SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURES



Supplementary Fig. 1. Growth rate measurements of the wild type S. cerevisiae (a) and S. paradoxus strains (b). Cells grown overnight (22 hours) in 'Mannose History' (minimal media with 0.1% mannose) or 'Galactose History' (minimal media with 0.1% mannose and 0.35% galactose) were induced the next day either in the same media or switched to the opposite media, and growth rates were measured by recording OD_{600} values. The abbreviation 'Man' refers to the presence of 0.1% mannose in the after-overnight growth environment during which growth rates were measured; the abbreviation 'Man+Gal' refers to the presence of both 0.1% mannose and 0.35% galactose in the after-overnight environment. To obtain the growth rates, the OD_{600} recordings were fitted to an exponential function. Growth rates were converted to doubling times by using the following relationship between them: *doubling time* = *ln2* / (*growth rate*). In both panels, error bars indicate SEM (N=2).



Supplementary Fig. 2. Reducing the *GAL80* feedback strength can reproduce network inducibility levels displayed by the P_{GAL80} -replaced strain. Black and red symbols represent experimental measurements, while dotted lines are model predictions for the GAL network activity in *S. cerevisiae*. Model predictions are obtained by changing the value of only one parameter (θ_{80} , *GAL80* feedback-strength parameter) relative to the value it takes in wild type *S. cerevisiae* GAL network ($\theta_{80} = 1500$ proteins/hr). Error bars indicate SEM (N=2).



Supplementary Fig. 3. Inducibility profiles of the *S. cerevisiae* strains carrying the hybrid *GAL80* promoters. Red and black data points compose the profiles that are obtained when the whole *GAL80* promoter is from *S. paradoxus* and *S. cerevisiae*, respectively. The brown data points compose the profiles that are obtained when the hybrid *GAL80* promoters replaced the endogenous *GAL80* promoter in *S. cerevisiae*. The vertical bars at the left of the panels represent how the hybrid promoters were contructed, with black color representing the promoter region from *S. cerevisiae* and red representing the region from *S. paradoxus*. When the ~100bp region at the 3' end of a hybrid promoter was from *S. paradoxus* (as in the panel shown in green box), the inducibility profile turned out to be the most similar to the profile obtained from the strain carrying the full/endogenous *S. paradoxus GAL80* promoter (top-left panel). The bottom two panels show the results obtained from strains carrying point mutations (4bp insertion and 1bp mutation) in an otherwise *S. cerevisiae* version of the *GAL80* promoter. Error bars indicate SEM (N=2).



Supplementary Fig. 4. Effect of *GAL4* gene replacement on the inducibility profile of the GAL network in *S. cerevisiae*. All strains used the same P_{GAL1} -YFP reporter. Black: wild type *S. cerevisiae* GAL network profile. Brown: network inducibility profile when the *GAL4* gene was replaced by its counterpart from *S. paradoxus*. Red: network inducibility profile when all four regulatory promoters were replaced by their counterparts from *S. paradoxus*. Blue: network inducibility profile when the *GAL4* gene and all four regulatory promoters were replaced by their counterparts from *S. paradoxus*. Blue: network inducibility profile when the *GAL4* gene and all four regulatory promoters were replaced by their counterparts from *S. paradoxus*. Blue: network inducibility profile when the *GAL4* gene and all four regulatory promoters were replaced by their counterparts from *S. paradoxus*. Error bars indicate SEM (N=2). The replacement of the Gal4 proteins between the two yeast species does not change the inducibility profile of the network.





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Supplementary Fig. 5. Western blots comparing **a.** Gal80, **b.** Gal3, **c.** Gal4, **d.** Gal2 protein levels between wild type *S. paradoxus* and wild type *S. cerevisiae*, in two independent experiments. Cells were grown overnight (22 hr) in minimal media containing 0.1% mannose. Then, they were transferred to minimal media containing either 0.1% mannose and 0.35%

galactose (indicated as '+'), or 0.1% mannose (indicated as '-'), and grown for another 22 hours. Both low and high exposures of the membrane were shown for Gal2-HA. Relative protein levels were normalized to *PGK1* levels, and then normalized to the first sample of each western blot. Gal4-HA levels were further normalized to Gal3-HA for comparison purposes. In all panels, error bars indicate SEM (N=2).



Supplementary Fig. 6. Relative strength of the *GAL80* promoter with respect to the *GAL3* promoter dictates the network inducibility profile of the GAL network. Black dots represent the experimental inducibility profile of the wild type *S. cerevisiae* GAL network, while the black line is the model prediction for the wild type network activity in *S. cerevisiae* (using the literature-based parameter values $\theta_{80} = \theta_3 = 1500$ proteins/hr). When we simulated the network inducibility profile using $\theta_{80} = \theta_3 = 1131$ proteins/hr, the profile did not change in a major way, verifying the compensated nature of the GAL network. However, changing the relative strength of the *GAL80* promoter with respect to the strength of the *GAL3* promoter caused large deviations from the wild type profile, showing that the relative strength difference between the two network promoters (not the absolute values of their strength) dictates the inducibility profile of the GAL network. Error bars indicate SEM (N=2).



Supplementary Fig. 7. Relatively weak strength of the *S. paradoxus GAL80* promoter is the cause of the high inducibility profile observed in wild type *S. paradoxus*. Black and gray triangles are experimental measurements of the GAL network inducibility in the two wild type species. Using the *S. paradoxus* protein production rates ($\theta_{80} = 232 \text{ proteins/hr}$, $\theta_3 = 749 \text{ proteins/hr}$, $\theta_2 = 536 \text{ proteins/hr}$, $\theta_4 = 77 \text{ proteins/hr}$) estimated from the western blot experiments, we ran a simulation using our model and observed a highly inducible network activity profile (red line), similar to the purely experimental profile (gray triangles). To prove that the strength difference between the *GAL80* and *GAL3* promoters causes this profile, we made the strength of the *GAL80* promoter equal to the strength of the *GAL3* promoter (749 proteins/hr) and ran a simulation. The resulting inducibility profile (green line) was indeed significantly lower than the original profile. Error bars indicate SEM (N=2).



Supplementary Fig. 8. a. Replacing the *GAL80* promoter in *S. paradoxus* with its *S. cerevisiae* counterpart lowers the network inducibility profile (green triangles). This indicates that the *S. cerevisiae GAL80* promoter is stronger than its *S. paradoxus* counterpart (gray triangles). **b.** The effect of the *GAL80* promoter replacement on average network inducibility is similar between the two host species. The average differences were obtained by averaging across the seven induction levels. **c-d.** Western blots showing the relative Gal80 protein levels in two *S. paradoxus* strains, one carrying its endogenous *GAL80* promoter (black), and the other carrying the *S. cerevisiae GAL80* promoter (gray). Cells were cultured overnight (for 22 hours) in 0.1% mannose minimal media before being transferred to (and grown for another 22 hours in) minimal media containing either 0.1% mannose and 0.35% galactose (indicated as '+'), or 0.1% mannose only (indicated as '-'). Two independent experiments were performed. Relative protein levels were normalized to *PGK1* levels. Results show that the reduction observed in the network inducibility profile (**a**, green triangles) is due to an increase in the Gal80 protein level. In the '-Gal' environment, the network is in its monomodal OFF state leading to basal expression levels

of Gal80 proteins measured by the western blot. In the '+Gal' environment, the network activity in both strains display bimodal activity. Since western blots quantify the Gal80 content from both OFF and ON cells, we used the following equations and plotted (panel **c**) Gal80 protein levels of the ON cells. Gal80_{total} = $[Gal80_{OFF} * (1 - f_{ON})] + [Gal80_{ON} * f_{ON}]$. From here, we solved for Gal80_{ON} = $(Gal80_{total} - [Gal80_{OFF} * (1 - f_{ON})]) / f_{ON}$. The Gal80_{total} and Gal80_{OFF} values are measured directly by western blots (panel **d**). In all panels, error bars indicate SEM (N=2).



Supplementary Fig. 9. Phenotypic switching rates of the *GAL80* feedback-halved strain (MA0494, far left side) in comparison to the other strains characterized. The numbers (0% to 0.35%) indicate the concentration of galactose used in the induction media. The values shown on the right side of the figure (switching rates of the 17 strains) are identical to the ones shown in the main text; they are shown here for comparison purposes. The numbers (1.4 and 1.5) displayed on two discontinuous bars represent the actual values of the switching rates for those two strains/condition. The genetic background of each haploid *S. cerevisae* strain is specified by the squares below the data panels. The small squares represent the four regulatory promoters replaced (if colored) by their *S. paradoxus* counterparts. The color-coding is: blue for P_{GAL3} , red for P_{GAL80} , green for P_{GAL2} , yellow for P_{GAL4} . The colored circle at left represents the wild type *S. paradoxus* GAL network.



Supplementary Fig. 10. Phenotypic switching rates of the *S. cerevisiae* strains carrying hybrid *GAL80* promoters. The numbers (0% to 0.35%) indicate the concentration of galactose used in the induction media. The vertical bars below the data panels represent how the hybrid promoters were constructed (black color representing promoter regions from *S. cerevisiae* and red color representing the regions from *S. paradoxus*).



Supplementary Fig. 11. Testing the method used in measuring the switching rates. To see whether or not our method is invariant or robust to different overnight-growth conditions, we used a third set of overnight growth conditions. Instead of growing the cells for 22 hours overnight, we grew them for 15 hours; and instead of using [0.35% galactose + 0.1% mannose], we used [0.1% galactose + 0.1% mannose] for the galactose-containing overnight media (the other overnight media still contained 0.1% mannose only and cells were grown overnight for 15 hours). As expected, this gave rise to a different "after-overnight f_{ON} value" for the galactose-containing case, as well as a different "after-induction f_{ON} value". However, when we calculated the switching rates after the 22-hours induction period, we obtained values (white square marked with ' * ') that were similar to the previously-measured values (unmarked white square). In the left and right panel above, the white squares represent the haploid wild type *S. cerevisiae* strain. The colored square on the right panel above (haploid *S. cerevisiae* strain carrying all four promoter swaps) is shown for comparison purposes: the switching rate differences between a P_{GAL80} -swapped and unswapped strain are still there if a third overnight growth-condition is used.



Supplementary Fig. 12. Quantifying the relative abundance of YFP- and tdTomatocarrying cells during the competition experiments. The YFP-containing strains were competed against a wild type strain (MA0658) carrying the tdTomato reporter constitutively expressed by the *PGK1* promoter. Using a flow cytometer (BD FACSverse), expression profiles are measured and plotted using bi-exponential axes, and relative fraction of cells carrying each reporter are quantified by gating the plots as shown above. The positions of the gates were slightly changed for some samples in order to improve the separation of the two cell groups. To distinguish the tdTomato-expressing cells from the cells that are in the OFF-state of the YFP distribution, compensation was utilized. **a**, **b**, Example plots showing how the two populations look like, when YFP-containing cells are in the OFF state (**a**), and when they are in the ON state (**b**).



Supplementary Fig. 13. The effect of promoter replacements on cellular fitness profiles. (a) Relative fitness of each YFP-containing S. cerevisiae strain relative to a wild type S. cerevisiae strain carrying the constitutively expressed tdTomato reporter. Strains competed for 48 hours in minimal media containing 0.01% galactose and 0.03% mannose as carbon sources. The dark grey bars indicate the relative fitness level of each strain. The red bars represent the fraction of ON cells (of the YFP-containing strains) measured at 48 hours. At the beginning of the competition, the fraction of ON cells was 0%. (b) Relative fitness values of the strains in minimal media environment containing 1% galactose as the sole carbon source. Competing strains of the first environment (a) were transferred to this second environment and competitions lasted for another 44 hours. The fractions of ON cells (of the YFP-containing strains) at the beginning of this environmental exposure are plotted using red color, and the purple color represents the relative fitness levels. All YFP-expressing strains were measured to have 100% ON cells at the end of the 44 hours duration. (c, d) For the first (c) and second (d) environment, relative fitness comparisons with respect to the fraction of OFF cells (f_{OFF}). Since $f_{OFF} = 1 - f_{ON}$, information presented in panels c-d and a-b are complementary to each other. (e, f) For the first (e) and second (f) environment, the relative fitness differences between each YFP-containing strain and the wild type strain containing YFP. In all panels, error bars indicate SEM (N=2). In all panels, the genetic background of each haploid S. cerevisae strain is specified by the squares below the panels. The small squares represent the regulatory promoters replaced (if colored) by their S. paradoxus counterparts (blue for P_{GAL3}, red for P_{GAL80}, green for P_{GAL2}, yellow for P_{GAL4}).



Supplementary Fig. 14. A quantitative perspective on the predictive power of the model by quantifying the residuals. The residuals were quantified in the following way. For each galactose concentration used (from 0% to 0.35%), the experimentally measured fraction of ON cells were subtracted from the values generated by the model. The residual analysis shows the unbiased nature of the model predictions: for most induction conditions used, we observed both positive and negative residual values (y-axes) across different strains (x-axis). The genetic background of each haploid *S. cerevisae* strain is specified by the squares below the panels. The small squares represent the four regulatory promoters replaced (if colored) by their *S. paradoxus* counterparts. The color-coding is: blue for P_{GAL3} , red for P_{GAL80} , green for P_{GAL2} , yellow for P_{GAL4} . The residuals for the predictions of the 11 strains (x-axis, square 6 from left to square 16 from left) were in similar magnitude compared to the residuals of the 5 fitted strains (x-axis, square 1 from left to square 5 from left), validating the predictive ability of the model.

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Parameter	Value
θ_2 (proteins/hr)	1500
θ_3 (proteins/hr)	1500
θ_4 (proteins/hr)	100
θ_{80} (proteins/hr)	1500
λ	0.2
α	0.85
β	6.1
η	1.6
μ	0.9
ν	1.3
K ₂ (proteins)	600
K ₃ (proteins)	4.1
K_4 (proteins)	2
K ₈₀ (proteins)	8.0
K_g (proteins)	0.052

Supplementary Table 1. Parameter values used in our previous model of GAL network activity².

Parameter	Value
α	0.69
β	5.1
η	2.7
μ	0.4
ν	1.1
K ₂ (proteins)	1463
K_3 (proteins)	1.8
K ₄ (proteins)	3.7
K ₈₀ (proteins)	9.1
K_g (proteins)	0.027

Supplementary Table 2. Model parameters and values used in the fitting procedure.

Parameter	S. <i>cer</i> promoter (value from ref2)	S. <i>par</i> promoter (value from fit)	Relative comparison: $\theta_{S.cer}/\theta_{S.par}$
θ_2 (proteins/hr)	1500	1087	1.38
θ_3 (proteins/hr)	1500	1131	1.33
θ_4 (proteins/hr)	100	109	0.92
θ_{80} (proteins/hr)	1500	612	2.45

Supplementary Table 3. Model parameters and values for the protein production rates of GAL network promoters from *S. cerevisiae* and *S. paradoxus*.

Parameter	Α	Α	θ	A
Strain	02	03	v_4	080
Wild type S. cerevisiae	1500	1500	100	1500
P _{GAL2} -replaced in S. cer.	1087	1500	100	1500
P _{GAL3} -replaced in S. cer.	1500	1131	100	1500
P _{GAL4} -replaced in S. cer.	1500	1500	109	1500
P _{GAL80} -replaced in S. cer.	1500	1500	100	612

Supplementary Table 4. The strains used in the fitting procedure. Fitted (**bolded**) and fixed parameter values are shown for the protein production rates from the **replaced** (from *S. paradoxus*) and *S. cerevisiae* GAL network promoters.

Strain	Genotype
MA0048	MATα, ade2::ADE2-P _{GAL1} -YFP
WP0005	MATα, ade2::ADE2-P _{GAL1} -YFP, P _{gal80} ::P _{GAL80 (S.Par)}
WP0006	MATα, ade2::ADE2-P _{GAL1} -YFP, P _{gal2} ::P _{GAL2 (S.Par)}
WP0007	MATα, ade2::ADE2-P _{GAL1} -YFP, P _{gal3} ::P _{GAL3 (S.Par)}
WP0008	MATα, ade2::ADE2-P _{GAL1} -YFP, P _{gal4} ::P _{GAL4 (S.Par)}
WP0020	MATα, ade2::ADE2-P _{GAL1} -YFP, P _{gal80} ::P _{GAL80 (S.Par}), P _{gal2} ::P _{GAL2 (S.Par})
WP0021	MATα, ade2::ADE2-P _{GAL1} -YFP, P _{gal3} ::P _{GAL3 (S.Par)} , P _{gal80} ::P _{GAL80 (S.Par)}
WP0023	MATα, ade2::ADE2-P _{GAL1} -YFP, P _{gal3} ::P _{GAL3 (S.Par)} , P _{gal4} ::P _{GAL4 (S.Par)}
WP0024	MATα, ade2::ADE2- P_{GAL1} -YFP, P_{gal2} :: $P_{GAL2 (S.Par)}$, P_{gal3} :: $P_{GAL3 (S.Par)}$
WP0056	MATα, ade2::ADE2-P _{GAL1} -YFP, P _{gal80} ::P _{GAL80 (S.Par}), P _{gal4} ::P _{GAL4 (S.Par})
WP0042	MATα, ade2::ADE2-P _{GAL1} -YFP, P _{gal4} ::P _{GAL4 (S.Par}), P _{gal2} ::P _{GAL2 (S.Par})
WP0031	$MAT\alpha, ade2::ADE2-P_{GAL1}-YFP, P_{gal80}::P_{GAL80}(S,Par), P_{gal2}::P_{GAL2}(S,Par), P_{gal4}::P_{GAL4}(S,Par)$
WP0045	$MAT\alpha, ade2::ADE2-P_{GAL1}-YFP, P_{gal3}::P_{GAL3 (S.Par)}, P_{gal80}::P_{GAL80 (S.Par)}, P_{gal2}::P_{GAL2 (S.Par)}$
WP0046	$MAT\alpha, ade2::ADE2-P_{GAL1}-YFP, P_{gal3}::P_{GAL3}(S.Par), P_{gal80}::P_{GAL80}(S.Par), P_{gal4}::P_{GAL4}(S.Par)$
WP0047	$MAT\alpha, ade2::ADE2-P_{GAL1}-YFP, P_{gal2}::P_{GAL2}(S.Par), P_{gal3}::P_{GAL3}(S.Par), P_{gal4}::P_{GAL4}(S.Par)$
WP0048	$\begin{aligned} \text{MAT}\alpha, \ ade 2:: & \text{ADE2-P}_{GAL1} \text{-} \text{YFP}, \ P_{gal80}:: P_{GAL80} \ (S.Par), \ P_{gal2}:: P_{GAL2} \ (S.Par), P_{gal4}:: P_{GAL4} \ (S.Par), \\ P_{gal3}:: P_{GAL3} \ (S.Par) \end{aligned}$
WP0057	MATα, ade2::ADE2-P _{GAL1} -YFP, gal4::GAL4 _(S.Par)
WP0063	$\begin{aligned} \textbf{MAT}\alpha, ade2::ADE2-P_{GAL1}-YFP, P_{gal80}::P_{GAL80 (S.Par)}, P_{gal2}::P_{GAL2 (S.Par)}, P_{gal4}::P_{GAL4 (S.Par)}, \\ P_{gal3}::P_{GAL3 (S.Par)}, gal4::GAL4_{(S.Par)} \end{aligned}$
MA0494	MATa/α, ade2::ADE2-P _{MY02} -rtTA/ade2::ADE2-P _{GAL1} -YFP, leu2/leu2::LEU2, his3::HIS3/his3, gal80Δ::KanMX/GAL80
MA0653	MATα, ade2::ADE2-P _{GAL1} -YFP, his4, leu2, ura3, lys1, ho::KanMX4
MA0658	MATα, his3::HIS3-P _{PGK1} -tdTomato
WP0094	MATα, ade2::ADE2-P _{GAL1} -YFP, P _{gal80} ::P _{GAL80 (hybrid 1)} where P _{GAL80 (hybrid 1)} = 1-139bp from S.par, 140-282bp from S.cer
WP0089	MATa, $ade2::ADE2-P_{GAL1}-YFP$, $trp1::TRP1-P_{TEF1}-Cas9$, $P_{gal80}::P_{GAL80 (hybrid 2)}$ where $P_{GAL80 (hybrid 2)} = 1-140$ from S.cer, 141-288 bp from S.par
WP0090	MATα, $ade2::ADE2$ -P _{GAL1} -YFP, $trp1::TRP1$ -P _{TEF1} -Cas9, P _{gal80} ::P _{GAL80 (hybrid 3)} where P _{GAL80 (hybrid 3)} = 1-140bp from S.cer, 141-180bp from S.par, 181-283bp from S.cer

WP0099	MATa, $ade2::ADE2-P_{GAL1}-YFP$, $P_{gal80}::P_{GAL80 (hybrid 4)}$ where $P_{GAL80 (hybrid 4)} = 1-180$ from S.cer, 181-288 bp from S.par
WP0100	MATa, $ade2::ADE2-P_{GAL1}-YFP$, $P_{gal80}::P_{GAL80 (hybrid 5)}$ where $P_{GAL80 (hybrid 5)} = 1-180$ from S.cer, 181-220 p from S.par, 221-287 bp from S.cer
WP0095	MATa, $ade2::ADE2-P_{GAL1}-YFP$, $P_{gal80}::P_{GAL80 (hybrid 6)}$ where $P_{GAL80 (hybrid 6)} = 1-216$ from S.cer, 217-284 bp from S.par
WP0101	MATα, ade2::ADE2-P _{GAL1} -YFP, P _{gal80} ::P _{GAL80 (4bp change)} where P _{GAL80 (4bp change)} = 1-186bp from S.cer, 187-190bp from S.par, 191-287bp from S.cer
WP0103	MATα, ade2::ADE2-P _{GAL1} -YFP, P _{gal80} ::P _{GAL80 (1bp change)} where P _{GAL80 (1bp change)} = 1-212bp from S.cer, 213bp from S.par, 214-283bp from S.cer
YYX67	MATα, ade2::ADE2-P _{GAL1} -YFP, P _{GAL2} -GAL2-HA-NatNT2
YYX56	MATα, ade2::ADE2-P _{GAL1} -YFP, P _{GAL3} -GAL3-HA-NatNT2
YYX61	MATα, ade2::ADE2-P _{GAL1} -YFP, P _{GAL4} -GAL4-HA-NatNT2
YYX66	MATα, ade2::ADE2-P _{GAL1} -YFP, his4, leu2, ura3, lys1, ho::KanMX4, P _{GAL2} -GAL2-HA-NatNT2
YYX55	MATα, ade2::ADE2-P _{GAL1} -YFP, his4, leu2, ura3, lys1, ho::KanMX4, P _{GAL3} -GAL3-HA-NatNT2
YYX58	MATα, ade2::ADE2-P _{GAL1} -YFP, his4, leu2, ura3, lys1, ho::KanMX4, P _{GAL4} -GAL4-HA-NatNT2
YYX70	MATα, ade2::ADE2-P _{GAL1} -YFP, his4, leu2, ura3, lys1, ho::KanMX4, P _{gal80} ::P _{GAL80 (S.Cer)}

Supplementary Table 5. Yeast strains used in this study. The *S. cerevisiae* strains are shown in black and they have the W303 background. *S. paradoxus* strains are shown in red (MA0653 is a wild type *S. paradoxus* strain). The wild type *S. paradoxus* strain (into which P_{GAL1} -YFP was integrated) was obtained from N. Talarek.

Strain	<i>GAL80</i> , Ct	<i>ACT1</i> , Ct	∆Ct (<i>GAL80</i> Ct - <i>ACT1</i> Ct)	ΔΔCt (ΔCt S1 - ΔCt S2)	Strength ratio between S.par and S.cer P _{GAL80} promoter
<u>Strain 1 (S1)</u>					
S.cer host with P _{GAL80} from S.par	20.89 20.61 21.38 21.02	17.85 18.31 17.59 18.18			
Average	20.97 ± 0.32	17.98 ± 0.28	2.99 ± 0.46	0.25 ± 0.72	0.68 (68%)
<u>Strain 2 (S2)</u>					
S.cer WT	21.29 20.89 20.91 20.10	18.41 17.98 17.90 17.94			
Average	20.80 ± 0.50	18.06 ± 0.24	2.74 ± 0.56		

Supplementary Table 6. qPCR measurements for quantifying the cross-species P_{GAL80} **promoter strength difference.** Two haploid S. cerevisiae strains (the wild type and the $P_{GAL8\sigma}$ promoter swapped strain) were grown overnight for 22 hours in minimal media containing 0.1% mannose prior to induction for another 22 hours in minimal media containing 0.1% mannose and 0.35% galactose. The culture volumes during the overnight and induction periods were 10ml and 15ml, respectively, and the OD₆₀₀ values at the end of both periods were ~ 0.1 . At the end of the induction period, cells were harvested for total RNA and cDNA was prepared by using Applied Biosystems' High Capacity RNA-to-cDNA kit (Part No: 4387406). The promoter strength ratio between the S. paradoxus and S. cerevisiae PGAL80 promoters was calculated based on the GAL80 transcript ratio between the above strains as well as the fraction of ON cells observed at the end of the induction period. The lower and upper bound of the error bar for the 0.68 mean value was 0.41 and 1.12, respectively. The qPCR primers used were the following. qG80-F: ACGGTACCAAGGGAGATTTG. qG80-R: ATACCCCGGGTCTAAAGGAG. ACT1-F: ATCGATTTGGCCGGTAGAG. ACT1-R: AAGTCCAAGGCGACGTAACA. The length amplified in the S. cerevisiae GAL80 gene was 140bp. The length amplified in the S. cerevisiae ACT1 gene was 137bp.

SUPPLEMENTARY METHODS

Model description

The activity of the GAL network displays a bimodal profile: the expression of galactoseregulated genes can be either in the ON-state or the OFF-state of the bimodal distribution^{1, 2, 3, 4}. The following set of differential equations was used to describe the time evolution of the concentrations of proteins expressed from the GAL network genes.

$$\frac{dx_2}{dt} = \theta_2 \left[\lambda \left(1 - f \right) + f \right] - \gamma x_2$$

$$\frac{dx_3}{dt} = \theta_3 \left[\lambda \left(1 - f \right) + f \right] - \gamma x_3$$

$$\frac{dx_4}{dt} = \theta_4 - \gamma x_4$$

$$\frac{dx_{80}}{dt} = \theta_{80} \left[\lambda \left(1 - f \right) + f \right] - \gamma x_{80}$$
(1)

where $f = f(x_2, x_3, x_4, x_{80})$ represents the fraction of ON cells, and (1 - f) is the fraction of OFF cells. The variables x_2 , x_3 , x_4 , and x_{80} denote the mean protein expression levels of *GAL2*, *GAL3*, *GAL4*, and *GAL80*, respectively. *GAL4* gene is constitutively expressed. Parameter θ_i denotes the promoter strength of the corresponding genes in terms of proteins produced per hour. This parameter represents the coarse-grained processes of transcription, translation, and protein folding. Parameter λ represents the relative transcriptional strength of the OFF-state compared to the ON-state. Parameter γ denotes the effective rate of protein loss, which was measured based on protein dilution due to cell division.

Our model considers that cells stochastically transition between the OFF and ON states of the network and that the total concentration of the different regulatory proteins affects the rate at which the OFF \rightarrow ON transition takes place.

OFF
$$\xrightarrow{h \rho(x_2, x_3, x_4, x_{80})}{h}$$
 ON

Here, the parameter *h* denotes the timescale at which these transitions take place. $\rho(x_2, x_3, x_4, x_{80})$ is a function that quantifies how the total concentrations of different GAL proteins (x_2, x_3, x_4, x_{80}) affect the OFF \rightarrow ON transition. This description is valid as long as the molecular interactions that shape the regulating function ρ act in a much faster timescale than the one at which protein concentrations change due to the processes of transcription, translation, and protein dilution/degradation, which are generally slower than molecular interactions among the GAL network components. Following a mean-field approximation approach, the fraction of cells in the ON-state is given by:

$$f(x_2, x_3, x_4, x_{80}) \cong \frac{r_{OFF \to ON}(x_2, x_3, x_4, x_{80})}{r_{OFF \to ON}(x_2, x_3, x_4, x_{80}) + r_{ON \to OFF}} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{r_{ON \to OFF}}{r_{OFF \to ON}(x_2, x_3, x_4, x_{80})}}$$
$$= \frac{1}{1 + \rho(x_2, x_3, x_4, x_{80})^{-1}}$$
(2)

where $r_{OFF \rightarrow ON}$ and $r_{ON \rightarrow OFF}$ are the rates of phenotypic switching between the OFF and ON state, and $\frac{r_{OFF \rightarrow ON}(x_2, x_3, x_4, x_{80})}{r_{ON \rightarrow OFF}} = \frac{h \rho(x_2, x_3, x_4, x_{80})}{h} = \rho(x_2, x_3, x_4, x_{80}).$

The function ρ is parameterized by taking into account the protein-protein and protein-promoter interactions among the various GAL network components. The detailed interactions are represented schematically in Fig. 1 of the main text, and following is the description of how we parameterized these interactions.

GAL4p is the main transcriptional activator of the network. It is constitutively expressed and the rate of the constitutive production is mathematically represented by θ_4 in equation (1). The interaction of Gal4p with a GAL network promoter is described by the following form:

$$\rho = \left(\frac{x_4^*}{K_4}\right)^\eta \tag{3}$$

where K_4 represents the typical concentration scale of the interaction, $\eta > 0$ denotes the effective nonlinearity of the Gal4p-promoter interaction, and x_4^* is the active concentration of Gal4p which is not bound by Gal80p and can therefore freely activate transcription.

Since the amount of free Gal4p (denoted by x_4^*) should be a decreasing function of the concentration of Gal80p and an increasing function of total Gal4p (denoted by x_4), we used the following equation to model the Gal4p-Gal80p interaction:

$$x_4^* = \frac{x_4}{1 + \left(\frac{x_{80}^*}{K_{80}}\right)^{\beta}} \tag{4}$$

where x_{80}^* is the concentration of Gal80p proteins that are not bound by active Gal3p, K_{80} is the scaling parameter, and β is the degree of nonlinearity of the Gal4p-Gal80p interaction.

Since the amount of x_{80}^* should be a decreasing function of active Gal3p proteins (x_3^*), we used the following equation to model the Gal80p-Gal3p interaction:

$$x_{80}^* = \frac{x_{80}}{1 + \left(\frac{x_3^*}{K_3}\right)^{\alpha}}$$
(5)

where x_3^* is the concentration of active Gal3p proteins and the parameter α quantifies the nonlinearity of Gal80p-Gal3p interaction.

The activation of Gal3p proteins by internal galactose (g^*) is described by the following equation:

$$x_{3}^{*} = \frac{x_{3}}{1 + \left(\frac{g^{*}}{K_{a}}\right)^{-\nu}}$$
(6)

Here, the nonlinearity parameter v is a positive number and the amount of active Gal3p is an increasing function of the concentration of internal galactose.

To describe the internal galactose concentration (g^*) as a function of the external galactose concentration (g), we used the following equation:

$$g^* = \frac{g}{1 + \left(\frac{x_2}{K_2}\right)^{-\mu}}$$
(7)

The nonlinearity parameter μ is a positive number and the concentration of internal galactose increases as a function of increasing Gal2p (galactose transporter) and external galactose concentration.

Equations (3-7) describe a cascade of molecular interactions starting at the external galactose and ending at the binding of Gal4p to its target promoter. They determine how the rate of OFF \rightarrow ON phenotypic switching is regulated by the concentrations of the GAL network proteins (x_i) , concentration of external galactose (g), and the other system parameters. We combined these equations together and obtained a single equation describing ρ as a function of system parameters, and protein and sugar concentrations. Inserting this equation for ρ into equation (2) above let us obtain the functional form for $f(x_2, x_3, x_4, x_{80})$. Finally, using this functional form in equations shown in (1), we numerically solved the set of four differential equations for the values of x_2, x_3, x_4 , and x_{80} , and then calculated $f(x_2, x_3, x_4, x_{80})$.

Setting model parameters and the fitting procedure

We set the value of the protein dilution rate γ to $0.42 h^{-1}$ ($\gamma = ln2$ /doubling time). This parameter value was obtained by using the experimentally-measured doubling time of yeast in the environments used in this study, which is about 100 minutes (Supplementary Fig. 1).

To understand dosage compensation in networks, our previous work² used the above modeling approach to predict the activity of the *S. cerevisiae* GAL network (quantified by the same reporter construct, P_{GALT} -YFP). Using the parameter values listed in Supplementary Table 1, the model was able to predict the activity of the GAL network in a variety of genetic backgrounds, including the wild type background and the dosage-varied backgrounds (constructed by varying the gene copy numbers of *GAL2, GAL3, GAL4*, and *GAL80*).

For our current work, for all four *S. cerevisiae* regulatory promoters, we used the protein production rates (θ_i) displayed in Supplementary Table 1. We also set the value of λ to the value estimated in our previous work. Regarding the rest of the model parameters (from α to K_g), we used the above parameter values as initial conditions in the fitting procedure described below.

Using our model described above, we first performed a least-squares fit between the modeland experimentally-obtained inducibility profiles of GAL network activity in 5 *S. cerevisiae* strains shown in Fig. 2a of the main text: wild type strain, P_{GAL2} -replaced strain, P_{GAL3} -replaced strain, P_{GAL4} -replaced strain, and P_{GAL80} -replaced strain. For this, we used the MATLAB function "fminsearch" to minimize the cost function obtained by summing (over 7 different galactose induction levels) the squared differences between the model-obtained fraction of ON cells and the experimentally-obtained ones (from 5 inducibility profiles). The model-obtained fraction of ON cells was produced after numerically solving the coupled differential equations described in equation (1) above at t=22 hours to match the experimental induction duration. Supplementary Table 2 lists the parameter values best-fitting our model to the experimental inducibility profiles of the 5 different *S. cerevisiae* strains.

4 out of 5 *S. cerevisiae* strains (and their inducibility profiles) used in the fitting procedure had one GAL regulatory promoter replaced by its *S. paradoxus* counterpart. The protein production rate (θ) for the replacing *S. paradoxus* regulatory promoter was obtained as a result of the fitting procedure. In other words, we used a fit parameter for the θ of the *S. paradoxus* promoter (Supplementary Tables 3, 4). For all *S. cerevisiae* GAL promoters, we fixed the value of θ based on the estimation we made in our previous work².

The fitted curves are shown in Fig. 2a of the main text (columns 1 and 2, showing 5 strains). In addition to these strains, Fig. 2a also depicts (columns 3 to 5) the remaining 11 strains and their experimentally-obtained inducibility profiles across 7 different galactose concentrations. To validate the parameter values used in our model and to test the predictive power of the model, we ran our model to predict the remaining 11 experimental inducibility profiles. We compared the model predictions to our experimental data and saw the agreement between the two (Fig. 2a, columns 3-5). In these predictions, we did not use any free/fit parameters. Supplementary Fig.

14 provides a quantitative perspective on the predictive power of the model by quantifying the residuals.

Measurement of Phenotypic Switching Rates

We used the following equations to determine the cellular switching (transition) rates between the OFF and ON state of the bimodal GAL network. This model consists of two differential equations which describe the dynamics of the numbers of cells in the ON (N_{ON}) and OFF (N_{OFF}) state:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dN_{ON}}{dt} = \gamma N_{ON} - r_{OFF} N_{ON} + r_{ON} N_{OFF} \\ \frac{dN_{OFF}}{dt} = \gamma N_{OFF} + r_{OFF} N_{ON} - r_{ON} N_{OFF} \end{cases}$$
(8)

The parameter γ characterizes the growth rate of the cells, and r_{ON} (r_{OFF}) denotes the OFF \rightarrow ON (ON \rightarrow OFF) switching rates. Summing the equations in equation (8) and rearranging, the growth rate γ is obtained as:

$$\gamma = \frac{\left(\frac{dN_{ON}}{dt} + \frac{dN_{OFF}}{dt}\right)}{N_{ON} + N_{OFF}} \tag{9}$$

For a bimodal distribution, the fraction of ON cells (f_{ON}) can be written as the ratio of the number of ON cells to the total number of cells:

$$f_{ON} = \frac{N_{ON}}{N_{ON} + N_{OFF}} \tag{10}$$

Differentiating both sides of this equation with respect to time, we obtain:

$$\frac{df_{ON}}{dt} = \frac{1}{N_{ON} + N_{OFF}} \left(\frac{dN_{ON}}{dt} - \frac{\left(\frac{dN_{ON}}{dt} + \frac{dN_{OFF}}{dt}\right)}{N_{ON} + N_{OFF}} N_{ON} \right) \\
= \frac{1}{N_{ON} + N_{OFF}} \left(\frac{dN_{ON}}{dt} - \gamma N_{ON} \right) \\
= \frac{1}{N_{ON} + N_{OFF}} (-r_{OFF} N_{ON} + r_{ON} N_{OFF}) = -(r_{ON} + r_{OFF}) f_{ON} + r_{ON}$$
(11)

The analytical solution of equation 11 is given by the following expression:

$$f_{ON}(t) = \frac{r_{ON}}{r_{ON} + r_{OFF}} + \left(f_{ON}(t=0) - \frac{r_{ON}}{r_{ON} + r_{OFF}} \right) e^{-(r_{ON} + r_{OFF})t}$$
(12)

To measure the values of r_{ON} and r_{OFF} , we experimentally measured $f_{ON}(t = 0)$ and $f_{ON}(t = 22hr)$. For this, we grew each strain overnight (22 hours) separately in minimal media containing [0.1% mannose] or [0.1% mannose and 0.35% galactose]. At the end of the overnight growth, due to the absence or presence of galactose, the FACS-measured expression profiles gave us different $f_{ON}(t = 0)$ fractions, where t = 0 indicates the beginning of the 22hr induction period following the overnight growth period. After the overnight growth, for each strain grown in two different overnight conditions, we separately grew them in minimal media for an additional 22hr and measured $f_{ON}(t = 22hr)$ fractions by using FACS. This "induction" media contained 0.1% mannose and 7 different concentrations of galactose (from 0% to 0.35%). We used the same type of induction media for cells coming from two different overnight conditions. This way, we had 2 initial measurements (after-overnight f_{ON} values: $[f_{ON}(t = 0)]_1$ and $[f_{ON}(t = 0)]_2$ below) and 2 final measurements (after-induction f_{ON} values: $[f_{ON}(22hr)]_1$ and $[f_{ON}(22hr)]_2$ below). Each of these four f_{ON} values was the average of two independent measurements performed on different days. We used these experimental values in equation (12) and ended up having the following equations:

$$[f_{ON}(22hr)]_{1} = \frac{r_{ON}}{r_{ON} + r_{OFF}} + \left([f_{ON}(t=0)]_{1} - \frac{r_{ON}}{r_{ON} + r_{OFF}} \right) e^{-(r_{ON} + r_{OFF})(22hr)}$$
(13)

$$[f_{ON}(22hr)]_2 = \frac{r_{ON}}{r_{ON} + r_{OFF}} + \left([f_{ON}(t=0)]_2 - \frac{r_{ON}}{r_{ON} + r_{OFF}} \right) e^{-(r_{ON} + r_{OFF})(22hr)}$$
(14)

Since the same galactose induction condition was used for cells grown in two different overnight conditions, equations (13-14) share the same r_{ON} and r_{OFF} for each galactose induction condition (which is 7 in total, from 0% to 0.35%). Using MATLAB, we numerically solved these two nonlinear equations and obtained experimentally-measured values for the switching rates r_{ON} and r_{OFF} . Figure 4 and Supplementary Figure 4 show the results from these analyses. To check the effectiveness of this approach in measuring switching rates, we used a third set of overnight growth conditions (Supplementary Fig. 11). We obtained similar switching rates irrespective of the differences in the after-overnight f_{ON} values.

Quantification of average contribution of promoter replacements to network inducibility and galactose sensitivity

In Fig. 3a and Fig. 3b, we quantified and plotted the average contribution of promoter replacements to network inducibility and galactose sensitivity, respectively. In these quantifications, we used the following method.

Separately for each promoter, all genetic backgrounds in which that promoter was replaced

were identified, corresponding to 8 out of 16 strain backgrounds. For example, to quantify the average contribution of P_{GAL80} replacement on network inducibility, we identified the 8 genetic backgrounds in which P_{GAL80} was replaced, which were:

Here, the genetic background of each haploid *S. cerevisae* strain is specified by a square composed of 4 small squares. The small squares represent the four regulatory promoters replaced (if colored) by their *S. paradoxus* counterparts (blue for P_{GAL3} , red for P_{GAL40} , green for P_{GAL2} , yellow for P_{GAL4}). In other words:

- => S. cerevisiae wild type
- => S. cerevisiae with all four regulatory promoters replaced from S. paradoxus.

At all 7 galactose concentrations used, inducibility values of the strains that carry the *S. cerevisae* version of P_{GALB0} promotor were subtracted from the inducibility values of the strains carrying the *S. paradoxus* version of P_{GALB0} in an otherwise identical genetic background and these differences were averaged:

$$\frac{(\square - \square) + (\square - \square) + (\square$$

The result of this averaging process (and its SEM as error) was plotted in Fig. 3a of the main text. We used this metric separately for each regulatory promoter and obtained the results depicted in the same figure.

The results depicted in Fig. 3b was also obtained by using this metric. More specifically, the metric used galactose sensitivity values (Fig. 2c) as its entries and quantified the average contribution of different promoter replacements to galactose sensitivity.

Promoter sequence alignments for the GAL network regulatory promoters from *S. cerevisiae* and *S. paradoxus*

EMBOSS Needle Pairwise Sequence Alignment (NUCLEOTIDE) tool was used. The tool is provided online by EMBL-EBI.

Each red box shows the consensus sequence (5'-CGG-N11-CCG-3') for Gal4 protein binding on the promoter.

$\underline{P_{GAL80}}$ (S. cerevisiae) and $\underline{P_{GAL80}}$ (S. paradoxus) promoter sequence alignment:

Similarity: 88.5%

PGAL80(S.cer)	1	atggcgcaagttttccgctttgtaatatatatttatacccctttcttctc	50
PGAL80(S.par)	1	aggggccaaagctcccgctctgtaaaatatatttatatcccttcttctc	50
PGAL80(S.cer)	51	tcccctgcaatataatagtttaattctaatattaataatatcctatattt	100
PGAL80(S.par)	51	tcccctgcaatataatagtttaattctaatattaataatatcctatattt	100
PGAL80(S.cer)	101	tcttcatttaccggcgcactctcgcccgaacgacctcaaaatgtctgcta	150
PGAL80(S.par)	101	tcctta-ccaccggcgcactctcgcccgaacgacctcaaaatgcttgct	149
PGAL80(S.cer)	151	cattcataataaccaaaagctcataactttttttttgaacctgaa	196
PGAL80(S.par)	150	cattcataataatcaaaagcttataacttttttttttcctttgtacctgaa	199
PGAL80(S.cer)	197	tatatatacatcacatatcactgctggtccttgccgaccagcgtatacaa	246
PGAL80(S.par)	200	tatatatacatctcatgtcactgctggtccttgccggccagcgtatacaa	249
PGAL80(S.cer)	247	tctcgatagttgg-tttcccgttctttccactcccgtc 283	
PGAL80(S.par)	250	cctcgatagctggttttcccgttcttcccactcctgtc 287	

$\underline{P_{GAL3}}$ (S. cerevisiae) and $\underline{P_{GAL3}}$ (S. paradoxus) promoter sequence alignment:

Similarity: 62.7%

PGAL3(S.cer)	gttattactgagtagtatttatttaagtattgtttgtgcacttgcctgca	50
PGAL3(S.par)	gttgtcgctttataatatttatttatctacttgggtgca	39
PGAL3(S.cer) 53	ggccttttgaaaagcaagcataaaagatctaaacataaaa-tctgtaaaa	99
PGAL3(S.par) 40) ggcctttcaaaacaagcagggaagacgtaaatataaaattca	81
PGAL3(S.cer) 100) taacaagatgtaaagataatgctaaatcatttggctttttgattga	149
PGAL3(S.par) 82	2 taaaaagaaaaaaataat	99
PGAL3(S.cer) 150	acaggaaaatatacatcgcagggggttgacttttaccatttcaccgcaat	199
PGAL3(S.par) 100)	99
PGAL3(S.cer) 200) ggaatcaaacttgttgaagagaatgttcacaggcgcatacgctacaatga	249
PGAL3(S.par) 100)aagaaaatcct	110
PGAL3(S.cer) 250	cccgattcttgctagccttttctcggtcttgcaaacaaccgccggcagct	299
PGAL3(S.par) 111	ctagccgttcctcggccatacaaataactgtcaataacc	149
PGAL3(S.cer) 300) tagtatataaatacacatgtacatacctctcccgtatcctcgtaatcat	349
PGAL3(S.par) 150) taatgtacaaatataaatattcatacctttctccatactccaaa	193
PGAL3(S.cer) 350) tttcttgtatttatcgtcttttcg-ctgtaaaaactttatcacacttat-	397
PGAL3(S.par) 194	atcatcttttcgccacaaaaaaccttaccactata	228
PGAL3(S.cer) 398	-ctcaaatacacttattaaccgcttttactattatcttctacgctgacag	446
PGAL3(S.par) 229	cctcaaatacgctcactgcccactttaactattgccttctacactagccg	278
PGAL3(S.cer) 447	taatatcaaacagtgacacatattaaacacagtggtttctttgca	491
PGAL3(S.par) 279	taatatcaaacaggatactgacacaagttagatgcaattgtttatttccc	328
PGAL3(S.cer) 492	2 taaaca-ccatcagcctcaagtcgtcaagt-aaagatttcgtg-ttc	535
PGAL3(S.par) 329	taatgtgcagccatcctcaactcatcaagtgaaag-tttcgtgtttc	374
PGAL3(S.cer) 530	atgcagatagataacaatctatatgttgataattagcgttgcctcatcaa	585
PGAL3(S.par) 375	atgcagataggtgacaatatatacgctgctaattcacgttacctcatcag	424

PGAL3(S.cer)	586	tgcgagatccgtttaaccggaccctagtgcacttaccccacgtt	635
PGAL3(S.par)	425	tgctggatccgtttagccggaccctggtgcgcttaccccacgttcggtcc	474
PGAL3(S.cer)	636	actgtgtg-ccgaacatgctccttcactattttaacatgtgga-attctt	683
PGAL3(S.par)	475	acagt-tgaccgaacgtgctccttcaccattttaacatgtggacgttctt	523
PGAL3(S.cer)	684	gaaagaatgaaatcgccatgccaagccatcacacggtcttttatgcaatt	733
PGAL3(S.par)	524	gaaggaatgaaatcgccacattaagcaatcatacaggcttttatgtgatt	573
PGAL3(S.cer)	734	gattgaccgcctgcaacacataggc-agtaaaatttttactgaaacgtat	782
PGAL3(S.par)	574	gattgatcgctagaagggcatatgcaaggaaaattattgctgaatcgtat	623
PGAL3(S.cer)	783	ataatcatcataagcgacaagtgaggcaacacctttgttaccacattgac	832
PGAL3(S.par)	624	ataatcaacataagcgacaagtgaagcgtcgtttttgctatcgtattgac	673
PGAL3(S.cer)	833	aaccccaggtattcatacttcctattagcggaatcaggagtgca	876
PGAL3(S.par)	674	-atcccagatattcatacttcctattgacagaatcaggagtgcaaggaag	722
PGAL3(S.cer)	877	aaaagagaaaataaaagtaaaaaggtagggcaacacatagt 917	
PGAL3(S.par)	723	ggaaaacagaaagtaaaaaaaagagggcacaacatagt 760	

P_{GAL2} (S. cerevisiae) and P_{GAL2} (S. paradoxus) promoter sequence alignment:

Similarity: 77.6%	N	lote: The third Gal4p binding site is partially conserved.	
PGAL2(S.cer)	1	gctcttgtgtctttgtta-tatgggtacaagatataagaaacataact	47
PGAL2(S.par)	1	actcttgtgtctttttgttattat-ggtacaaggtataagaaatataatt	49
PGAL2(S.cer)	48	attacatacgaaaatgtgcatgttatctatatccttctttata	90
PGAL2(S.par)	50	attacacacatataacatatacgtgcat-atatctattttcgtctgtgtc	98
PGAL2(S.cer)	91	tagatgctgttaacttcttttttttttttgggaaaatcaactgttaaa-	139
PGAL2(S.par)	99	cagatacttttaaactattttttttttttggaacggtataac	139
PGAL2(S.cer)	140	cgcgacagtaaaagcagcaaaacattaattttgcttccaagacgac	185
PGAL2(S.par)	140	aaggcgcaacggtaaaagcaacaaaatataaattttgcttccaagtttgc	189
PGAL2(S.cer)	186	agtaatatgtctcctacaataccagtttcgctgcagaaggcacatcta	233
PGAL2(S.par)	190	agtaatatatcctgtacaatacaagtttttttgtacagaaggcacatgta	239
PGAL2(S.cer)	234	ttacatttactgagcataacgggctgtactaatccaaggagg-ttta	279
PGAL2(S.par)	240	acacaactattgagcataaacttgggccgtgctaatttaaggaggtttta	289
PGAL2(S.cer)	280	cggaccaggggaactttccagatcagatcacagcaatataggactagaa	329
PGAL2(S.par)	290	cggaccagaggagctttccagatccagatcaccggaatatagggcaagag	339
PGAL2(S.cer)	330	aatatcaggtagccgcactcaacttgtaactggcaactactttgcat	376
PGAL2(S.par)	340	aacatcaagcagcagccgcactcgagttatcactggcaactactttgcat	389
PGAL2(S.cer)	377	caaactccaattaaatgcggtagaatcttttcacaaaaggtactcaac	424
PGAL2(S.par)	390	${\tt caaactccaattatatgcagcagaatctttcttttaaaacgcacttagc}$	439
PGAL2(S.cer)	425	gtcaattcggaaagcttccttccggaatggcttaagtaggttgcaatttc	474
PGAL2(S.par)	440	gtcaactcggagggcttccttccgggatgacttaaccagattgcaattc	489
PGAL2(S.cer)	475	tttttc-tattagtagctaaaaatgggtcacgtgatctatattcgaaa	521
PGAL2(S.par)	490	ttttccatttta-cagttaaaaataggtcacgtgatctaaaatcgagaaa	538
PGAL2(S.cer)	522	ggggcggttgcctcaggaaggcaccggcggtctttcgtccgtgcggagat	571
PGAL2(S.par)	539	gggttgcctcatgaaggcaccggccgtcactcatccgtgcggagag	584

PGAL2(S.cer)	572	atctgcgccgttcaggggtccatgtgccttggacga-tattaaggcagaa	620
PGAL2(S.par)	585	<pre>etctgcgccattcaggggtccatgtgccttaga-gagtattgatgcagag</pre>	633
PGAL2(S.cer)	621	ggcagtatcggggcggatcactccgaaccgagattagttaagcccttccc	670
PGAL2(S.par)	634	ggcatcgtcgggggggggaccactccgaaccgacattggttaagcccttccc	683
PGAL2(S.cer)	671	atctcaagatggggggggagcaaatggcattatactcctgctagaaagttaact	720
PGAL2(S.par)	684	atctcaagataggaacaaaattgcattatactcctactagaaagctaaat	733
PGAL2(S.cer)	721	gtgcacatattcttaaattatacaacattctggagagctattgttcaa	768
PGAL2(S.par)	734	gtgtacatgttctcatgaa-tatacaacgttctaggtagctattgttgag	782
PGAL2(S.cer)	769	aaaacaaacatttc-gcaggctaaaatgtggagataggataagt	811
PGAL2(S.par)	783	aggagggatactcagtaggctaaaatgtggggaaaggatgagc	825
PGAL2(S.cer)	812	tttgtagacatatataaacaatcagtaattggattgaaaatttggtgttg	861
PGAL2(S.par)	826	<pre>llllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllll</pre>	875
PGAL2(S.cer)	862	tgaattgctcttcattatgcaccttattcaattatcatcaagaat-agta	910
PGAL2(S.par)	876	<pre>• • •• • • • • •• •• • •• agaatcgctcttcgctatacatcttgttcacttatcattgagattaacca</pre>	925
PGAL2(S.cer)	911	atagttaagtaaacacaagattaacataataaaaaaaaataattctttcat	960
PGAL2(S.par)	926	· · · · · · aca-ttaagtaaaataaagattaacataatataaaataatttttcat	972
PGAL2(S.cer)	961	a 961	
PGAL2(S.par)	973	a 973	

P_{GAL4} (S. cerevisiae) and P_{GAL4} (S. paradoxus) promoter sequence alignment:

Similarity: 79.9%

PGAL4(sc)	1	Gacagcattcgcccagtattt-tttttattctacaaaccttcta	43
PGAL4(sp)	1	gacagcattcacttctttctttttttttacatatcttattcttcta	47
PGAL4(sc)	44	taa-tttcaaagtatttacataattctgtatcagtttaatcaccataata	92
PGAL4(sp)	48	taattttcaacgtatttacatagttctgtatcagtttaatcaccataata	97
PGAL4(sc)	93	tcgttttctttgtttagtgcaattaatttttcctattgttacttc	137
PGAL4(sp)	98	ttgttttccctcaactaatgaatgcaattagattttcttattgttccctc	147
PGAL4(sc)	138	g-ggcctttttctgttttatgagctattttttccgtca-tccttccccag	185
PGAL4(sp)	148	gcggctttttttgttttataatctattttttccgtcatttcttccccag	197
PGAL4(sc)	186	attttcagcttcatctccagattgtgtctacgtaatgcacgccatcattt	235
PGAL4(sp)	198	${\tt atttccaacttcatctccagattgtgtctatgtaatgcatgc$	247
PGAL4(sc)	236	taagagaggacagagaagcaagcctcctgaaag 268	
PGAL4(sp)	248	tgagaaaagatagagaaacaaccctcctgaaaa 280	

Amino acid sequence alignments for the GAL network regulatory genes from *S. cerevisiae* and *S. paradoxus*

EMBOSS Needle Pairwise Sequence Alignment (PROTEIN) tool was used. The tool is provided online by EMBL-EBI.

GAL80 gene (S. cerevisiae) and GAL80 gene (S. paradoxus) amino acid sequence alignment:

Similarity: 99.5%. Red shaded areas show the sites that can prevent *S. cerevisiae* Gal80p-Gal4p binding when mutated⁵. The green shaded areas (amino acids 331 and 352) show the sites that are important for the interaction of Gal80 proteins with Gal3 proteins^{5, 6}.

GAL80(S.cer)	1	MDYNKRSSVSTVPNAAPIRVGFVGLNAAKGWAIKTHYPAILQLSSQFQIT	50
GAL80(S.par)	1	MDYNKRSSVSTVPNAAPIRVGFVGLNAAKGWAIKTHYPAILQLSSQFQIT	50
GAL80(S.cer)	51	ALYSPKIETSIATIQRLKLSNATAFPTLESFASSSTIDMIVIAIQVASHY	100
GAL80(S.par)	51	ALYSPKIETSIATIQRLKLSNATAFPTLESFASSATVDMIVITIQVASHY	100
GAL80(S.cer)	101	EVVMPLLEFSKNNPNLKYLFVEWALACSLDQAESIYKAAAERGVQTIISL	150
GAL80(S.par)	101	EVIMPLLEFSKNNPNLKYLFVEWALACSLDQAESIYKAAAERGVQTVISL	150
GAL80(S.cer)	151	QGRKSPYILRAKELISQGYIGDINSIEIAGNGGWYGYERPVKSPKYIYEI	200
GAL80(S.par)	151	QGRKSPYILRAKELISQGYIGNINSIEIAGNGGWYGYERPAKSPKYIYEI	200
GAL80(S.cer)	201	GNGVDLVTTTFGHTIDILQYMTSSYFSRINAMVFNNIPEQELIDERGNRL	250
GAL80(S.par)	201	GNGVDLVTTTFGHTIDILQYMTSSYFSRINAMVFNNIPEQELIDERGNRL	250
GAL80(S.cer)	251	GQRVPKTVPDHLLFQGTLLNGNVPVSCSFKGGKPTKKFTKNLVIDIHGTK	300
GAL80(S.par)	251	GQRVPKTVPDHLLFQGTLLNGNVPVSCSFKGGKPTKKFTKNLVIDVHGTK	300
GAL80(S.cer)	301	GDLKLEGD <mark>AG</mark> FAEISNLVLYYSGTRANDFPLANGQQAPLDPGYDAGKEIM	350
GAL80(S.par)	301	GDLKLEGDAGFAEISNLVLYYSGTRANDFPLANGQQAPLDPGYDAGKEIM	350
GAL80(S.cer)	351	EVYHLRNYNAIVGNIHRLYQSISDFHFNTKKIPELPSQFVMQGFDFEGFP	400
GAL80(S.par)	351	EVYHLRNYNAVVGNIHRLYQSISDFHFNTKKIPKLPSQFVMQGFDFEGFP	400
GAL80(S.cer)	401	TLMDALILHRLIESVYKSNMMGSTLNVSNISHYSL* 436	
GAL80(S.par)	401	TLMDALILHRLIESVYKSNMMGSTLNVSNISHYTL* 436	

GAL3 gene (S. cerevisiae) and GAL3 gene (S. paradoxus) amino acid sequence alignment:

Similarity: 97.7%

GAL3(S.cer)	1	MNTNVPIFSSPVRDLPRSFEQKHLAVVDAFFQTYHVKPDFIARSPGRVNL	50
GAL3(S.par)	1	MNTNVPIFSSPIKDLSRSFEQKRIAVVDAFYHAYHVKPDFIARSPGRVNL	50
GAL3(S.cer)	51	IGEHIDYCDFSVLPLAIDVDMLCAVKILDEKNPSITLTNADPKFAQRKFD	100
GAL3(S.par)	51	IGEHIDYCDFSVLPLAIDVDMLCAVKILDEKNPSITLTNADARFAQRKFD	100
GAL3(S.cer)	101	LPLDGSYMAIDPSVSEWSNYFKCGLHVAHSYLKKIAPERFNNTPLVGAQI	150
GAL3(\$.par)	101	LPLDGSYMAIDPSVSEWSNYFKCGLHVAHSYLKKIAPERFNNTPLVGAQV	150
GAL3(S.cer)	151	FCQSDIPTGGGLSSAFTCAAALATIRANMGKNFDISKKDLTRITAVAEHY	200
GAL3(S.par)	151	FCQSDVPTGGGLSSAFTCAVALATIRANMGKNFNISKKDLTRITAVAEHY	200
GAL3(S.cer)	201	VGVNNGGMDQATSVYGEEDHALYVEFRPKLKATPFKFPQLKNHEISFVIA	250
GAL3(S.par)	201	VGVNNGGMDQATSVYGEEDHALYVEFRPELKATPFKFPRLKTHEISFVIA	250
GAL3(S.cer)	251	NTLVKSNKFETAPTNYNLRVIEVTVAANALATRYSVALPSHKDNSNSERG	300
GAL3(S.par)	251	NTLVKSNKFESAPTNYNLRVIEVTVAANALATRYSVALPSHKDNSNSERG	300
GAL3(S.cer)	301	NLRDFMDAYYARYENQAQPWNGDIGTGIERLLKMLQLVEESFSRKKSGFT	350
GAL3(S.par)	301	NLRDFMDAYYARYENQAQPWNGDIGTGIERLIKMLKLVEESFSGKKIGFT	350
GAL3(S.cer)	351	VHEASTALNCSREEFTRDYLTTFPVRFQVLKLYQRAKHVYSESLRVLKAL	400
GAL3(S.par)	351	VDEASSALNCSREEFTRDYLTIFPVRFQVLKLYQRAKHVYSESLRVLRAL	400
GAL3(S.cer)	401	KMMTSATFHTDEDFFTDFGRLMNESQASCDKLYECSCIETNQICSIALAN	450
GAL3(S.par)	401	KMMTSATFHTDEDFFTDFGRLMNDSQASCDKLYECSCIETNKICSIALAN	450
GAL3(\$.cer)	451	GSFGSRLTGAGWGGCTIHLVPSGANGNVEQVRKALIEKFYNVRYPDLTDE	500
GAL3(\$.par)	451	GSFGSRLTGAGWGGCTVHLVPSGANGNVEQVRKALIEKFYNVRYPDLTDE	500
GAL3(S.cer)	501	ELKDAIIVSKPALGTCLYEQ* 521	
GAL3(S.par)	501	ELKDAIIVSRPALGTCLYEL* 521	

GAL2 gene (S. cerevisiae) and GAL2 gene (S. paradoxus) amino acid sequence alignment:

Similarity: 98.6%

GAL2(S.cer)	1	MAVEENNMPVVSQQPQAGEDVISSLSKDSHLSAQSQKYSNDELKAGESGS	50
GAL2(S.par)	1	MAVEDNNMPVVSQQPQAAEDVASSLSKDSHLSAQSQKYSNDELKAGESGP	50
GAL2(S.cer)	51	EGSQSVPIEIPKKPMSEYVTVSLLCLCVAFGGFMFGWDTGTISGFVVQTD	100
GAL2(S.par)	51	EGSRSVPIEIPKKAMSEYVTVSLLCLCVAFGGFMFGWDTGTISGFVVQTD	100
GAL2(S.cer)	101	FLRRFGMKHKDGTHYLSNVRTGLIVAIFNIGCAFGGIILSKGGDMYGRKK	150
GAL2(S.par)	101	FLRRFGMKHKDGTHYLSNVRTGLIVAIFNIGCAFGGIILSKGGDMYGRKK	150
GAL2(S.cer)	151	GLSIVVSVYIVGIIIQIASINKWYQYFIGRIISGLGVGGIAVLCPMLISE	200
GAL2(S.par)	151	GLSIVIFVYIVGIIIQIASINKWYQYFIGRIISGLGVGGIAVLCPMLISE	200
GAL2(S.cer)	201	IAPKHLRGTLVSCYQLMITAGIFLGYCTNYGTKSYSNSVQWRVPLGLCFA	250
GAL2(S.par)	201	IAPKHLRGTLVSCYQLMITAGIFLGYCTNYGTKSYSNSVQWRVPLGLCFA	250
GAL2(S.cer)	251	WSLFMIGALTLVPESPRYLCEVNKVEDAKRSIAKSNKVSPEDPAVQAELD	300
GAL2(S.par)	251	WSLFLVGALTLVPESPRYLCEVNKVEDAKRSIAKSNKVSPEDPAVQAELD	300
GAL2(S.cer)	301	$\verb"LIMAGIEAEKLAGNASWGELFSTKTKVFQRLLMGVFVQMFQQLTGNNYFF"$	350
GAL2(S.par)	301	LIMAGIEAEKLAGNASWGELFSTKTKVFQRLLMGVFVQMFQQLTGNNYFF	350
GAL2(S.cer)	351	YYGTVIFKSVGLDDSFETSIVIGVVNFASTFFSLWTVENLGHRKCLLLGA	400
GAL2(S.par)	351	YYGTVIFKSVGLDDSFETSIVIGVVNFASTFFSLWTVENLGRRKCLLLGA	400
GAL2(S.cer)	401	ATMMACMVIYASVGVTRLYPHGKSQPSSKGAGNCMIVFTCFYIFCYATTW	450
GAL2(S.par)	401	ATMMACMVIYASVGVTRLYPHGKSQPSSKGAGNCMIVFTCFYIFCYATTW	450
GAL2(S.cer)	451	APVAWVITAESFPLRVKSKCMALASASNWVWGFLIAFFTPFITSAINFYY	500
GAL2(S.par)	451	APVAWVITAESFPLRVKSKCMALASASNWVWGFLIAFFTPFITSAINFYY	500
GAL2(S.cer)	501	GYVFMGCLVAMFFYVFFFVPETKGLSLEEIQELWEEGVLPWKSEGWIPSS	550
GAL2(S.par)	501	GYVFMGCLVAMFFYVFFFVPETKGLSLEEIQELWEEGVLPWKSEGWIPSS	550
GAL2(S.cer)	551	RRGNNYDLEDLQHDDKPWYKAMLE* 575	
GAL2(S.par)	551	RRGNDYDLEDLQHDDKPWYKAML*- 574	

GAL4 gene (S. cerevisiae) and GAL4 gene (S. paradoxus) amino acid sequence alignment:

Similarity: 89.8%. Yellow shaded area (amino acids 1-65) represents the DNA binding domain of the *S. cerevisiae* Gal4 protein⁷. The red shaded area (amino acids 855-870) represents the Gal4 protein's activity domain interacting with the Gal80 proteins⁸.

GAL4(S.cer)	1	MKLLSSIEQACDICRLKKLKCSKEKPKCAKCLKNNWECRYSPKTKRSPLT	50
GAL4(S.par)	1	MKLLSSIEQACDICRLKKLKCSKEKPKCAKCLKNNWECRYSPKTKRSPLT	50
GAL4(S.cer)	51	RAHLTEVESRLERLEQLFLLIFPREDLDMILKMDSLQDIKALLTGLFVQD	100
GAL4(S.par)	51	RAHLTEVELRLERLEQLFLLIFPRENLDKILKMDSLQDIKVMLTRLLVQD	100
GAL4(S.cer)	101	NVNKDAVTDRLASVETDMPLTLRQHRISATSSSEESSNKGQRQLTVSIDS	150
GAL4(S.par)	101	NVNKDTVTVSLVPVENDMPLALGQNGISAKSSAEEDGDEDQRQLTVSIDS	150
GAL4(S.cer)	151	AAHHDNSTIPLDFMPRDALHGFDWSEEDDMSDGLPFLKTDPNNNGFFGDG	200
GAL4(S.par)	151	AAHHDDSTIPLNFMPRDALHGFDWSEEDDILDDLSLLKMDPNNNGFFGDG	200
GAL4(S.cer)	201	SLLCILRSIGFKPENYTNSNVNRLPTMITDRYTLASRSTTSRLLQSYLNN	250
GAL4(S.par)	201	SLLCALRSIDYSPENYTNSNINRLPTAITDRYSLTSRSTTFRLLQSYLNN	250
GAL4(S.cer)	251	FHPYCPIVHSPTLMMLYNNQIEIASKDQWQILFNCILAIGAWCIEGESTD	300
GAL4(S.par)	251	FHPYCPIVHSQTLMMLYNNQIEIASKDQWQILFNCILAIGAWCMDGESTD	300
GAL4(S.cer)	301	IDVFYYQNAKSHLTSKVFESGSIILVTALHLLSRYTQWRQKTNTSYNFHS	350
GAL4(S.par)	301	IDIFYYQNAKSHLTSKVFESGSITLVIALHLLSRYTQWRQKTNTSYNFH\$	350
GAL4(S.cer)	351	FSIRMAISLGLNRDLPSSFSDSSILEQRRRIWWSVYSWEIQLSLLYGRSI	400
GAL4(S.par)	351	FSIRMAISLGLNRDLPSSFNDSSILEQRRRIWWSVYIWEIELALLYGRSI	400
GAL4(S.cer)	401	QLSQNTISFPSSVDDVQRTTTGPTIYHGIIETARLLQVFTKIYELDKTVT	450
GAL4(S.par)	401	QLTQNTIPFPSSVDDVQRTTTCPTIYHGTIETARLLQVFTRICELDKTNT	450
GAL4(S.cer)	451	AEKSPICAKKCLMICNEIEEVSRQAPKFLQMDISTTALTNLLKEHPWLSF	500
GAL4(S.par)	451	AEKSPLSAKKCLMICNEIEEVFRQVPKFLQMDISTTALTNLLKEHPWLSF	500
GAL4(S.cer)	501	TRFELKWKQLSLIIYVLRDFFTNFTQKKSQLEQDQNDHQSYEVKRCSIML	550
GAL4(S.par)	501	TRFQLKWRQLSLIIYVLREFFKNFTQQKSQL-QDQNDRQSYEVKRCSIIL	549
GAL4(S.cer)	551	SDAAQRTVMSVSSYMDNHNVTPYFAWNCSYYLFNAVLVPIKTLLSNSKSN	600
GAL4(S.par)	550	NDAAQRTVMSVSSYMDNHTITPYFAWNCSYYLFNAVLVHIETLSSNPKSG	599
GAL4(S.cer)	601	AENNETAQLLQQINTVLMLLKKLATFKIQTCEKYIQVLEEVCAPFLLSQC	650
GAL4(S.par)	600	ADNDDTAOSLOOISAVLMLLKKLATFKVOTCEKYIOVLEDVCAPYLSSSC	649

GAL4(S.cer)	651	AIPLPHISYNNSNGSAIKNIVGSATIAQYPTLPEENVNNISVKYVSPGSV	700
GAL4(S.par)	650	AISSPHISYNHNNGSVIRNIVGPPPVSQYPTLQEDNANNSSVKYVSPGSV	699
GAL4(S.cer)	701	GPSPVPLKSGASFSDLVKLLSNRPPSRNSPVTIPRSTPSHRSVTPFLGQQ	750
GAL4(S.par)	700	GPSPMPLKSGASFSDLVKLLSNRPSSRNSPAAITRSTPPHRSLTPFSGQQ	749
GAL4(S.cer)	751	QQLQSLVPLTPSALFGGANFNQSG-NIADSSLSFTFTNSSNGPNLITTQT	799
GAL4(S.par)	750	QQLQSYVPLTPSALFGGVNSYQSGTNIADSSLSFSFTTNSSGTNLITTPA	799
GAL4(S.cer)	800	NSQALSQPIASSNVHDNFM-NNEITASKIDDGNNSKPLSPGWTDQTAYNA	848
GAL4(S.par)	800	NSQALPQPTATSNLHGNIINNNEITAGRIDD-DNSKPLSPSWTDQTAYNA	848
GAL4(S.cer)	849	FGITTGMFNTTTMDDVYNYLFDDEDTPPNPKKE* 882	
GAL4(S.par)	849	FGTTTGMFNTTTMDDVYNYLFDDEDTPPNPKKEQNES* 886	

Western Blot Experiments

(i) Construction of yeast strains for western blots: S. cerevisiae and S paradoxus strains carrying Gal2-HA, Gal3-HA, or Gal4-HA were constructed by tagging each gene with 6xHA at C-terminus using one-step PCR transformation as described in literature⁹. P_{GAL80} promoter-swapped *S. paradoxus* strain was constructed by firstly integrating a URA-hphNT1 cassette into wild type *S. paradoxus* strain (MA653) to replace the whole P_{GAL80} promoter, then swapping out this cassette by a PCR product containing the *S. cerevisiae* P_{GAL80} promoter with 200bp flanking sequences on both sides. Colonies were selected on 5-FOA plates and hygromycin plates; colonies that were positive for 5-FOA and negative for hygromycin were selected and verified by DNA sequencing.

(*ii*) Western Blots: Cells were grown in 10ml minimal media (without adenine) with 0.1% mannose for 22hrs, until OD₆₀₀ reaches 0.08. Cells were then split into two batches (75ml growth volume for each): one batch was cultured in minimal media (without adenine) containing 0.1% mannose and 0.35% galactose; the other batch was cultured in 0.1% mannose minimal media, for a further 22hrs for both batches until OD₆₀₀ reaches 0.08-1. Samples were then harvested for western blotting. Protein samples were extracted using the TCA method. Gal3-HA, Gal4-HA, and Gal80 protein samples were boiled in 2x Laemmli buffer before loading; Gal2-HA protein samples were prepared without boiling due to its high hydrophobicity. Protein lysate were separated on 8.5% Tris Tricine gel. The membrane was imaged using the Fujifilm LAS-4000 imaging system, and protein bands were quantified using Fiji software.

(*iii*) Antibody: The Gal80 antibody was a kind gift from Dr. Julie Simpson at HHMI's Janelia Research Campus. The epitope is CEQELIDERGNRLGQRV, and it is identical in both *S. paradoxus* and *S. serevisae*. Anti-PGK1 antibody was from Abcam (ab113687), and HA antibody was from Santa Cruz (Y-11). Secondary antibodies were anti-mouse-HRP (ab6728, Abcam) and anti-rabbit-HRP (sc-2004, santa cruz). For the Gal80 and HA antibodies, the dilutions were 1:5,000 and 1:10,000, respectively.

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