

Supplementary information

Tables:

Table S1. Details of the yeast PPI dataset used in our work.

DataSet	Number of Nodes	Number of Interactions	Platform
LC-Kim ¹	3268	12058	Literature-curated
IDBOS-Gavin ²	1274	7879	AP/MS
IDBOS-Krogan ³	1719	3640	AP/MS
Y2H-Union ⁴	2019	2923	Y2H

1. Data is from [1]; 2. This data is from [2], we used the default cutoff 5.95; 3. This data is from [2], we used the default cutoff 12.92; 4. Data is from [3].

Table S2. The significance of the interactions within the age-homogeneous motifs.

dataset	motif size	number of age-homogenous motifs	deltaD after removing interactions within age-homogeneous motifs	original deltaD	p-value
LC-Kim	3	2212	0.11909275	0.54	<10 ⁻³
	4	44562	-0.461184082		
IDBOS-Gavin	3	4644	-0.29278693	0.48	<10 ⁻³
	4	39456	-0.314663703		
IDBOS-Krogan	3	1272	0.127818538	0.88	<10 ⁻³
	4	3879	0.203066283		
Y2H-Union	3	40	0.5975674	0.7	<10 ⁻³
	4	195	0.588700861		

Table S3. The number of motifs containing paralogs in age pattern #3 and 4#. The percentage is simply computed by the second column/third column to show a direct result.

Motif	Number of Motifs Containing Paralogs	Number of Motifs Containing Paralog PairS in Age Patterns 3# and 4#	Percentage	Dataset
B	69	24	34.78%	LC
E	509	46	9.03%	LC
G	72	8	11.11%	LC
H	16	3	18.75%	LC
B	50	7	14%	IDBOS-Gavin
E	289	14	4.84%	IDBOS-Gavin
G	52	4	7.69%	IDBOS-Gavin
H	6	0	0	IDBOS-Gavin
B	93	9	9.67%	IDBOS-Krogan
E	328	2	0.60%	IDBOS-Krogan

G	152	3	1.97%	IDBOS-Krogan
H	87	2	2.29%	IDBOS-Krogan

Table S4. Parameters for all the canonical models.

Model	Node Size	Parameters	Initial network
PA Model ¹	3000	connections of new node $m_0=4$	4 isolated nodes
Symmetric DD Model ²	3000	Divergence prob $p=0.6$, mutation prob $q=0.1$	4 fully connected nodes
Asymmetric DD Model ³	3000	Divergence prob $p=0.587$	4 fully connected nodes
CG Model ⁴	3000	Newman algorithm to divide the communities	4 fully connected nodes

1. Preferential Attachment Model 2. Symmetric Duplication-Divergence Model 3. Asymmetric Duplication-Divergence Model 4. Crystal Growth Model

Figures:

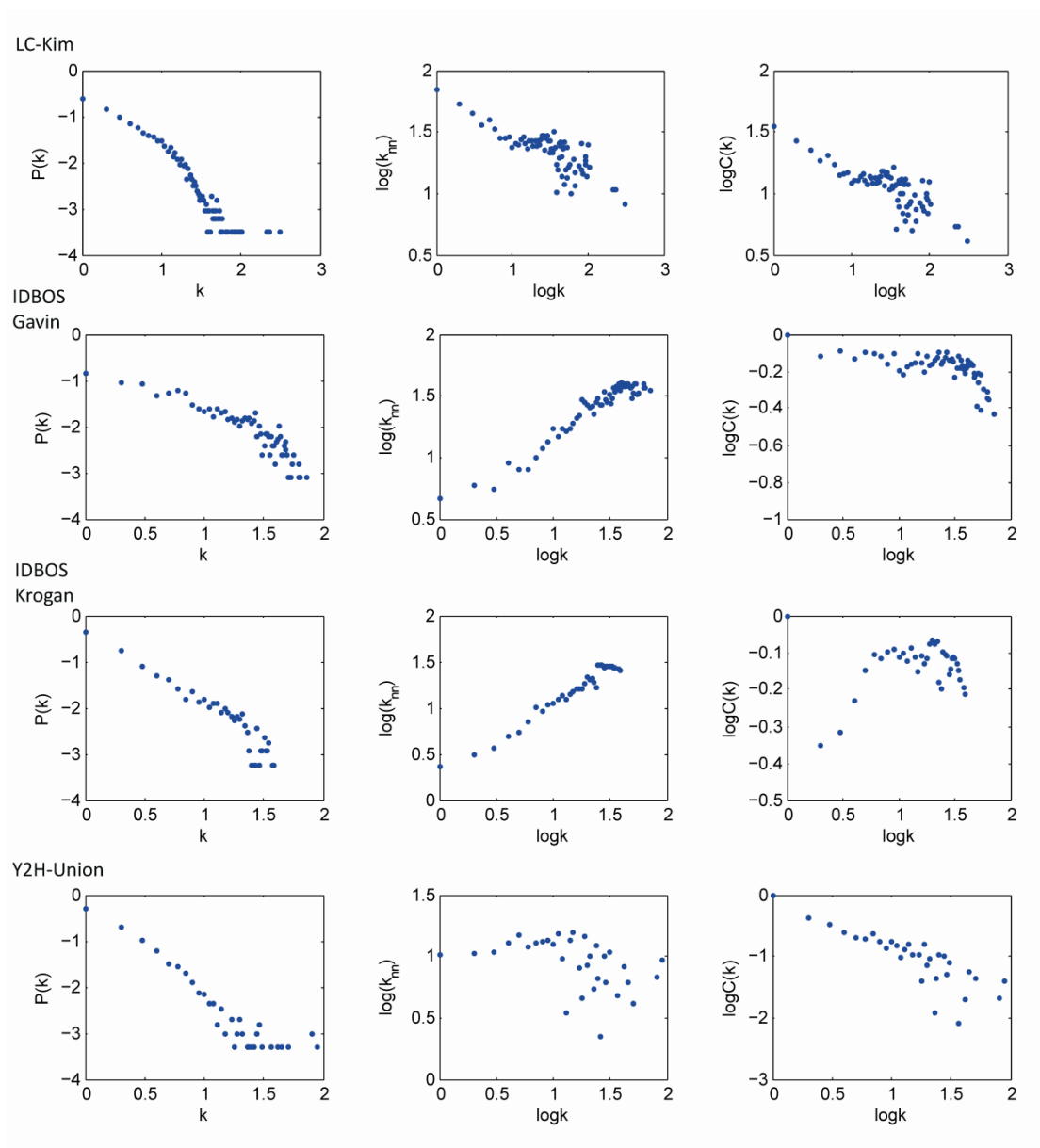


Figure S1. The degree distribution $P(k)$, clustering coefficient $C(k)$ and the average degree of nearest neighbors $\langle k_{nn} \rangle$ of the four yeast PPI networks.

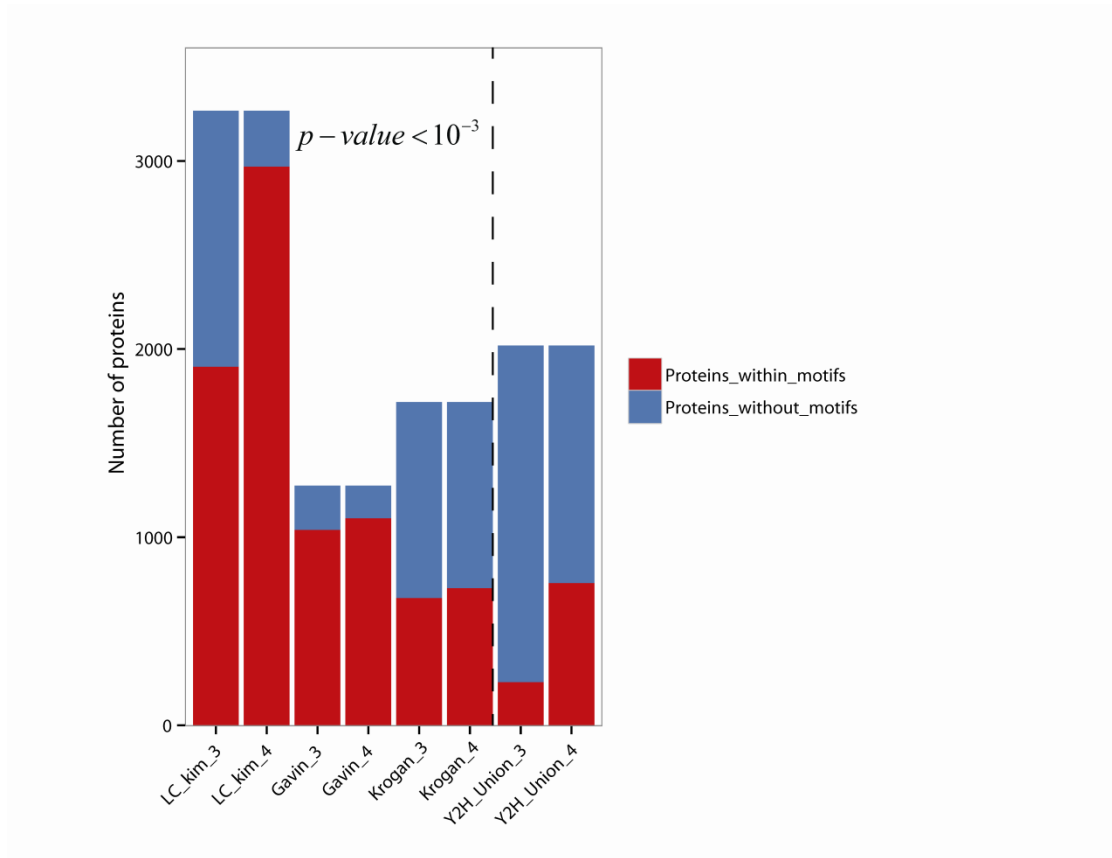


Figure S2. The number of proteins within/without network motifs across the four yeast PPI datasets. The p-value shows that proteins within network motifs among three datasets are significantly enriched in SGD_complexes where as no such tendency observed in Y2H-Union data. Same result holds for CYC_2008 coplexes.

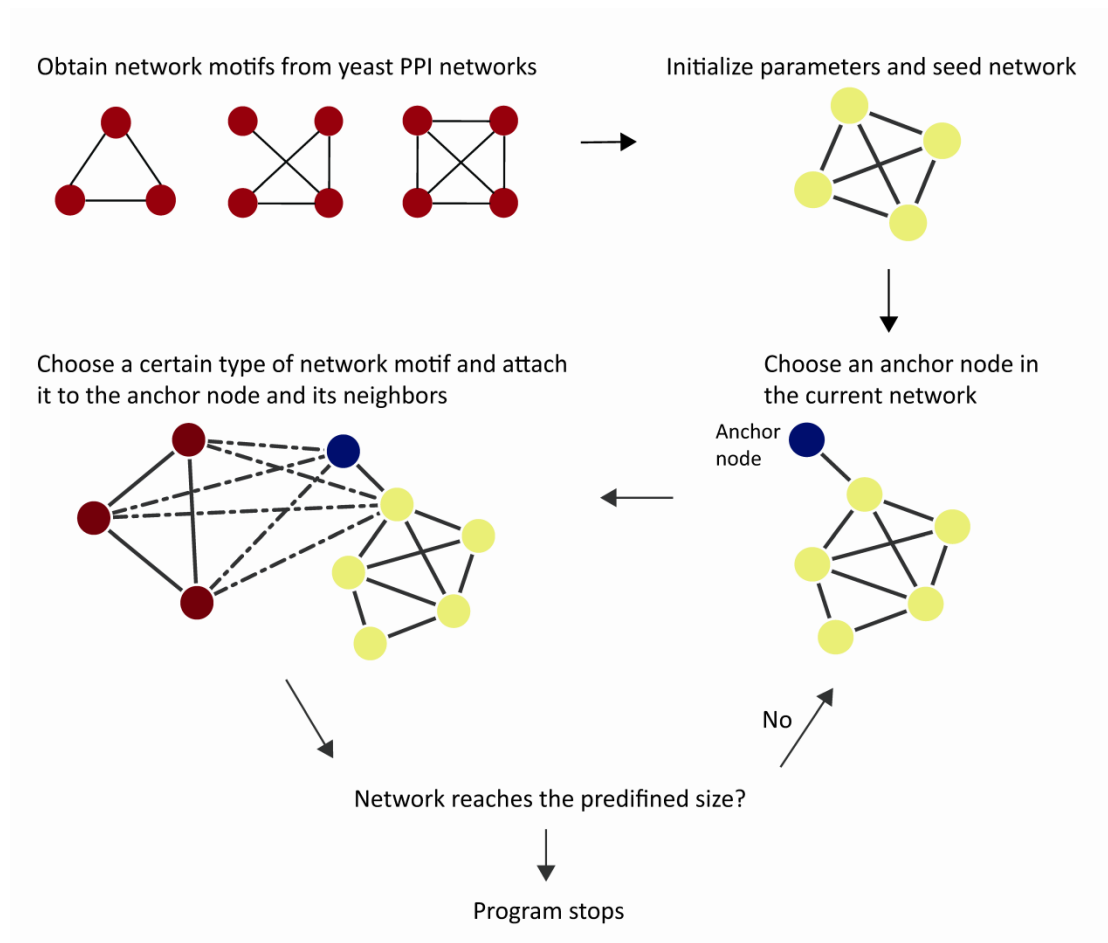


Figure S3. An illustration for our Network Motif model

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