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# **PathwayForte Documentation**

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A Python package for benchmarking pathway databases with functional enrichment and prediction methods tasks.



## COMMAND LINE INTERFACE

PathwayForte commands.

### 1.1 pathway\_forte

Run PathwayForte.

```
pathway_forte [OPTIONS] COMMAND [ARGS]...
```

#### 1.1.1 datasets

List the available cancer datasets.

```
pathway_forte datasets [OPTIONS]
```

#### 1.1.2 export

Generate gene set files using ComPath.

```
pathway_forte export [OPTIONS]
```

#### 1.1.3 fcs

List of FCS Analyses.

```
pathway_forte fcs [OPTIONS] COMMAND [ARGS]...
```

#### **gsea**

Run GSEA on TCGA data.

```
pathway_forte fcs gsea [OPTIONS]
```

## Options

- d, --data** <data>  
Name of the cancer dataset from TCGA [required]
- p, --permutations** <permutations>  
Number of permutations [default: 100]

## gsea-msig

Run GSEA on TCGA data using MSigDB gene sets.

```
pathway_forte fcs gsea-msig [OPTIONS]
```

## Options

- d, --data** <data>  
Name of the cancer dataset from TCGA [required]

## ssgsea

Run ssGSEA on TCGA data.

```
pathway_forte fcs ssgsea [OPTIONS]
```

## Options

- d, --data** <data>  
Name of the cancer dataset from TCGA [required]

## 1.1.4 ora

Perform ORA analysis.

```
pathway_forte ora [OPTIONS] COMMAND [ARGS]...
```

## hypergeometric

Performs one-tailed hypergeometric test enrichment.

```
pathway_forte ora hypergeometric [OPTIONS]
```

## Options

- d, --genesets** <genesets>  
Path to GMT file [required]
- s, --fold-changes** <fold\_changes>  
Path to fold changes file [required]

- no-threshold**  
Do not apply threshold
- o, --output** <output>  
Optional path for output JSON file

### 1.1.5 prediction

List of Prediction Methods.

```
pathway_forte prediction [OPTIONS] COMMAND [ARGS]...
```

#### binary

Train elastic net for binary prediction.

```
pathway_forte prediction binary [OPTIONS]
```

#### Options

- d, --data** <data>  
Name of the cancer dataset from TCGA [required]
- outer-cv** <outer\_cv>  
Number of splits in outer cross-validation [default: 10]
- inner-cv** <inner\_cv>  
Number of splits in inner cross-validation [default: 10]
- i, --max\_iterations** <max\_iterations>  
Number of max iterations to converge [default: 1000]
- turn-off-warnings**  
Turns off warnings

#### subtype

Train subtype analysis.

```
pathway_forte prediction subtype [OPTIONS]
```

#### Options

- d, --ssgsea** <ssgsea>  
Path to ssGSEA file [required]
- s, --subtypes** <subtypes>  
Path to the subtypes file [required]
- outer-cv** <outer\_cv>  
Number of splits in outer cross-validation [default: 10]
- inner-cv** <inner\_cv>  
Number of splits in inner cross-validation [default: 10]

- chain-pca**
- explained-variance** <explained\_variance>  
Explained variance [default: 0.95]
- turn-off-warnings**  
Turns off warnings

## survival

Train survival model.

```
pathway_forte prediction survival [OPTIONS]
```

## Options

- d, --data** <data>  
Name of dataset [required]
- outer-cv** <outer\_cv>  
Number of splits in outer cross-validation [default: 10]
- inner-cv** <inner\_cv>  
Number of splits in inner cross-validation [default: 10]
- turn-off-warnings**  
Turns off warnings

## test-stability-prediction

```
pathway_forte prediction test-stability-prediction [OPTIONS]
```

## Options

- s, --ssgsea-scores-path** <ssgsea\_scores\_path>  
ssGSEA scores file [required]
- p, --phenotypes-path** <phenotypes\_path>  
Path to the phenotypes file [required]
- outer-cv** <outer\_cv>  
Number of splits in outer cross-validation [default: 10]
- inner-cv** <inner\_cv>  
Number of splits in inner cross-validation [default: 10]
- i, --max\_iterations** <max\_iterations>  
Number of max iterations to converge [default: 1000]
- turn-off-warnings**  
Turns off warnings

**PIPELINE**

Pipelines from Pathway Forte.



## CONSTANTS

This module contains all the constants used in the PathwayForte repo.

```
pathway_forte.constants.BIO2BEL_DATA_DIR = '/home/docs/.bio2bel/pathwayforte'  
    Cancer Data Sets
```

```
pathway_forte.constants.make_classifier_results_directory()  
    Ensure that the result folder exists.
```

```
pathway_forte.constants.MSIG_GSEA = '/home/docs/checkouts/readthedocs.org/user_builds/pathway_forte/checkouts/0.1.0/output/gsea'  
    Output files with results for GSEA
```

```
pathway_forte.constants.make_gsea_export_directories()  
    Ensure that gsea export directories exist.
```

```
pathway_forte.constants.MSIG_SSGSEA = '/home/docs/checkouts/readthedocs.org/user_builds/pathway_forte/checkouts/0.1.0/output/ssgsea'  
    Pickles with results for ssGSEA
```

```
pathway_forte.constants.make_ssgsea_export_directories()  
    Ensure that gsea export directories exist.
```

```
pathway_forte.constants.check_gmt_files()  
    Check if GMT files exist and returns GMT files as constant variables.
```

```
pathway_forte.constants.GENESET_COLUMN_NAMES = {'kegg': 'KEGG Geneset', 'reactome': 'Reactome Geneset'}  
    Columns to read to perform ORA analysis.
```



**OVER REPRESENTATION METHODS**



## **FUNCTIONAL CLASS SCORE**

Functional Class Scoring Methods such as GSEA.



## PATHWAY TOPOLOGY METHODS

This module contain the topology-based topology methods implemented in PathwayForte used R wrappers and are located outside the main Python package in its corresponding R folder <https://github.com/pathwayforte/results/tree/master/R>.



## UTILS

Complementary methods for prediction analysis.

```
pathway_forte.prediction.utils  
  alias of pathway_forte.prediction.utils
```



## BINARY PREDICTION

Prediction of binary classes such as tumor vs. normal patients.

```
pathway_forte.prediction.binary  
  alias of pathway_forte.prediction.binary
```



## MULTI-CLASS PREDICTION

Prediction of multi-class labels such as tumor subtypes.

```
pathway_forte.prediction.multiclass  
  alias of pathway_forte.prediction.multiclass
```



## SURVIVAL PREDICTION

Prediction of survival based on clinical and pathway patient data.

```
pathway_forte.prediction.survival  
  alias of pathway_forte.prediction.survival
```



## UTILS

Complementary methods for prediction analysis.

```
pathway_forte.prediction.utils  
  alias of pathway_forte.prediction.utils
```



## MAPPINGS METHODS

Methods related to ComPath mappings.

`pathway_forte.mappings`  
alias of `pathway_forte.mappings`



## INSTALLATION | PYPI\_VERSION | PYTHON\_VERSIONS | | PYPI\_LICENSE |

`pathway_forte` can be installed from [PyPI](#) with the following command in your terminal:

```
$ python3 -m pip install pathway_forte
```

The latest code can be installed from [GitHub](#) with:

```
$ python3 -m pip install git+https://github.com/pathwayforte/pathway-forte.git
```

For developers, the code can be installed with:

```
$ git clone https://github.com/pathwayforte/pathway-forte.git
$ cd pathway-forte
$ python3 -m pip install -e .
```



## MAIN COMMANDS

The table below lists the main commands of PathwayForte.

Command	Action
datasets	Lists of Cancer Datasets
export	Export Gene Sets using ComPath
ora	List of ORA Analyses
fcs	List of FCS Analyses
prediction	List of Prediction Methods



## FUNCTIONAL ENRICHMENT METHODS

- **ora.** Lists Over-Representation Analyses (e.g., one-tailed hyper-geometric test).
- **fcs.** Lists Functional Class Score Analyses such as GSEA and ssGSEA using [GSEAPy](#).



## PREDICTION METHODS

`pathway_forte` enables three classification methods (i.e., binary classification, training SVMs for multi-classification tasks, or survival analysis) using individualized pathway activity scores. The scores can be calculated from any pathway with a variety of tools (see<sup>1</sup>) using any pathway database that enables to export its gene sets.

- **binary.** Trains an elastic net model for a binary classification task (e.g., tumor vs. normal patients). The training is conducted using a nested cross validation approach (the number of cross validation in both loops can be selected). The model used can be easily changed since most of the models in `scikit-learn` (the machine learning library used by this package) required the same input.
- **subtype.** Trains a SVM model for a multi-class classification task (e.g., predict tumor subtypes). The training is conducted using a nested cross validation approach (the number of cross validation in both loops can be selected). Similarly as the previous classification task, other models can quickly be implemented.
- **survival.** Trains a Cox's proportional hazard's model with elastic net penalty. The training is conducted using a nested cross validation approach with a grid search in the inner loop. This analysis requires pathway activity scores, patient classes and lifetime patient information.

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<sup>1</sup> Lim, S., *et al.* (2018). Comprehensive and critical evaluation of individualized pathway activity measurement tools on pan-cancer data. *Briefings in bioinformatics*, bby125.



OTHER

- **export.** Export GMT files with current gene sets for the pathway databases included in ComPath<sup>2</sup>.
- **datasets.** Lists the TCGA data sets<sup>3</sup> that are ready to run in `pathway_forte`.

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<sup>2</sup> Domingo-Fernández, D., *et al.* (2018). ComPath: An ecosystem for exploring, analyzing, and curating mappings across pathway databases. *npj Syst Biol Appl.*, 4(1):43.

<sup>3</sup> Weinstein, J. N., *et al.* (2013). The cancer genome atlas pan-cancer analysis project. *Nature genetics*, 45(10), 1113.



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