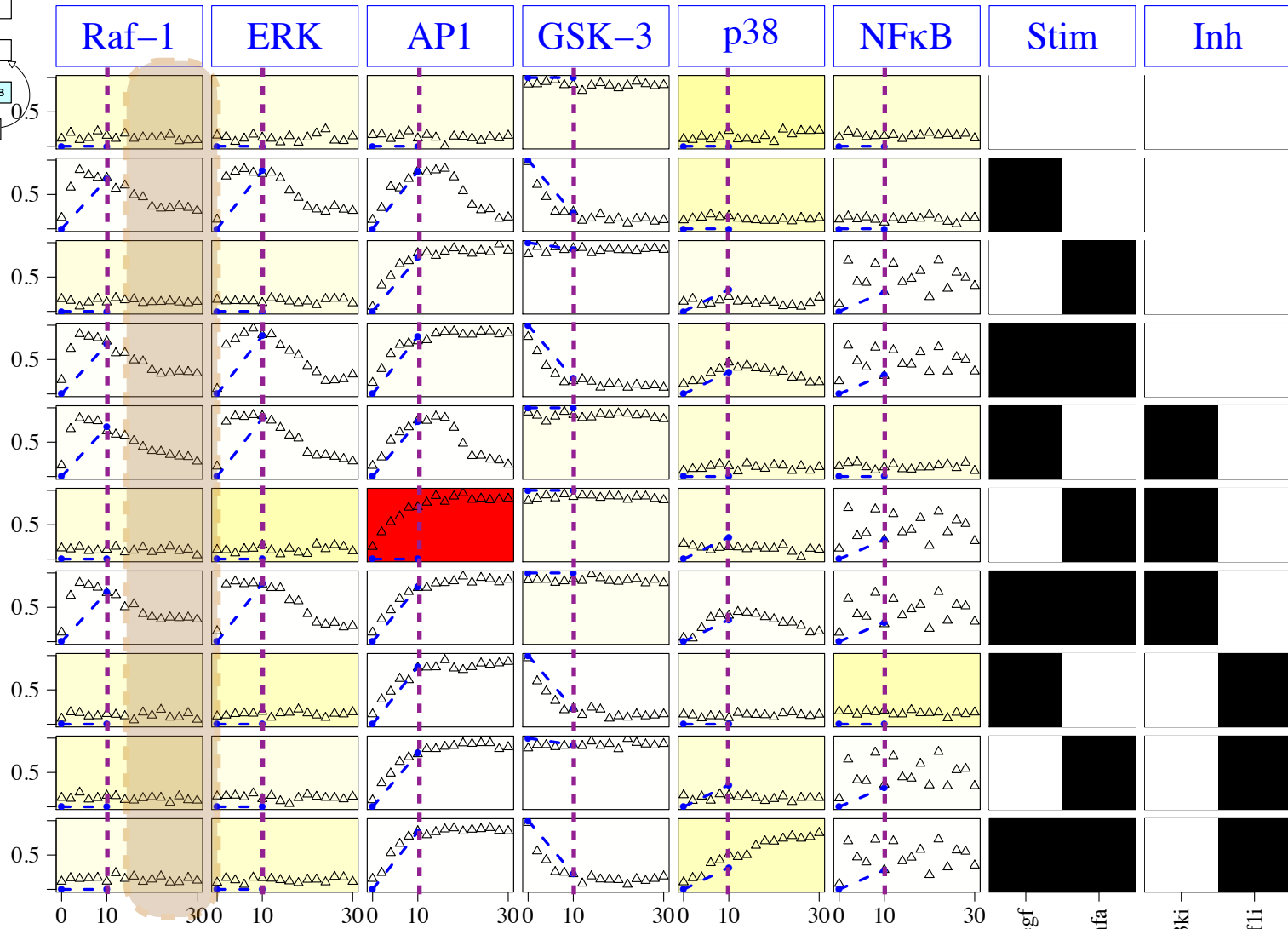
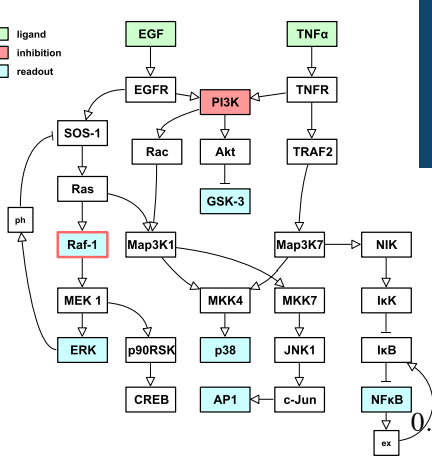
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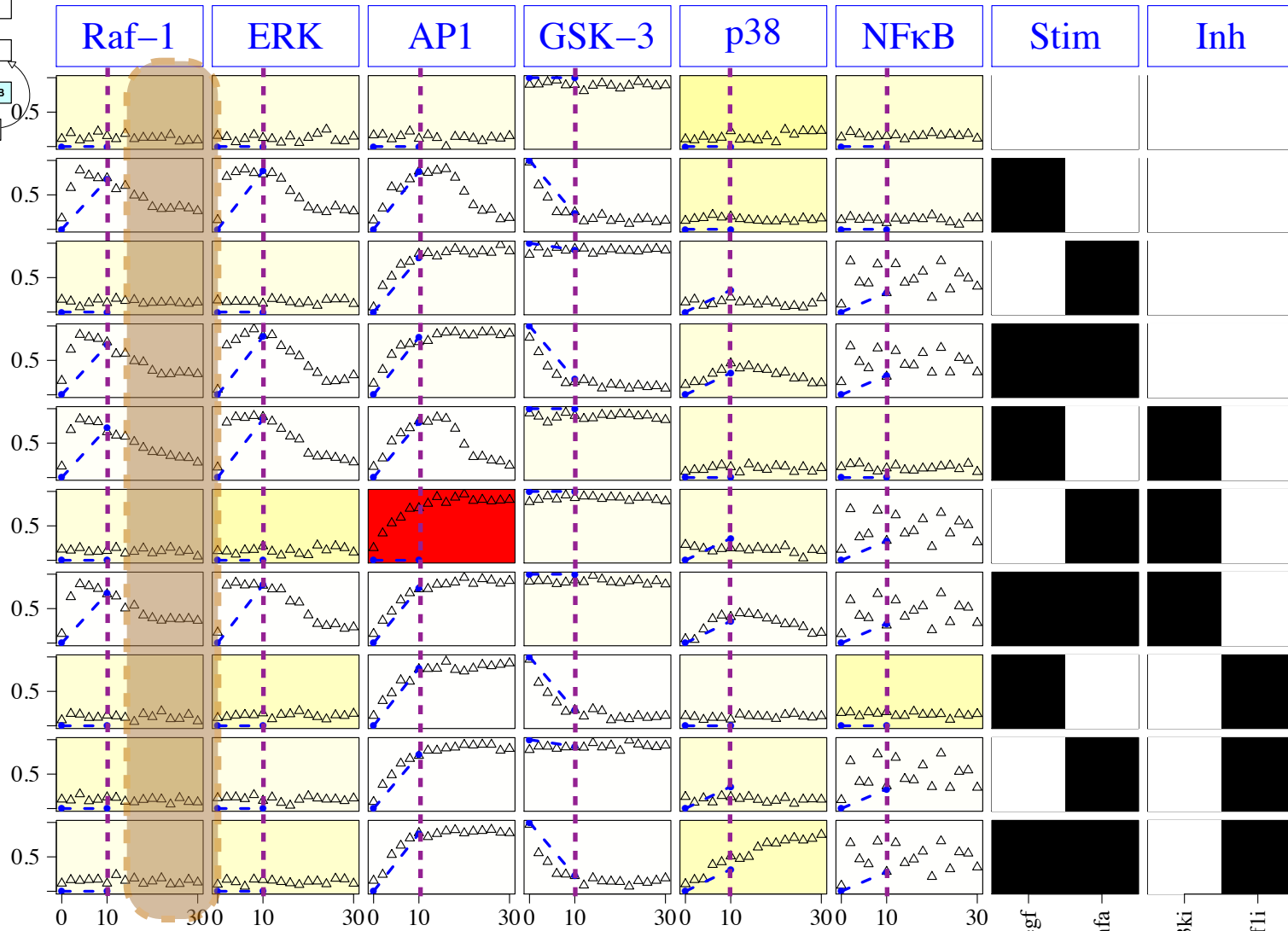
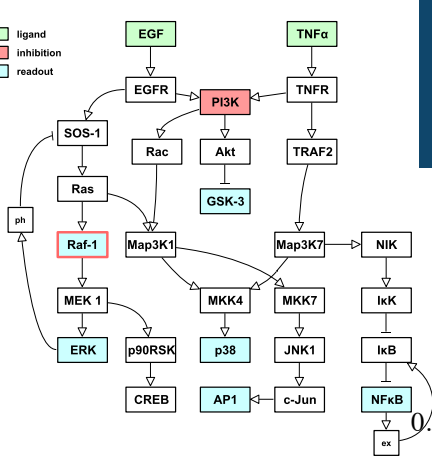
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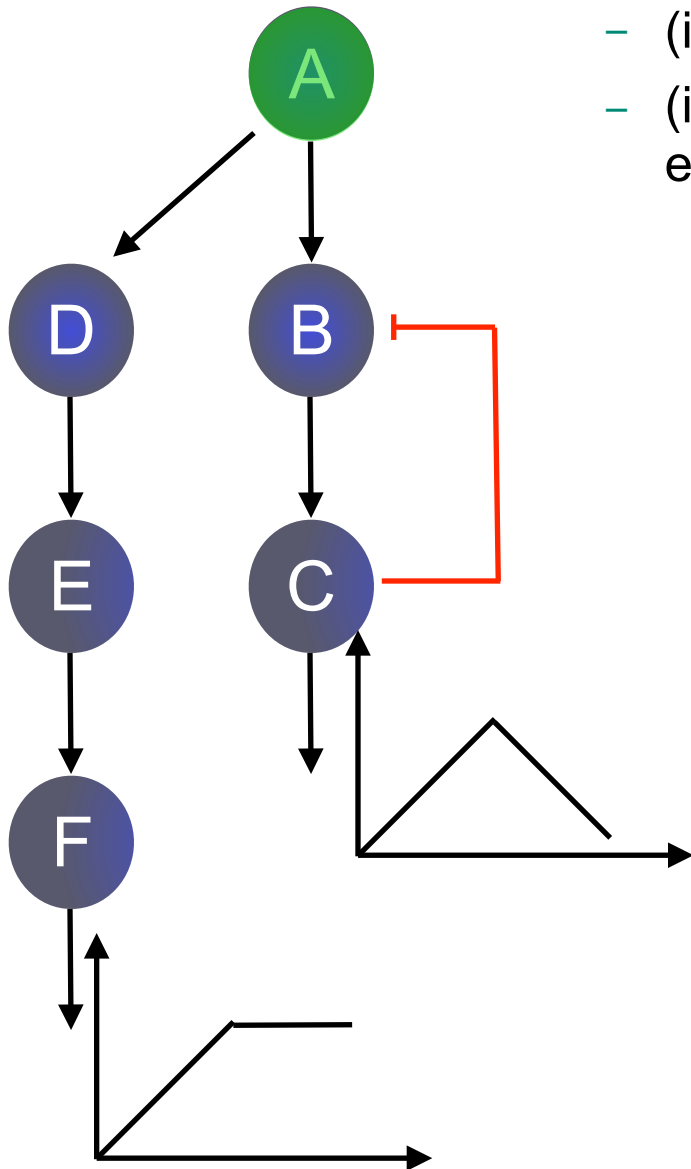
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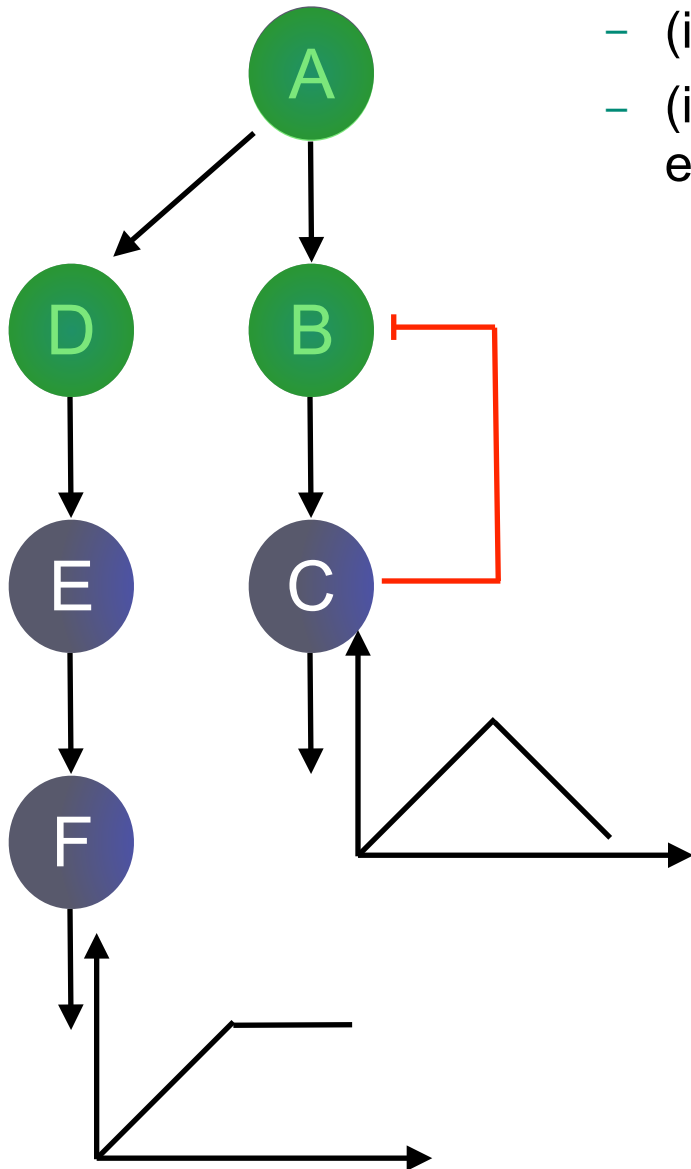
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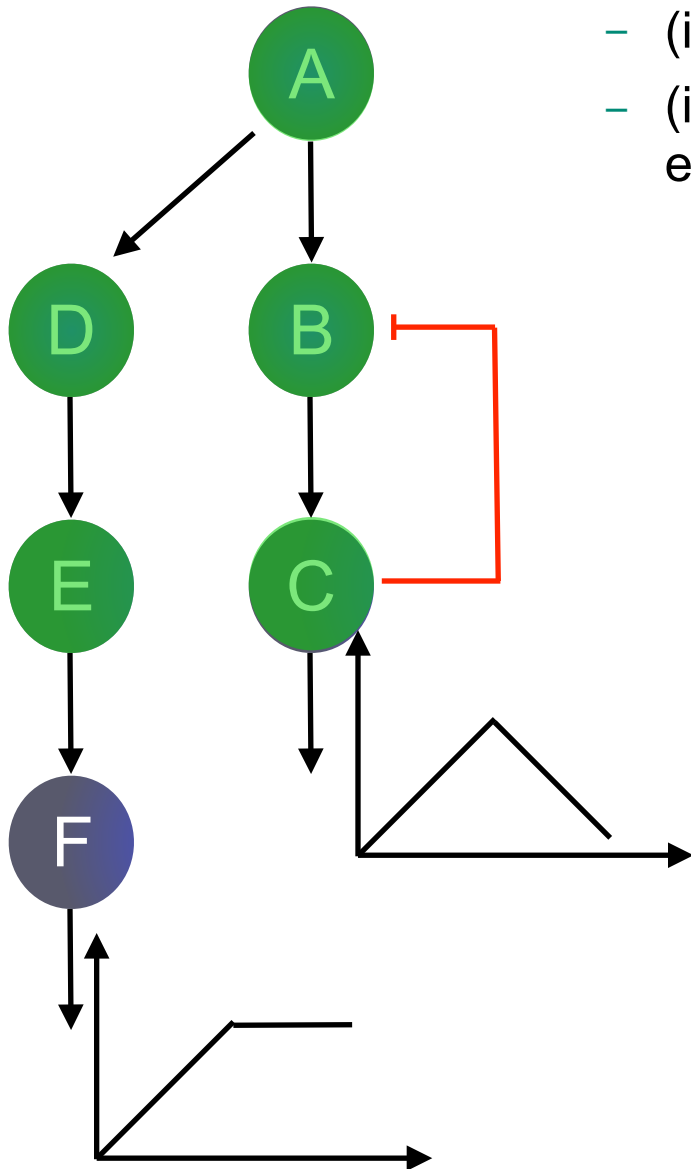
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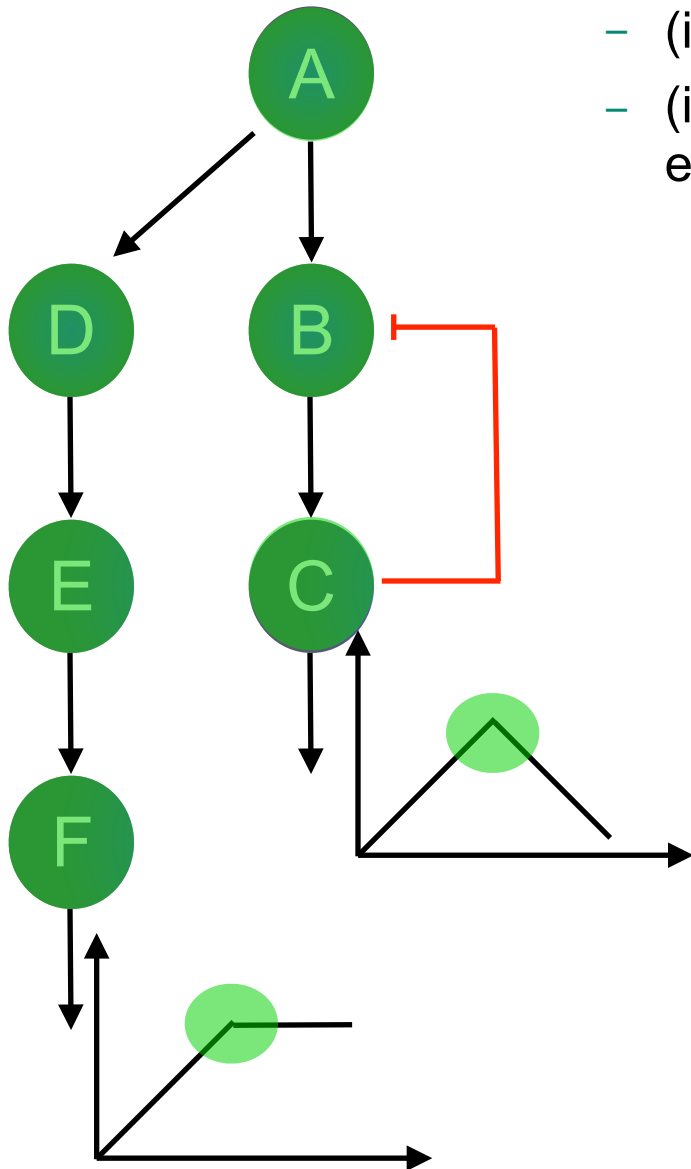
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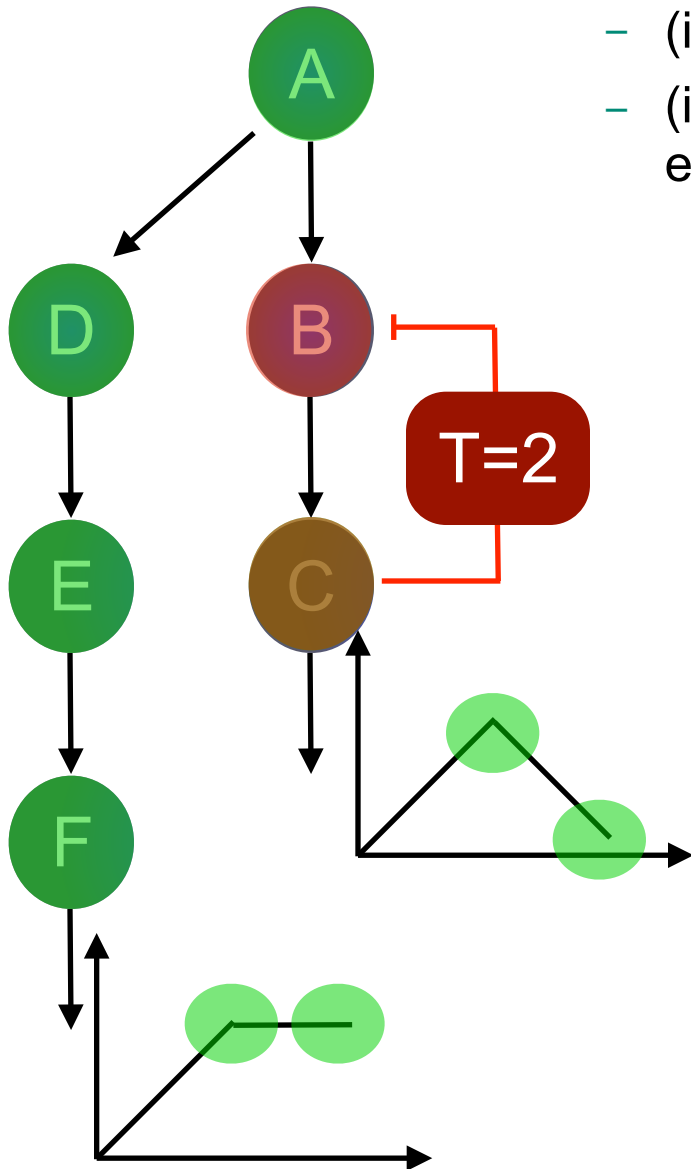
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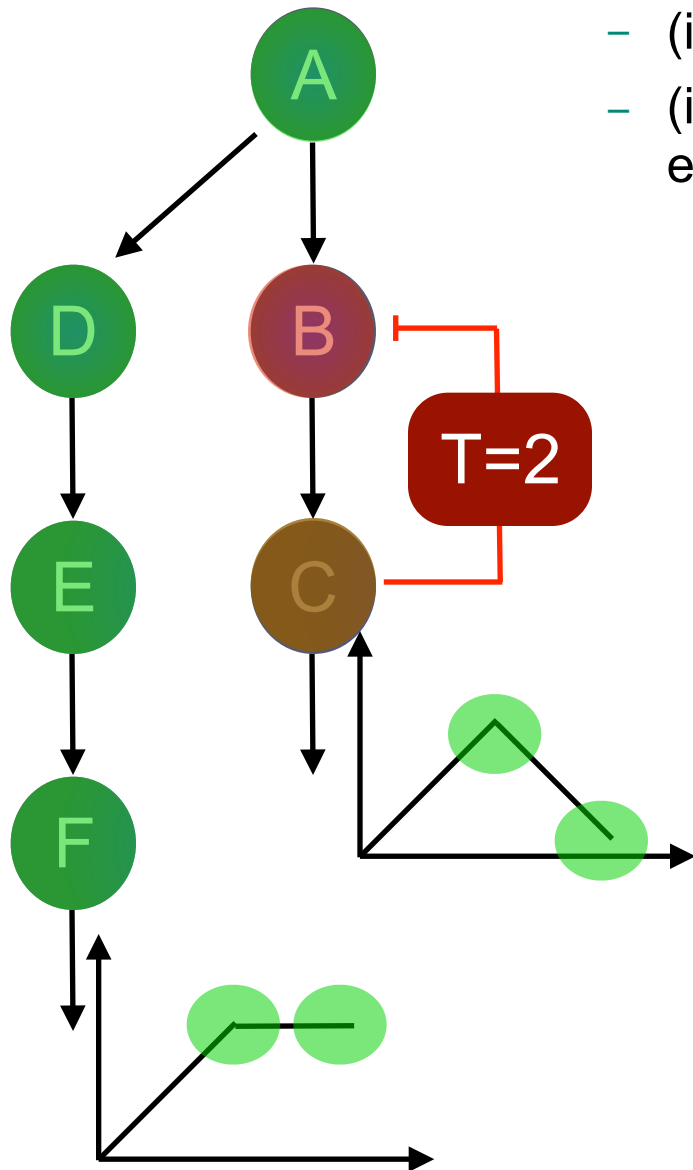
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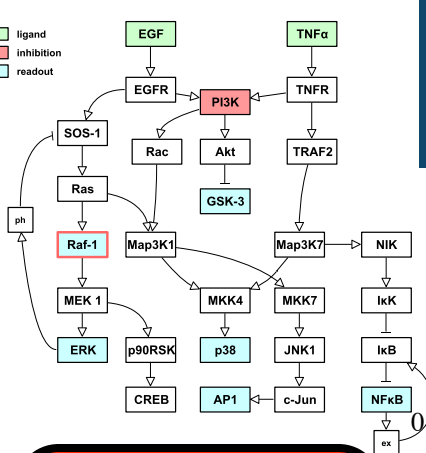
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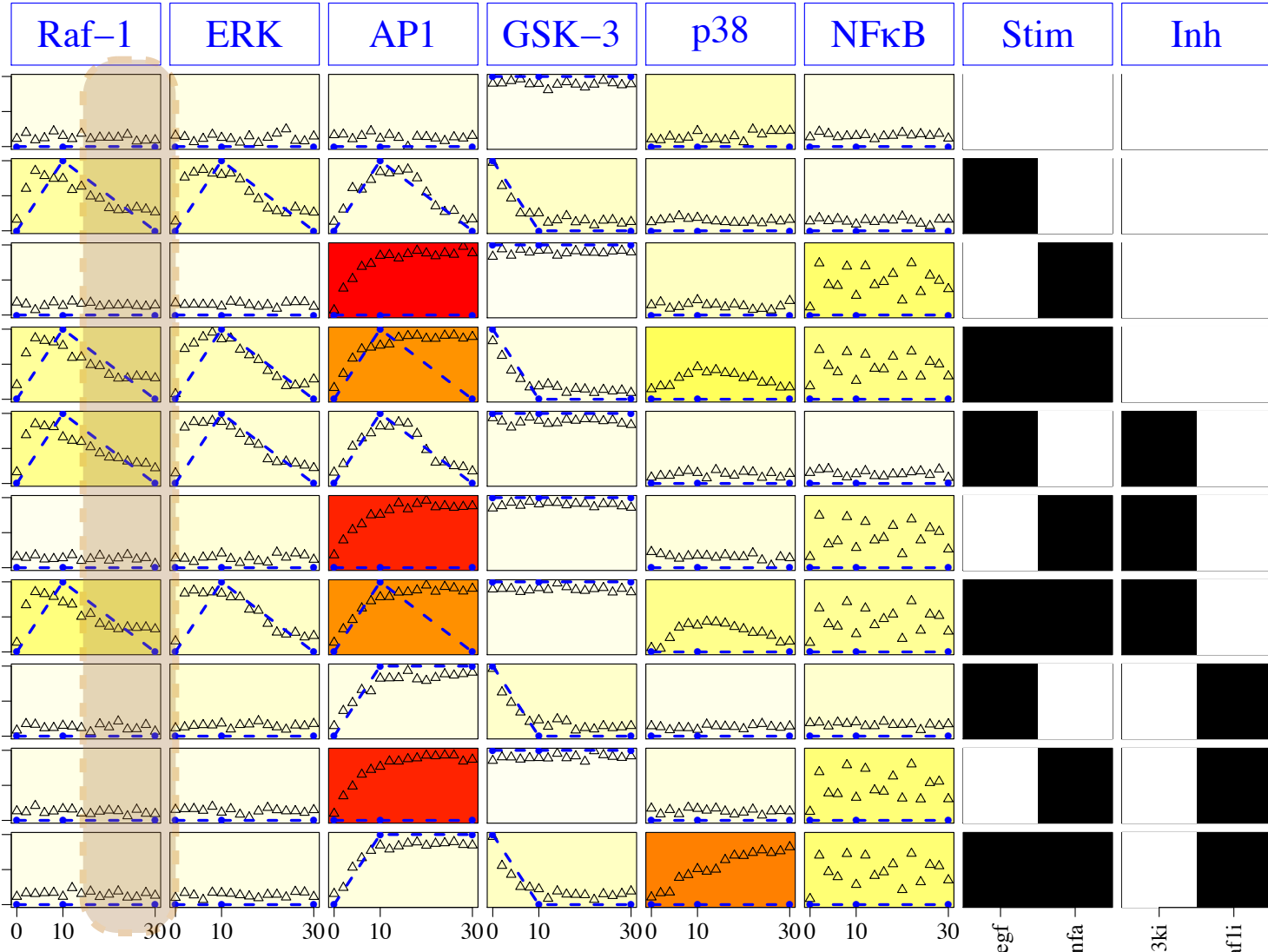
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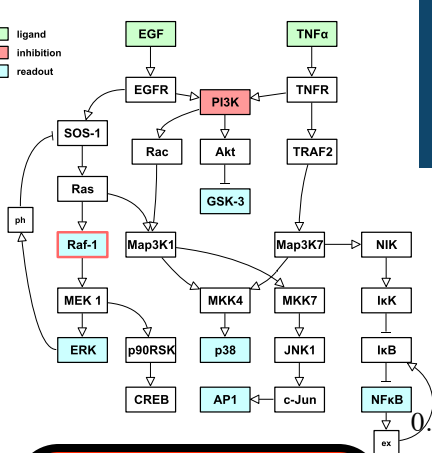


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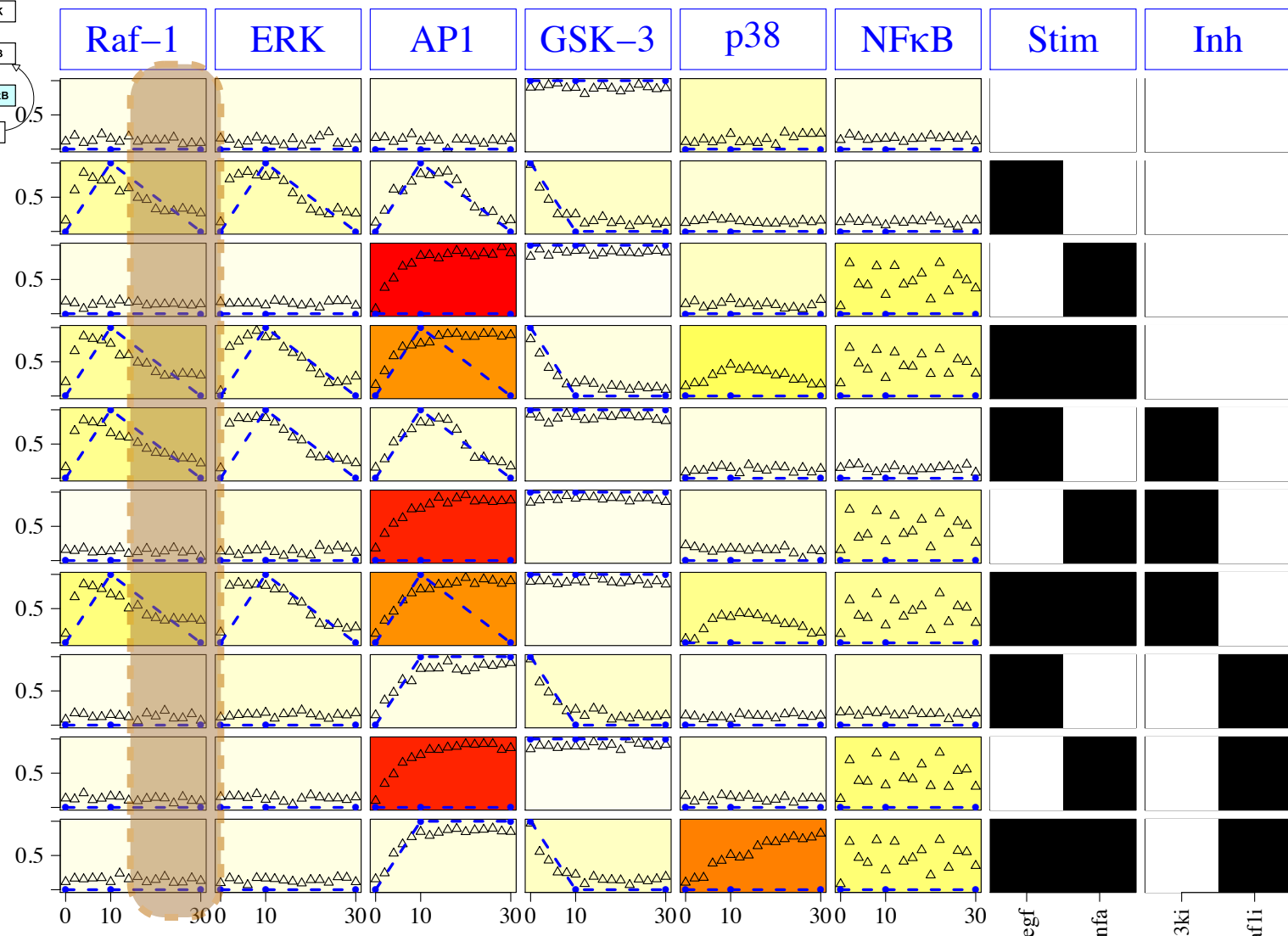


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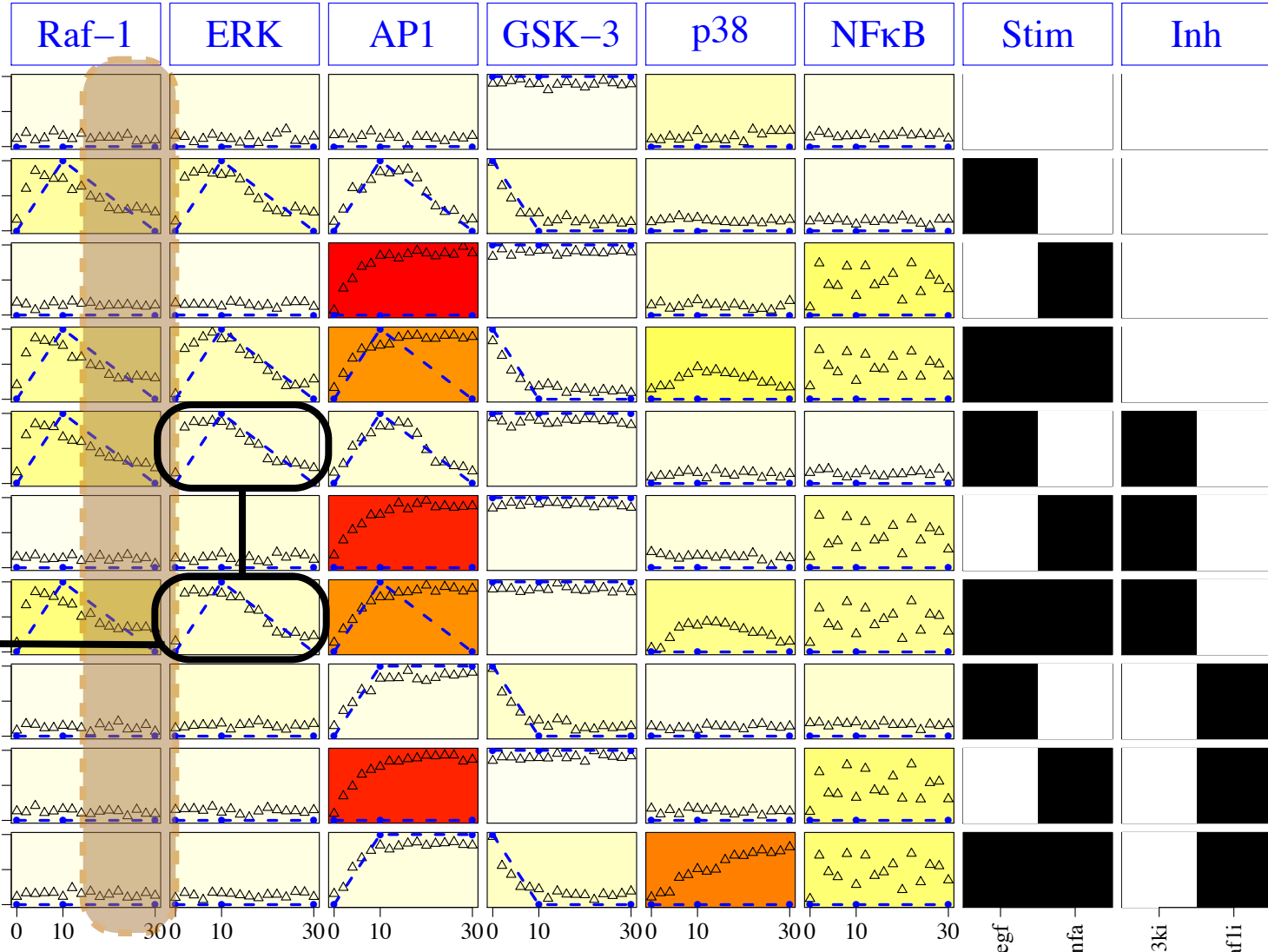
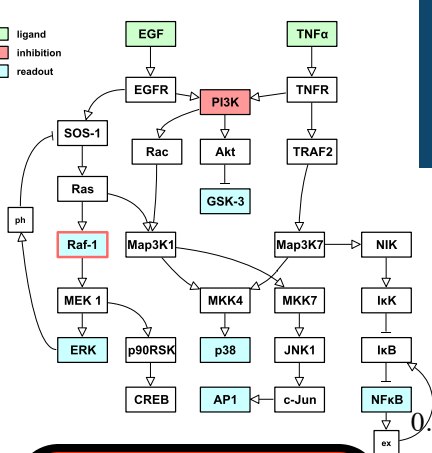


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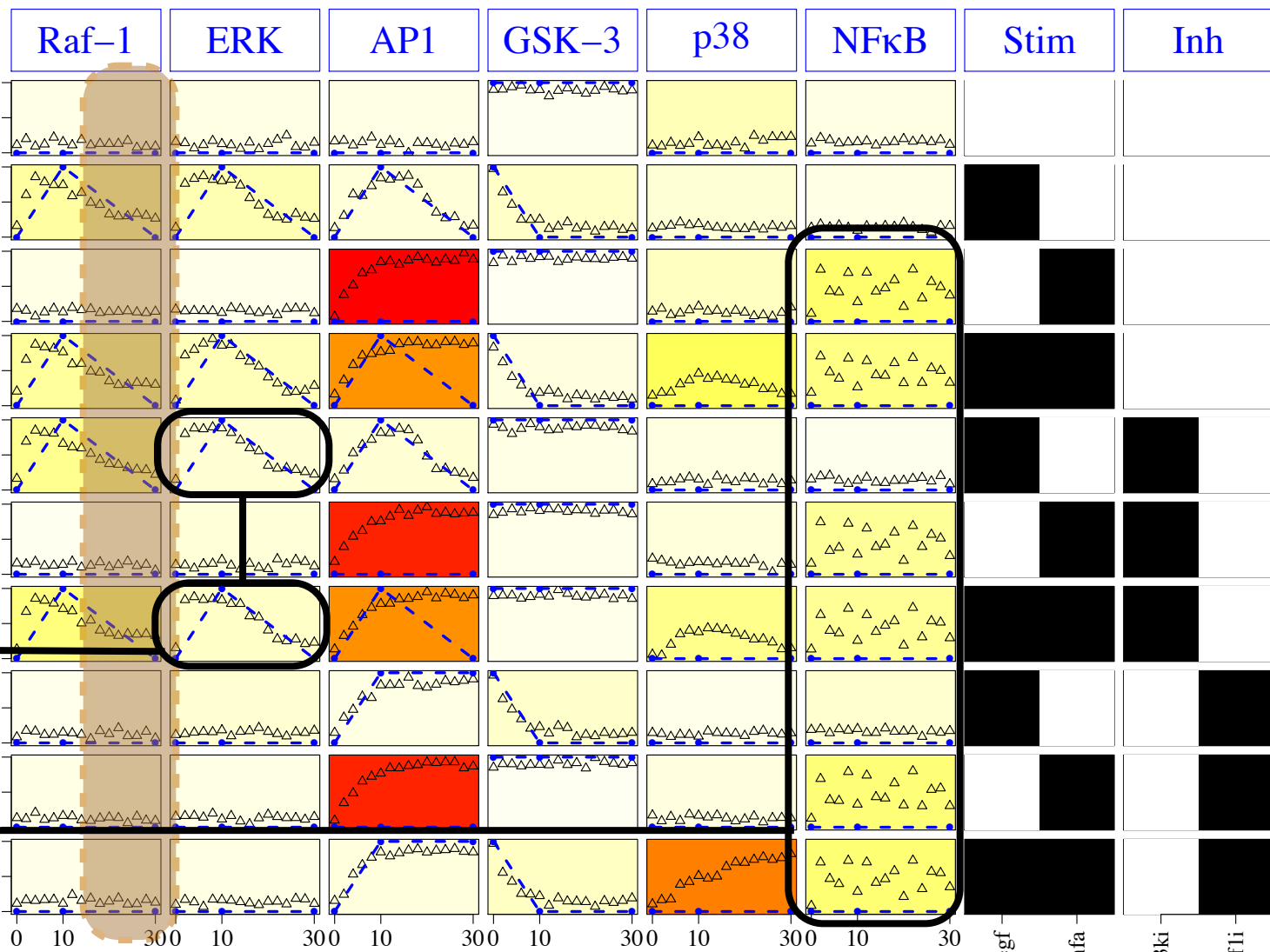
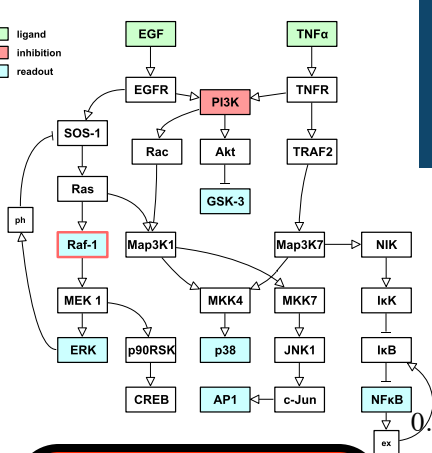


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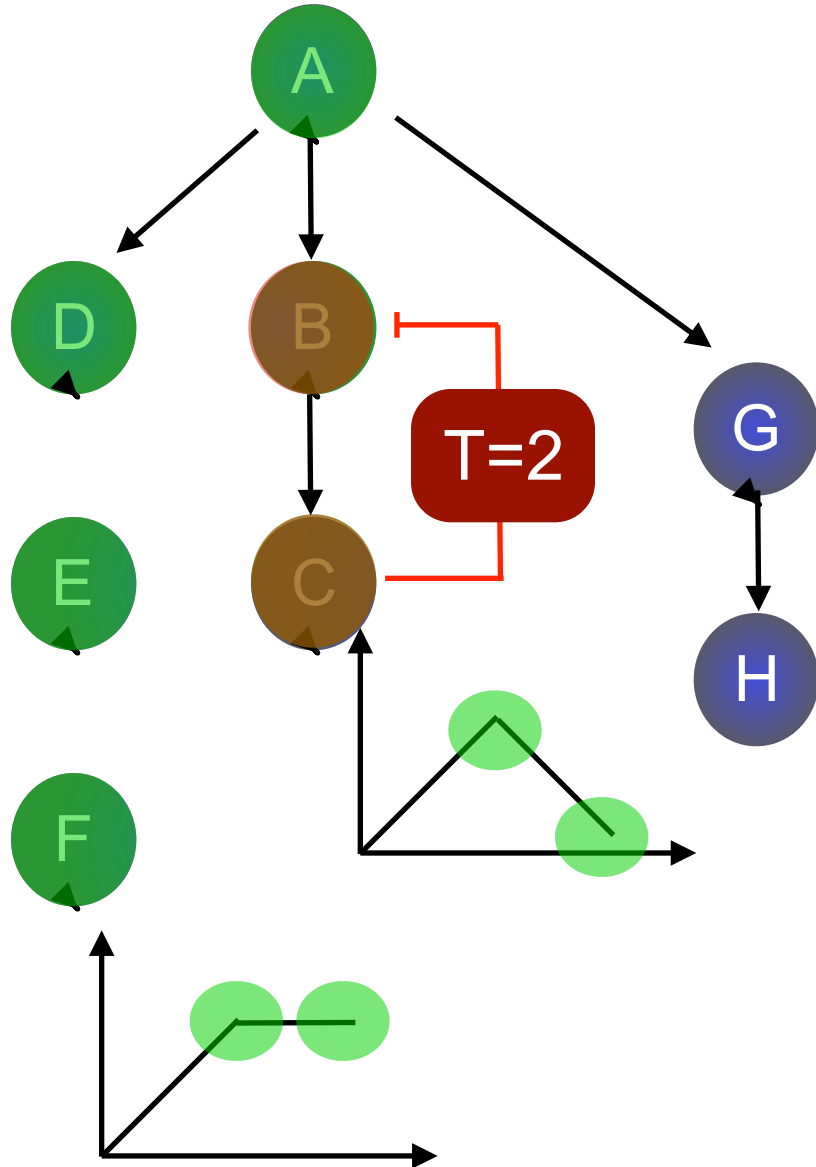
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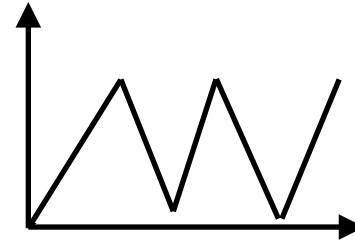
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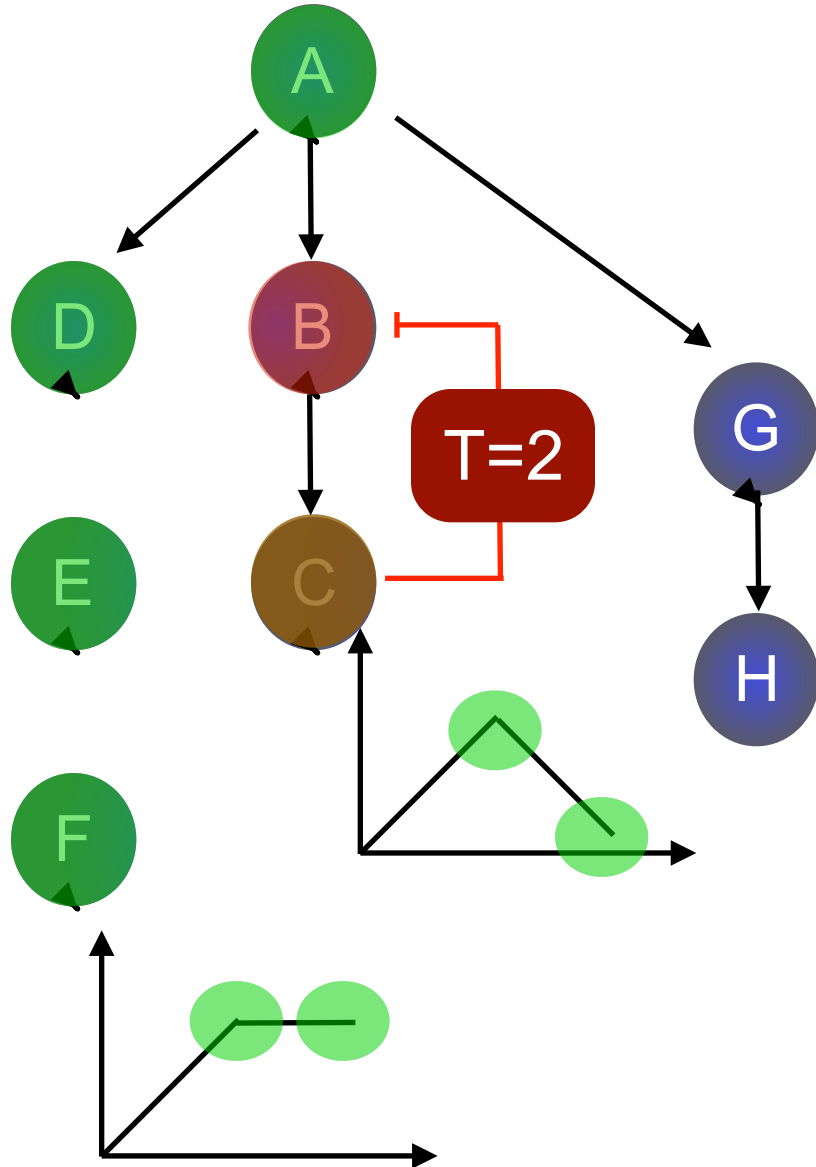


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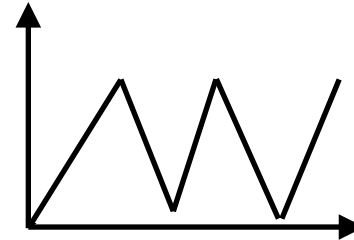




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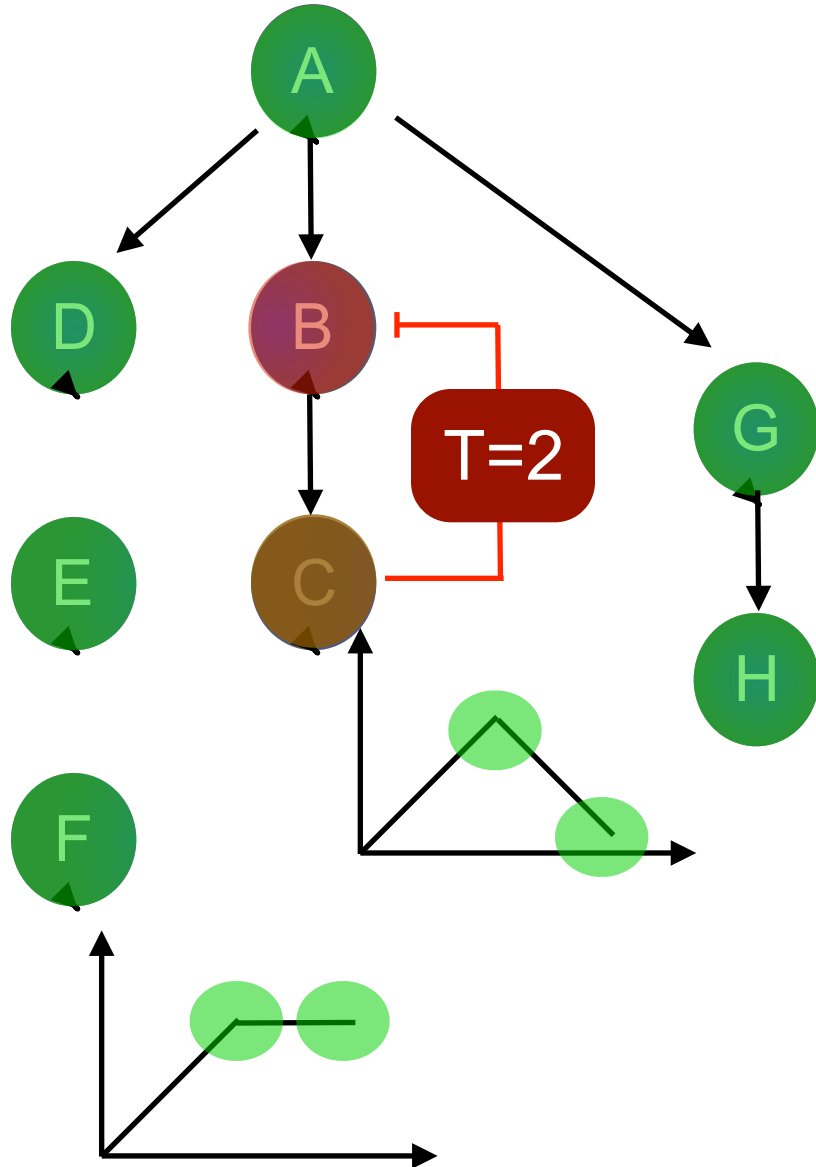


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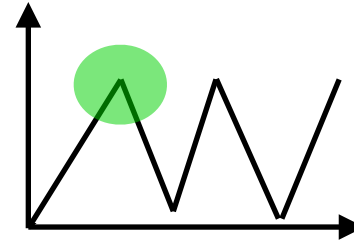




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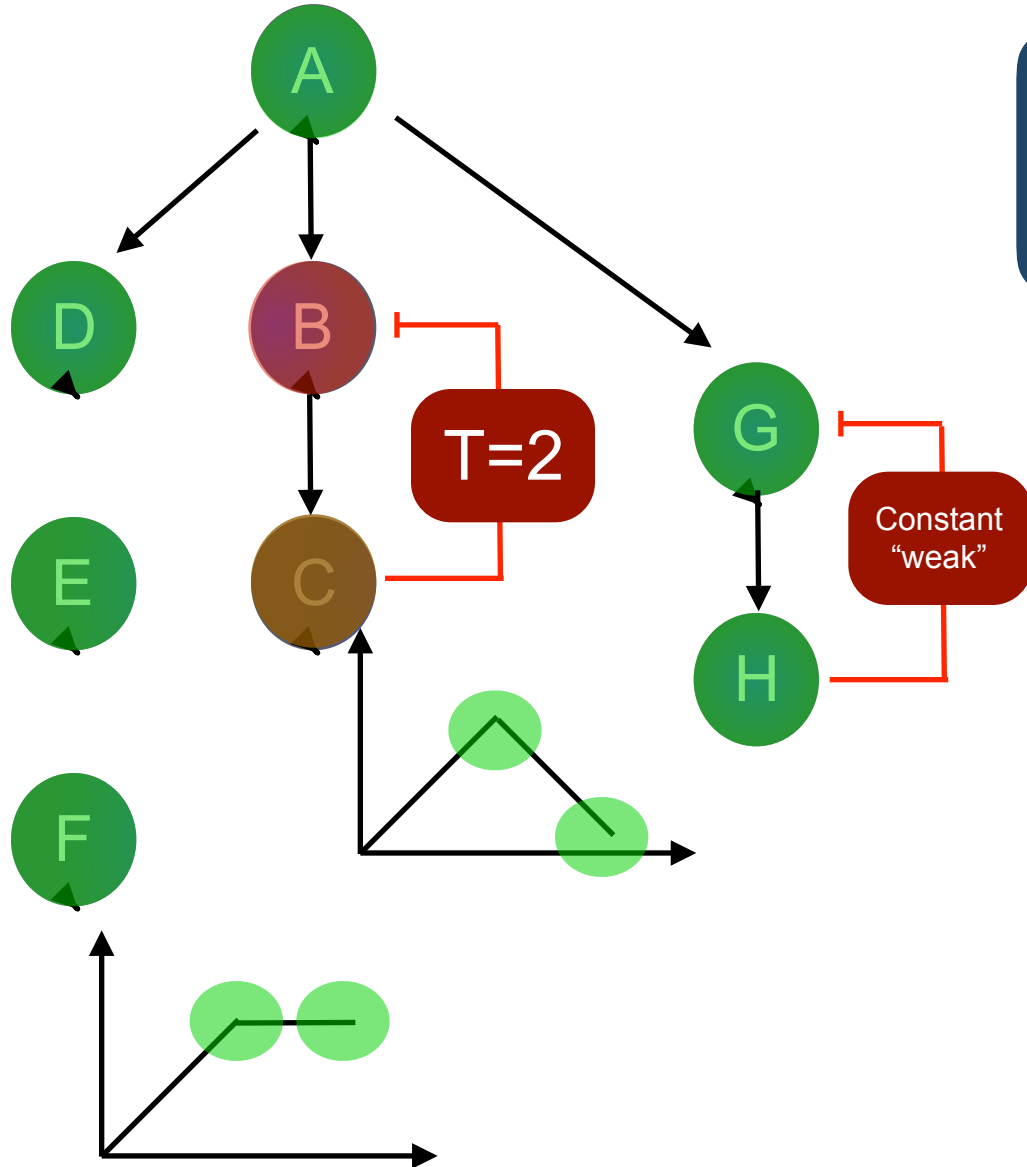


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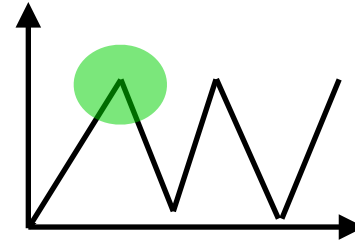




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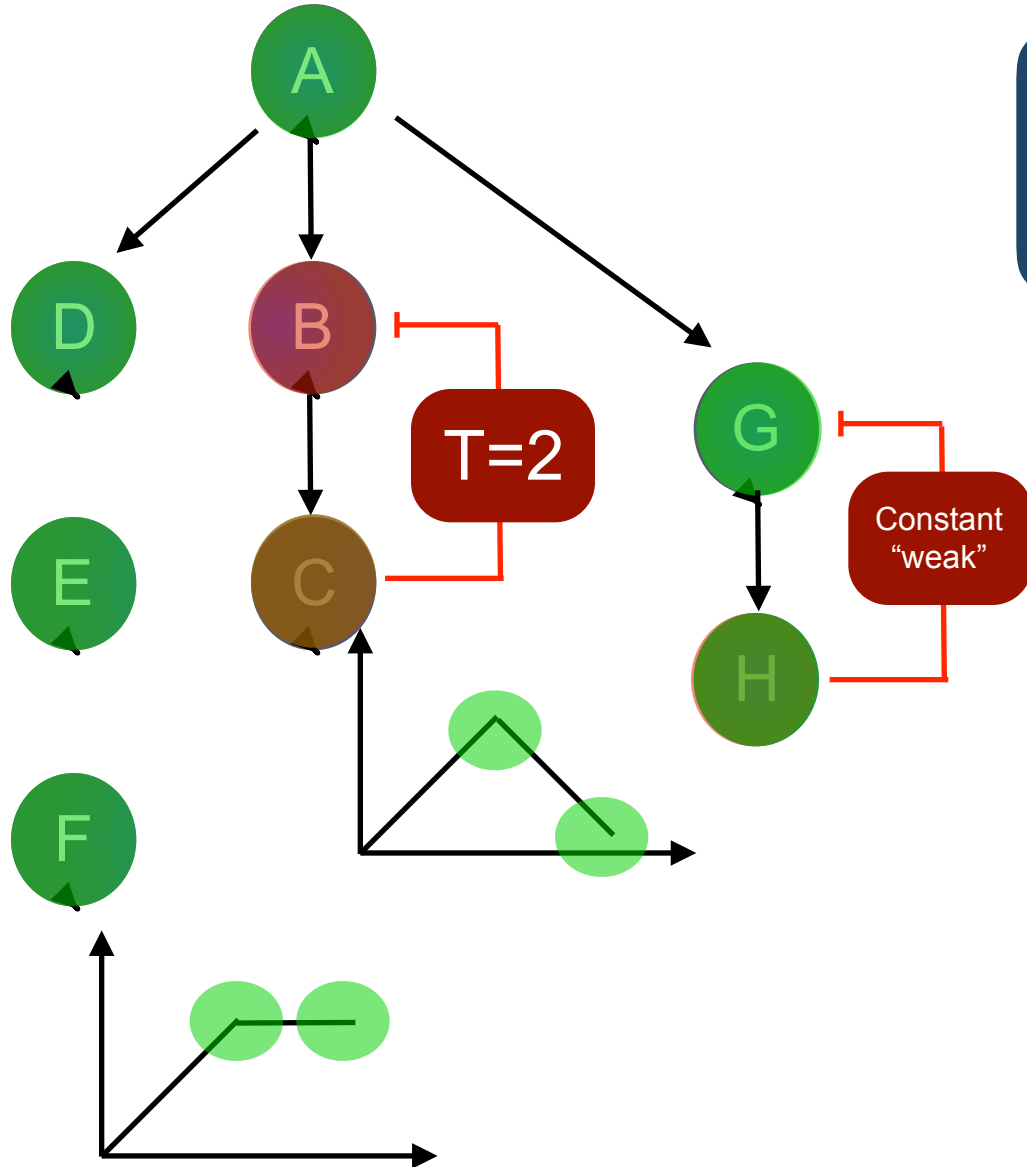


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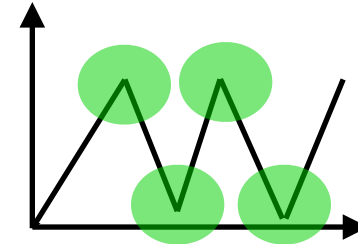




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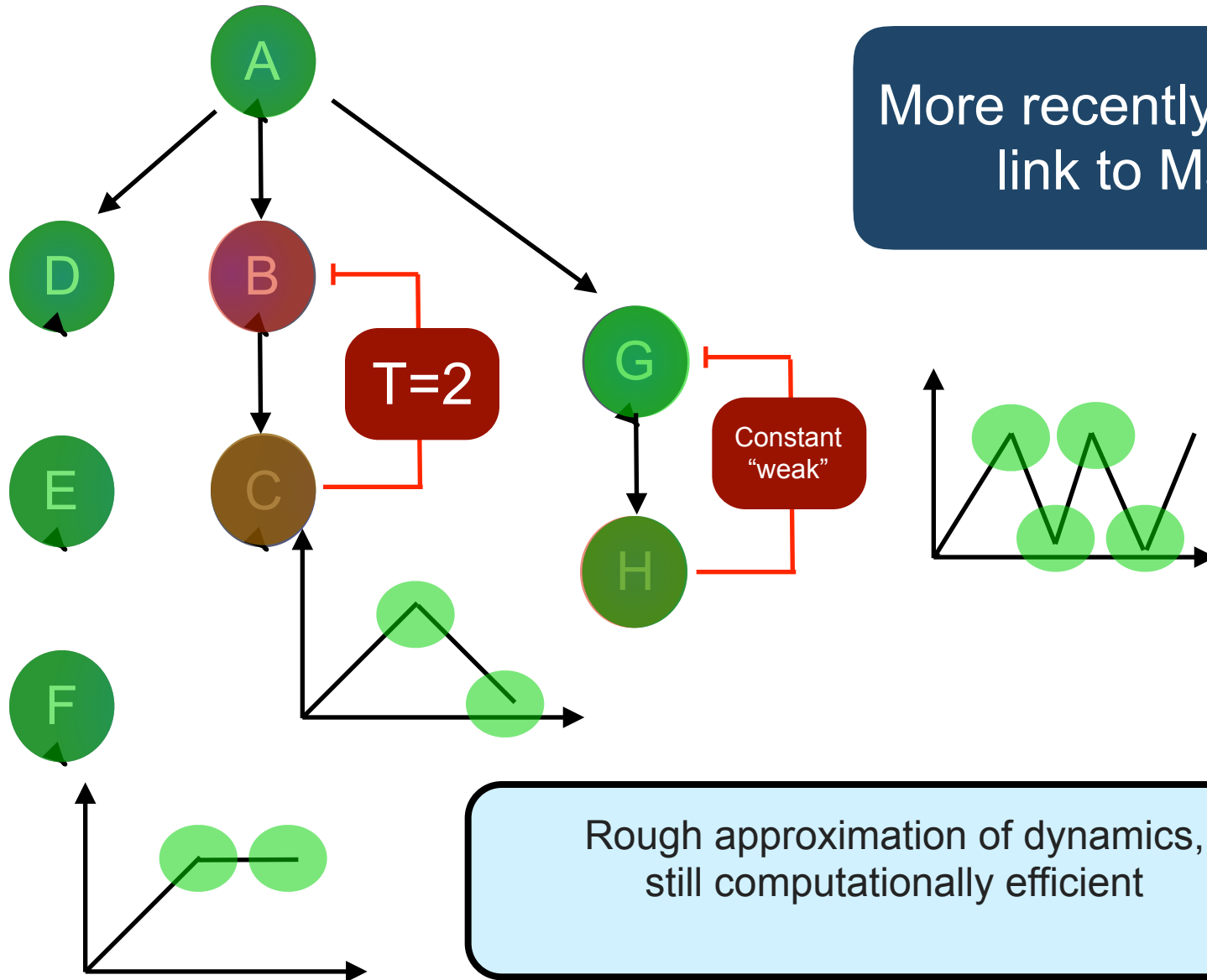


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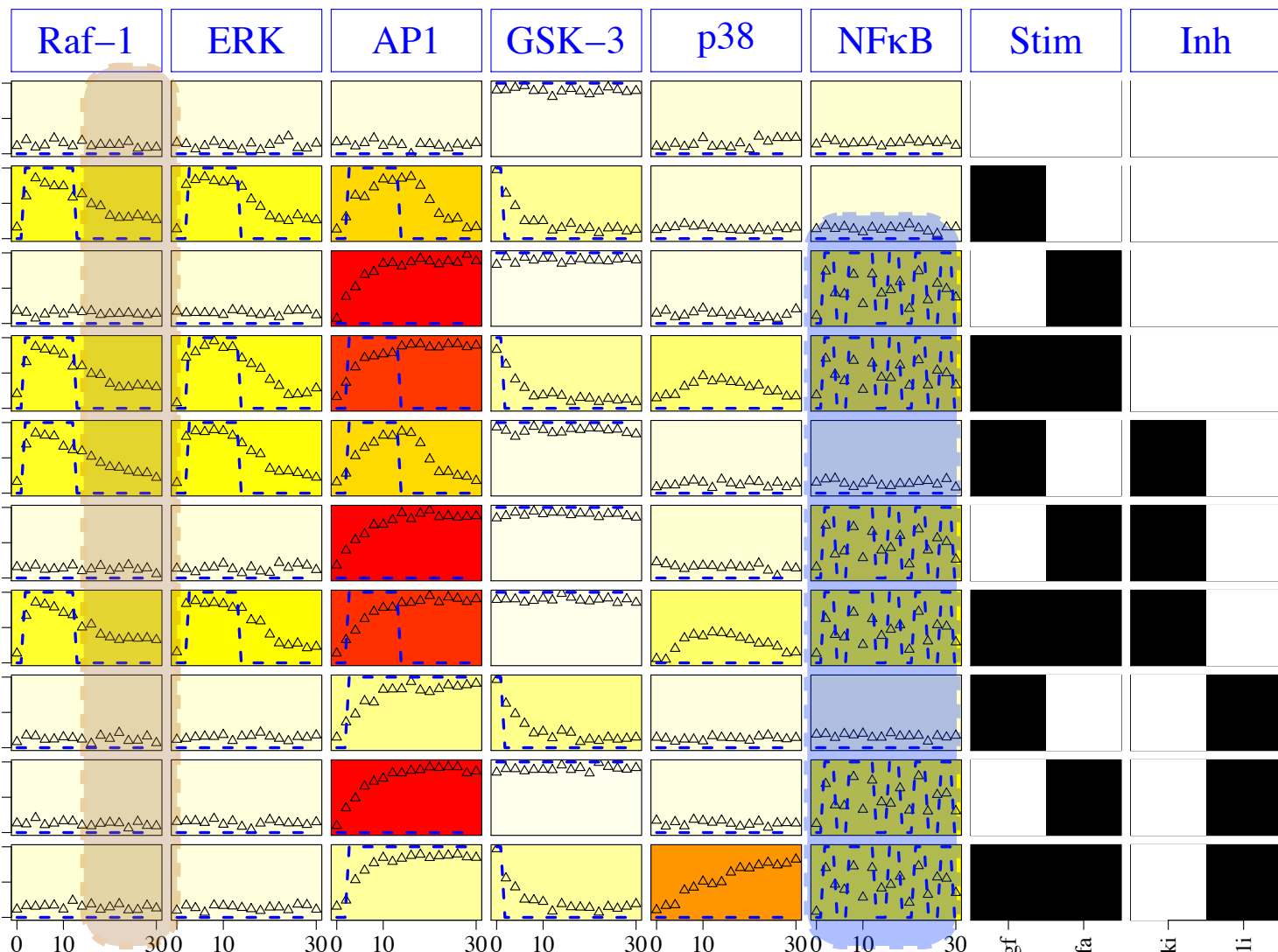
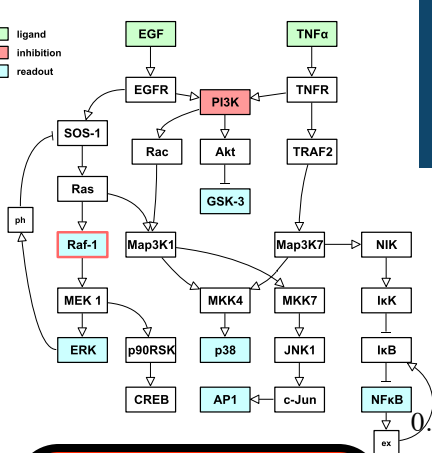
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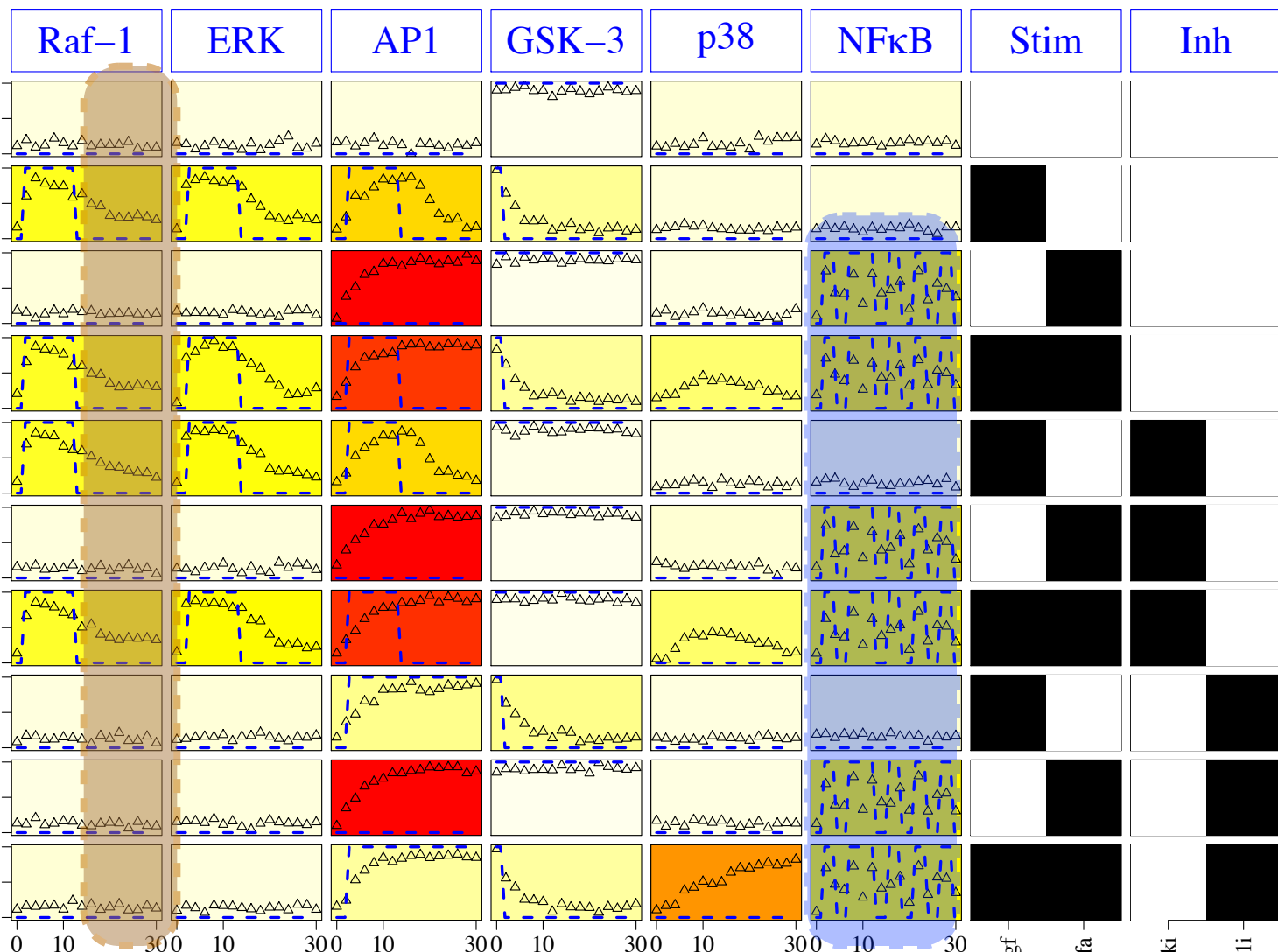
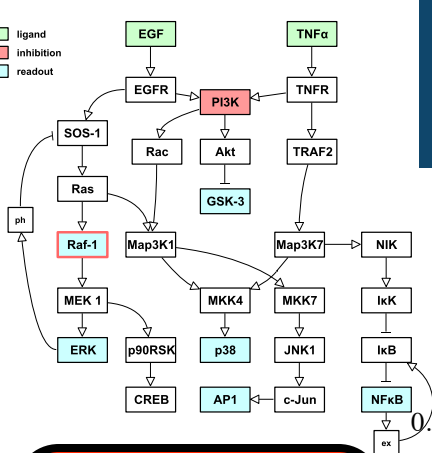


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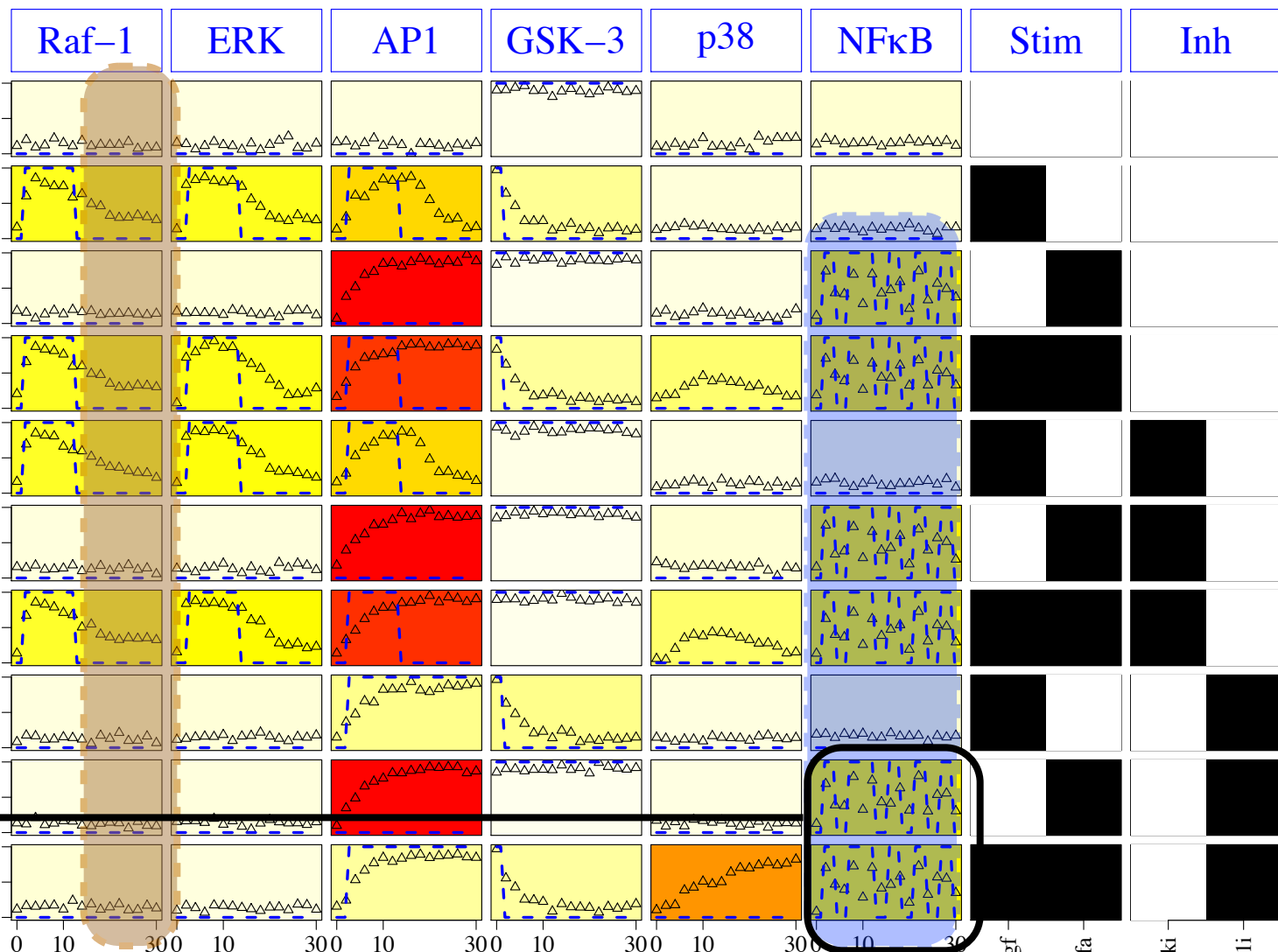
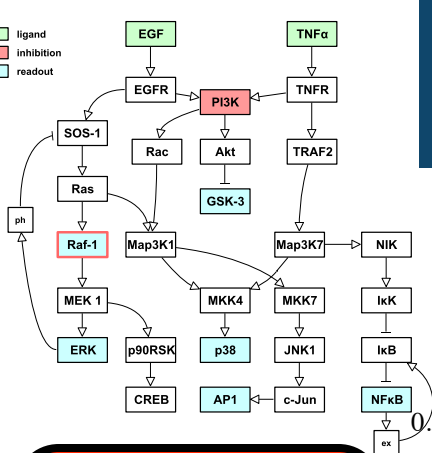


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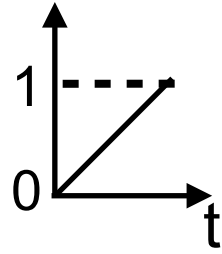
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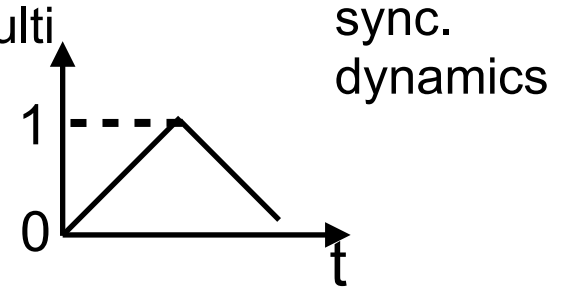


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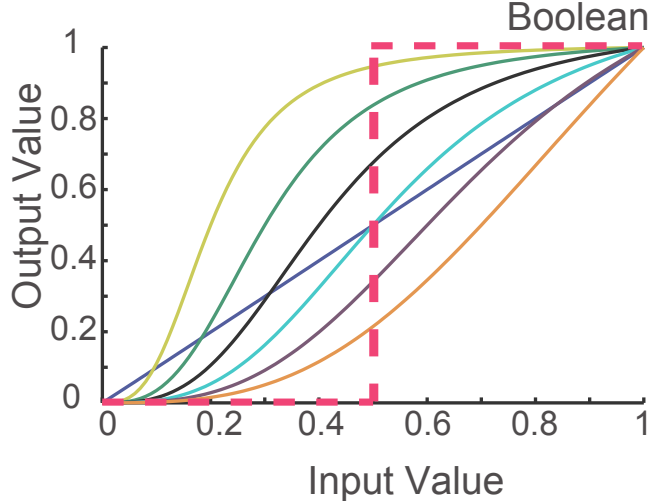
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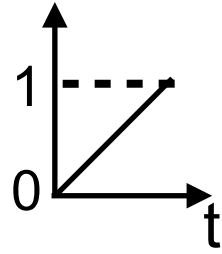


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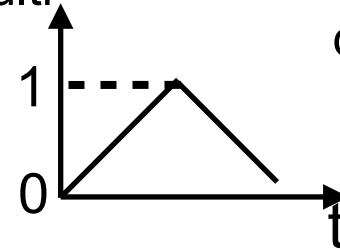


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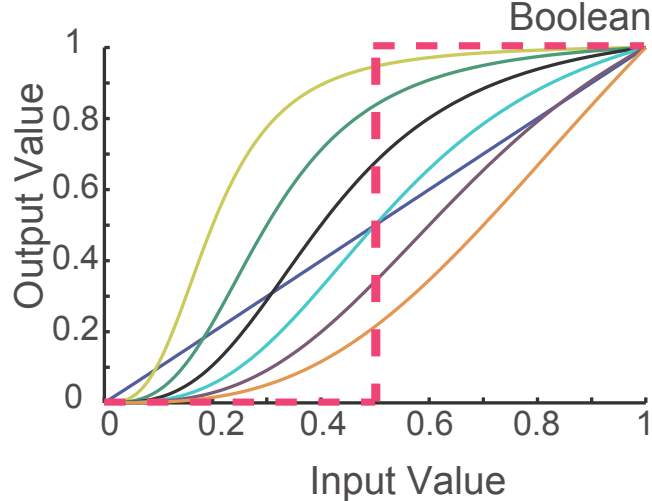


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mathematically 'well-behaved'

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$$d/dt(pi3k) = ((egfr^{pi3k_n_egfr}/(egfr^{pi3k_n_egfr}+pi3k_k_egfr^{pi3k_n_egfr})*(1+pi3k_k_egfr^{pi3k_n_egfr})-pi3k) * pi3k_tauin v)*(1-pi3k_inh)$$

$$d/dt(ikb) = (((tnfa^{ikb_n_tnfa}/(tnfa^{ikb_n_tnfa}+ikb_k_tnfa^{ikb_n_tnfa})*(1+ikb_k_tnfa^{ikb_n_tnfa})*(1-pi3k^{ikb_n_pi3k}/(pi3k^{ikb_n_pi3k}+ikb_k_pi3k^{ikb_n_pi3k})*(1+ikb_k_pi3k^{ikb_n_pi3k}))+1-tnfa^{ikb_n_tnfa}/(tnfa^{ikb_n_tnfa}+ikb_k_tnfa^{ikb_n_tnfa})*(1+ikb_k_tnfa^{ikb_n_tnfa}))*pi3k^{ikb_n_pi3k}/(pi3k^{ikb_n_pi3k}+ikb_k_pi3k^{ikb_n_pi3k})*(1+ikb_k_pi3k^{ikb_n_pi3k})+tnfa^{ikb_n_tnfa}/(tnfa^{ikb_n_tnfa}+ikb_k_tnfa^{ikb_n_tnfa})*(1+ikb_k_tnfa^{ikb_n_tnfa}))*pi3k^{ikb_n_pi3k}/(pi3k^{ikb_n_pi3k}+ikb_k_pi3k^{ikb_n_pi3k})*(1+ikb_k_pi3k^{ikb_n_pi3k})-ikb) * ikb_tauin v)*(1-ikb_inh)$$

$$d/dt(gsk3) = (((1-akt^{gsk3_n_akt}/(akt^{gsk3_n_akt}+gsk3_k_akt^{gsk3_n_akt})*(1+gsk3_k_akt^{gsk3_n_akt}))-gsk3) * gsk3_tauin v)*(1-gsk3_inh)$$

$$d/dt(erk12) = (((1-raf^{erk12_n_raf}/(raf^{erk12_n_raf}+erk12_k_raf^{erk12_n_raf})*(1+erk12_k_raf^{erk12_n_raf}))*1-ikb^{erk12_n_ikb}/(ikb^{erk12_n_ikb}+erk12_k_ikb^{erk12_n_ikb})*(1+erk12_k_ikb^{erk12_n_ikb}))+raf^{erk12_n_raf}/(raf^{erk12_n_raf}+erk12_k_raf^{erk12_n_raf})*(1+erk12_k_raf^{erk12_n_raf}))*1-ikb^{erk12_n_ikb}/(ikb^{erk12_n_ikb}+erk12_k_ikb^{erk12_n_ikb})*(1+erk12_k_ikb^{erk12_n_ikb}))+raf^{erk12_n_raf}/(raf^{erk12_n_raf}+erk12_k_raf^{erk12_n_raf})*(1+erk12_k_raf^{erk12_n_raf}))*1-ikb^{erk12_n_ikb}/(ikb^{erk12_n_ikb}+erk12_k_ikb^{erk12_n_ikb})*(1+erk12_k_ikb^{erk12_n_ikb}))-erk12) * erk12_tauin v)*(1-erk12_inh)$$

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ODEs can be automatically generated from Boolean model (Odefy)

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$d/dt(tgfa) = 0*$

$d/dt(raf) = ((egfr_inh)$

$d/dt(pi3k) = ((egfr_tauinv)*$
 $(1-pi3k_inh)$

$d/dt(ikb) = ((tnfa_inh)$
 $(pi3k^ikb_n_pi3k$
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 $*pi3k^ikb_n_pi3k$

$d/dt(gsk3) = ((gsk3_tauinv)*$

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 $* erk12$

Even if structure is known need to identify parameters, difficult optimisation problem (similar to biochemical ODEs)

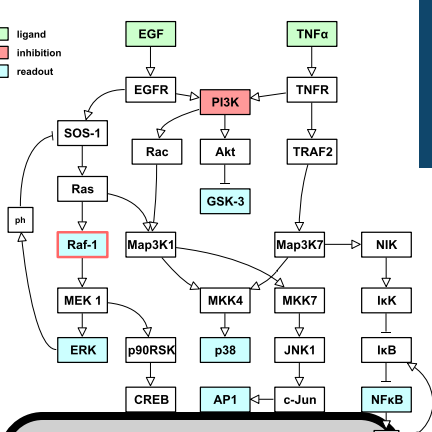
$$\frac{d}{dt}c = \frac{1}{\tau} \left(\frac{a^{n_a} * (1 + k_a^{n_a}) * (1 - b^{n_b}) * (1 + k_b^{n_b})}{(a^{n_a} + k_a^{n_a}) * (b^{n_b} + k_b^{n_b})} + \frac{(1 - a^{n_a}) * (1 + k_a^{n_a}) * b^{n_b} * (1 + k_b^{n_b})}{(a^{n_a} + k_a^{n_a}) * (b^{n_b} + k_b^{n_b})} + \frac{a^{n_a} * (1 + k_a^{n_a}) * b^{n_b} * (1 + k_b^{n_b})}{(a^{n_a} + k_a^{n_a}) * (b^{n_b} + k_b^{n_b})} - c \right)$$

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Fit of ODE model



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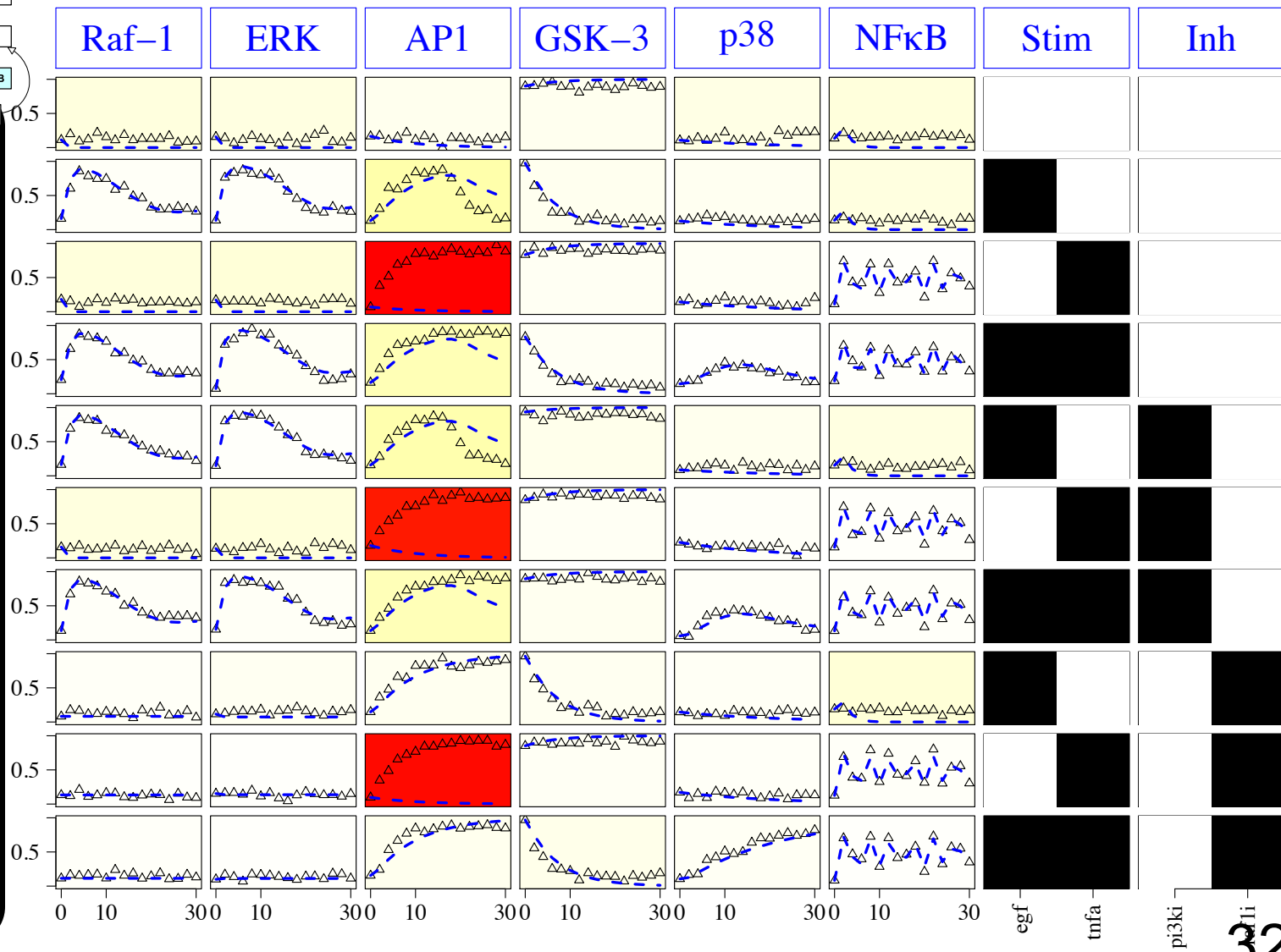
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ODE





CellNOpt-MaBOSS Fits can approximate dynamics



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Integration nearly ready:

fit of models simulated with MaBoss
(asynchronous, time-continuous)

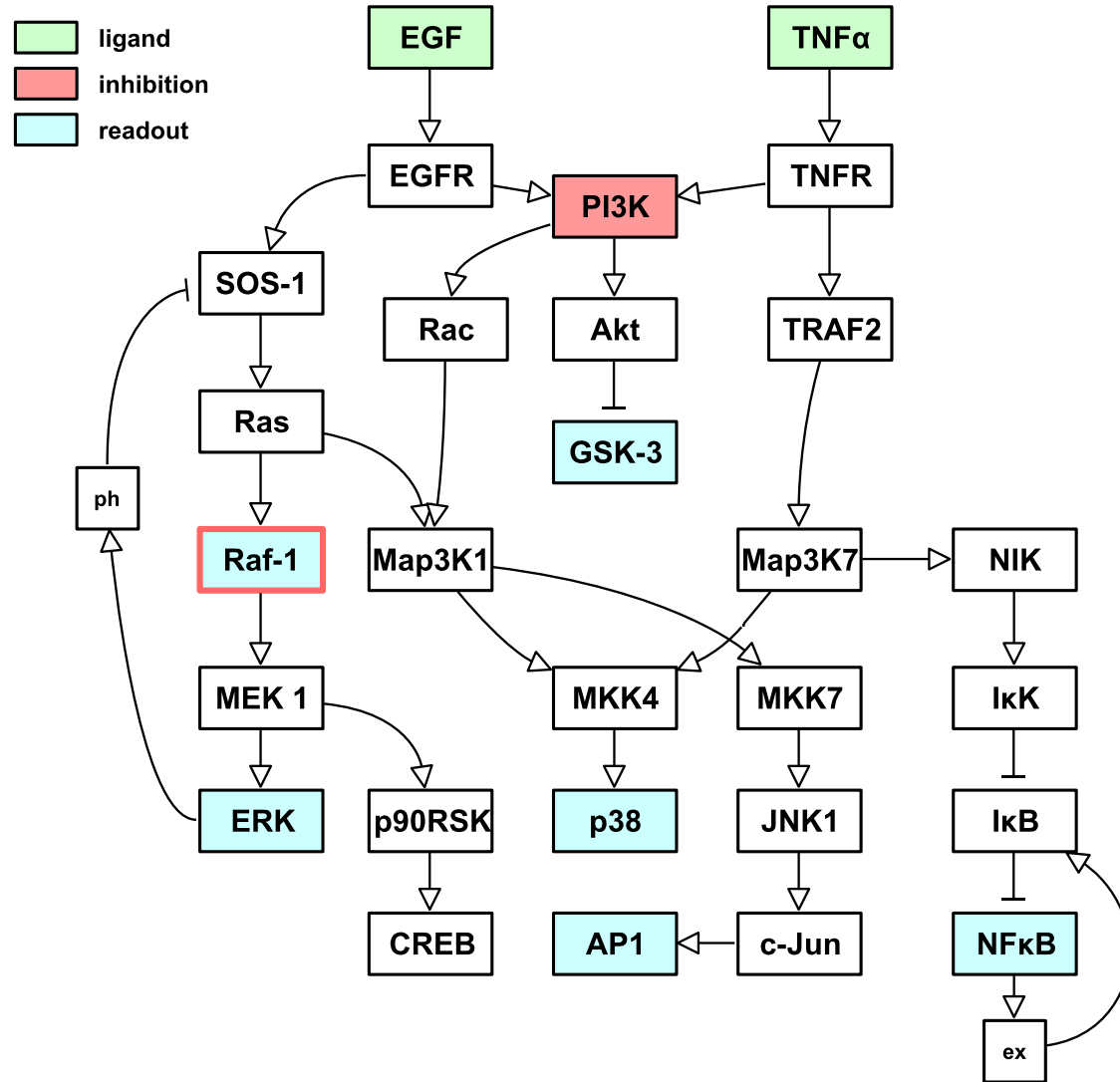
- fits time dynamics, still Boolean
- worse fit but faster than logic-ODES



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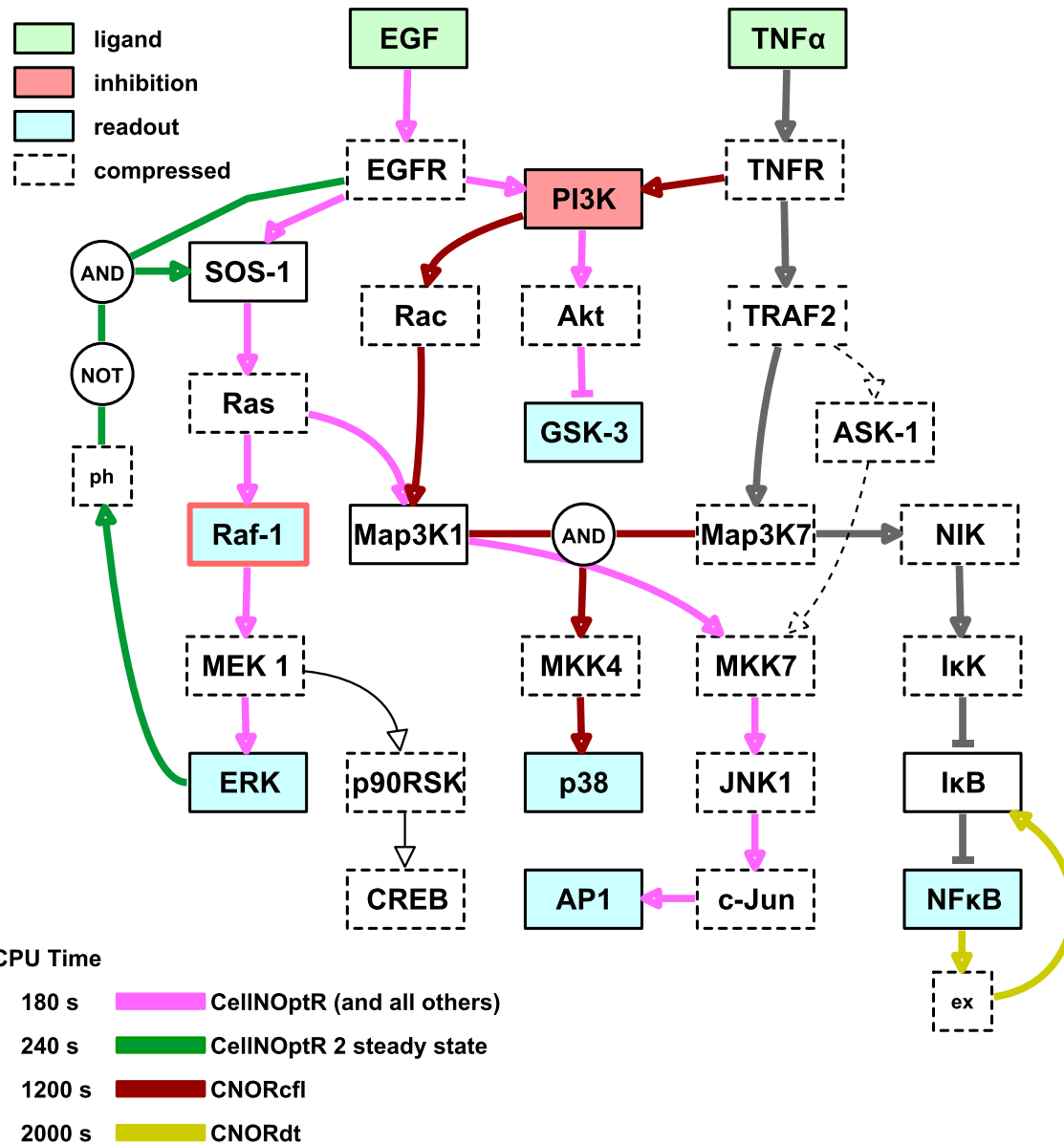




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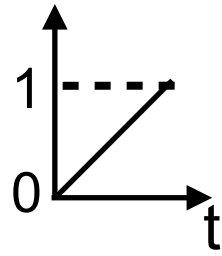
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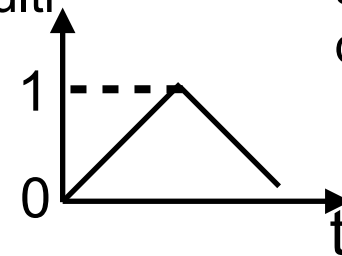


From Boolean to continuous and dynamic models within CellNOpt

Boolean (binary)
logic steady state



Boolean multi
time-scale

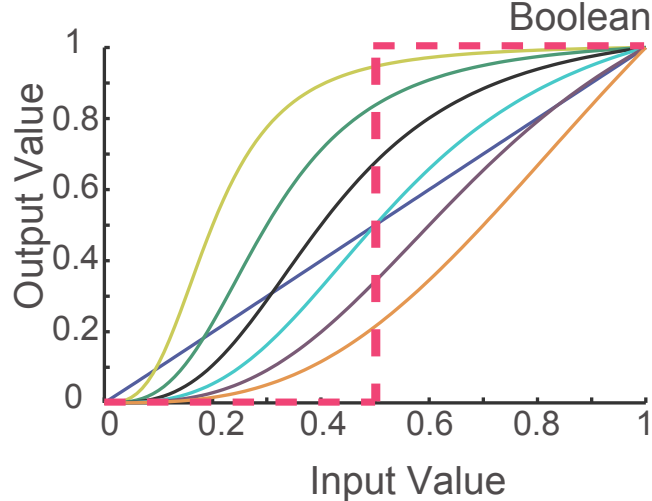


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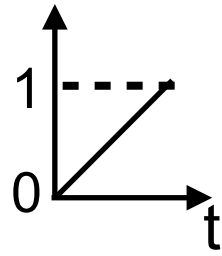


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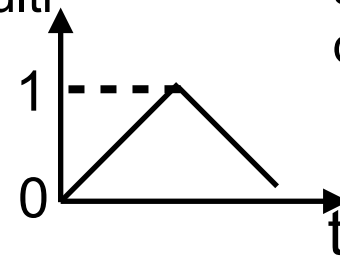


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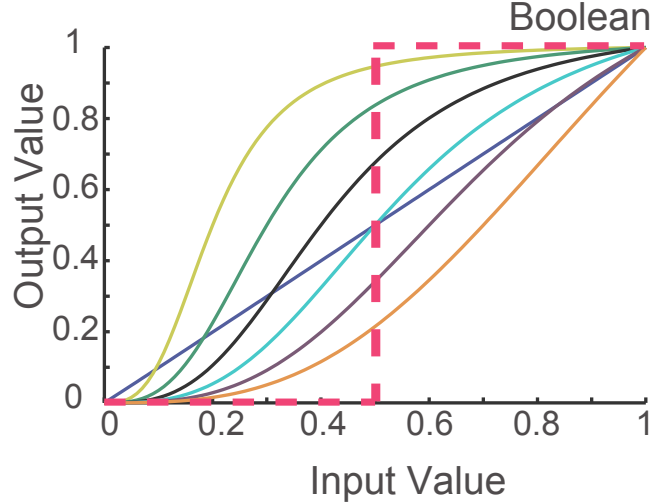


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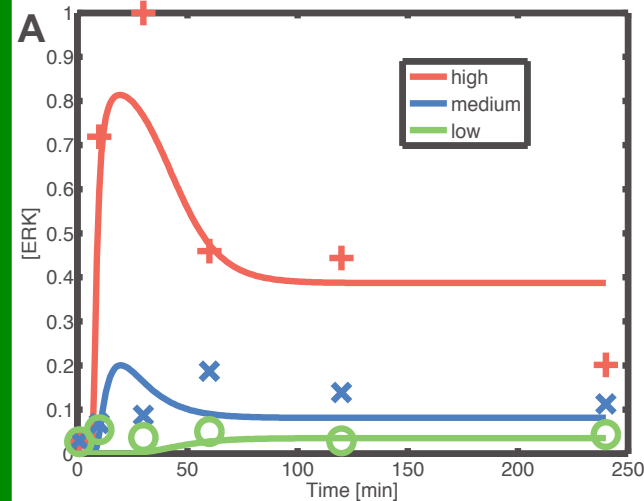
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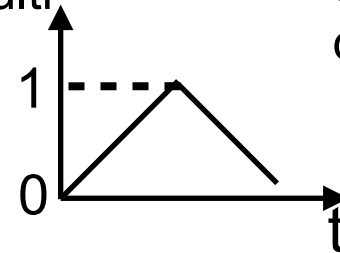
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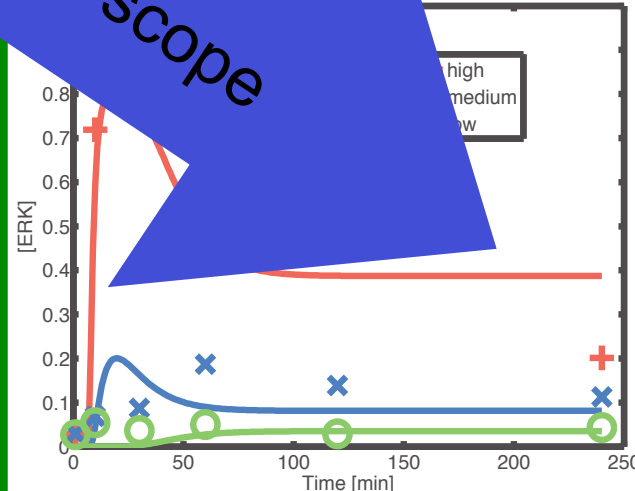
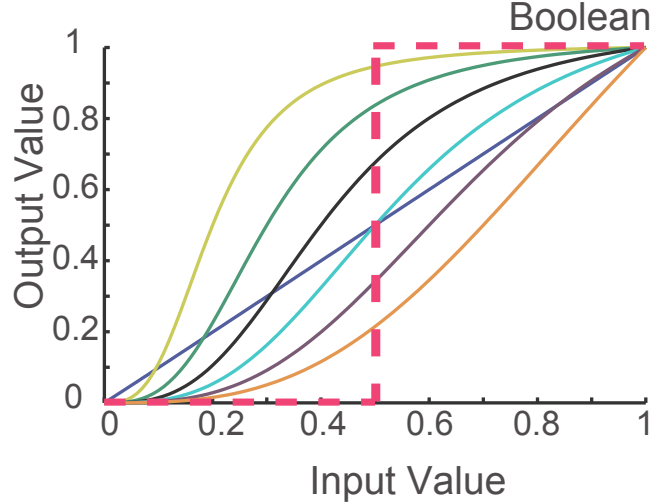


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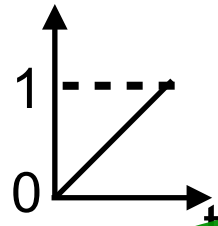
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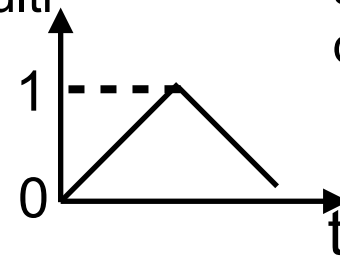


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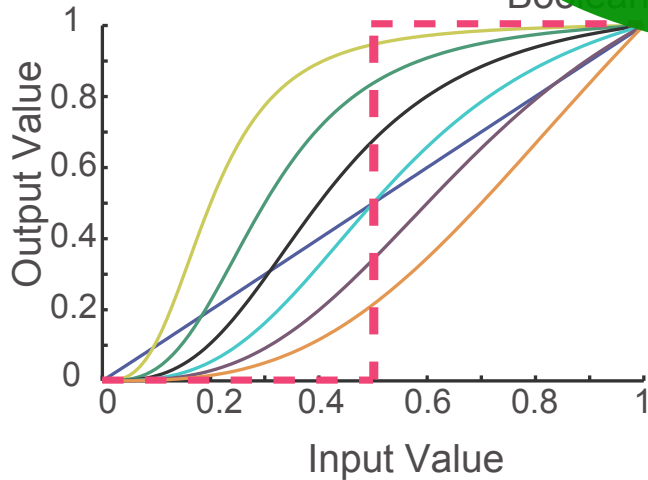
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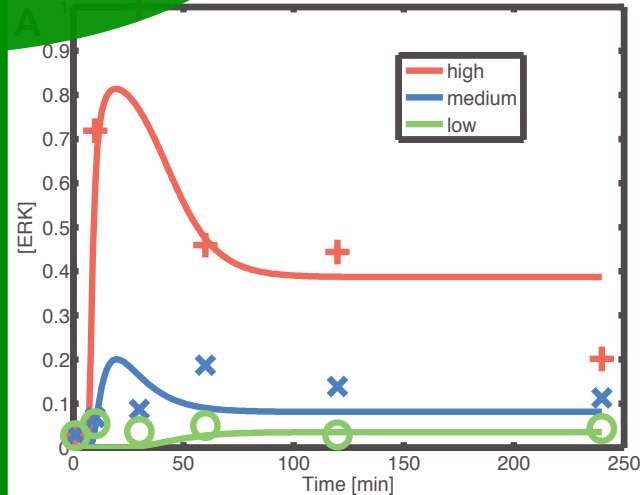
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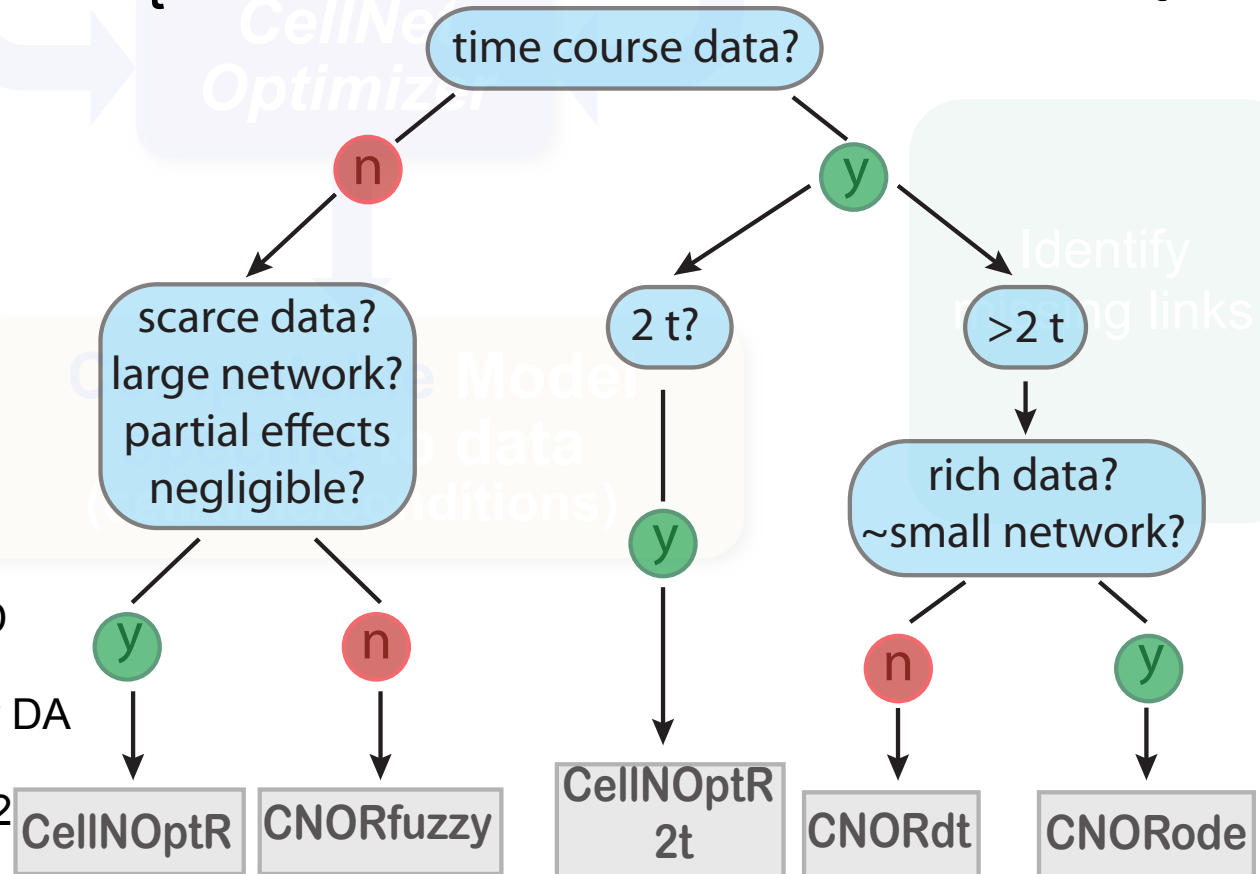
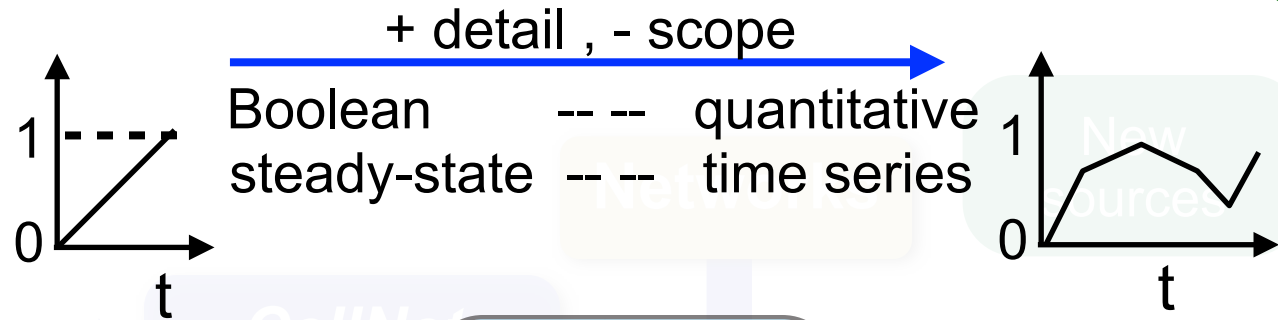
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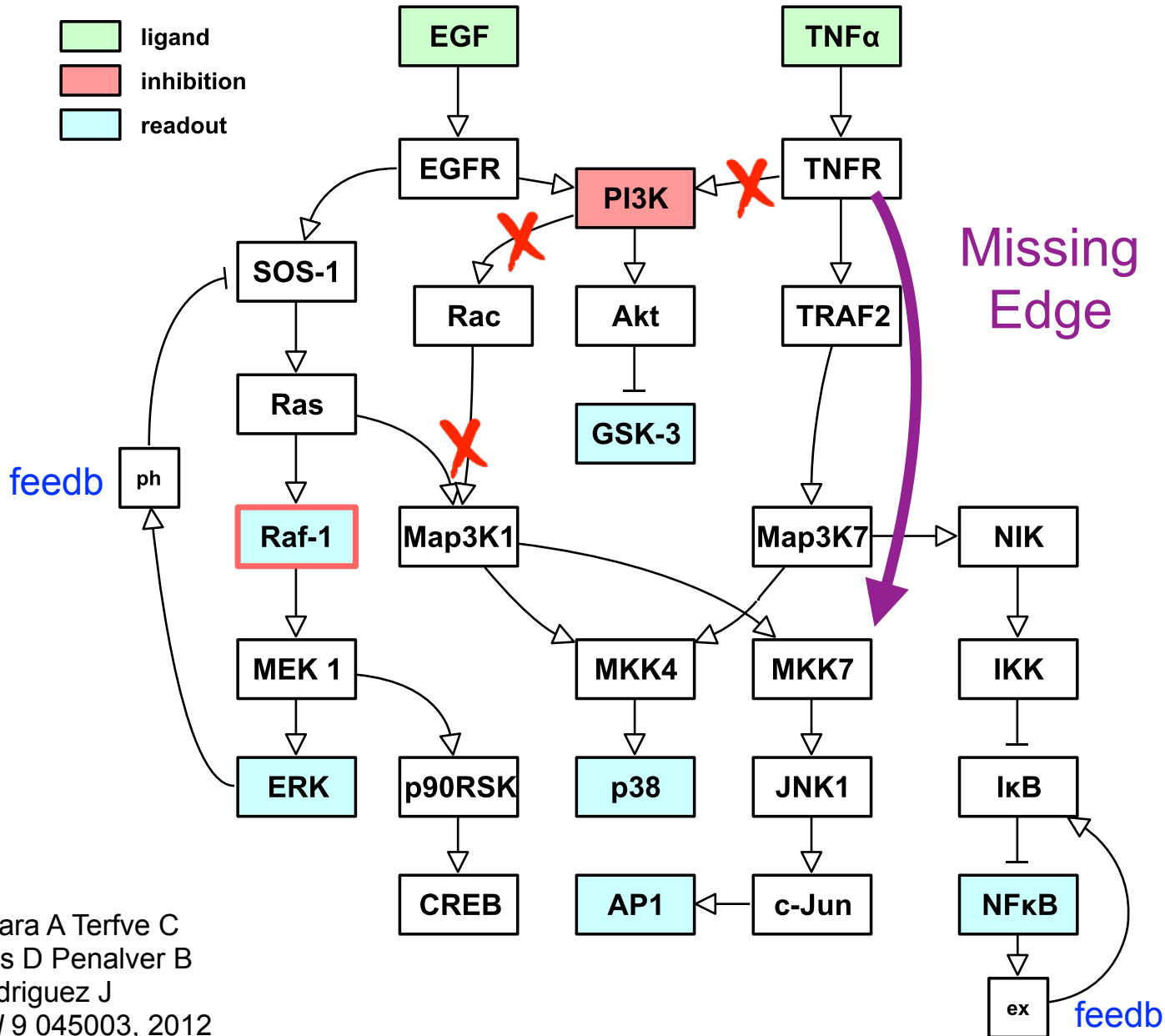
Broad spectrum of modelling formalism with different level of detail



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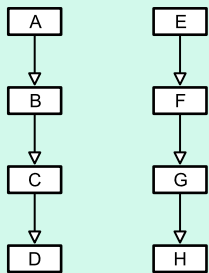
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CNOFeed: Link CellNOpt to methods to infer new links

More types

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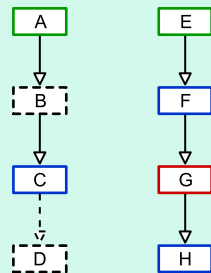
Prior Knowledge Network (PKN)



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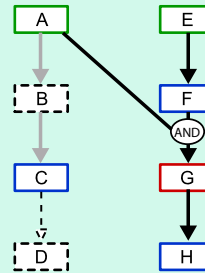
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Compressed Network



B. Training

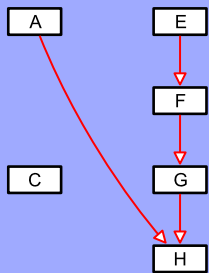
Trained Model



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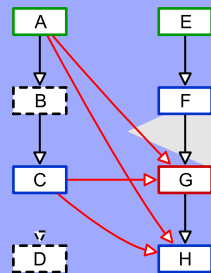
Data-driven Network (DDN)



C. Inference

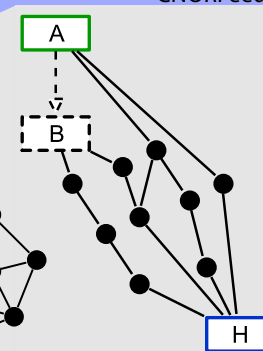
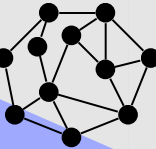
D. Integration

Integrated Network



E. Weighting

Protein Interaction Network (PIN)



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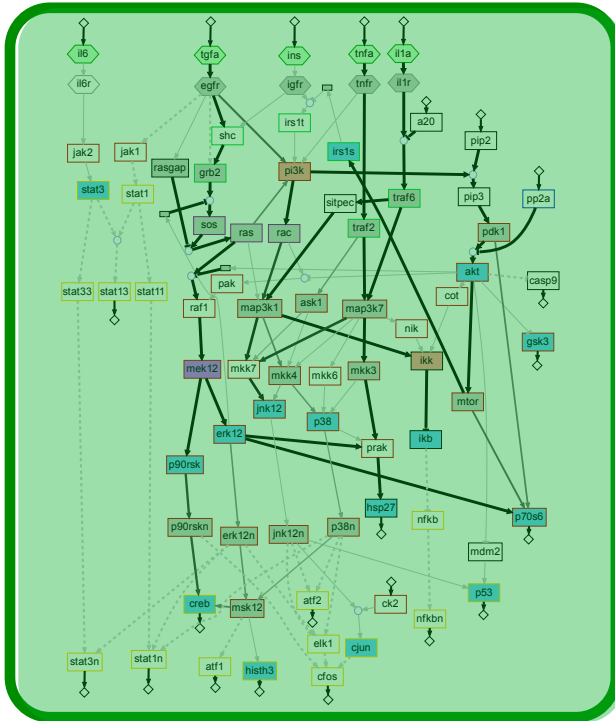
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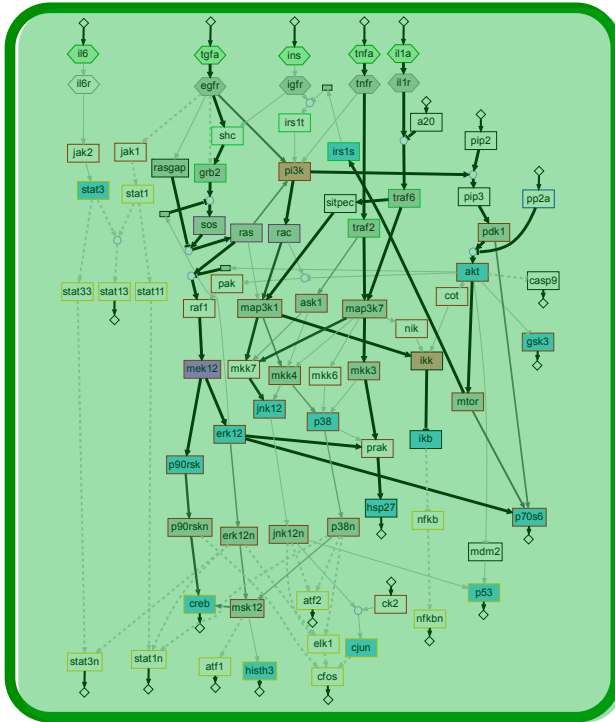
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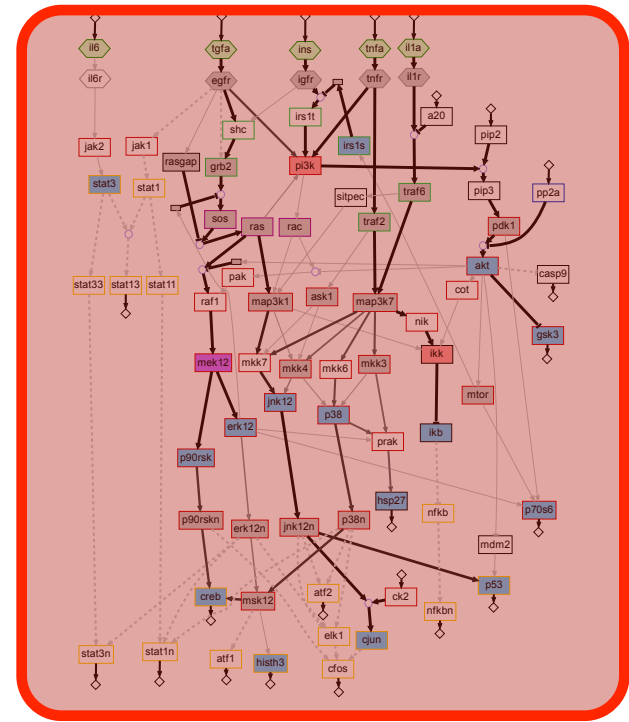


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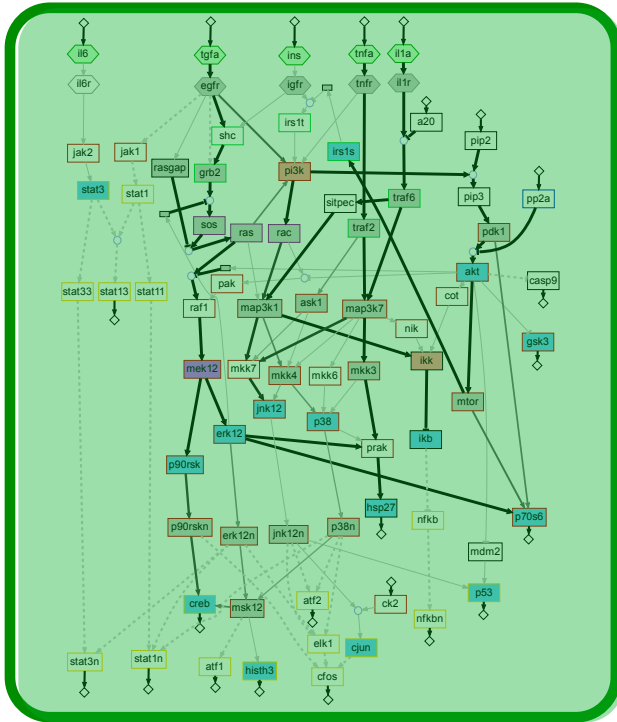
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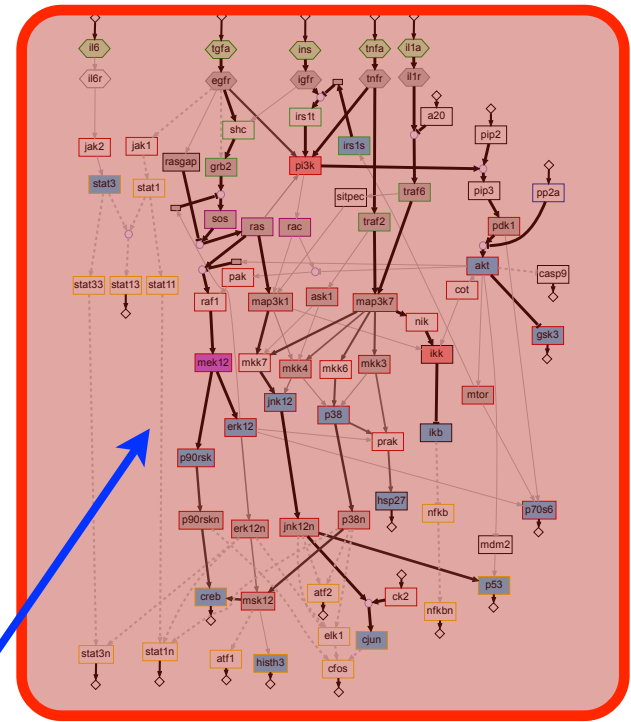


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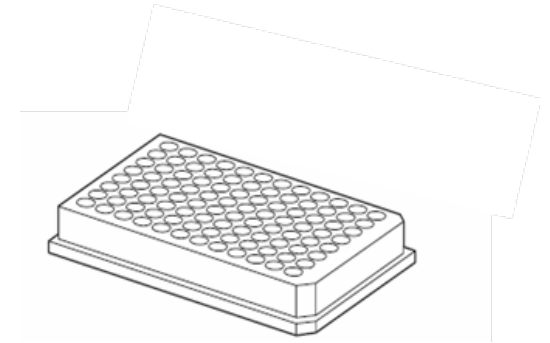
... and how can we target this with therapeutics?



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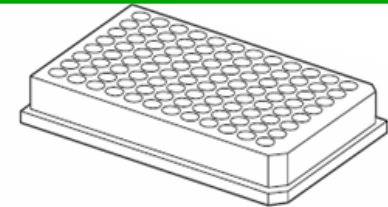


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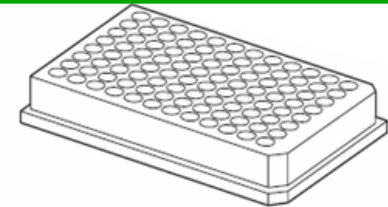


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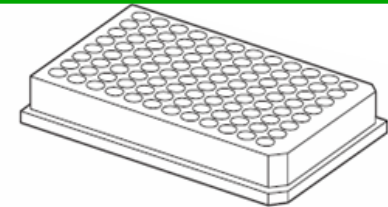
Primary human hepatocytes & HCC cell lines (HepG2, Hep3B, Huh7, Focus)

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using Luminex/xMAP
(bead-based ELISA)

Response

→ **Release** of 20 cytokines (3h, 24h)



Comparison of primary hepatocytes to 4 HCC cell lines

Primary

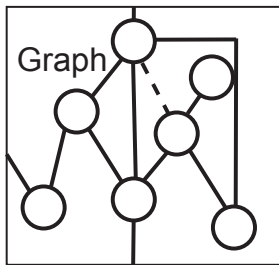
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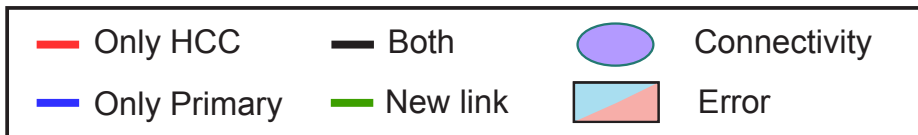
Focus

Generic network



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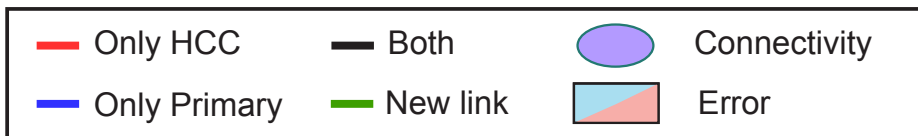
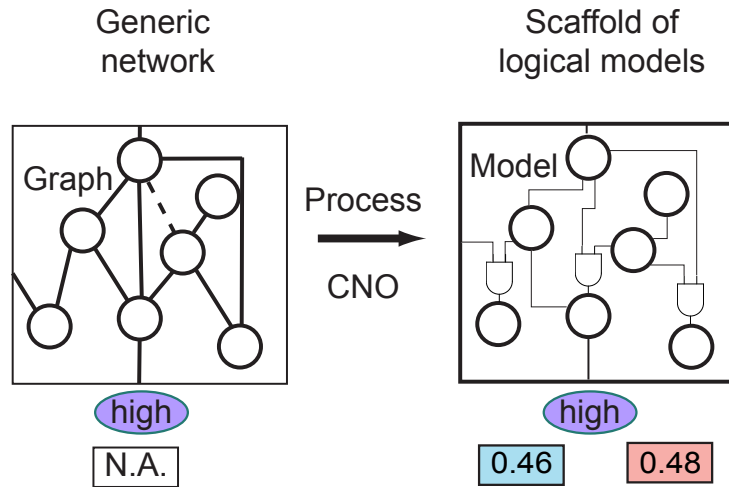
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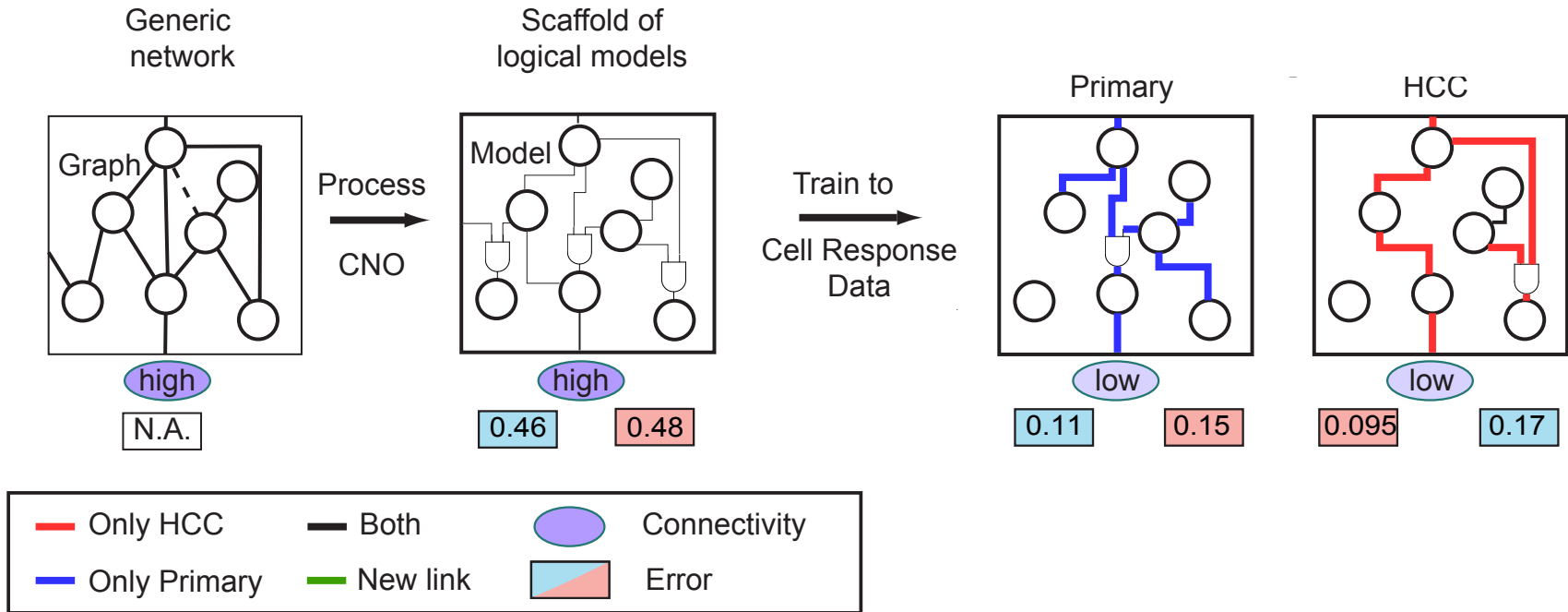
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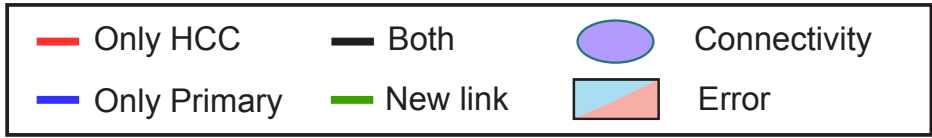
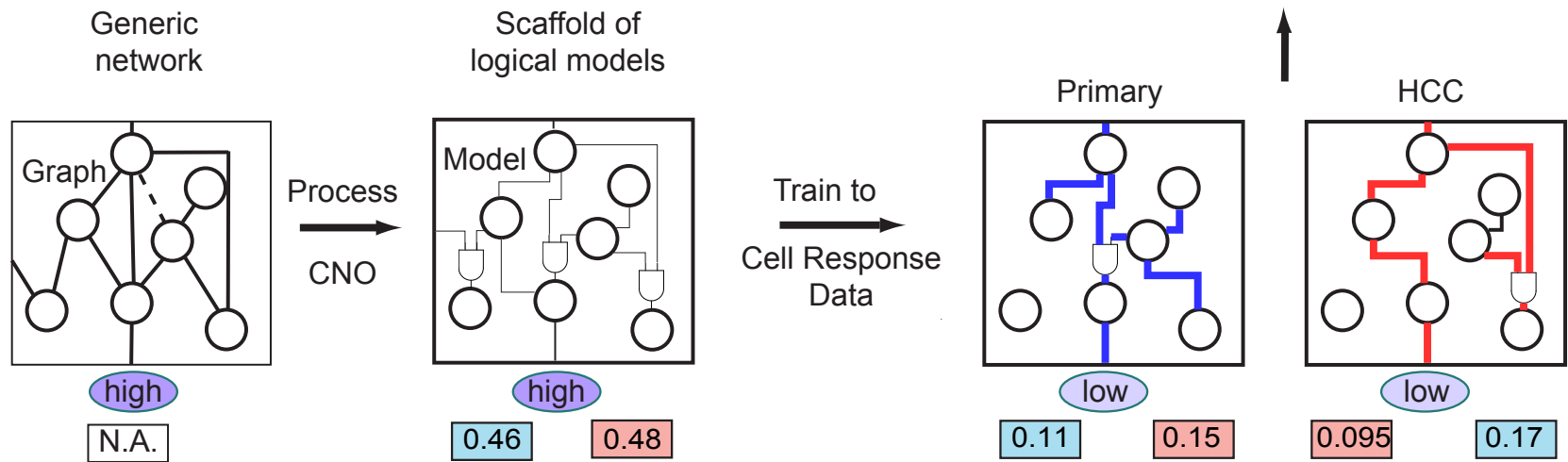
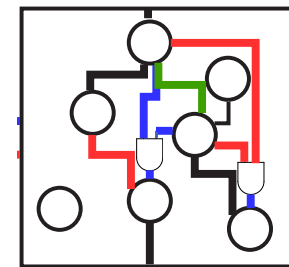




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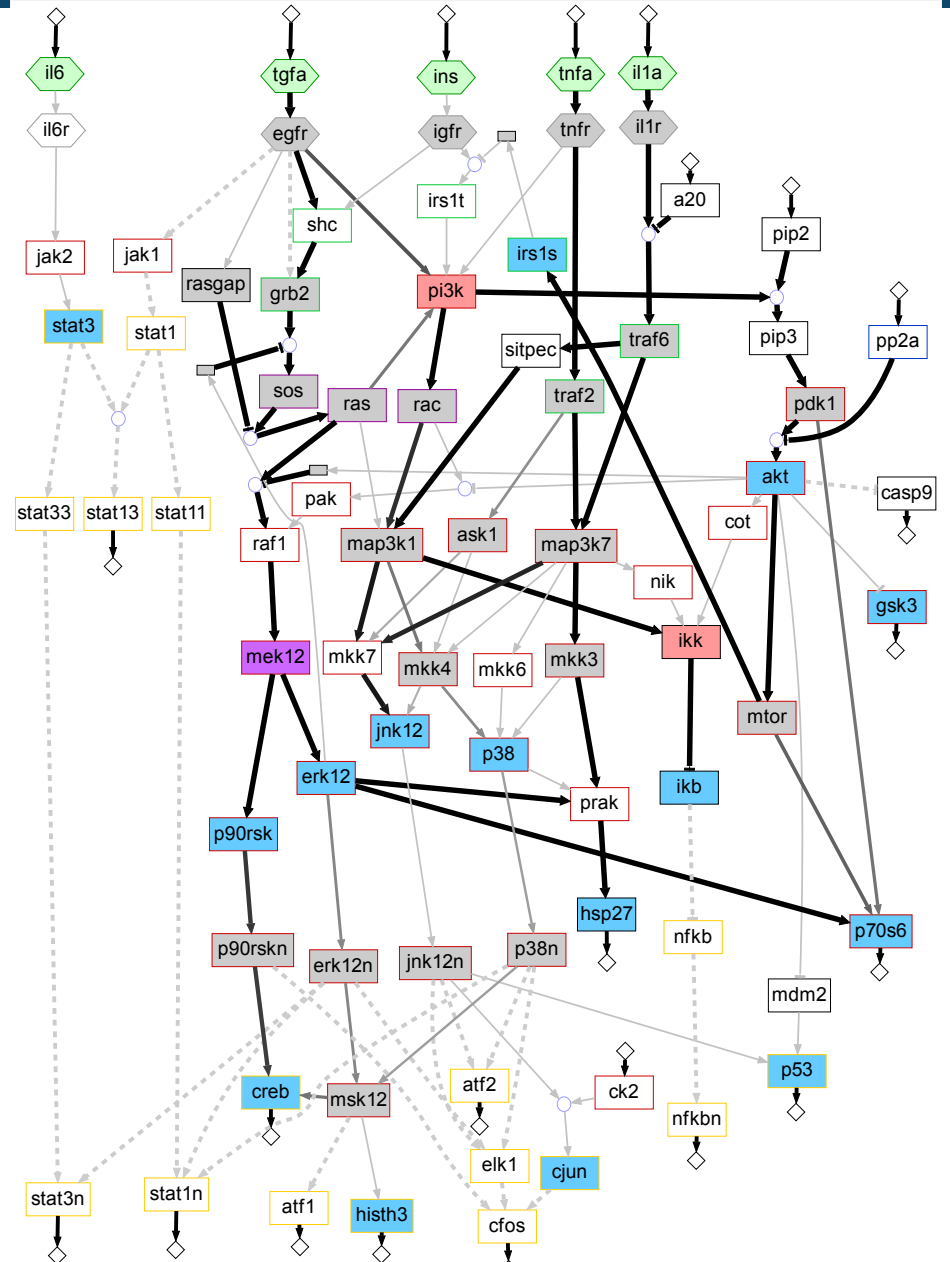


Specific Networks





Primary



Stimulus

Perturbation

Readout

Perturb&Read

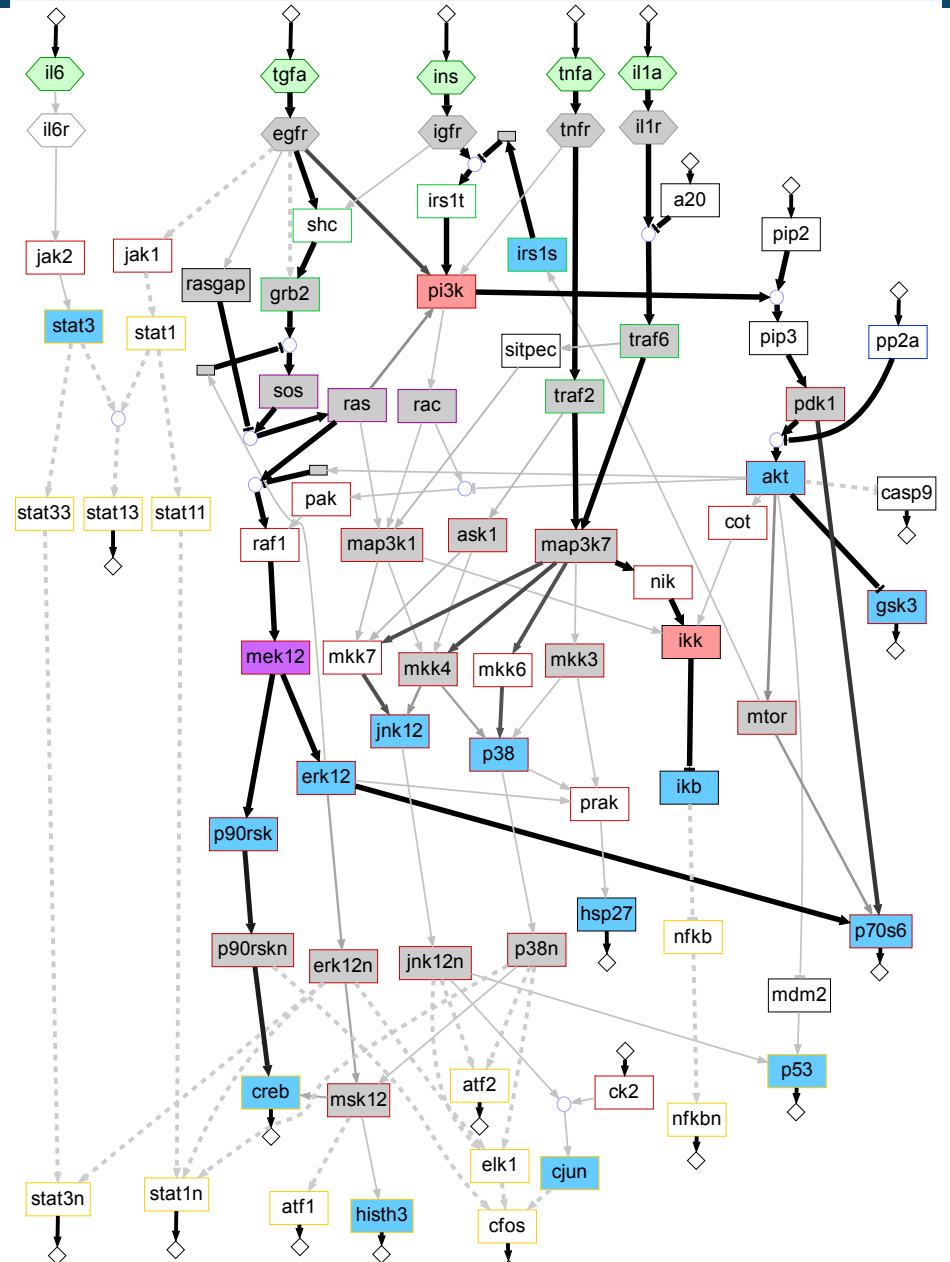
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No effect



HepG2



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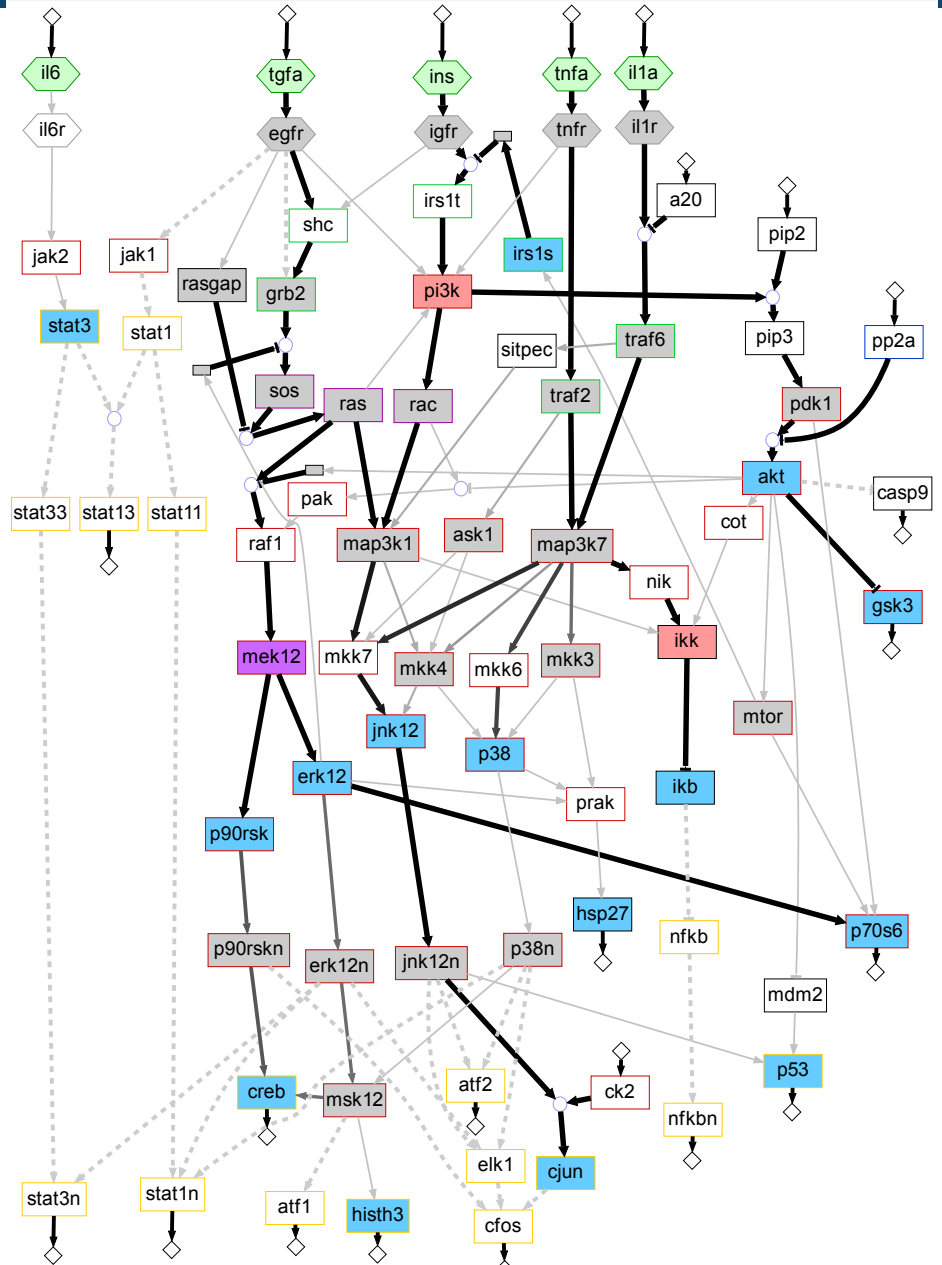
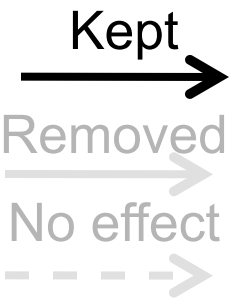
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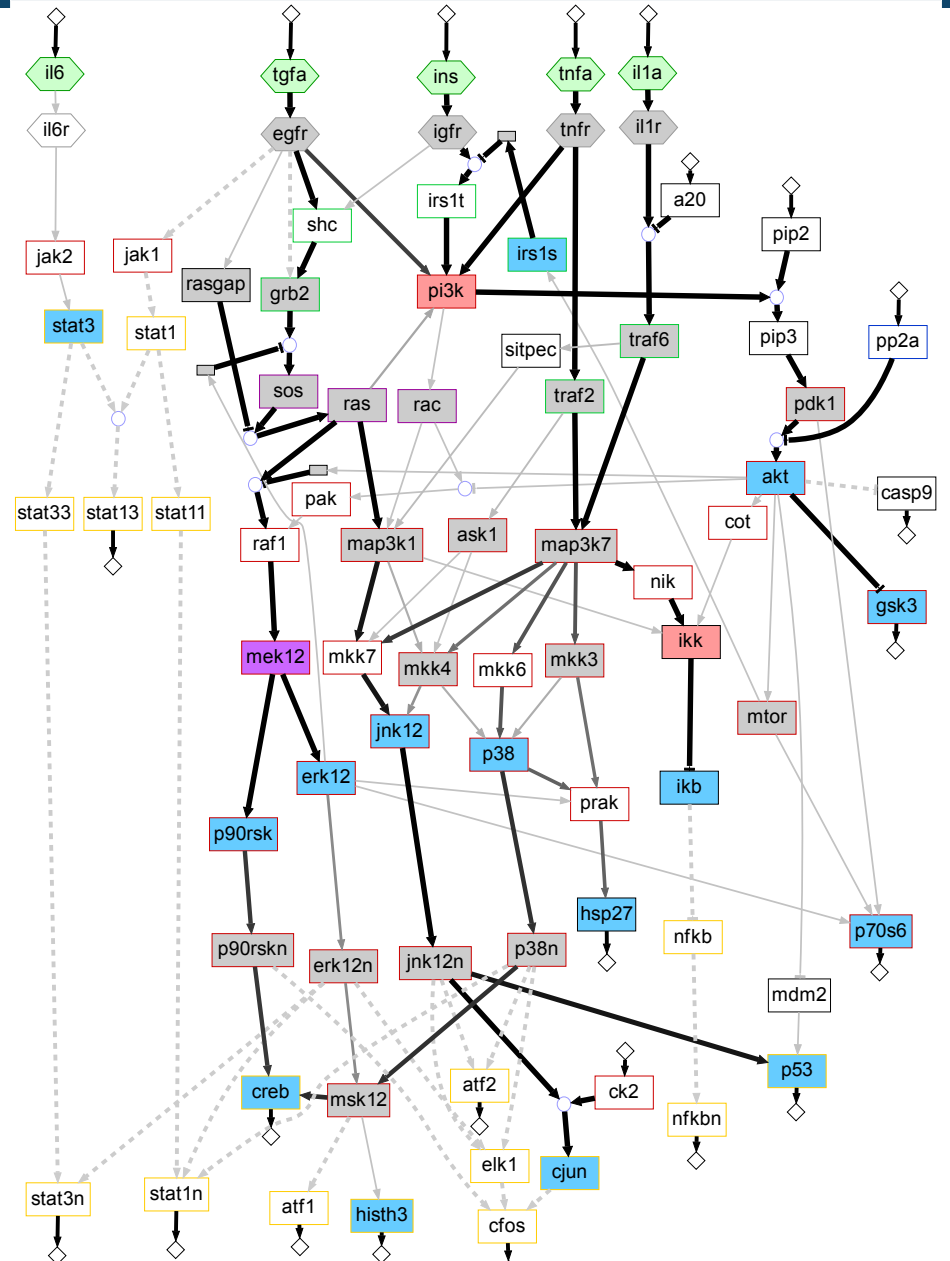
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Stimulus

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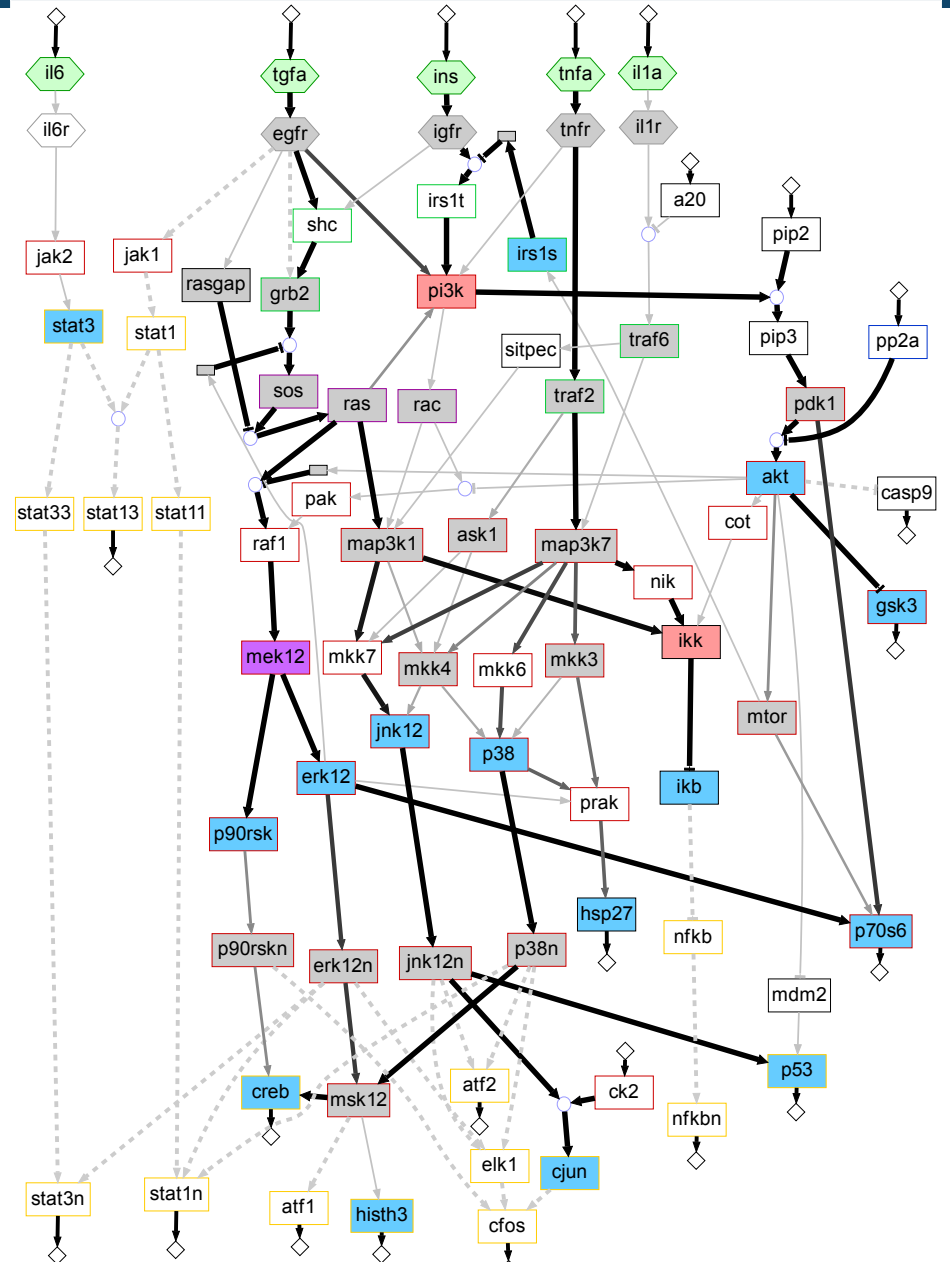
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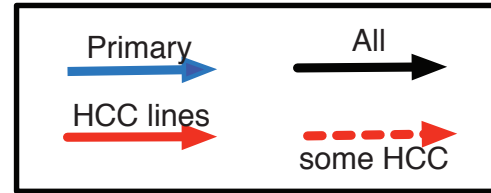
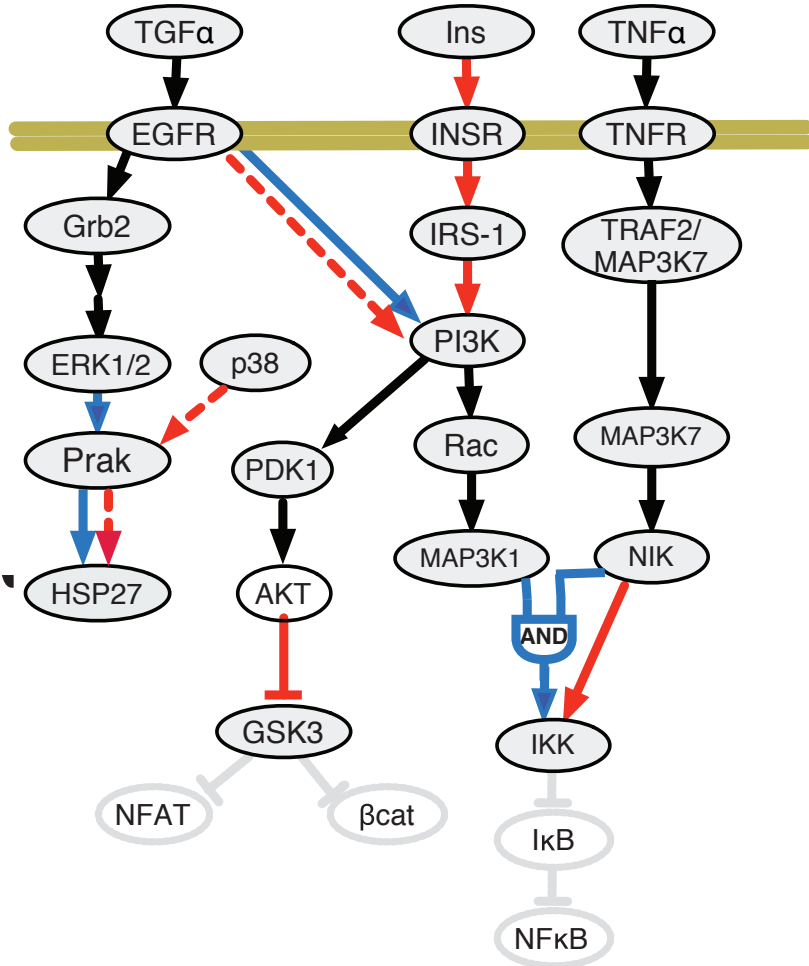
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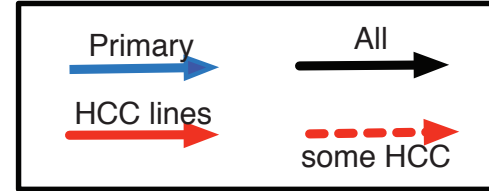
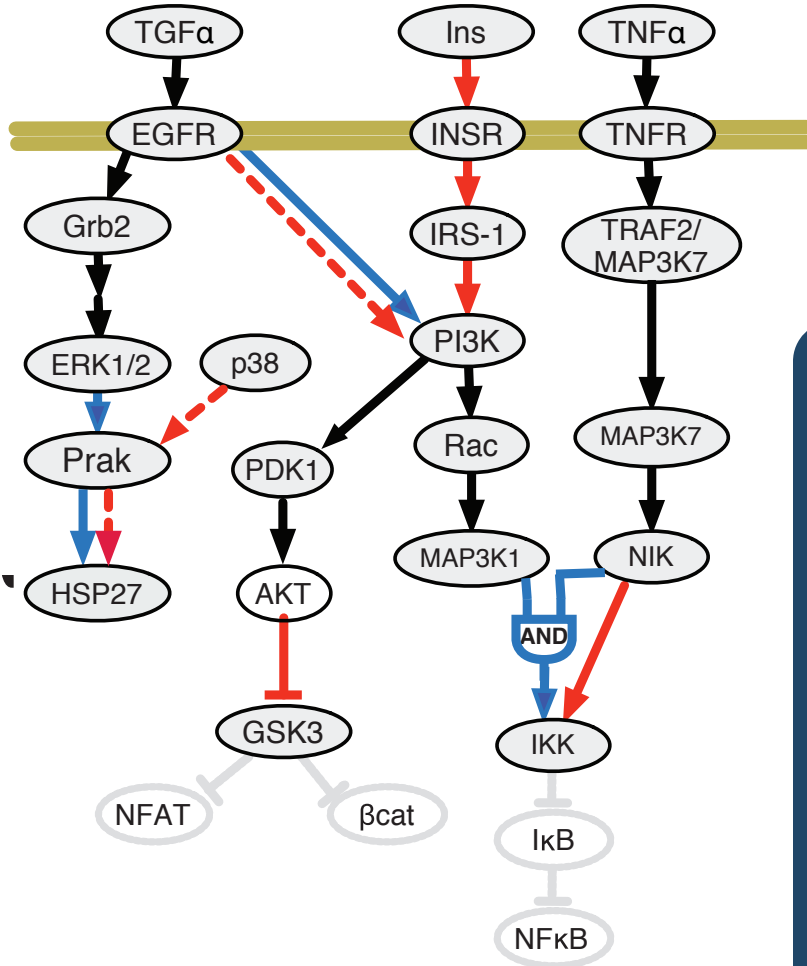


Logic models provide mechanistic insight in signal deregulation





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These models can:

- Identify functional differences between cell types (e.g. health vs disease) → therapeutic targets
- Predict outcome of new perturbations (single or combination)
- Characterize targets and mode of action of drugs (Mitsos et al. *PLoS C.B.* 2009)



Can we use logic models to understand drug efficacy in cancer?

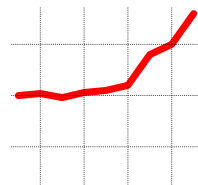
Clinical trial failure (Francesco Iorio)



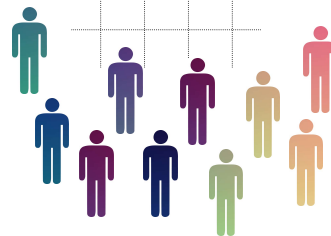
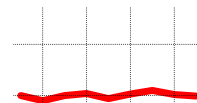
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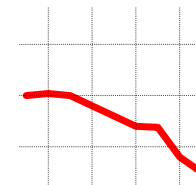
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Therapeutic effect



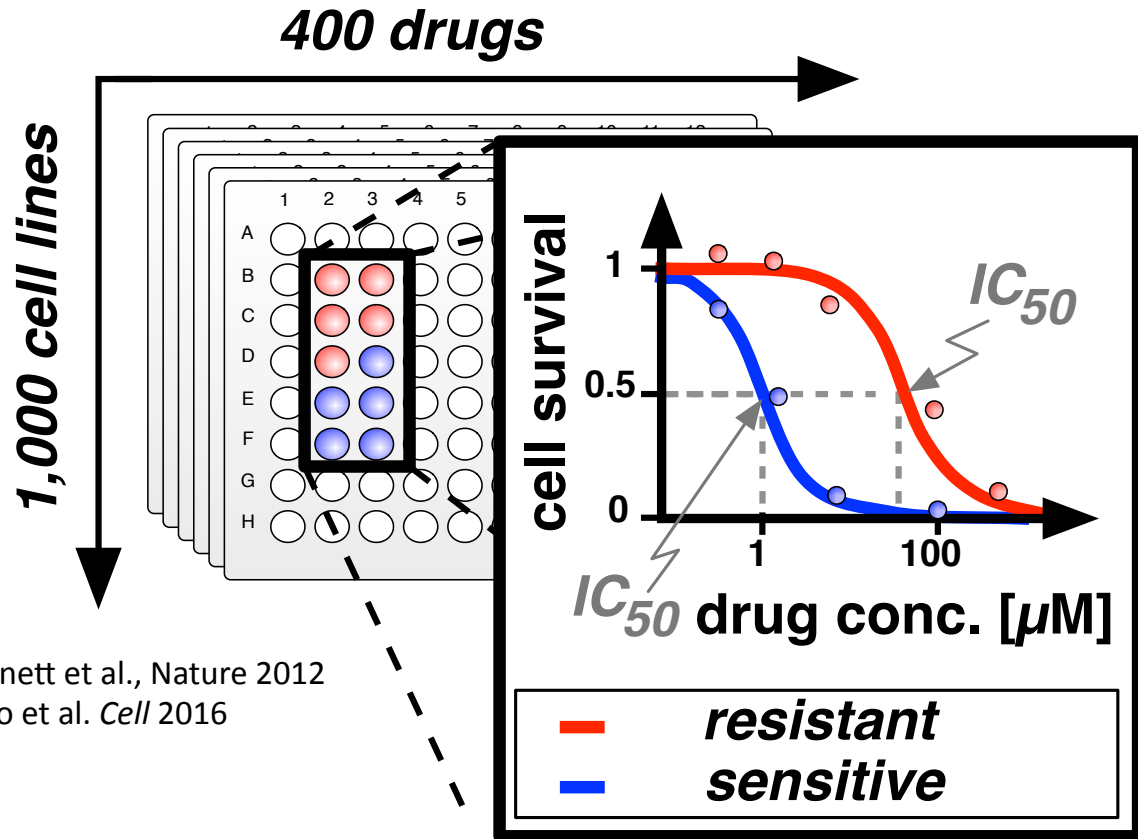
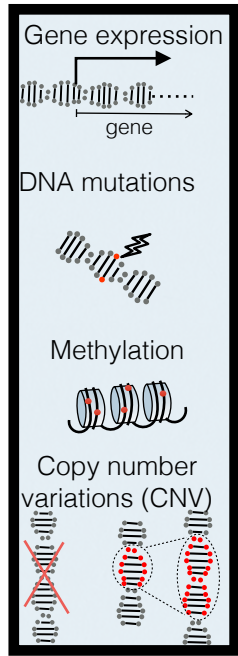
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Adverse effect



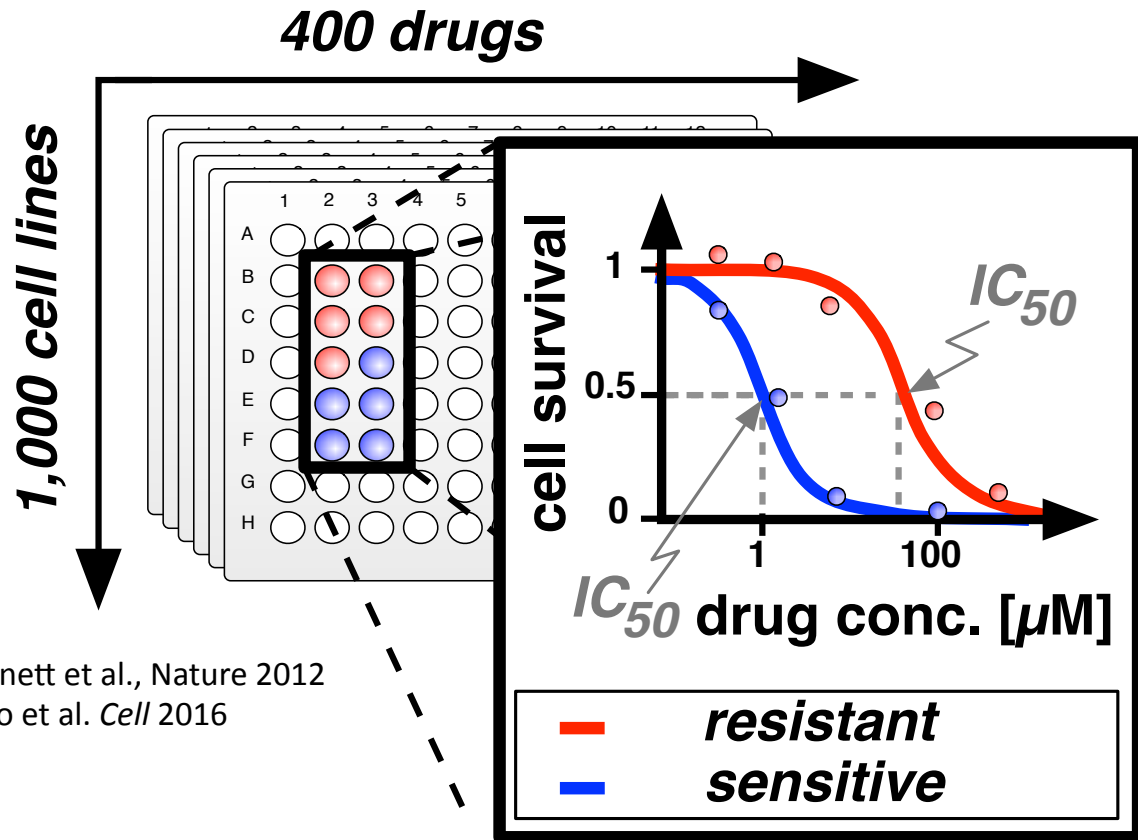
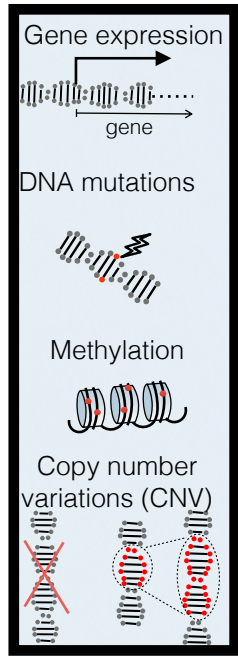
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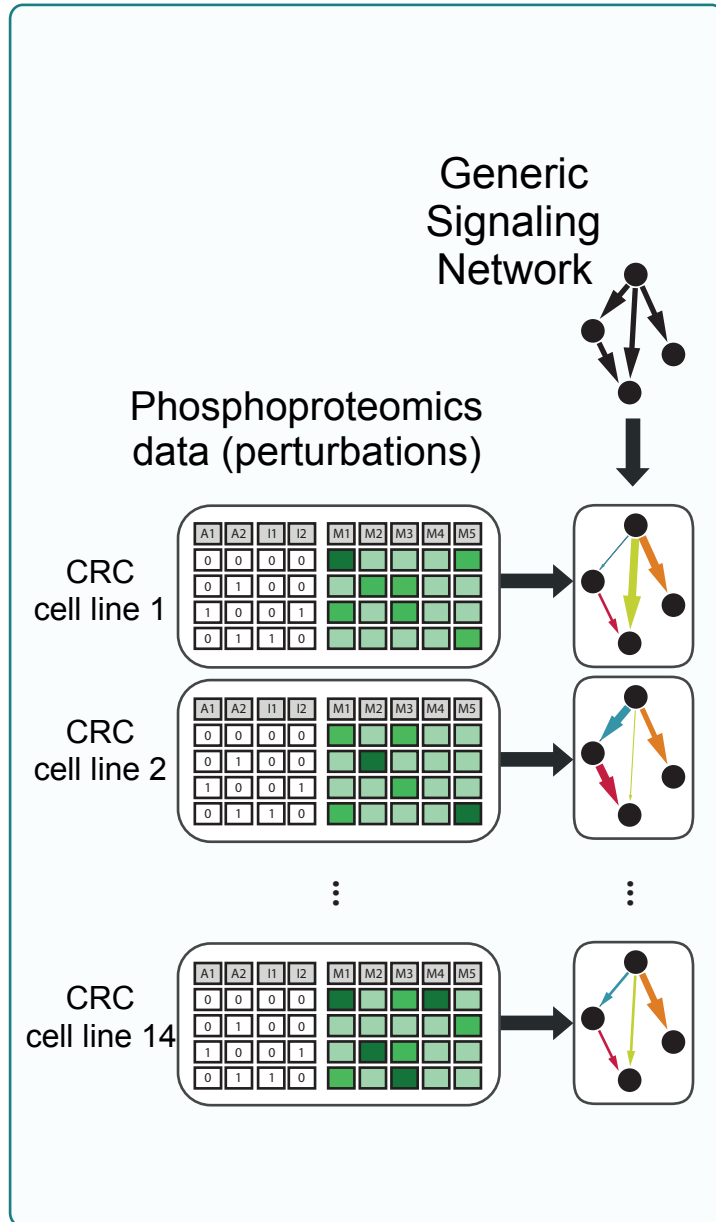
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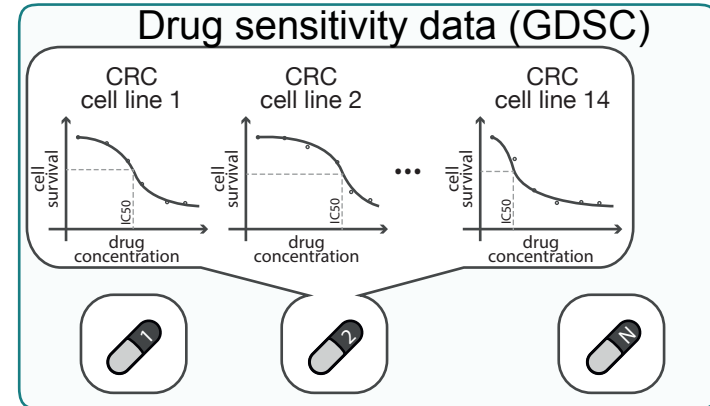
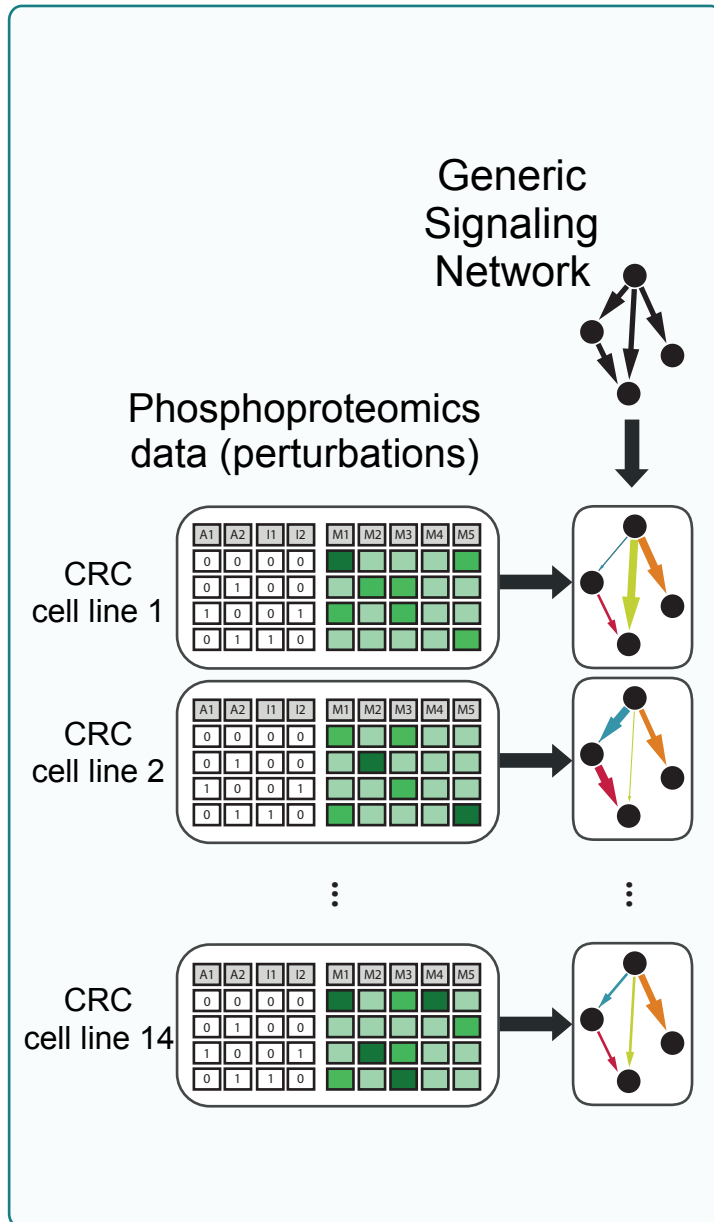


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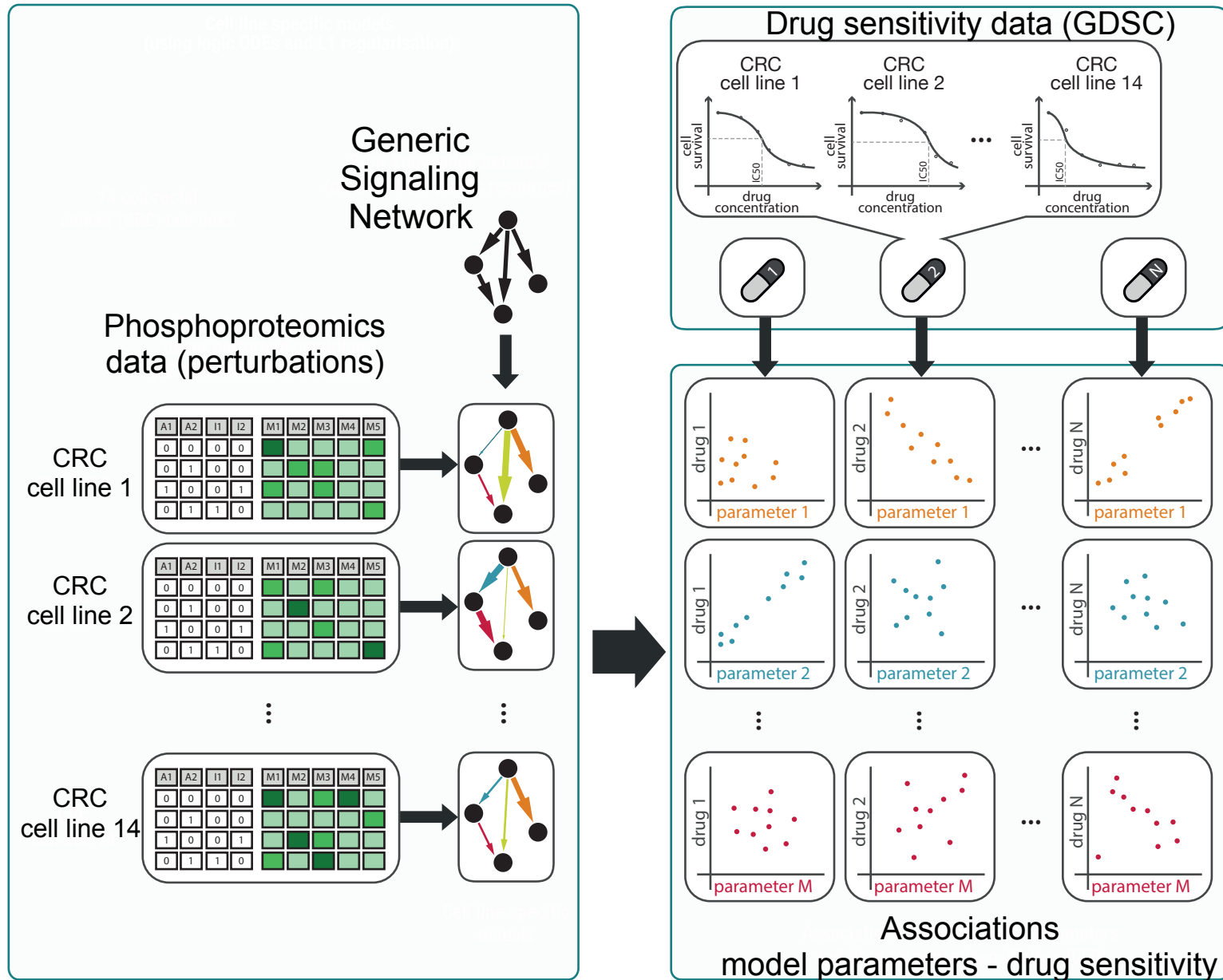


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Case study: understanding drug resistance in colorectal cancer

14 colorectal cancer cell lines

From GDSC (genomic & drug response data available)

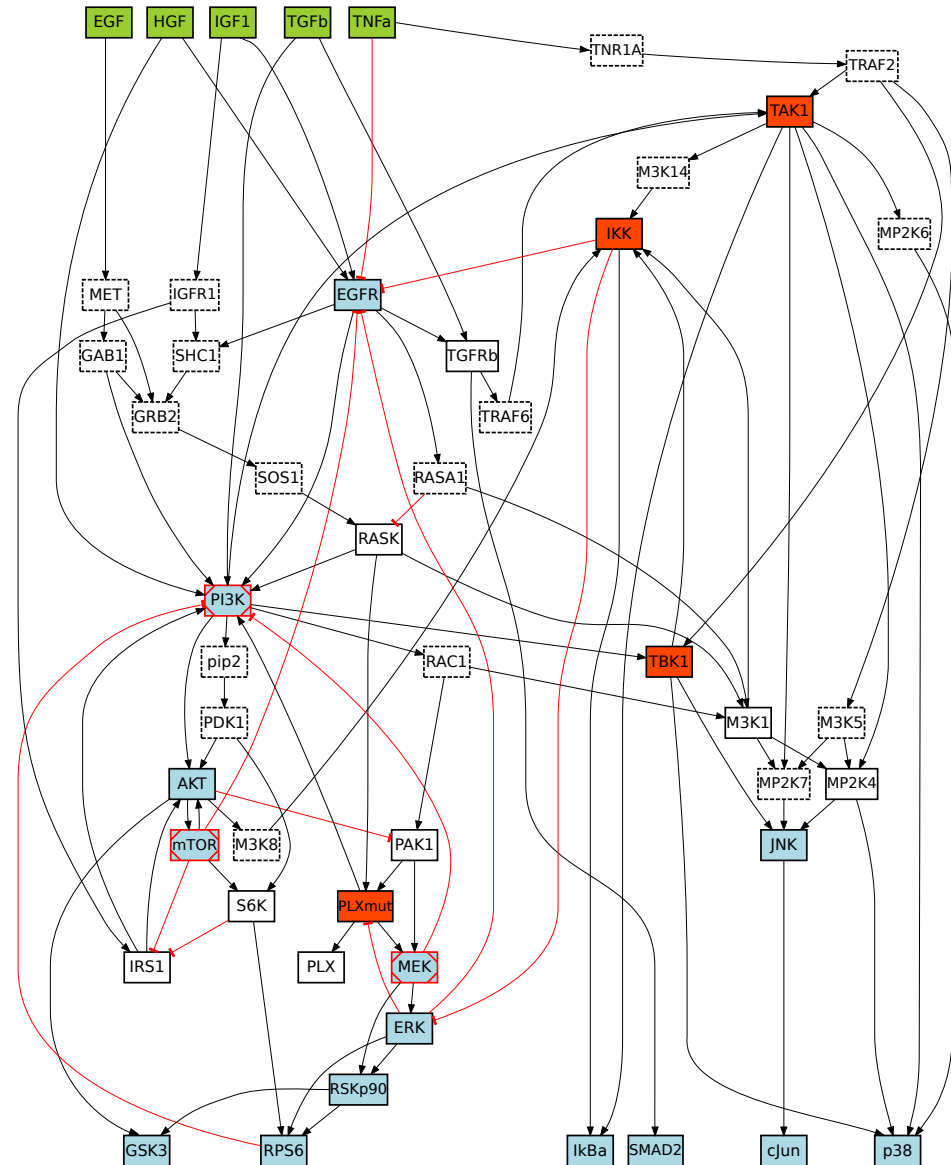
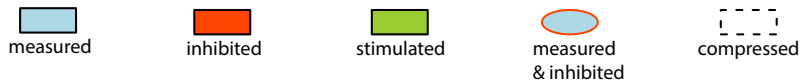
Luminex phospho data:

- 14 measured phospho-proteins
- 7 targeted drugs + 4 ligands (42 conditions)

Prior knowledge network

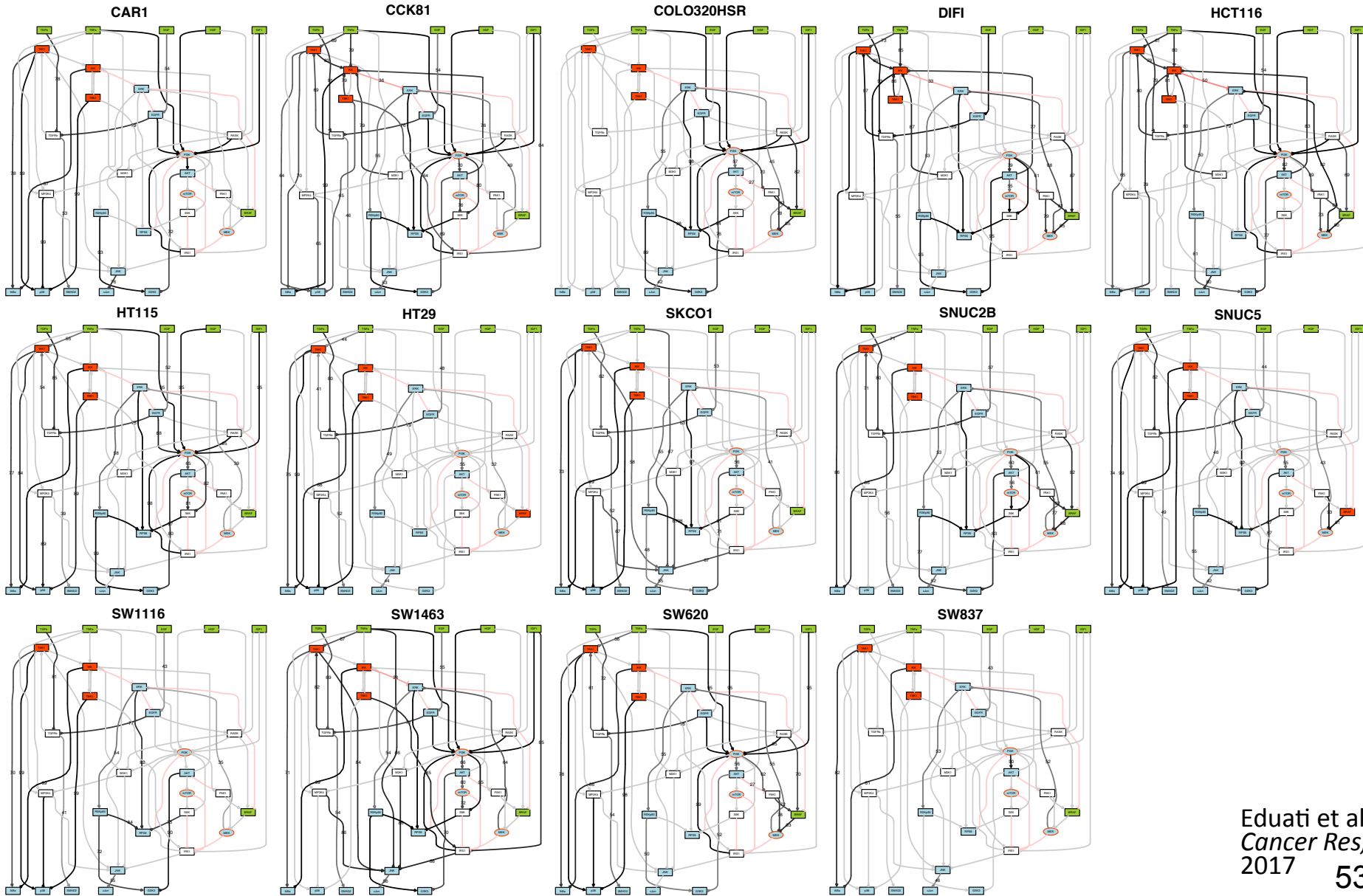
- derived from literature (~ 50 references)

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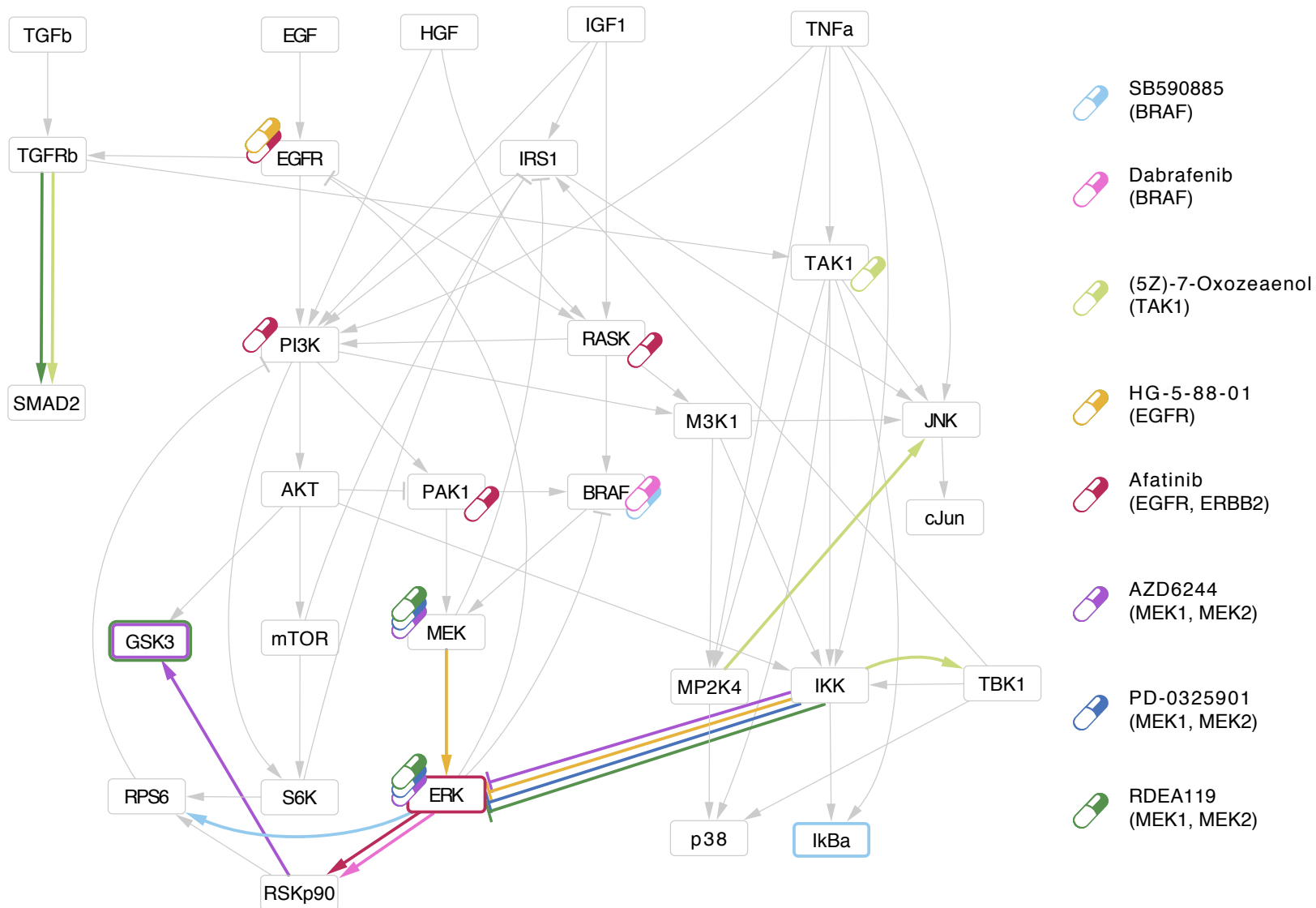


CRC Cell line specific models



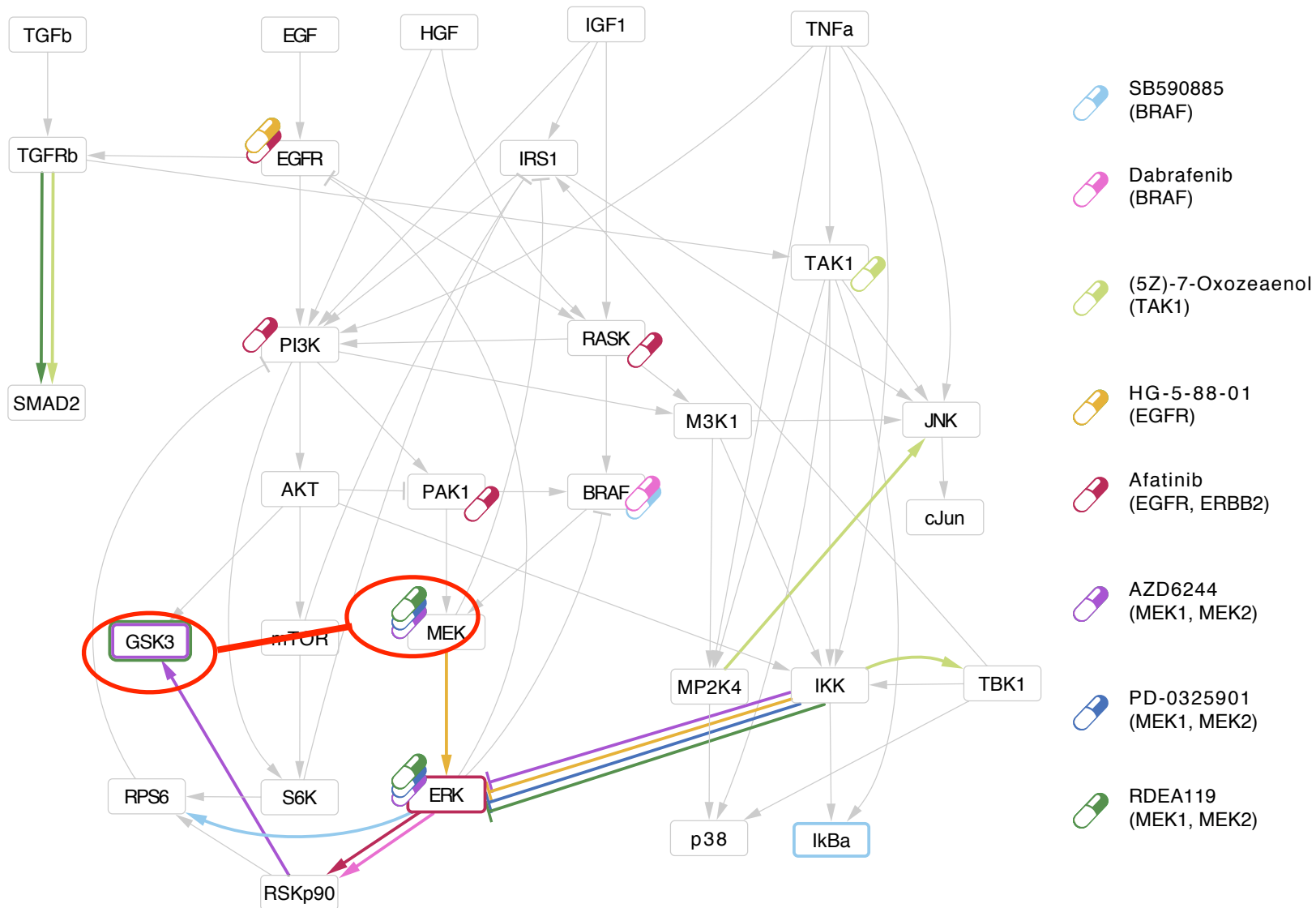


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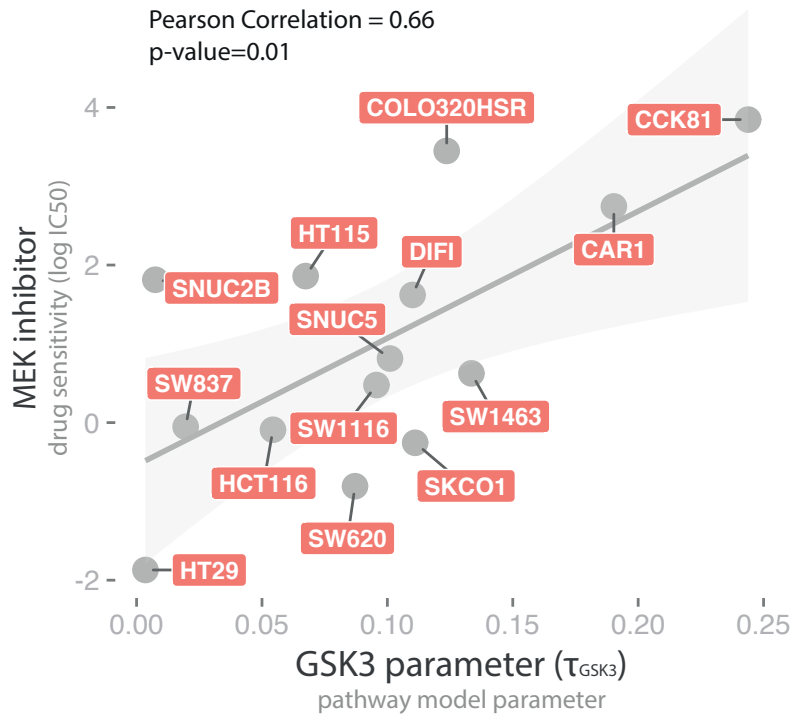
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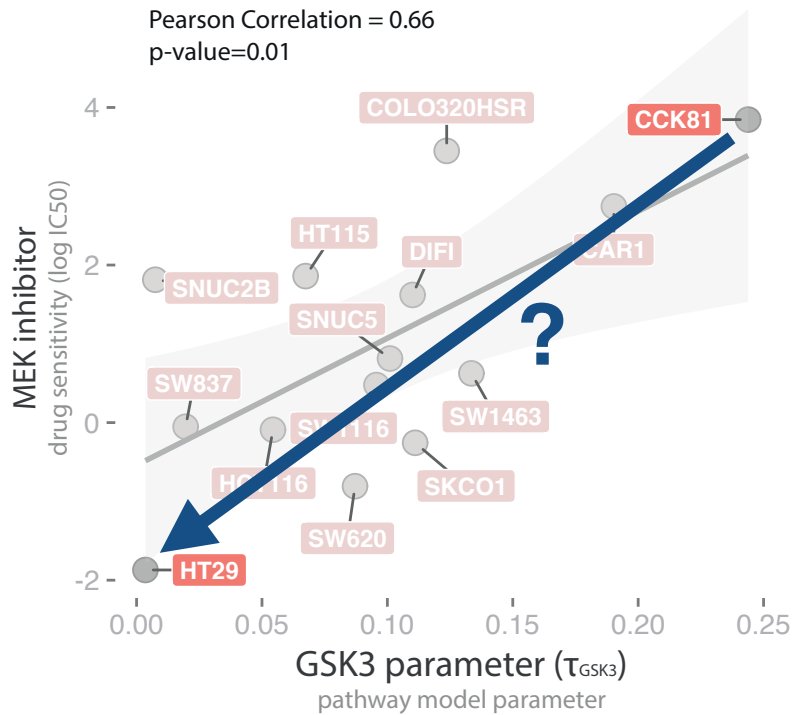


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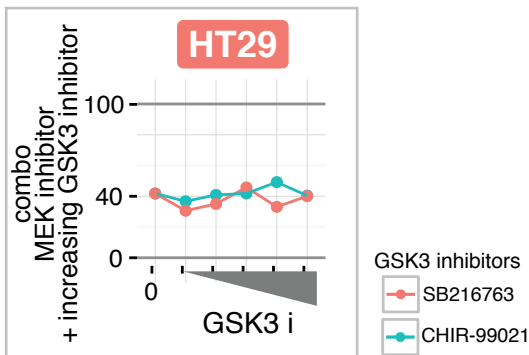
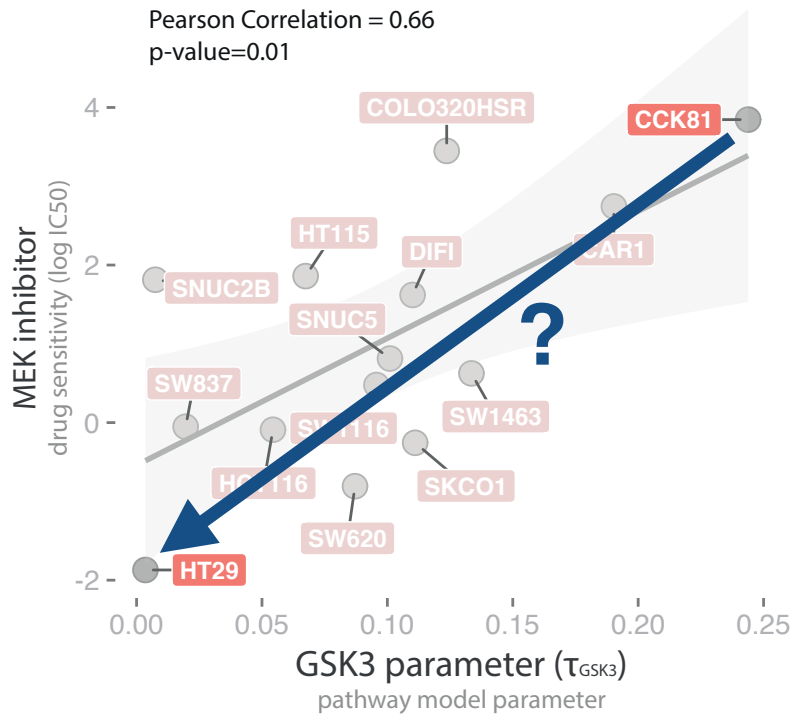


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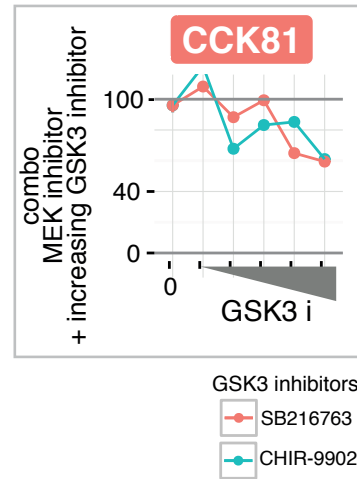
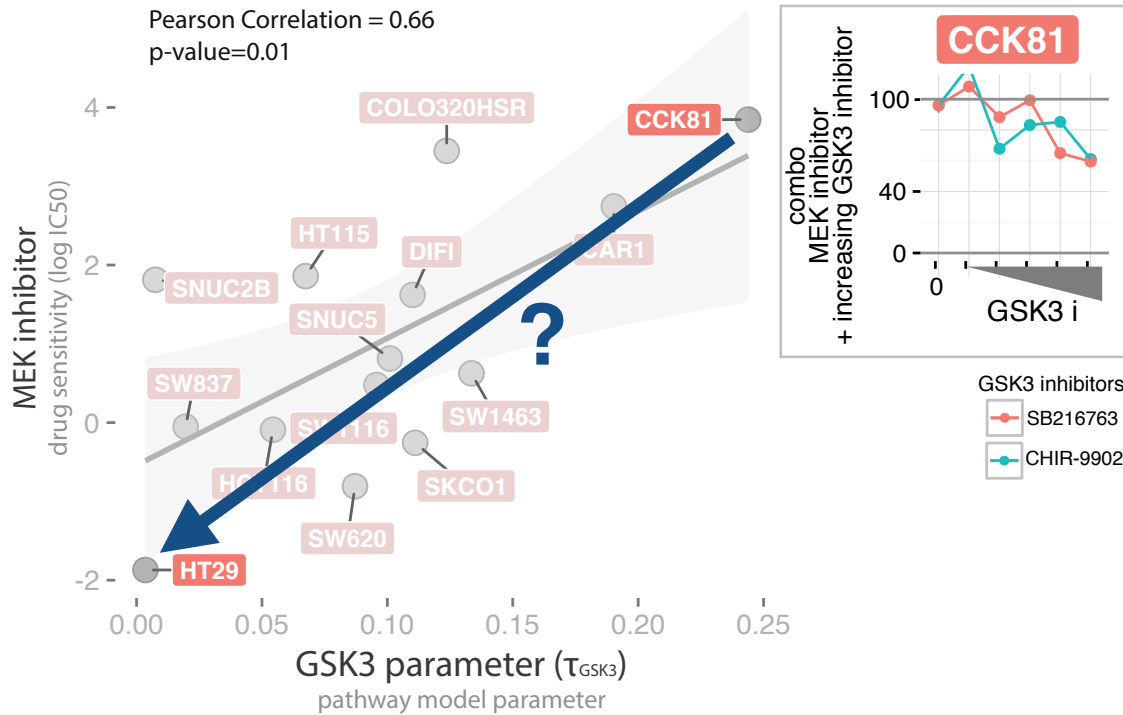
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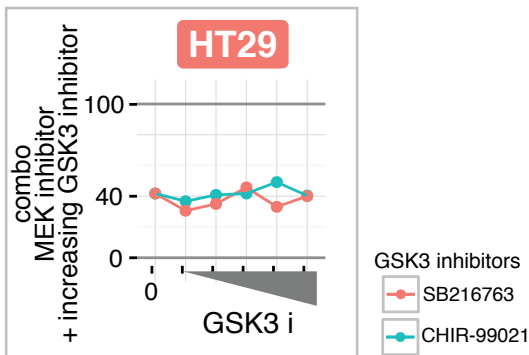
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synergistic combo
when GSK3 is
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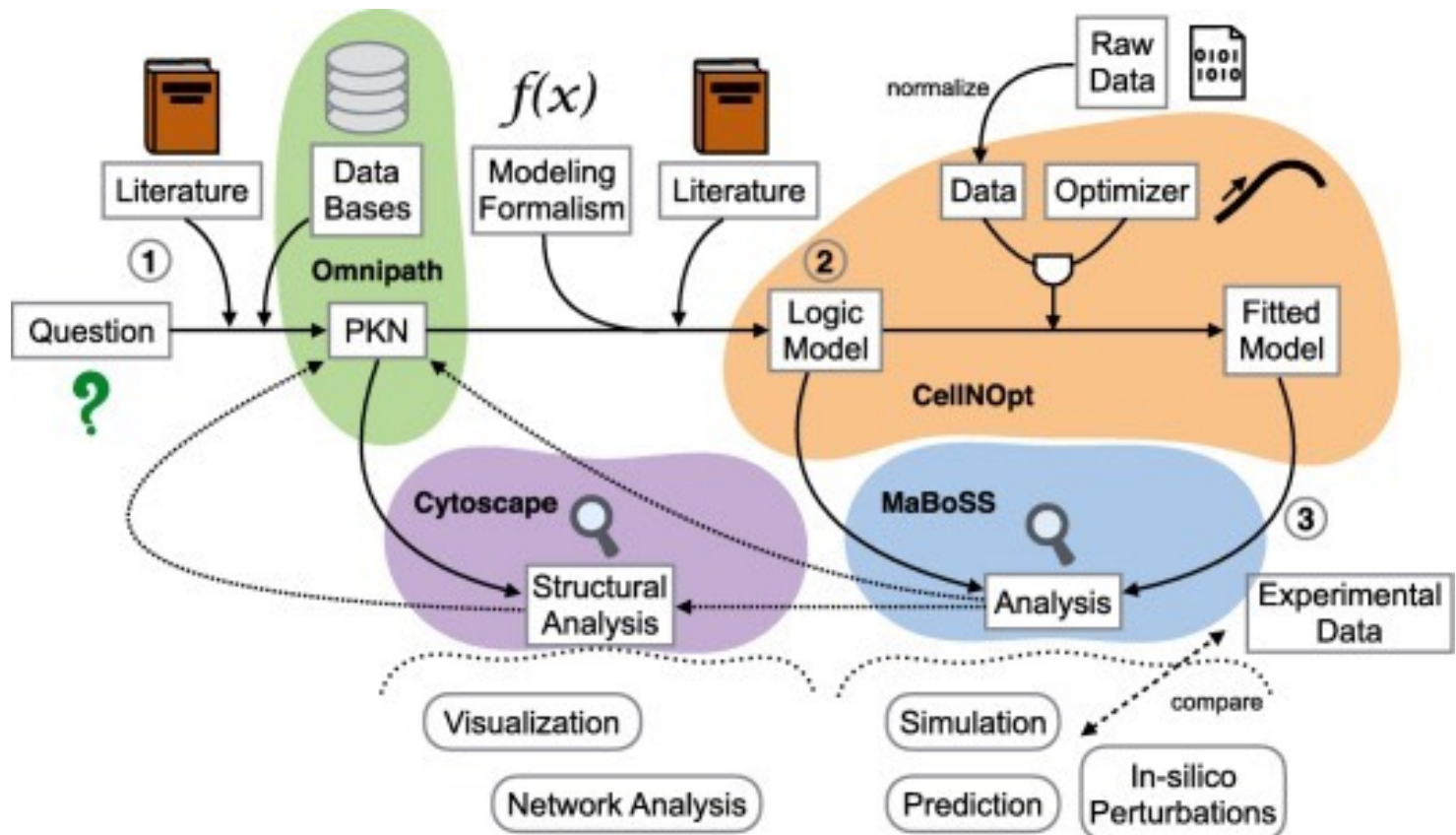
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A detailed tutorial

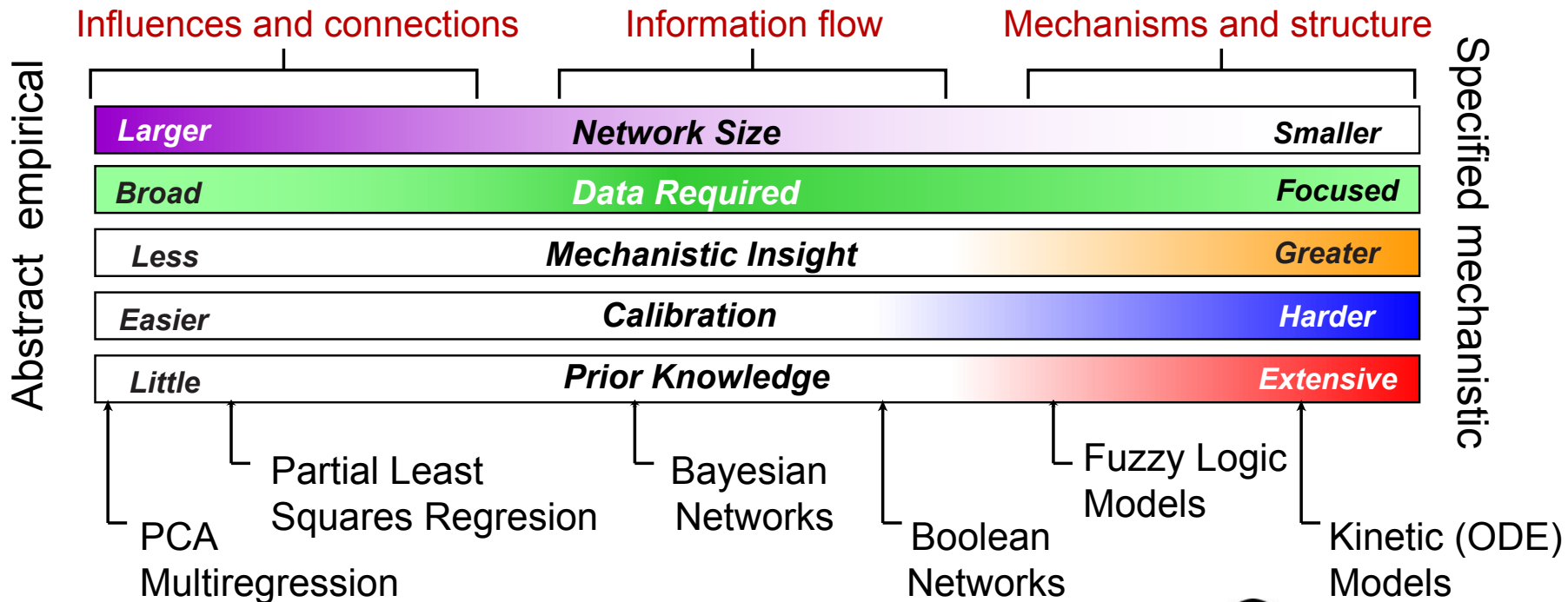
- Application of OmniPath, CellNOpt, MaBoSS and Cytoscape to a prostate cancer example





Spectrum of modeling approaches

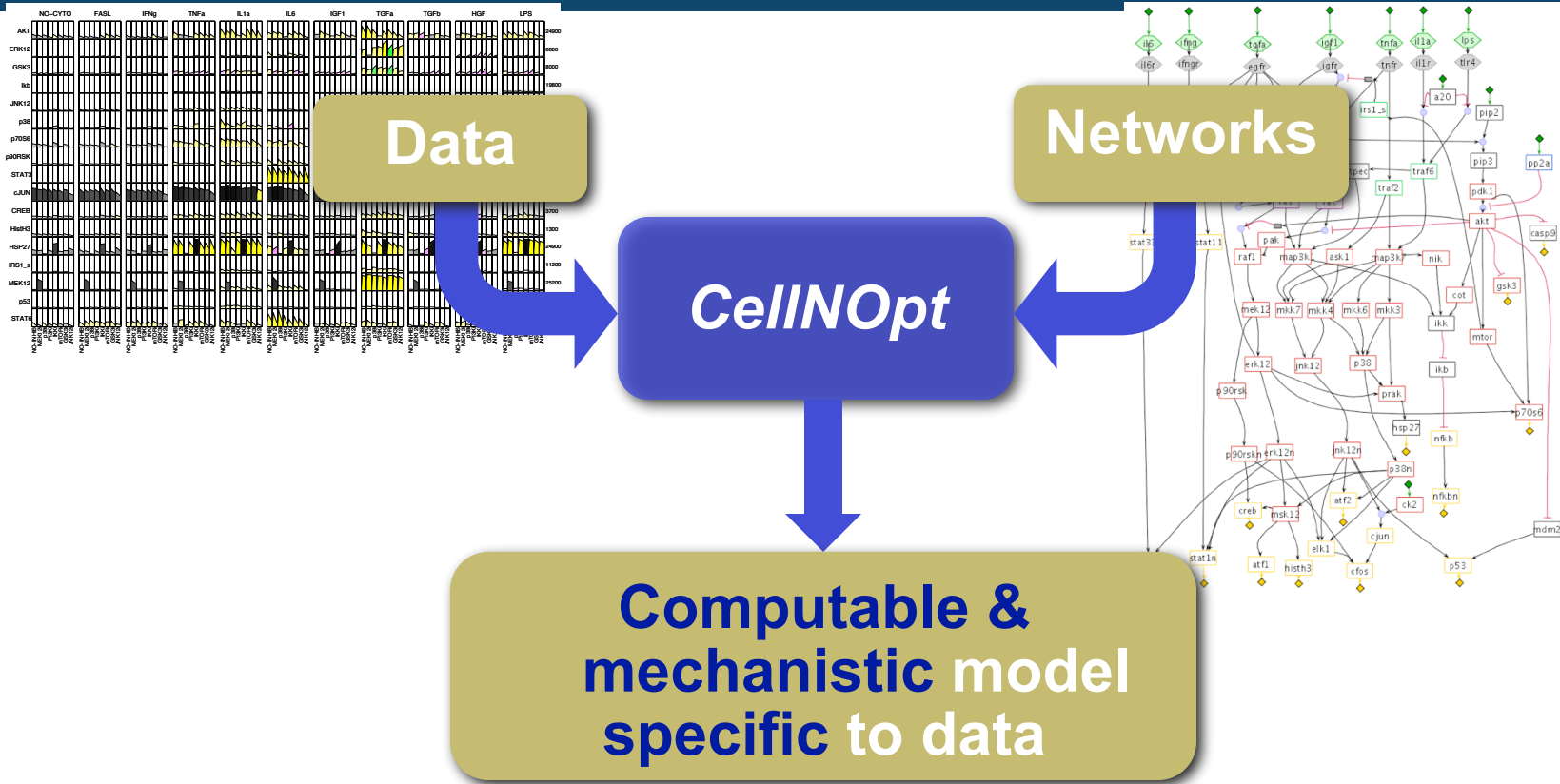
- Choice of method depends on:
 - Question, prior knowledge, data, ...(+ modeler's expertise)
 - Art more than science





All models are wrong, but some are useful

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- Logic models: intermediate between data-driven & biochemical models
- Flexible and scalable framework
- Suitable to integrate large-scale data + networks



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