

# Modeling Sequences as Star Graphs to Address Over-smoothing in Self-attentive Sequential Recommendation

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This is the implementation of our model MSSG.

## Environments

- Python 3.9.13
- PyTorch (version: 1.10.2)

Please install PyTorch following the instructions in <https://pytorch.org/>.

## Dataset

Please find the six processed datasets used in our experiments in the "data" folder.

## Train and evaluate MSSG

Please refer to the following example on how to train MSSG on the Amazon-Beauty (Beauty) dataset. The evaluation will be conducted automatically. You are recommended to train MSSG using GPUs.

```
python main.py --data=Beauty --train_dir=Beauty --model=MSSG --num_epochs=201 --  
hidden_units=256 --maxlen=76 --num_blocks=3 --isTrain=0 --num_heads=16 --  
batch_size=256 --lr=1e-3 --attn_dropout_rate=0.0
```

**data** specifies the dataset used for training and evaluation.

**model** specifies the MSSG model to be used. Candidates are MSSG and MSSGU (MSSG-u in the paper).

**isTrain** is 1 for hyper-parameter tuning and 0 for evaluation. We will only save models when isTrain is 0.

**attn\_dropout\_rate** specifies the dropout rate on the attention weights. We set attn\_dropout\_rate as 0.0 on Beauty and Toys, and 0.5 for the other datasets.

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