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READ THIS FIRST

This manual has three chapters. Each chapter has a purpose:

1. To assist the novice with installation.
2. To document all features
3. To provide troubleshooting assistance

New users should glance over the contents to see what the program has to offer, perhaps reading a section if it may be of interest. Familiar users may return if some errors arise, or if there is a feature they remember exists, but don't remember how to use.

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Chapter 1. Installation and Introduction

General Instructions

Installation of Java TreeView should be fairly straightforward on modern operating systems.

The following steps will help guide you through.

1) To get started, download a recent version of Java TreeView from the main web page, <http://jtreeview.sourceforge.net>.

Distributions

Windows	TreeView-1.0.5-bin.zip
Mac OS X	TreeView-1.0.5-osx.dmg
Applet	TreeView-1.0.5-applet.tar.gz
Generic Java	TreeView-1.0.5-bin.tar.gz
Source	TreeView-1.0.5-source.tar.gz
Mac OS 9	TreeView-1.0.0-bin.sit followed by TreeView-1.0.5-bin.tar.gz. You need to unpack both, and then overwrite the TreeView.jar file in the TreeView-1.0.0-bin.sit folder with the newer one. This will update the treeview program, but still allow you to double-click the treeview icon.

For most operating systems, the application is distributed as a .tar.gz file. For MacOS9, there is a special MacOS9 .sit file.

2) Unpack the .tar.gz file, if your browser has not already done so.

3) Doubleclick the TreeView.jar(1) file to start, or the TreeViewLauncher file on MacOS9.

Known Issues

- Stuffit version 7.5 for windows does not properly unpack tar.gz files. Use WinZip on the windows platform instead.

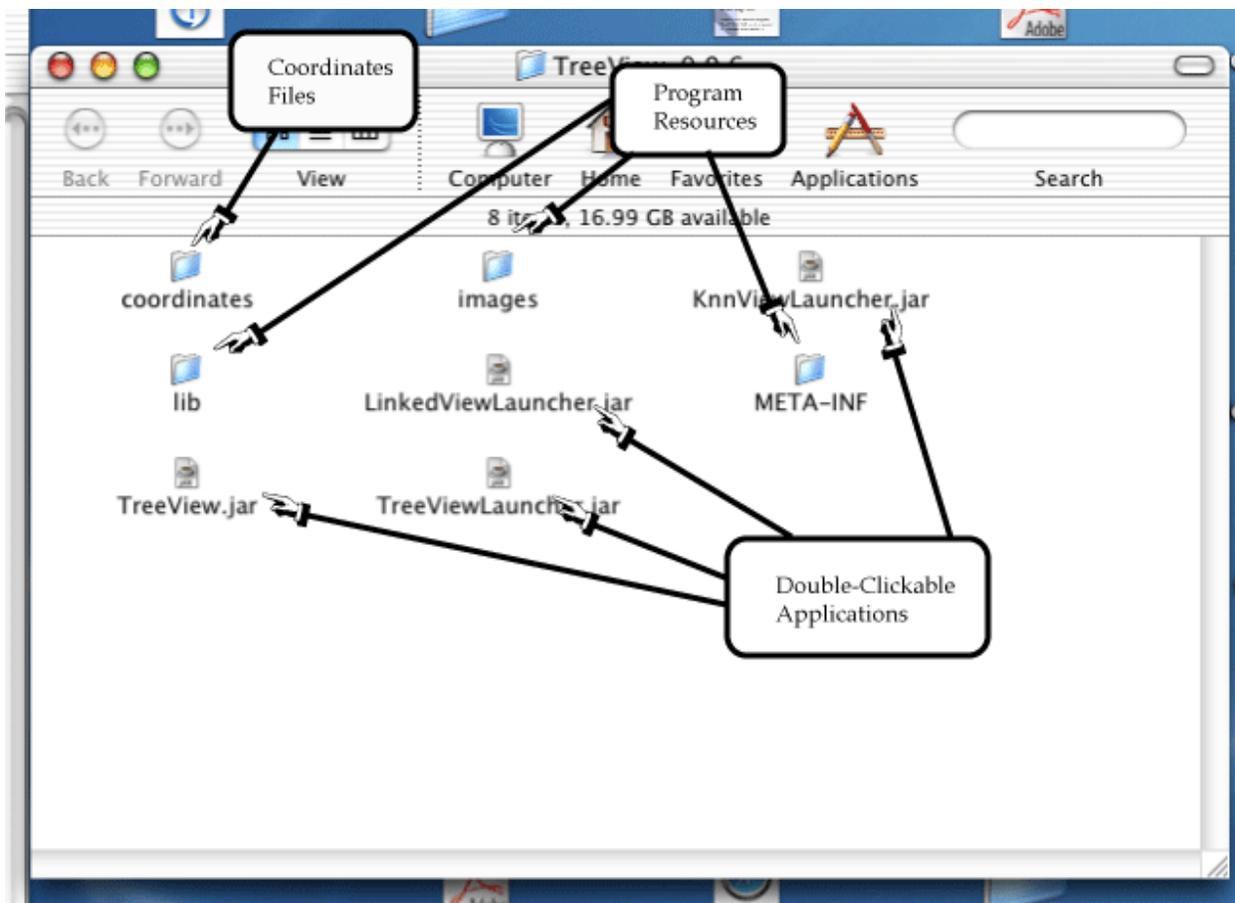
Note

If you run into problems at any time, check Chapter 3 Troubleshooting for solutions

Overview of Java TreeView

Figure 1.1. Contents of Java TreeView Distribution Archive

¹ ".jar" stands for Java ARchive, and is a standard format for java programs and libraries. Some jar files, such as the TreeView.jar files, are set up to be executable. Others, such as those located in the "lib" folder, are not.



Getting Started

Once you have downloaded and unpacked the distribution, you should be confronted with a set of files similar to those listed in Figure 1.1. Before reading further, you should run the `TreeView.jar` program to make sure your installation works. At this point, you might want to view a sample `cdt` or `pcl` file to get the hang of how it works. You can grab one from the examples section of the website or skip ahead to the file formats section (Chapter 2, the section called “File Formats”) if you aren't sure whether your file is properly formatted.

Selection in Java TreeView

Java TreeView offers many views of the data which are linked together.

Views offered by LinkedView

Dendrogram	Displays dendrogram, in style of original TreeView
Scatterplot	Displays scatterplot of data values or per-gene statistics
Karyoscope	Displays genome-ordering of data values, allows averaging
Alignment	Displays aligned sequence data, typically from <code>clustalw</code> or a similar program

In all these views there are visual cues to show which genes are selected. Any operation which selects genes in one view, either due to genome ordering, hierarchical clustering, or per-gene statistics, selects the genes in all views. This is because the application only maintains one list of selected genes. This list of selected genes can also be used to create exported images and data files such as gene lists and sub-pcl files using the Export features, documented in chapter 2.

Chapter 2. Feature Reference

Command Line Options

For operating systems which have a command line, a file or url can be specified. The following example demonstrates how to load the example off the website from the command line: **java -jar TreeView.jar -r http://jtreeview.sourceforge.net/examples/DLim_color.cdt**

Additionally, the amount of memory can be specified using the standard arguments to the jvm, i.e. for 500 MB, use **java -jar -Xmx500m TreeView.jar**

Be aware that for windows, you may need to use javaw instead of java.

Persistence

In Java TreeView, some effort was made so that when you set settings once, they stay set even if the application is closed and reopened. Such things as colors, zoom settings, url settings, etc. have settings which are set on a per-document level. There are also presets for these settings which are stored globally. A particular preset can be designated the default, and is used when opening new documents.

The actual Presets and Settings are covered in the section called “Presets” and the section called “Settings” respectively. This section simply tells you where the settings and presets are stored.

Document Settings

All document settings are stored in a document-specific .jtv file. These settings always take precedence over the presets. If you want to reset a document so that it uses all presets, just delete the .jtv file. At some point, a menu option to do this might get added.

Global Settings

Currently, there are two program-wide settings: the presets and the most recently used list of files. Program-wide settings are stored in a global configuration file whose location is platform dependant. To be exact, the following code is run to determine what file to use:

```

private String globalConfigName()
{
    String dir = System.getProperty("user.home");
    String fsep = System.getProperty("file.separator");
    String os = System.getProperty("os.name");
    String file;
    if (os.indexOf("Mac") >= 0)
        file = "JavaTreeView Config";
    else if (fsep.equals("/")
            || fsep.equals("\\"))
        file = ".javaTreeViewXmlrc";
    else
        file = "jtreeview.xml";
    else
    {
        System.out.println("Could not determine sys type! using name jtreeview.cfg");
        file = "jtreeview.xml";
    }
    return dir + fsep + file;
}

```

On unix, this resolves to a .javaTreeViewXmlrc file in your home directory. On OSX, it resolves to a JavaTreeView

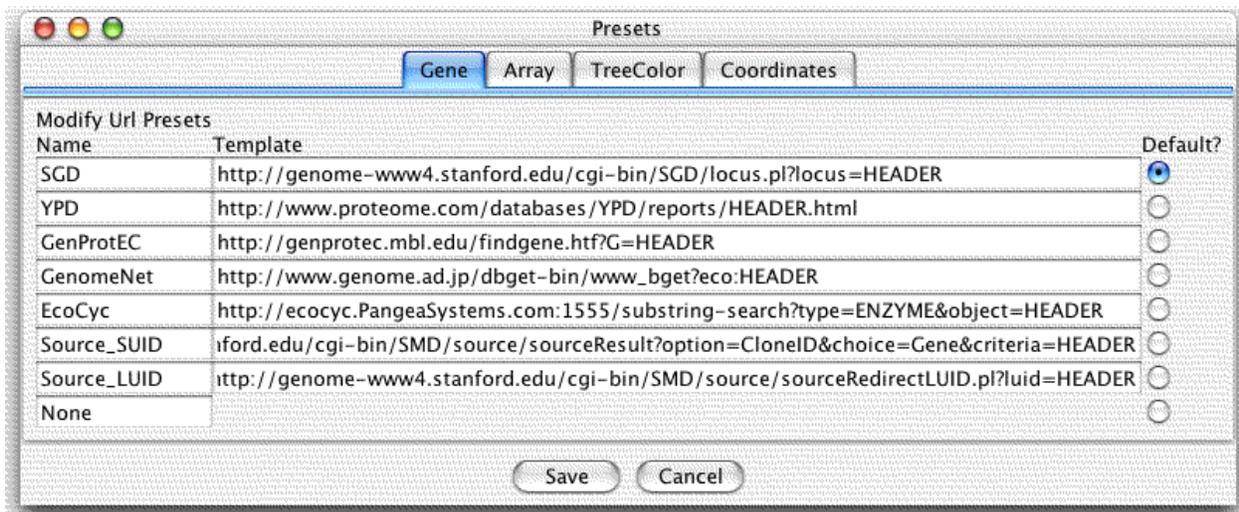
Config in your home directory. On PC, it resolves to a `jtview.xml` file, although I'm not sure where windows considers your home directory to be.

Presets

Presets allow you to store commonly used settings for url links, colors, and other settings. This allows you to quickly apply commonly used settings to different documents. Moreover, the default preset is the setting which a new file gets. Presets are not specific to any document, which means they can be edited when no files are loaded.

Url Presets

Figure 2.1. Url Presets Dialog



Url Presets are the only presets which apply to many views, since url linking is a view-independent process. Java TreeView stores the url presets for arrays and genes separately, thus there are two sets of url presets, gene url presets and array url presets, which are treated essentially the same.

Java TreeView supports linking to external databases. In a Dendrogram or Karyoscope, clicking on a gene will cause a corresponding database page to be loaded in an external browser. Dendrogram also supports linking by array. Exactly what database page gets loaded depends on the Url Settings. The exact mechanism for load depends on the operating system, and can be a source of url bugs (see Chapter 3).

URL Presets allow you to store presets for databases you may wish genes and arrays to link to. There are several default presets which come with Java TreeView. You can delete or modify all of them, as well as add additional presets.

There is a special preset which disables linking. You can set this as the default url preset to avoid spurious linking.

Dendrogram Color Presets

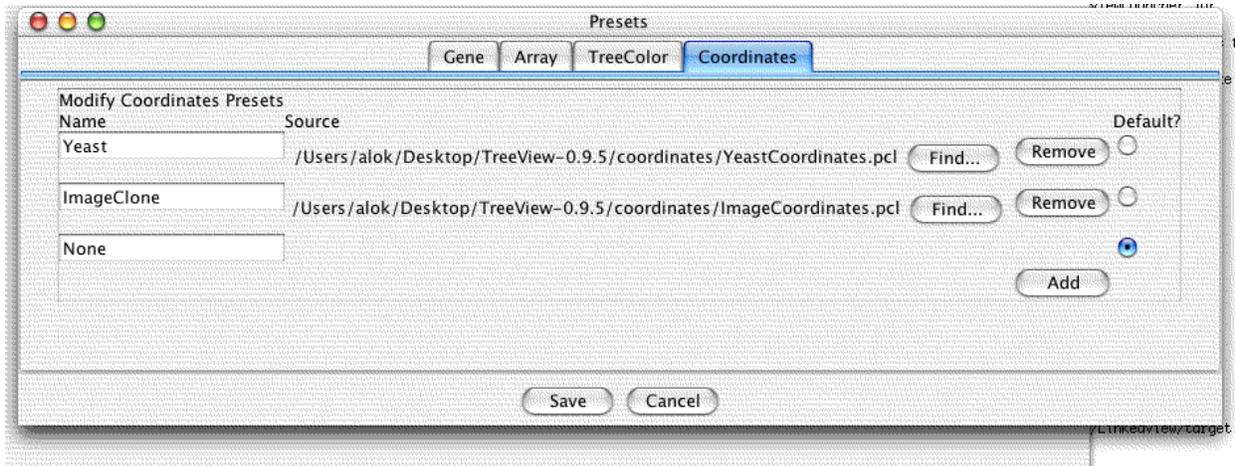
Figure 2.2. Dendrogram Color Presets Dialog



This set of presets allow you to configure preset color schemes for the dendrogram component. It is also referred to as just color presets in TreeView, since there's no other views which could have color settings.

Karyoscope Coordinates Presets

Figure 2.3. Karyoscope Coordinates Presets Dialog



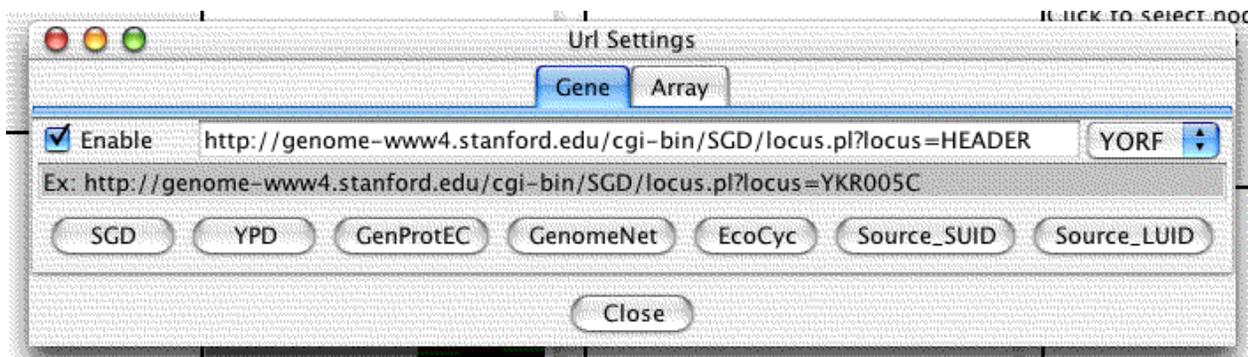
Stores a list of frequently used coordinates files. In addition to using a particular preset, it is also possible to parse the pcl or cdt file itself for the coordinates. Selecting "None" makes this the default behavior.

Settings

Java TreeView stores settings in a per-file manner. Thus, it is not possible to edit settings unless a file is loaded. Additionally, LinkedView stores many settings in a per-view manner. Specifically, only the url settings are document-wide; the rest are only per-view. Thus, you could have multiple dendrograms with different zoom and color settings, and multiple Karyoscopes with different averaging, all with the same underlying document.

Url Settings

Figure 2.4. Url Settings Dialog



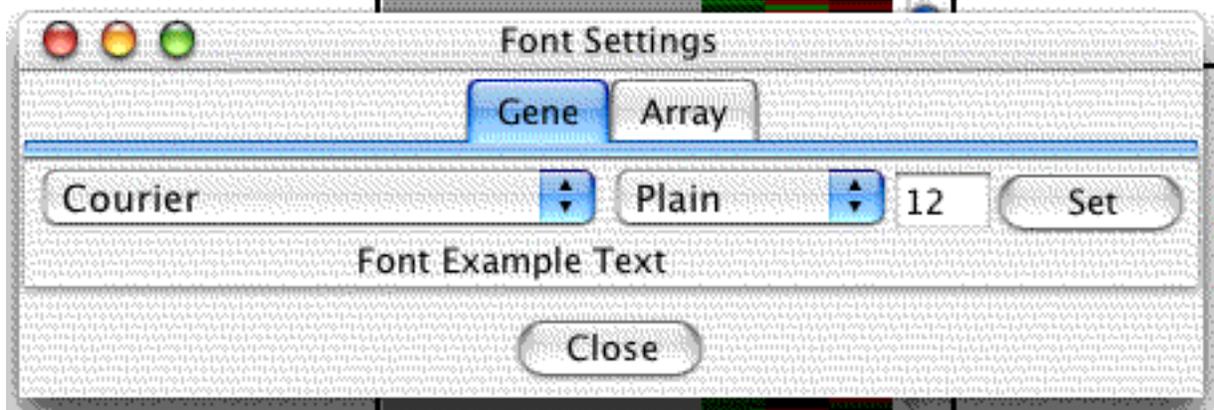
Url Settings allow you to select from one of the presets, or to directly edit the url string. There is a special substring of the url string, "HEADER", which is replaced by a particular gene or url header which you select from the pull-down. The default is to either use the first column for a pcl, or the second column for a cdt. In the original Eisen layout, this is the YORF column.

There is also a checkbox which allows you to disable url linking entirely. Whether this box is checked initially is determined by the default url presets.

What exactly the url settings are used for depends on the view. Generally, clicking on a gene will cause the url for that gene to be loaded in an external browser.

Dendrogram Font Settings

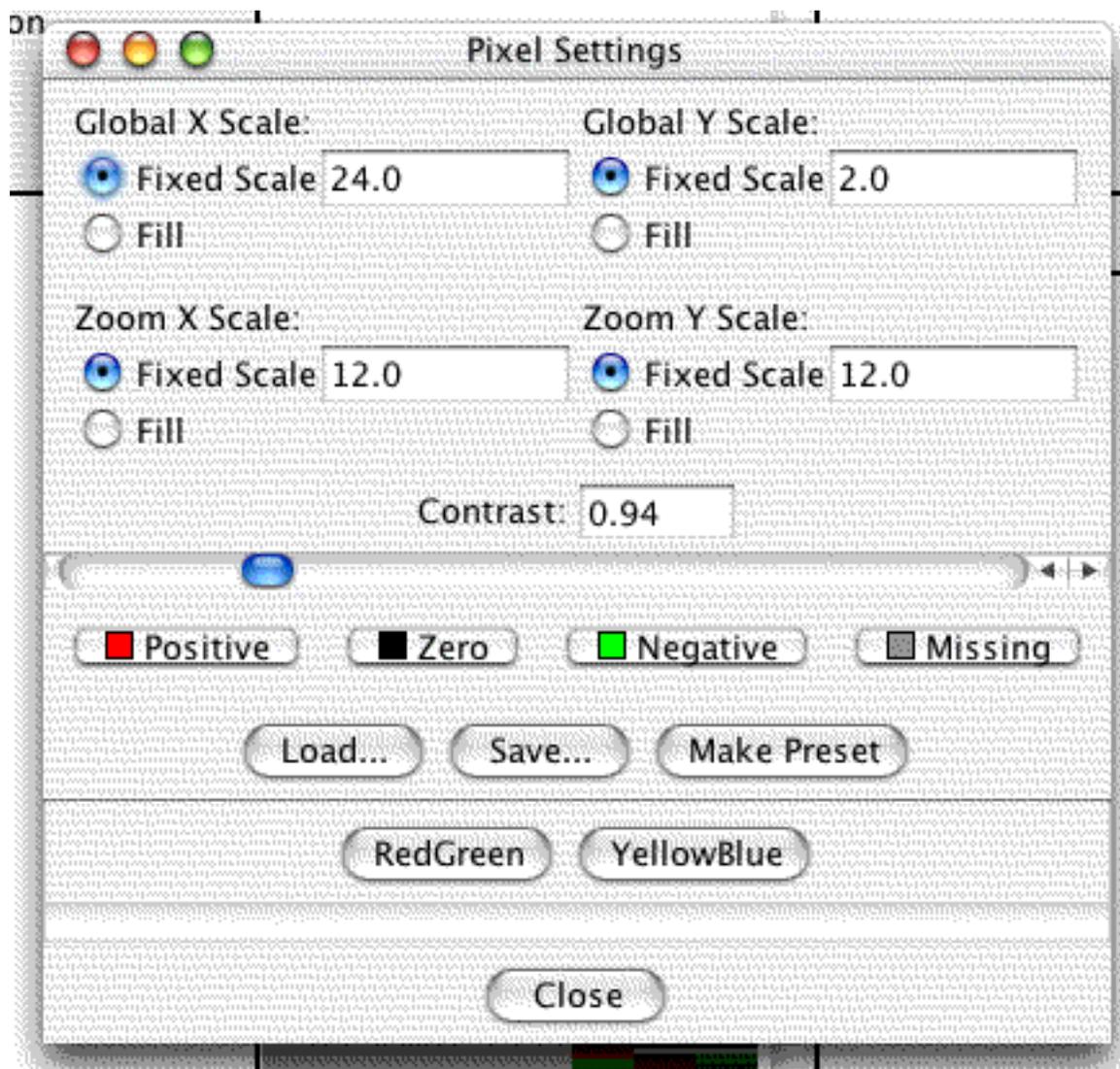
Figure 2.5. Dendrogram Font Settings Dialog



Choose the font used to render gene or array names and annotation.

Dendrogram Pixel Settings

Figure 2.6. Dendrogram Pixel Settings Dialog



This fairly complicated dialog has three major parts. The first part allows you to set the pixel scaling for the global and zoom views. The second part allows you to set the contrast. The third part allows you to set the color settings for the dendrogram.

The pixel scaling determines how tall and wide the boxes are in both the zoom and global views. Basically, the larger the pixel scaling, the bigger the box. If the pixel scaling is less than one, the rows are averaged. This can make your data look better, since missing values disappear.

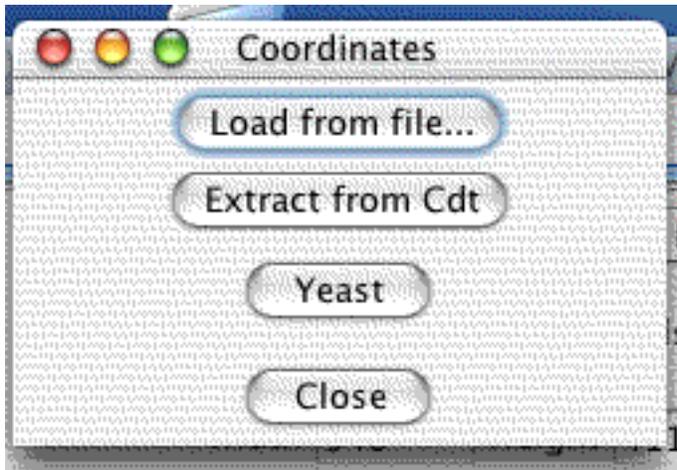
The contrast is the expression value which corresponds to fully induced. Any values greater than this will appear to be the induced color, and values between this and zero will appear to be a color between the zero and up color. The contrast is similarly used to color repressed boxes.

The color part allows you to set the up, down, zero and missing colors. You can double-click the boxes to get a color selection dialog, click a preset to load a color, and load and store color sets to files.

In LinkedView, a dendrogram must be active in order for this option to appear on the settings menu. Any settings made only apply to the active dendrogram.

Karyoscope Coordinates Settings

Figure 2.7. Karyoscope Settings Dialog

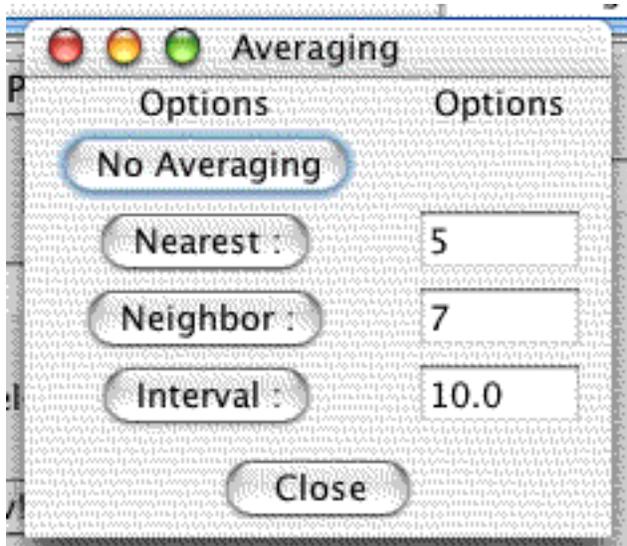


Coordinates may be parsed from the current file, if it is formatted properly, or parsed from an external file. The proper formatting is discussed in the File Formats section. The settings files provided with Java Treeview are nothing more than minimal PCL files, which contain no data but have annotation columns for chromosome, arm and position. The coordinates in an external files are matched up with the loci in the current file using either the first column, or if the first column has the header GID the second column. This gives the expected result when operating on PCL or CDT files, provided that the id column is unique.

Loci which do not have coordinates are not displayed. However, loci which have coordinates but not expression data associated with them do affect the extent of the chromosome displayed.

Karyoscope Averaging Settings

Figure 2.8. Karyoscope Averaging Settings Dialog



Allows one to average genes with their genomic neighbors using one of several algorithms.

Karyoscope Averaging Methods

No Averaging	Do not perform any averaging
Nearest	Average the nearest k genes. The nearest may all be on one side; this method strictly finds the nearest.
Neighbor	Average the $(k-1)/2$ genes on the left and the $(k-1)/2$ genes on the right together with this one. If there are fewer than $(k-1)/2$ genes on a side, then fewer genes are averaged.
Interval	Average genes over an interval of k units. The unit is the unit which the coordinates of the genes are specified in. This is generally base pairs for the supplied coordinates files.

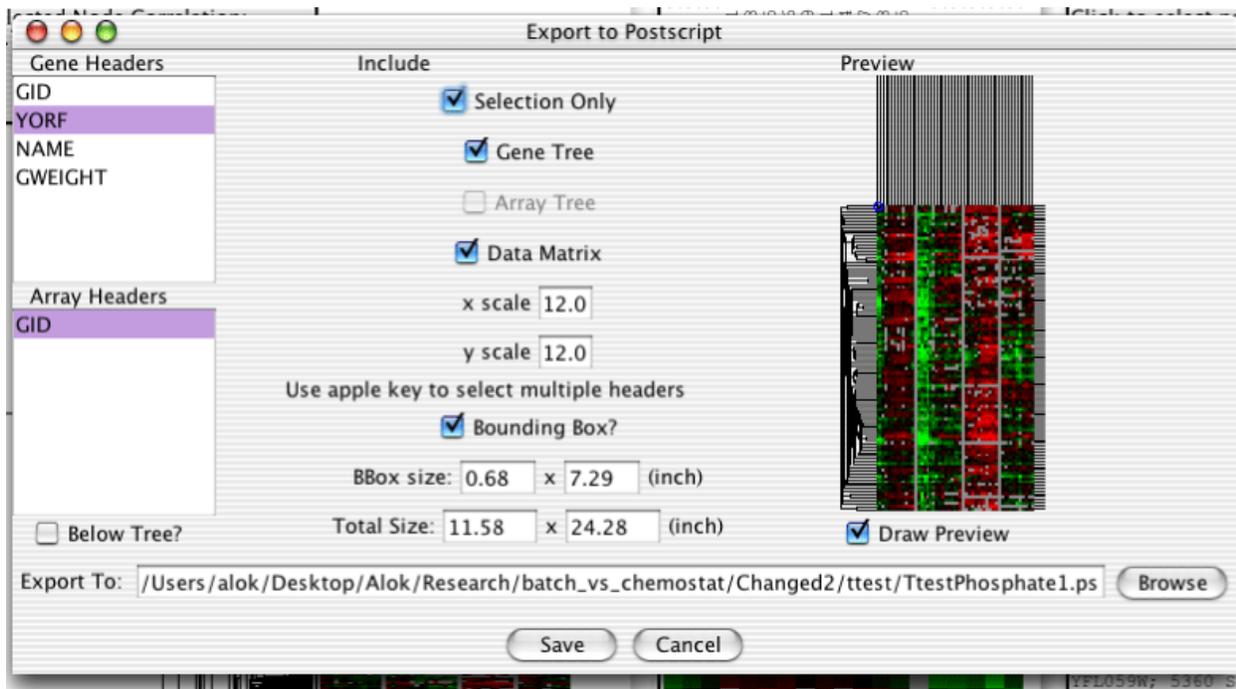
Export

Most displays support output to image formats such as PNG, PPM and JPEG. The dendrogram view also supports export to vector-based postscript files. Additionally, it is possible to export subsets of data to tab-delimited text, i.e. gene lists and cdts.

Export of Selected Genes and Data to Tab-Delimited Text

Selected genes and data can be exported to tab delimited text using "Export->Export to Text File...". The export dialog allows you to select which annotation columns you would like to include, whether you want to include the expression data, and whether you want to include a header line. The default is to print out a simple gene list with no header.

Export of Dendrograms

Figure 2.9. Dendrogram Export Dialog

The dendrogram can be exported to either image files or editable Postscript for publication purposes. Postscript can be edited as objects in programs such as Adobe Illustrator, but can get prohibitively large with many genes and arrays. Image files are simply pixels, but can take up less space. To export to Postscript, select "Export->Export to Postscript" off the menubar. To export to images, select "Export->Export to Image". The following sections apply to both types of export. Although the above image is a screenshot of Postscript export, the only difference with image export is that there is no Bounding Box option. The purpose of the bounding box is discussed in the section called "Bounding Box".

Headers

Both gene and array headers can be included in the exported image. The headers can be selected using the listboxes on the left side of the export dialog. Holding down the apple key on a mac, the Alt key on windows, or the Meta key on a unix machine will allow you to select multiple headers, or to deselect all headers.

Below the Listboxes is a checkbox which specifies whether the array names are to be output below the gene tree or not.

Include Checkboxes

The top half of the column in the middle of the dialog contains checkboxes which control exactly what data is included in the exported image.

The "Selection Only" checkbox determines whether just the selected genes and arrays or all genes and arrays are output.

The "Gene Tree" and "Array Tree" checkboxes determine whether or not the gene and array trees should be included.

The "Data Matrix" checkbox specifies whether or not the actual data matrix should be included.

Size and Scaling

The bottom half of the middle column has a few text fields.

The "x scale" and "y scale" boxes set the size in pixels of the boxes in the data matrix.

The "Total Size" boxes contain the total predicted size of the exported image in inches. These fields are not used by the export machinery, and editing them has no effect.

Preview

A preview of the exported image using the current settings is displayed on the right side of the dialog. If the preview takes a long time to render for some reason, it can be disabled with the checkbox below.

Export To

At the bottom of the export panel is a text field holding a suggested filename to hold the exported image. This field can be edited directly, or another file can be selected using the Browse button to the right.

Bounding Box

The Bounding Box is a part of the PostScript standard which informs postscript renderers of non-standard page sizes. If you have problems seeing all of an exported postscript image then including the bounding box or making it bigger might help. Due to the vagaries of font rendering, there is no easy way for me to predict how long a particular text string is going to be. I take a decent guess, but sometimes the text will get clipped.

Corel Draw, Adobe Photoshop, and Adobe Illustrator all support the Bounding Box, and will correctly render exported postscript from Java TreeView.

Adobe Distiller ignores the Bounding Box and produces incorrect output on some platforms.

Java Treeview Modes

Java TreeView can be run in one of three modes which can be selected at the time time that a file is opened. Each window within a running instance of java treeview has it's own mode.

Java TreeView Modes

- Auto
- Classic TreeView
- LinkedView
- KmeansView

Auto is selected by default, and tries to do a good job of picking the best mode for a file. This should be sufficient for most users.

Classic TreeView is similar to the visualization program by Michael Eisen([Eisen 1998]). It consists only of a den-

drogram view of the data.

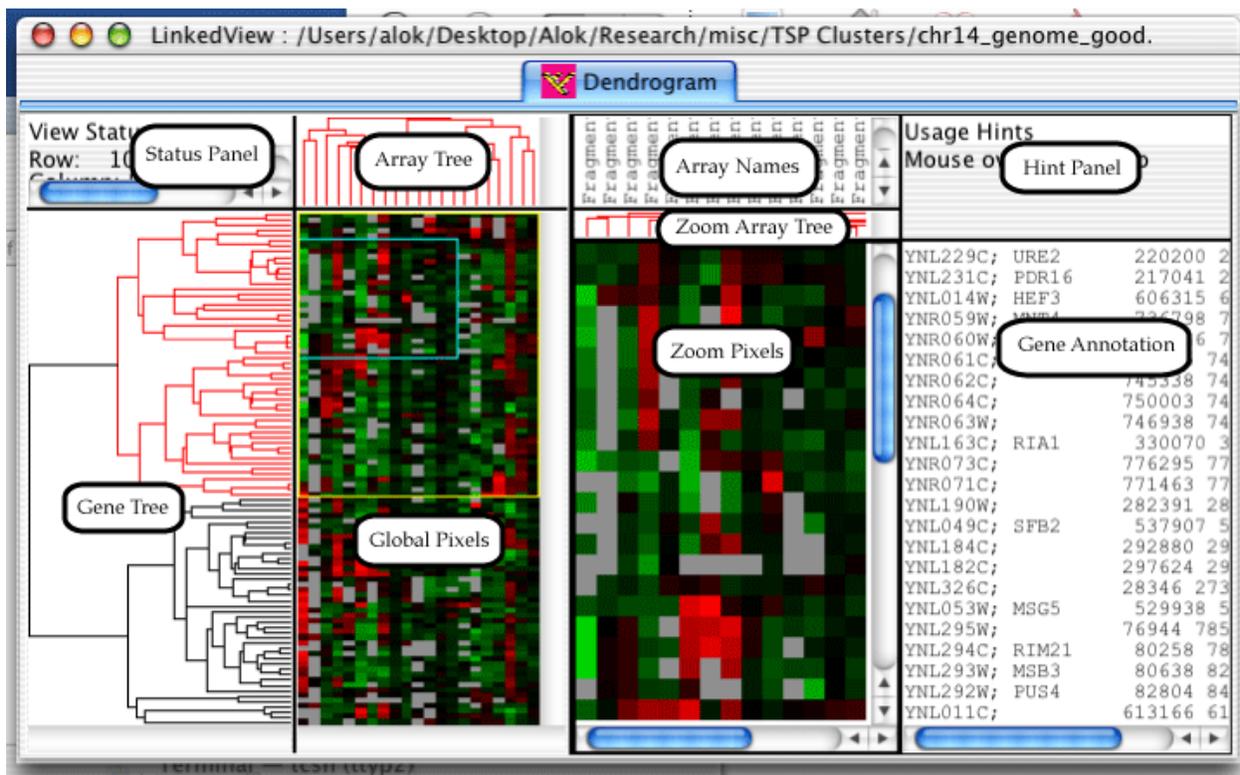
LinkedView is a generalization of TreeView. The idea is to present multiple linked visualizations of the same data which is present in TreeView. Initially, it shows a dendrogram view, but a Karyoscope View, ScatterView, as well as a new Alignment View can be show if the appropriate data is available.

KmeansView is a specialized version of TreeView for viewing the output of Michiel de la Hoon's Cluster 3.0 K-means clustering ([De Hoon 2002] , <http://bonsai.ims.u-tokyo.ac.jp/~mdehoon/software/>) . This program is mostly similar to TreeView, although more k means-specific features could be added later.

Dendrogram

The Dendrogram is one of three views which can be created in the LinkedView application. It is also the bulk of the TreeView application. The dendrogram has a lot of components, so I've gone ahead and given them names, so that the description of the features will not be confusing.

Figure 2.10. Dendrogram Component Layout



Informational Panels

The status panel displays different information depending upon which component the mouse is over. The hint panel displays hints on how to use the component.

Selection in Dendrogram

Genes can be selected in the dendrogram by either clicking and dragging on the global pixels or by clicking on a node in the gene or array trees. A zoomed in view of the selected genes will appear in the Zoom Pixels pane, a yellow rectangle will appear on the global view indicating which genes are selected, and a blue rectangle will appear inside the yellow rectangle indicating which genes are currently visible in the Zoom Pixels pane.

Holding down the shift key while dragging on the global pixels will cause the exact range of arrays to be selected; by default all arrays are selected. Once a range is selected, pressing the arrow keys moves the selected rectangle around. Holding down the control key while pressing the arrow keys will grow and shrink the selected rectangle.

Clicking on a node in the array or gene trees will select all descendants of the node. The selected node and descendants will be colored in red. At this point, pressing the arrow keys will change which genes are selected. Up will select the parent of the current node, left and right will select the left and right children, and down will select the child with more descendants.

Url Linking in Dendrogram

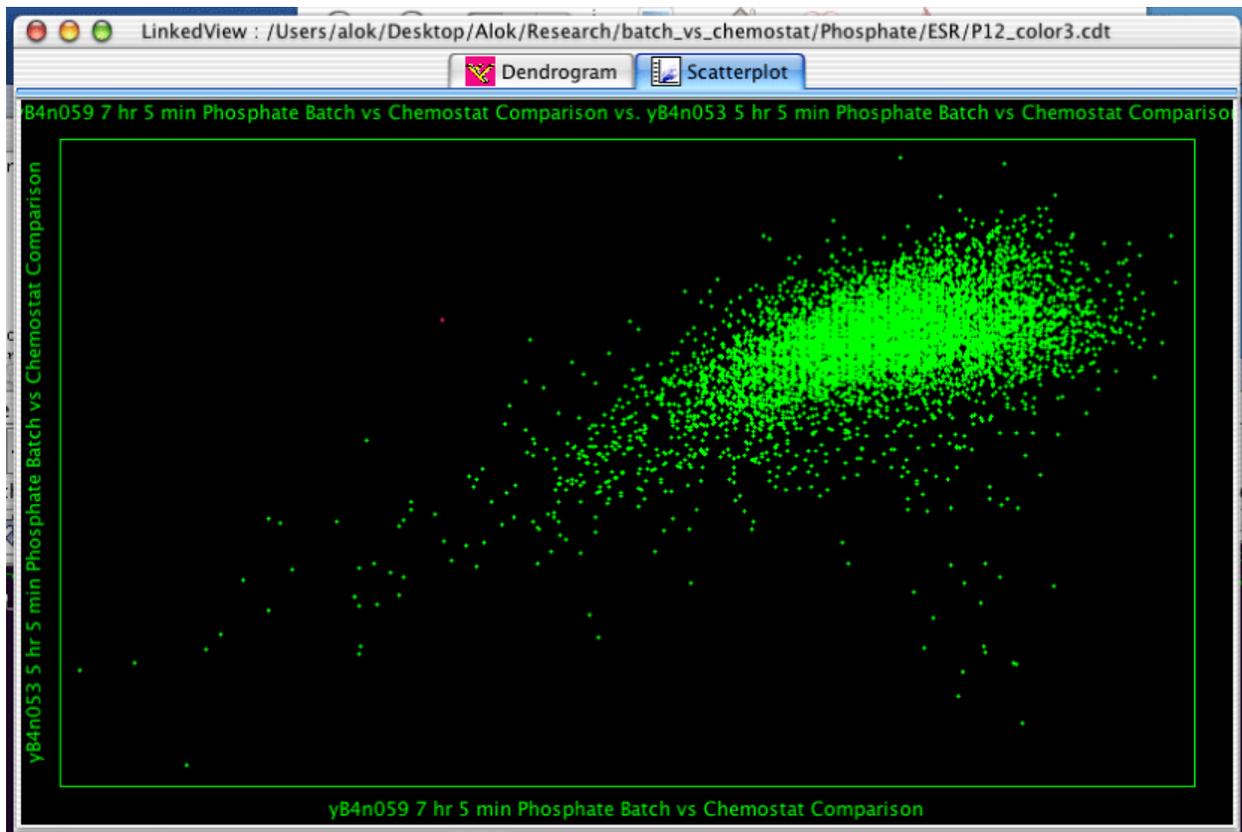
Provided the url link settings (described in the section called “Url Settings”) are set appropriately, clicking on a gene annotation or an array name will cause a browser window to open with details on the gene or array.

Scatterplot

The Scatterplot is one of three views which can be created in the LinkedView application.

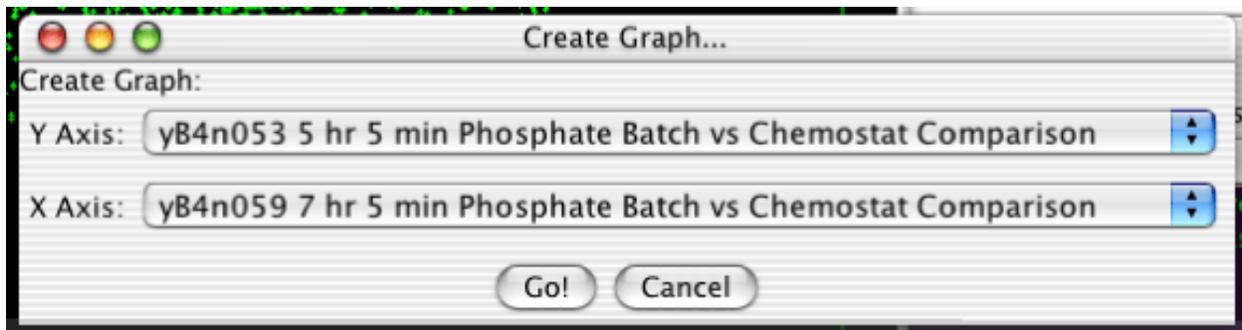
The scatterplot is a fairly simple component. Clicking and dragging will select the genes within the rectangle. Holding down Control will allow you to select multiple disjoint sets of genes. Moving the mouse around will tell you the X and Y coordinates of the mouse at any given point.

Figure 2.11. Scatterplot Component Layout



Creating a Scatterplot

Figure 2.12. Creating a Scatterplot



To create a scatterplot, select "Analysis->Create Scatterplot..." from the menubar. You will then be confronted with the dialog in Figure 2.12. The two pulldown menus determine what will be plotted on each axis. There options include the various arrays, the actual row number of the gene (called INDEX), and any annotation columns.

Karyoscope

Figure 2.13. Karyoscope Component Layout

The Karyoscope is one of three views which can be created in the LinkedView application. It can be created by selecting Analysis->make Karyoscope in LinkedView. There are three major regions to the screen in the Karyoscope. The upper left panel is the parameter panel, the upper right panel is the info panel, and then lower part of the screen is the karyoscope proper.

There are several settings which apply to the Karyoscope which have been previously covered, including the Coordinates the section called “Karyoscope Coordinates Settings” and Averaging the section called “Karyoscope Averaging Settings” and Url the section called “Url Settings” Settings. The remaining features are covered here.

Cursor hinting in Karyoscope

Moving the mouse around the screen in the Karyoscope will cause information for the nearest gene to be displayed in the info panel. There will be a bright yellow line connecting the cursor to the nearest gene, so you know which one the info applies to. Clicking will activate the url link associated with the gene.

Zooming in Karyoscope

The layout of the genes in the Karyoscope is determined by the Coordinates Settings and the Parameter Panel. The coordinates settings specify the chromosome, arm and position of each gene. The Parameter panel specifies exactly how to translate this information into an on-screen location.

The Pixels Per Map specifies how many pixels each position unit stands for. Making this number larger will stretch out the chromosomes.

The Pixels Per Value specifies how many pixels each value unit from the data matrix gets. Making this number larger will make the bars higher in the karyoview.

The width and height specify the actual width and height of the canvas on which the karyoscope will be drawn. Making these values larger will space out the chromosomes without actually changing the spacing of the bars or their height.

Since setting these values manually is tedious, there are two additional ways to navigate, which are preferred for general use. Clicking the "Auto" button in the parameter panel will set the width and height to match the available screen real estate, and then scale the pixels per map and pixels per value appropriately. Selecting a rectangular region in the Karyoscope causes the screen to zoom in on that location. Technically speaking, it causes the selected region to exactly fill the screen, increasing the pixel per map and pixels per value proportionately.

Selection Highlighting in Karyoscope

Although there is currently no way to select genes in the Karyoscope, genes which have selected in other views are visibly marked. The type of marking is determined by the settings in the Parameter Panel. You can choose the type and size in pixels of the highlighting from the pulldown menus to the right of "Highlight Selected with:".

Karyoscope Selection Highlights

None	Do not highlight selected genes.
Circle	Highlight selected genes with a solid circle.
Disc	Highlight selected genes with a 1-pixel thick disk

Alignment

Figure 2.14. Alignment Component Layout

The Alignment view is very good for browsing large alignments, even if you don't have any expression data for them. There is a utility, "aln2cdt.pl" available in the helper-scripts package from website to facilitate the viewing of clustalw alignments.

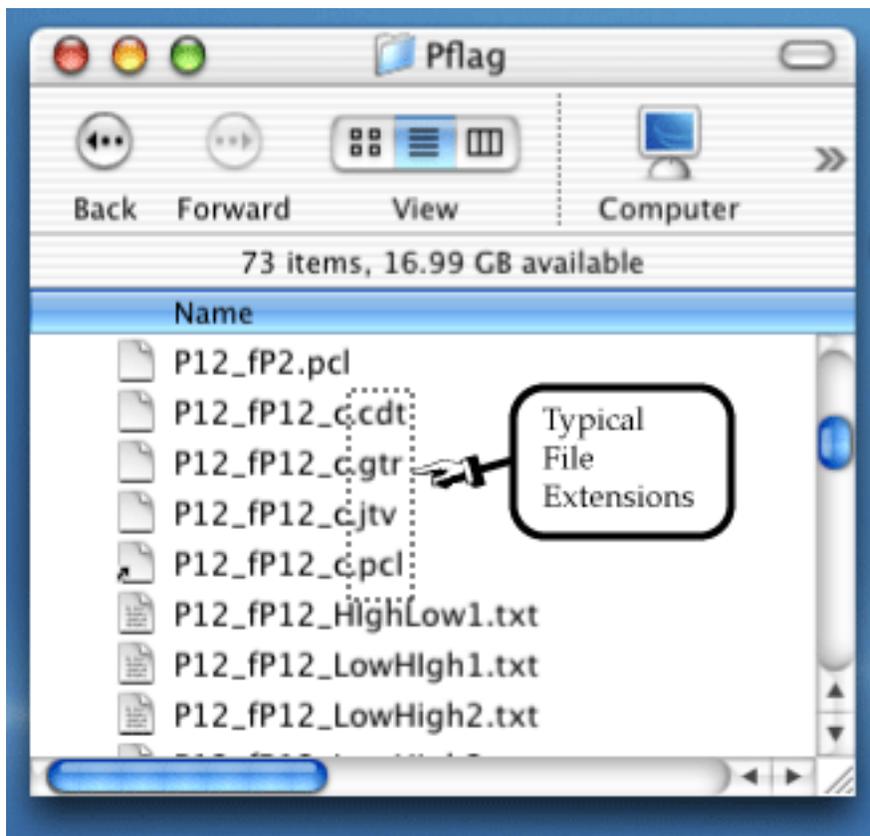
The alignment view relies up the existence of a column named "ALN" containing all the sequence data, with IUPAC symbols for the amino acids, and non-symbol spacer characters such as dashes designating the gaps. The alignment view will render the matching sequence into a dendrogram-view like two-level display, complete with gene tree.

There are two PERL scripts in the helper-scripts package available from the website which should aid in the usage of alignment view, aln2cdt.pl which will create a cdt with the appropriate columns, and potentially a gtr file if there is a dnd file available, and appendPCL.pl, which will allow you to append expression data in the pcl format to the cdt alignment file.

For a detailed howto to assist in making your own alignments, please see the fgf receptor example on the website (<http://jtreeview.sourceforge.net>)

File Formats

Figure 2.15. File Formats in Java TreeView



Java TreeView uses two file formats to represent data, both of which are tab-delimited text. The third file format is an xml formatted file which holds settings information for persistence (see the section called “Persistence”).

Java TreeView File Formats

- Generalized CDT File (.cdt and .pcl)
- Tree File (.atr and .gtr)
- XML Settings File (.jtv and global settings file, see the section called “Global Settings”)

The use of tab-delimited text makes these files easy to edit in spreadsheet programs such as Excel, as well as manipulate with other programs.

Minimal File Requirements

In order to view data in Java Treeview, there must be a Generalized CDT file. All other files are optional. The minimal GCDT file has a header row which contains the name of the unique id column, the name of the annotation column, and the names of the experiments, followed by one or more rows of per-gene data. Such a file can be created in Excel, and then saved as tab-delimited text.

Generalized CDT File

Figure 2.16. Screenshot of Generalized CDT file in Excel

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
1	GID	YORF	NAME	PlateID	Spot	FGCOLOR	Sector	GWEIGHT	yB4n053 5 hi	yB4n059 7 hi
2	FGCOLOR					#000000			#999900	#999905
3	EWEIGHT					#000000		1	1	1
4	GENE5998X	YML051W	1709 GAL80	25570	7590	#000000	40	1	0.07	-0.27
5	GENE6516X	YNL064C	2407 YDJ1	25571	8170	#000000	43	1	0.94	0.6
6	GENE6229X	YBR035C	3774 PDX3	25558	7853	#000000	41	1	0.38	-0.54
7	GENE6072X	YGL145W	5589 TIP20	25564	7672	#000000	40	1	-0.05	0
8	GENE7272X	SPLYDL082W	6885	25578	8995	#000000	47	1	-0.74	-0.44
9	GENE6875X	YNL214W	2240 PEK17	25571	8557	#000000	45	1	-0.28	-0.01
10	GENE7288X	YBR147W	3902	25558	9008	#000000	47	1	-1.36	-1.65
11	GENE7455X	YBL020W	3707 RFT1	25558	9195	#000000	48	1	-0.59	-1.38
12	GENE7454X	YAR071W	365 PHO11	25558	9193	#000000	48	1	-1.16	-1.43
13	GENE7283X	YBR093C	3838 PHO5	25558	9003	#000000	47	1	-2.92	-2.95
14	GENE7435X	NORF 54	164	25575	9165	#000000	48	1	-0.75	-1.31
15	GENE6980X	YER158C	5285	25563	8684	#990000	46	1	-1.99	-1.51
16	GENE7431X	NORF 6	116	25575	9161	#000000	48	1	-1.04	-1.2
17	GENE7204X	YLL020C	1159	25568	8919	#990000	47	1	-0.92	-1.19

The generalized CDT file is a straightforward generalization of the CDT and PCL file formats. In addition to expression data, this file can contain additional per-gene and per-array annotation in columns before the GWEIGHT column or in rows before the EWEIGHT row. For backwards compatibility, if the GWEIGHT column is missing Java TreeView assumes the data starts on the third column, or the fourth column if the first column has the header GID. Similarly, if the EWEIGHT row is missing Java TreeView assumes the data starts on the second row. As a general practice, it is a good idea to include the GWEIGHT column and EWEIGHT row.

In addition, Java TreeView does special things with the first two or three columns. If the first column is GID, the second and third are assumed to be the unique ID and NAME columns. If the first column is anything other than GID, the first and second columns are assumed to be the unique ID and NAME columns. The unique ID is used for gene list export, and for some matching purposes when necessary. The NAME column is displayed as per-gene annotation in the dendrogram and other views.

There are annotation column names with special meaning to Java TreeView, and are used for coordinates or to set the color of gene names. These special columns are described after the basic file format, and should be avoided as annotation names unless you want that specific behavior.

Formal Description of Generalized CDT File

A generalized CDT file is a tab-delimited text file with the following specifications. The leftmost column and top-most row are reserved for headers. The file must contain at least two columns followed by a column with the header GWEIGHT, and at least one row followed by a row with the header EWEIGHT. Any rows and columns before the EWEIGHT and GWEIGHT are treated as annotation, and any after are treated as data. If a data value is missing or cannot be converted into a number, it is treated as not found. The annotation is kept in string form, and parsed by views as appropriate.

Headers With Special Meaning

Some headers have special meaning to particular displays. This is a catalog of headers and their meaning to

ar displays.

Table 2.1. CDT Column Headers With Special Meaning

Header	Display	Meaning
FGCOLOR	Dendrogram	Color in which to render text for particular gene
BGCOLOR	Dendrogram	Color in which to render background for particular gene
LEAF	Dendrogram	The TIME at which this branch should be terminated. Used to indicate apoptosis in cell lineages, as well as phyogenetic distance in sequence alignments. See also TIME header for tree files.
CHROMOSOME	Karyoscope	The chromosome on which the gene is located, a natural number
ARM	Karyoscope	The arm of the chromosome, either "L", "R", or "1" meaning left, "2" meaning right.
POSITION	Karyoscope	The distance of the spot from the centromere in arbitrary units

Table 2.2. CDT Row Headers With Special Meaning

Header	Display	Meaning
FGCOLOR	Dendrogram	Color in which to render text of array name
BGCOLOR	Dendrogram	Color in which to render background of array name

Coordinates Files for Karyoscope

In order for Karyoscope to correctly display gene expression data by chromosome location, it needs to know where exactly to position each unique ID. To this end, it looks for annotation columns with the names "CHROMOSOME", "ARM" and "POSITION", which designate the chromosome, arm and position of a particular gene. CHROMOSOME should be a natural number indicating which chromosome the unique ID is on, "ARM" should be either "R" or "L" indicating the arm, and "POSITION" should be a real number indicating how far from the centromere the unique ID is. There is really no restriction on the units for position; bp or kb are natural choices.

A coordinates file is simply a generalized CDT file which has such columns. The coordinates files supplied with Java TreeView do not contain any expression data; they consist entirely of the unique id column, the chromosome, arm and position columns, and the required GWEIGHT column. However, any other generalized CDT file with the correct columns can serve as a coordinates file.

Tree Files

Figure 2.17. Screenshot of a Tree File in Excel

	A	B	C	D
1	NODE1X	GENE5174X	GENE3885X	1
2	NODE2X	GENE7463X	GENE7462X	0.994508
3	NODE3X	GENE2450X	GENE2446X	0.99384
4	NODE4X	GENE4206X	GENE4846X	0.99349
5	NODE5X	GENE4665X	GENE5747X	0.99312
6	NODE6X	GENE3143X	GENE3270X	0.992509
7	NODE7X	GENE3966X	GENE4645X	0.992493
8	NODE8X	GENE1208X	GENE1242X	0.992444
9	NODE9X	GENE2917X	NODE8X	0.993043
10	NODE10X	NODE9X	NODE4X	0.992672
11	NODE11X	GENE4013X	GENE3005X	0.992111
12	NODE12X	NODE7X	NODE11X	0.992025

Traditionally, tree files have no header, and consist of four columns. Each row represents a node in either a gene tree, for the GTR file, or an array tree in the ATR file. For each row, the first column is the identifier of the node, the second column is the left child of the node, the third column is the right child, and the fourth column is the correlation between the left and right child. This fourth column is used by Java TreeView to determine the height of the node when rendering a tree.

By analogy to the CDT file, the tree files have been generalized in Java Treeview. Generalized tree files have a header line identifying the different columns. All generalized GTR/ATR files must have NODEID as the name of the first column. Tree files with any other string in the first row of the first column will be treated as legacy tree files. All of the rows will be treated as defining nodes, and the headers will be assigned the headers "NODEID", "LEFT", "RIGHT" and "CORRELATION". The meaning of these headers, and others, are described in the section called "Tree File Headers".

Tree File Headers

All tree file headers can be displayed as node annotation in the dendrogram view. After loading a file in java treeview, select "Settings->Annotations..." to open the annotations dialog. Click "Gene Nodes" or "Array Nodes" and then select the desired headers. If you then mouse over the tree, the annotation for the select node will appear in the info pane.

Headers that have meaning beyond being used as annotation are described here.

Table 2.3. GTR/ATR Column Headers With Special Meaning

Header	Display	Meaning
NODEID	Dendrogram	The value in this column serves as the identifier for the node. It must be unique.
LEFT	Dendrogram	The NODEID of the left child of this node. If the left child is not an internal node but a gene from the CDT file, the value should be the gene

Header	Display	Meaning
		identifier, i.e. the value in the first column of the CDT file.
RIGHT	Dendrogram	The NODEID of the left child of this node, with leaf nodes handled as for the LEFT column.
CORRELATION	Dendrogram	The correlation value for this node. If this column appears, the implication is that the nodes in the tree should be arranged with a value of -1 most distal from the data matrix, with a value of 1 immediately proximal. This column and the TIME column should not appear in the same tree file.
TIME	Dendrogram	<p>The time at which this node branched. Java Treeview is used by some to display cell lineages. For this purpose, it is useful to arrange branches in the tree by time at which the cell divided. This column is also used for indicating branching in sequence alignments, although TIME means phyogenetic divergence time in that context.</p> <p>If this column appears, the implication is that the nodes in the tree should be arrange with a value of 0 most distal from the data matrix, and that the node with maximum time value should be immediately adjacent to the data.</p>
NODECOLOR	Dendrogram	The color value for this node. In the absence of this column, the dendrogram is rendered black when not selected. Even when this column appears, selected nodes are rendered red.

Chapter 3. Troubleshooting

Installation Problems

Unzipping Distribution

Some users have reported problems unzipping the distribution. The problems encountered range from all files getting dumped in the root directory to not being able to unzip the distribution at all. This stems from my approach of using a single, relatively platform independent format, the .tar.gz format. The solution is to just use an unzipping program which handles .tar.gz properly.

Compatible Unzipping Programs

GNU tar/ GNU gunzip

These are the command line tools I use to create the distribution. They are ubiquitously available on all unix and unix-like operating systems, including Mac OS X, if you know where to look.

Winzip

This is the recommended unzipper on the windows platform. I have heard reports that it doesn't do the right thing if you simply double-click the .tar.gz file. Instead, you may need to right-click, and select the "Expand to folder TreeView-blah" option.

Stuffit on Mac OS 9

This is the recommended unzipper for Mac OS 9. This should definitely work on the specially packaged OS 9 distribution, which comes as a .sit file.

Stuffit on Mac OS X

As far I know, this should work fine. Just make sure you download the correct (.tar.gz) distribution of treeview.

Incompatible Unzipping Programs

Stuffit on Windows

This is known not to work in at least some cases. If it does not make a directory structure like Figure 1.1, then just go get winzip.

Running Launcher Files

The most common problem I have seen is that java is not installed on the system. The symptom is that nothing happens, or something confusing happens, when you doubleclick the launcher. The solution is to install a recent version of the java runtime environment. For Windows or Unix systems, this involves a quick download from the sun website,

<http://java.sun.com/j2se/> [<http://java.sun.com/j2se/>]

Mac OSX comes with java standard. For Mac OS9, you may need to get the Mac OS Runtime for Java (MRJ) from the apple website,

<http://developer.apple.com/macos/macos9.html> [<http://developer.apple.com/macos/macos9.html>]

Url Related Issues

Url Linking in Windows

Clicking on a gene in the dendrogram and karyoscope views is supposed to open a web browser window to a relevant database entry. Unfortunately, there is no standard way to do this in windows. When the linking is bad, typically clicking a gene name launches a DOS terminal window where the window's title equivalent to the URL, but no browser window comes up.

I have tried several things, but nothing works for all versions, and if you are not lucky you will be using one for which the current incarnation does not. Luckily it is easily fixed. Go to start->execute.. and entry "cmd" to get a command line shell. Try the following variants to see how your version of windows likes to do linking:

1. start http://www.google.com
2. cmd /c start http://www.google.com
3. start "http://www.google.com"
4. cmd /c start "http://www.google.com"

By default, #2 is used in version 1.0.5. If you require something else, you can enter the entire command as the URL string in java treeview, i.e. start `http://genome-www4.stanford.edu/cgi-bin/SGD/locus.pl?locus=HEADER` Including the quotes should guard against forbidden characters in the HEADER, as explained in my code: // The problem with the above is that special shell characters, notably & | () < > ^ , // need to be escape, or put in double quotes (which can be doubled to escape them, // but I don't think that's necessary.)

Url Linking on OSX

When OSX tries to open a bad url, sometimes something breaks in the native code. If you run the application from the command line, you will see errors like the following:

```
2003-03-18 21:41:23.197 java[3492] LSOpenCFURLRef() returned -50 for URL
(null) in OSX
```

This output indicates that an underlying C function failed. The java thread running this just dies without throwing an exception, so there's no way for me to detect it. The symptoms on the user level is that clicking has no effect. If you think this might be the case, double check your Url settings, in particular the preview, and make sure that the url is well formed.

Export Problems

Export of Gene Summary

Problem: I want to display things that are similar by Genename. This function is present in your program when you select genes that have the same annotation(Analysis->Find...) , and then show a summary of these genes (Analysis->Summary Window...). Is there any way to save an image from the summary window?

Solution: There may be a way in the future to directly export from the summary window. However, in the meantime you can export data for the selected genes to form a valid CDT file, which can then be opened with Java Treeview and used to form images, etc.

First, Select the genes using the annotation search as you described. Then, use Export->Data... to export the data just for the selected genes. If you accept all the defaults, it will make a well-formed CDT file that you can then reopen and export to an image.

Giant Postscript Files

If you output a giant Postscript file and then try to open with adobe illustrator and get the error "The MPS parser is unable to parse the file" it most likely means that the postscript file created by java treeview requires a bigger canvas to display than the maximum canvas size of illustrator. I don't have a good answer on how to fix this, other than lowering the xscale and yscale.

Giant GIF Files

Symptom: Trying to export some big clusters with names and dendogram to GIF, but continually getting an 'Out of memory' error. Able to export results only if you scale down the cluster image (i.e. using low X & Y scale values).

Solution: The gif encoder in java treeview sucks. Use Export->Export to bitmap... (ppm) format and then convert to gif with some software with a better gif encoder. "GraphicConverter" which comes by default with Mac OS X works well. There are also various windows options, such as "Image Transformer", which is shareware.

Note- this section is deprecated, as the GIF encoder is no longer used.

Miscellaneous Problems

Out of Memory

Running out of memory is tough to detect and deal with in java, since most of memory allocation is hidden from the java developer. If you are working with large data sets, or on a computer with a small amount of RAM, it is easy to run out of memory because java is not very memory efficient, and more importantly most Java Virtual Machines (JVMs) are too stupid to grow to take up more memory than some default arbitrary maximum.

There are only two possible solutions to the out of memory problem in java. Either I write a platform-specific launcher for each platform that informs the JVM of the extra ram, or you run the application from the command line and tell the JVM about the RAM yourself. Currently, only the latter is supported.

To run the application from the command line, first get to a terminal. This should be obvious to someone on a unix machine. On Mac OS X, run the Terminal program which is in the utilities folder. On Windows, select Start->run... and then type **cmd <return>** . Curously, on Mac OS 9, this problem does not seem to arise. I suspect this is because the OS 9 JVM is smart enough to use the per-file memory settings.

Next, switch to the directory containing the java treeview distribution (using either cd or chdir or whatever), and then type

```
java -Xmx###m -jar TreeViewLauncher.jar
```

Where the number following Xmx is the maximum amount of memory in megabytes that the JVM is to use. You may as well specify the available system RAM; the JVM won't take it unless it needs it. Also, make sure that you're in the directory with the jar files so that the command will work. Check out Figure 3.1 for an example.

Figure 3.1. Screenshot of Running Java TreeView from the Command Line with 800 Megs of RAM

```

Terminal — tcsh (tty1)
[alokbook:~/Desktop/TreeView-0.9.6] alok% pwd
/Users/alok/Desktop/TreeView-0.9.6
[alokbook:~/Desktop/TreeView-0.9.6] alok% ls
KnnViewLauncher.jar      TreeView.jar            images
LinkedViewLauncher.jar  TreeViewLauncher.jar   lib
META-INF                coordinates
[alokbook:~/Desktop/TreeView-0.9.6] alok% java -Xmx800m -jar TreeViewLauncher.jar

```

Displaying Annotations

Question: I have two columns before I get to my data, the first being ID(containing accession number), and the second is "NAME" (containing Unigene ID). The data follows in each column after these two. When treeview loads it up, it only displays the 2nd column "NAME", instead of both columns data when highlighting aspects of the cluster. Is this right?

Answer: Yes. TreeView used to display all annotations, but it annoyed some people. To specify the ones you want, use Settings->Annotations...

Switching browsers

On the windows and mac platforms, the system default browser is used to open urls. In order to change it, you must muck around with your control panel.

On unix, there is no notion of a system default web browser, so I just hardcoded in a call to netscape. If you don't have netscape, or you want to use another browser, just alias netscape to that other browser from the shell in which you're launching java treeview. Something like the following should work:

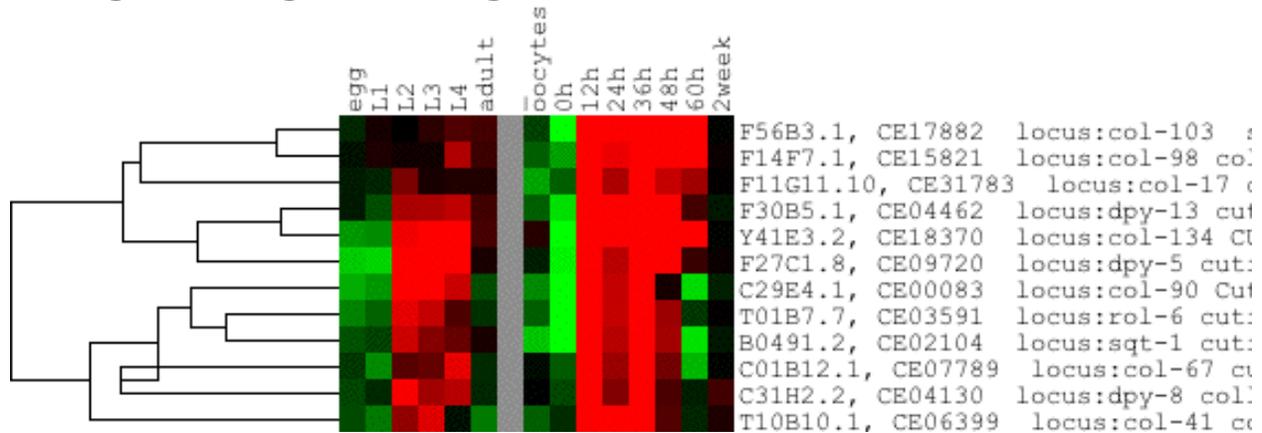
```
alias netscape mosaic
```

```
java -jar TreeViewLauncher.jar
```

If the above doesn't work, then the JVM is spawning a sub-shell to run the call to netscape in. In that case, you need to add the alias to your .profile or equivalent, or perhaps just add a link to your preferred browser such as the following:

```
ln -s /usr/bin/mosaic netscape
```

Strange drawing of dendrogram branch lines



Some people have been thrown off guard by dendrograms such as the one depicted above. The strange appearance of the tree, where the parent node of dpy-8 and col-67 has a lower correlation than its parent, is a correct representation of the clustering algorithm used to generate the tree. Indeed, the correlation between the two genes is .889, whereas the correlation of the next join up is .908. This simply means that the average of dpy-8 and col-67 is more similar to the next node up than they are to each other (and, by implication, than either dpy-8 or col-67 alone are to the next node up).

If such behavior disturbs you, please use a different correlation metric, such as complete linkage. Certain other visualization programs, such as the original Treeview, artificially force parent nodes to have a correlation equal to or less than that of their children, but I choose to accurately represent the information in the GTR and ATR files.

Crashing on Mac Os X

Typical symptoms are the application seems to lock up after a fairly innocuous user action, and then the application suddenly quits. If you were running from the command line, you may see a report of a "bus error" or "segmentation fault". Running "Console", an application that comes with OSX and can be found in the Utilities subfolder of the Applications folder, should reveal something like

```
10k2Saldanha@ComputerokSaldanha/Desktop/code/java/LinkedView/bundle/Treeview:~/code/java/LinkedView/Treeview$ java -jar Treeview.jar
```

```
11A07629Saldanha@ComputerokSaldanha/Library/Logs/CrashReporter/JavaApplicationStub.crash.log
```

```
May 28: 11:28:11 Bok-Saldanhas-Computer WindowServer[1888] Reserver exhausted (0xbbf4b000bc1d1060) (0 seconds)
```

```
11:28:11 Bok-Saldanhas-Computer/LinkedView/Treeview$ java -jar Treeview.jar
```

as opposed to

```
[error]     apple.awt.EventQueueExceptionHandler      Caught      Throwable      :
[error] java.lang.ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException: Array index out of range: 52133
[error]     at org.gjt.sp.jedit.Buffer.getLineOfOffset(Unknown Source)
[error]     at xml.TagHighlight.updateHighlight(Unknown Source)
[error]     at xml.TagHighlight.access$000(Unknown Source)
[error]     at xml.TagHighlight$1.actionPerformed(Unknown Source)
[error]     at javax.swing.Timer.fireActionPerformed(Timer.java:271)
```

In general, if Java Treeview crashes it is advisable to check the console for messages. The former indicates a bug in the JVM, not in Java Treeview, which at some point I should write up as a formal bug report. Something like the latter indicates a bug in Java Treeview, although this particular instance was another java program. There are at least

two causes for the JVM crashes, one of which is somewhat understood. If you are launching Java Treeview by double-clicking a jar file, and you have multiple views open, you could be triggering a bug in the Mac OSX Java libraries related to font rendering. Either run Java Treeview with the following command line:

```
java -Xmx500m -Dapple.awt.TextAntialiasing=false Treeview.jar
```

or just use the double-clickable application that comes in the .dmg download.

Java Treeview may also crash when you select entries from the most recent file listing. It is not clear what causes this or how to fix it at the moment.

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