



Multi-level Cross-view Contrastive Learning for Knowledge-aware Recommender System

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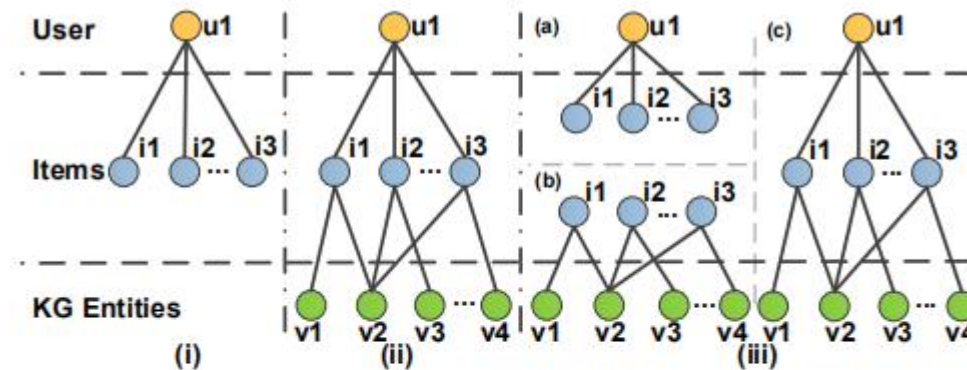
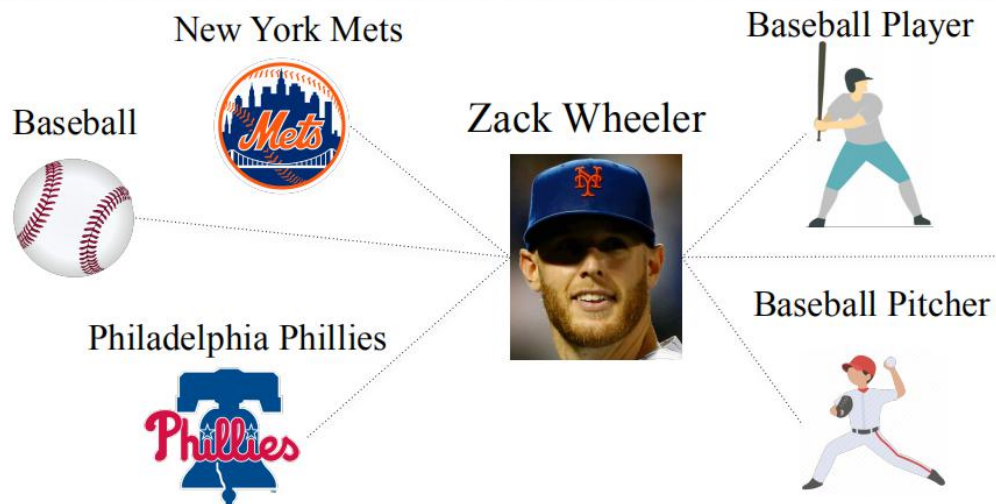


Figure 1: A toy example of our selected multi views. (i) Traditional CF-based recommendation learns from collaborative view. (ii) Previous KGR methods learn from the structural view. (iii) MCCLK learns from three selected views, including local-level collaborative view (a) and semantic view (b), global-level structural view (c).

1. Current GNN-based models greatly suffer from *sparse supervision signal problem*. leading to the *indiscrimination* of generated node representations.
2. Since previously models treat each item entity relation independently for learning. the learning process is incapable of distilling

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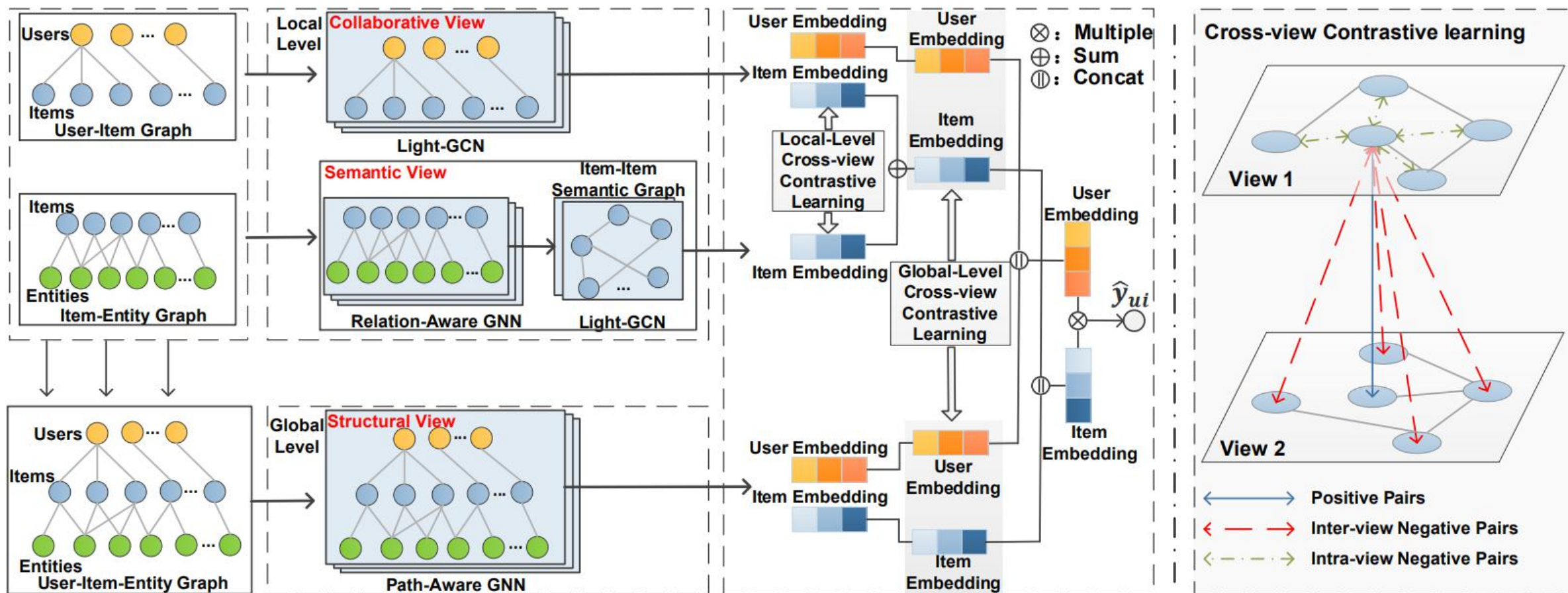


Figure 2: Illustration of the proposed MCCLK model. The left subfigure shows model framework of MCCLK; and the right subfigure presents the details of cross-view contrastive learning mechanism. Best viewed in color.

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Problem Definition

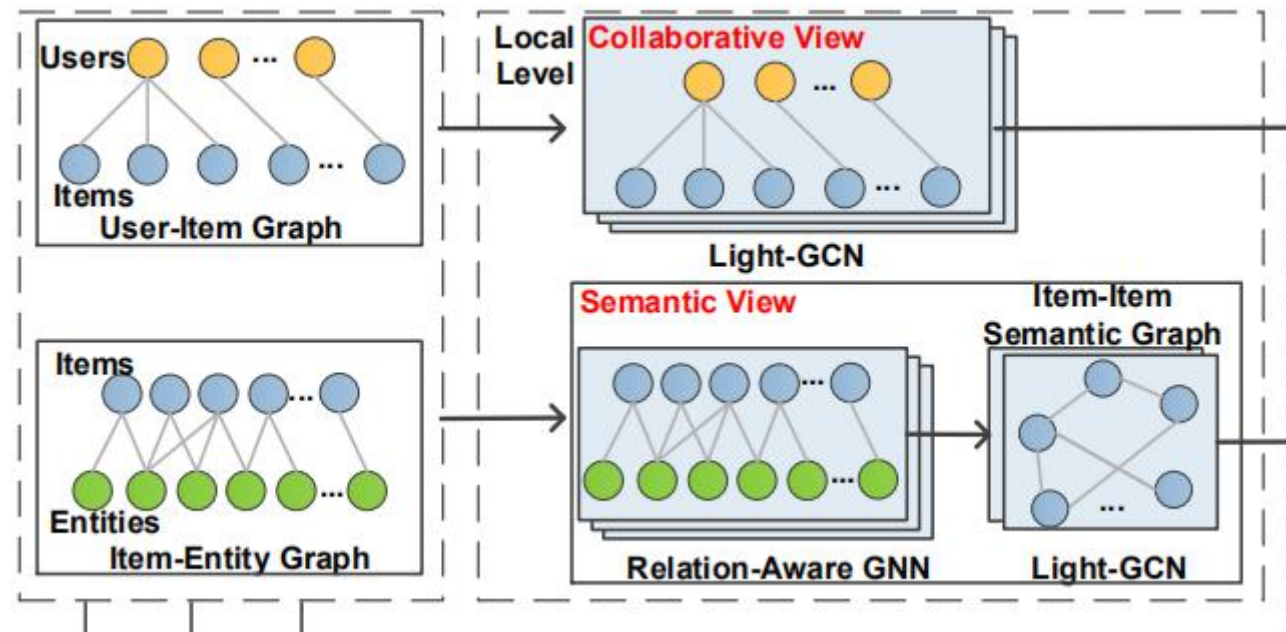
$$\mathcal{U} = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_M\} \text{ and } \mathcal{V} = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_N\}$$

user-item interaction matrix $Y \in \mathbb{R}^{M \times N}$

$$\mathcal{G} = \{(h, r, t) \mid h, t \in \mathcal{E}, r \in \mathcal{R}\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{e}_i^{(k+1)} &= \frac{1}{|\mathcal{N}_i|} \sum_{(r,v) \in \mathcal{N}_i} \mathbf{e}_r \odot \mathbf{e}_v^{(k)}, \\ \mathbf{e}_v^{(k+1)} &= \frac{1}{|\mathcal{N}_v|} \left(\sum_{(r,v) \in \mathcal{N}_v} \mathbf{e}_r \odot \mathbf{e}_v^{(k)} + \sum_{(r,i) \in \mathcal{N}_v} \mathbf{e}_r \odot \mathbf{e}_i^{(k)} \right), \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

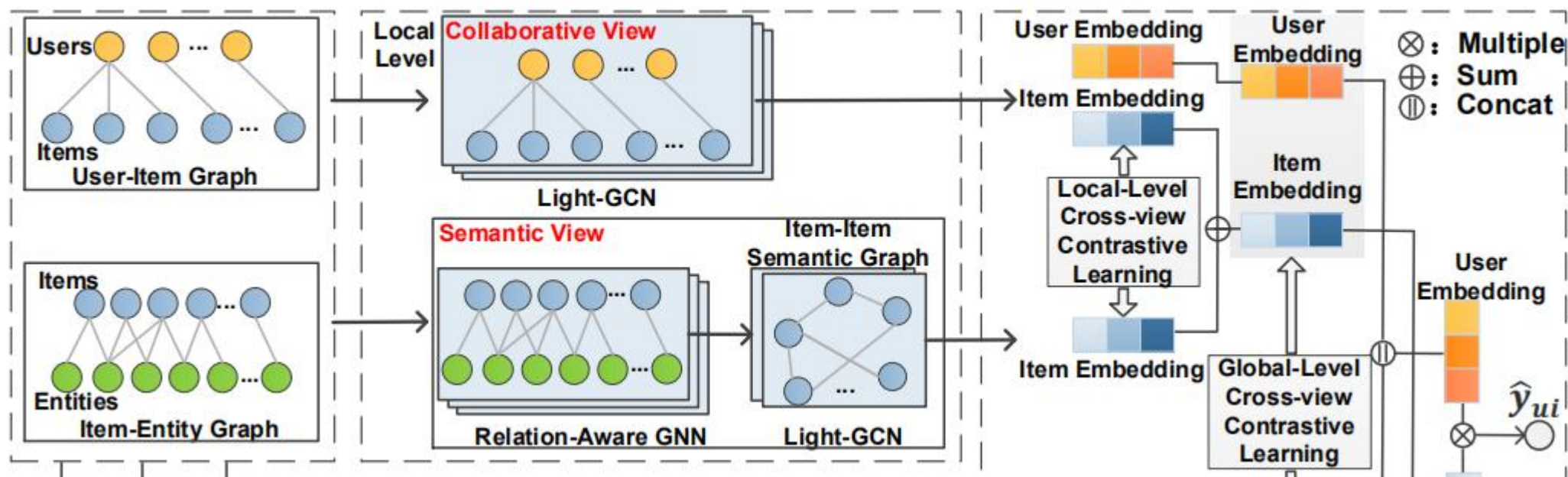
$$S_{ij} = \frac{\left(\mathbf{e}_i^{(K')} \right)^\top \mathbf{e}_j^{(K')}}{\left\| \mathbf{e}_i^{(K')} \right\| \left\| \mathbf{e}_j^{(K')} \right\|}. \quad (2)$$



$$\widehat{S}_{ij} = \begin{cases} S_{ij}, & S_{ij} \in \text{top-k}(S_i), \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

$$\widetilde{S} = (D)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \widehat{S} (D)^{-\frac{1}{2}}, \quad (4)$$

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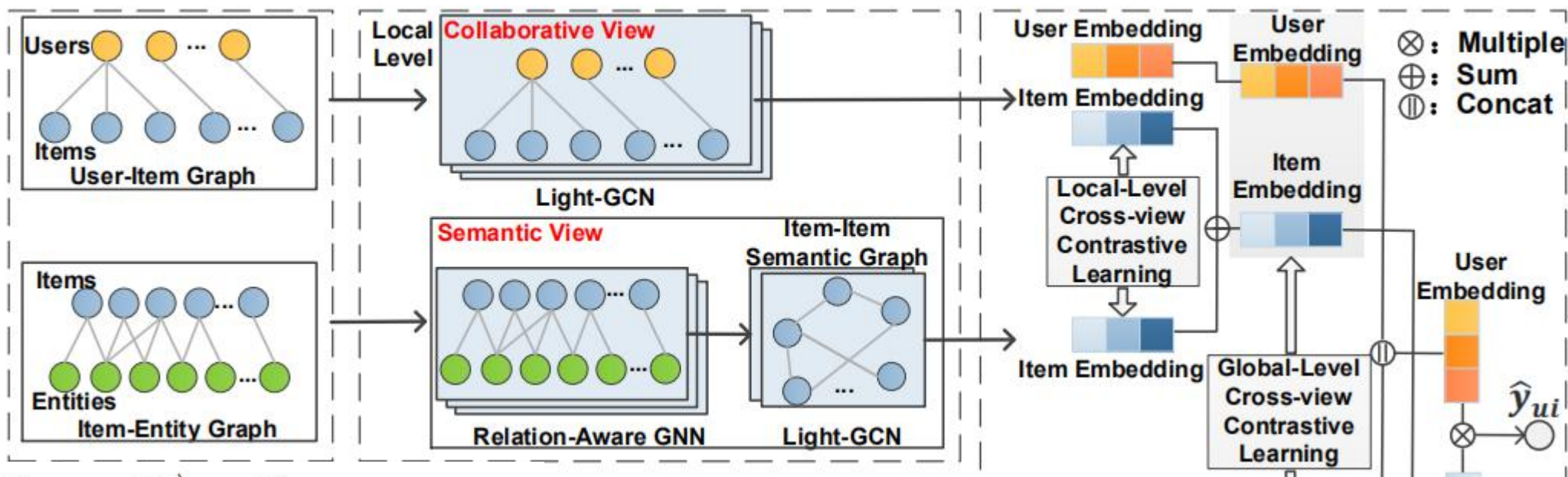
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{e}_u^{(k+1)} &= \sum_{i \in \mathcal{N}_u} \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\mathcal{N}_u| |\mathcal{N}_i|}} \mathbf{e}_i^{(k)}, \\ \mathbf{e}_i^{(k+1)} &= \sum_{u \in \mathcal{N}_i} \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\mathcal{N}_u| |\mathcal{N}_i|}} \mathbf{e}_u^{(k)}, \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

$$\mathbf{z}_u^c = \mathbf{e}_u^{(0)} + \dots + \mathbf{e}_u^{(K)}, \quad \mathbf{z}_i^c = \mathbf{e}_i^{(0)} + \dots + \mathbf{e}_i^{(K)}. \quad (6)$$

$$\mathbf{e}_i^{(l+1)} = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}(i)} \tilde{S} \mathbf{e}_j^{(l)}, \quad (7)$$

$$\mathbf{z}_i^s = \mathbf{e}_i^{(0)} + \dots + \mathbf{e}_i^{(L)}. \quad (8)$$

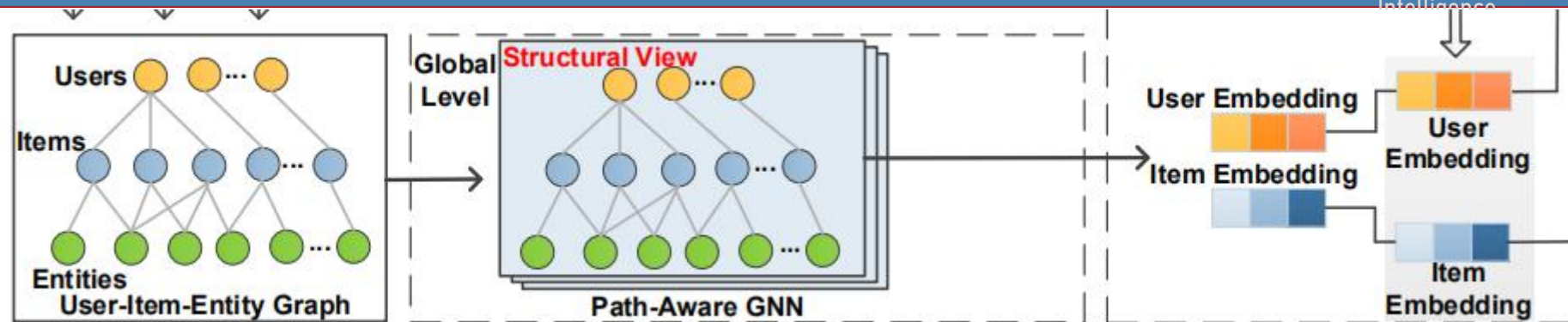
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$$\begin{aligned} z_{i-p}^c &= W^{(2)} \sigma \left(W^{(1)} z_i^c + b^{(1)} \right) + b^{(2)}, \\ z_{i-p}^s &= W^{(2)} \sigma \left(W^{(1)} z_i^s + b^{(1)} \right) + b^{(2)}, \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{local} = -\log \frac{e^{s(z_{i-p}^s, z_{i-p}^c)/\tau}}{e^{s(z_{i-p}^s, z_{i-p}^c)/\tau} + \underbrace{\sum_{k \neq i} e^{s(z_{i-p}^s, z_{k-p}^s)/\tau}}_{\text{intra-view negative pairs}} + \underbrace{\sum_{k \neq i} e^{s(z_{i-p}^s, z_{k-p}^c)/\tau}}_{\text{inter-view negative pairs}}}, \quad (10)$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{e}_u^{(l+1)} &= \frac{1}{|\mathcal{N}_u|} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{N}_u} \mathbf{e}_i^{(l)}, \\ \mathbf{e}_i^{(l+1)} &= \frac{1}{|\mathcal{N}_i|} \sum_{(r,v) \in \mathcal{N}_i} \beta(i,r,v) \mathbf{e}_r \odot \mathbf{e}_v^{(l)}, \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \beta(i,r,v) &= \text{softmax} \left((\mathbf{e}_i || \mathbf{e}_r)^T \cdot (\mathbf{e}_v || \mathbf{e}_r) \right) \\ &= \frac{\exp \left((\mathbf{e}_i || \mathbf{e}_r)^T \cdot (\mathbf{e}_v || \mathbf{e}_r) \right)}{\sum_{(v',r) \in \hat{\mathcal{N}}(i)} \exp \left((\mathbf{e}_i || \mathbf{e}_r)^T \cdot (\mathbf{e}_{v'} || \mathbf{e}_r) \right)}, \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

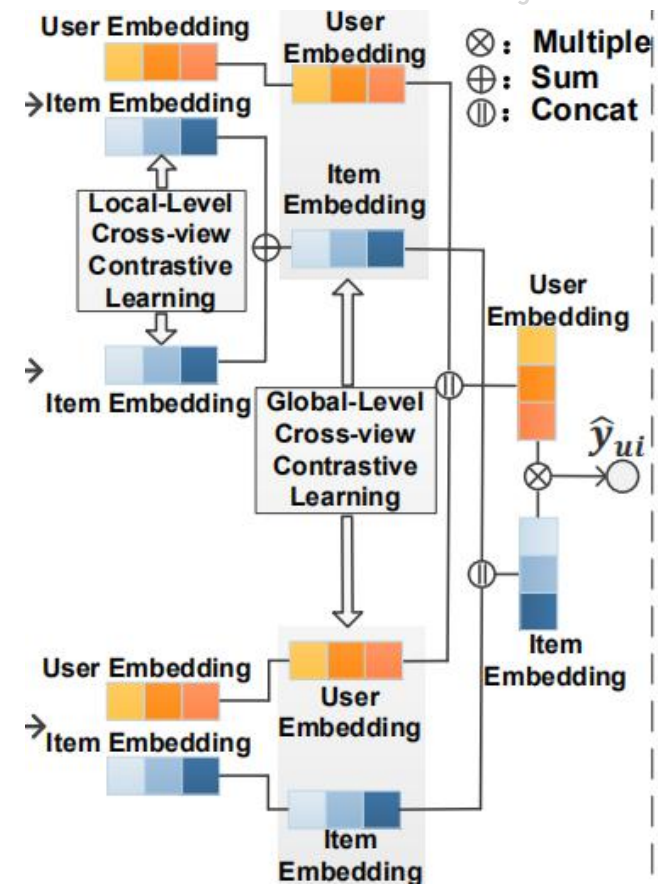
$$\mathbf{z}_u^g = \mathbf{e}_u^{(0)} + \dots + \mathbf{e}_u^{(L')}, \quad \mathbf{z}_i^g = \mathbf{e}_i^{(0)} + \dots + \mathbf{e}_i^{(L')}. \quad (13)$$

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$$\mathcal{L}_i^g = -\log \frac{e^{s(z_{i-p}^g, z_{i-p}^l)/\tau}}{e^{s(z_{i-p}^g, z_{i-p}^l)/\tau} + \underbrace{\sum_{k \neq i} e^{s(z_{i-p}^g, z_{k-p}^g)/\tau}}_{\text{intra-view negative pairs}} + \underbrace{\sum_{k \neq i} e^{s(z_{i-p}^g, z_{k-p}^l)/\tau}}_{\text{inter-view negative pairs}}},$$

$$\mathcal{L}_i^l = -\log \frac{e^{s(z_{i-p}^l, z_{i-p}^g)/\tau}}{e^{s(z_{i-p}^l, z_{i-p}^g)/\tau} + \underbrace{\sum_{k \neq i} e^{s(z_{i-p}^l, z_{k-p}^l)/\tau}}_{\text{intra-view negative pairs}} + \underbrace{\sum_{k \neq i} e^{s(z_{i-p}^l, z_{k-p}^g)/\tau}}_{\text{inter-view negative pairs}}}, \quad (15)$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{global} = \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i=1}^N (\mathcal{L}_i^g + \mathcal{L}_i^l) + \frac{1}{2M} \sum_{u=1}^M (\mathcal{L}_u^g + \mathcal{L}_u^l). \quad (16)$$

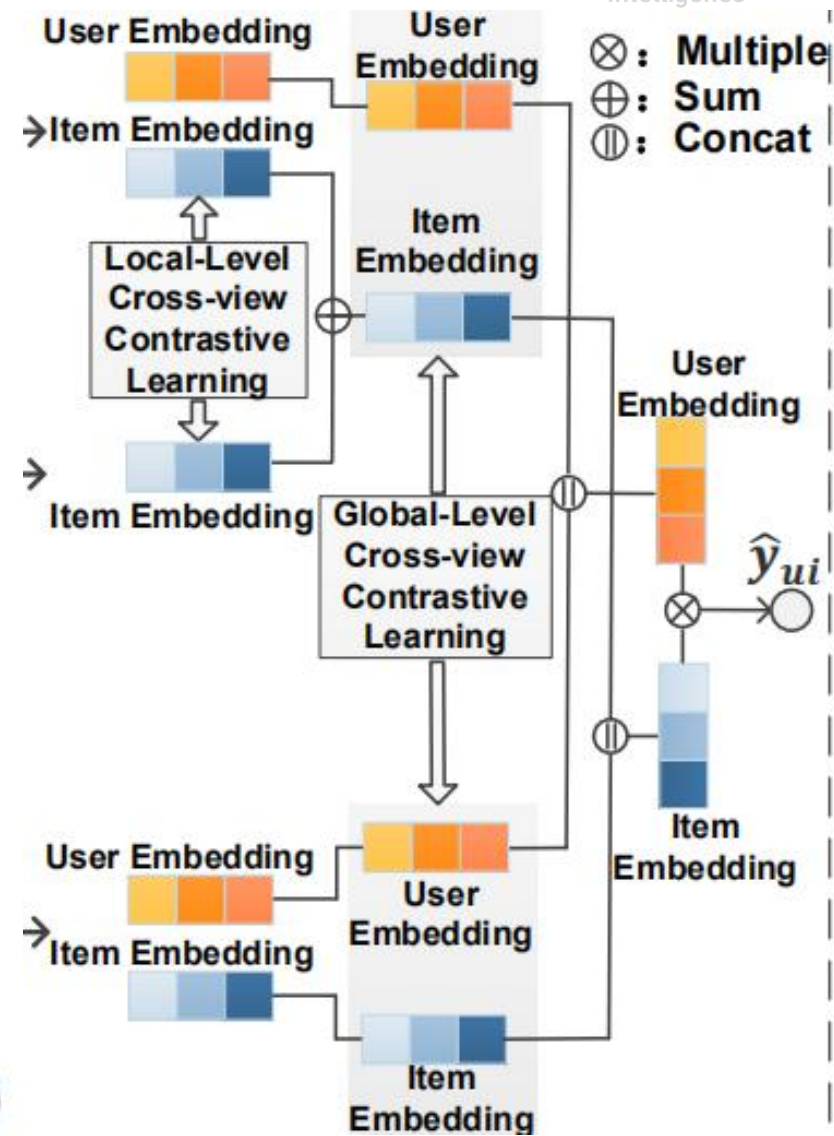


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$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{z}_u^* &= \mathbf{z}_u^g \parallel \mathbf{z}_u^c, \\
 \mathbf{z}_i^* &= \mathbf{z}_i^g \parallel (\mathbf{z}_i^c + \mathbf{z}_i^s), \\
 \hat{y}(u, i) &= \mathbf{z}_u^{*\top} \mathbf{z}_i^*.
 \end{aligned} \tag{17}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{BPR}} = \sum_{(u, i, j) \in O} -\ln \sigma(\hat{y}_{ui} - \hat{y}_{uj}), \tag{18}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{MCCLK}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{BPR}} + \beta(\alpha \mathcal{L}^{\text{local}} + (1 - \alpha) \mathcal{L}^{\text{global}}) + \lambda \|\Theta\|_2^2, \tag{19}$$





Experiments

		Book-Crossing	MovieLens-1M	Last.FM
User-item Interaction	# users	17,860	6,036	1,872
	# items	14,967	2,445	3,846
	# interactions	139,746	753,772	42,346
Knowledge Graph	# entities	77,903	182,011	9,366
	# relations	25	12	60
	# triplets	151,500	1,241,996	15,518
Hyper- parameter Settings	# α	0.2	0.2	0.2
	# β	0.1	0.1	0.1
	# K	2	2	3
	# K'	2	2	2
	# L	1	1	2
	# L'	2	2	2

Table 1: Statistics and hyper-parameter settings for the three datasets. (α : local-level contrastive loss weight, β : contrastive loss weight, K : local collaborative aggregation depth, K' : aggregation depth of item-item semantic graph construction, L : local semantic aggregation depth, L' : global structural aggregation depth.)



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Model	Book-Crossing		MovieLens-1M		Last.FM	
	<i>AUC</i>	<i>F1</i>	<i>AUC</i>	<i>F1</i>	<i>AUC</i>	<i>F1</i>
BPRMF	0.6583(−10.42%)	0.6117(−6.60%)	0.8920(−4.31%)	0.7921(−7.10%)	0.7563(−12.00%)	0.7010(−9.98%)
CKE	0.6759(−8.66%)	0.6235(−5.42%)	0.9065(−2.86%)	0.8024(−6.07%)	0.7471(−12.92%)	0.6740(−12.68%)
RippleNet	0.7211(−4.14%)	0.6472(−3.05%)	0.9190(−1.61%)	0.8422(−2.09%)	0.7762(−10.01%)	0.7025(−9.83%)
PER	0.6048(−15.77%)	0.5726(−10.51%)	0.7124(−22.27%)	0.6670(−19.61%)	0.6414(−23.49%)	0.6033(−19.75%)
KGCN	0.6841(−7.84%)	0.6313(−4.64%)	0.9090(−2.61%)	0.8366(−2.65%)	0.8027(−7.36%)	0.7086(−9.22%)
KGNN-LS	0.6762(−8.63%)	0.6314(−4.63%)	0.9140(−2.11%)	0.8410(−2.21%)	0.8052(−7.11%)	0.7224(−7.84%)
KGAT	<u>0.7314</u> (−3.11%)	0.6544(−2.33%)	0.9140(−2.11%)	0.8440(−1.91%)	0.8293(−4.70%)	0.7424(−5.84%)
KGIN	0.7273(−3.52%)	<u>0.6614</u> (−1.63%)	<u>0.9190</u> (−1.61%)	<u>0.8441</u> (−1.90%)	<u>0.8486</u> (−2.77%)	<u>0.7602</u> (−4.06%)
MCCLK	0.7625*	0.6777*	0.9351*	0.8631*	0.8763*	0.8008*

Table 2: The result of *AUC* and *F1* in CTR prediction. The best results are in boldface and the second best results are underlined.

* denotes statistically significant improvement by unpaired two-sample *t*-test with $p < 0.001$.

OOM	OOM	0.9360	0.8629	0.8804	0.8010
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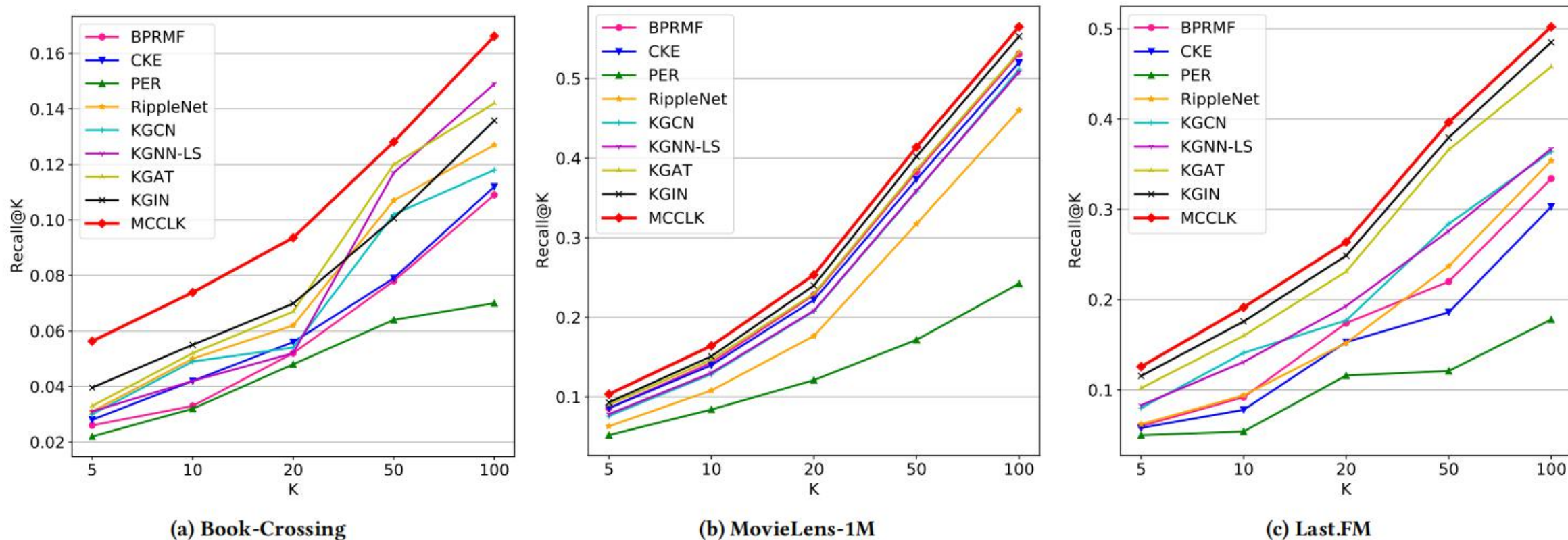


Figure 3: The result of Recall@K in top-K recommendation.

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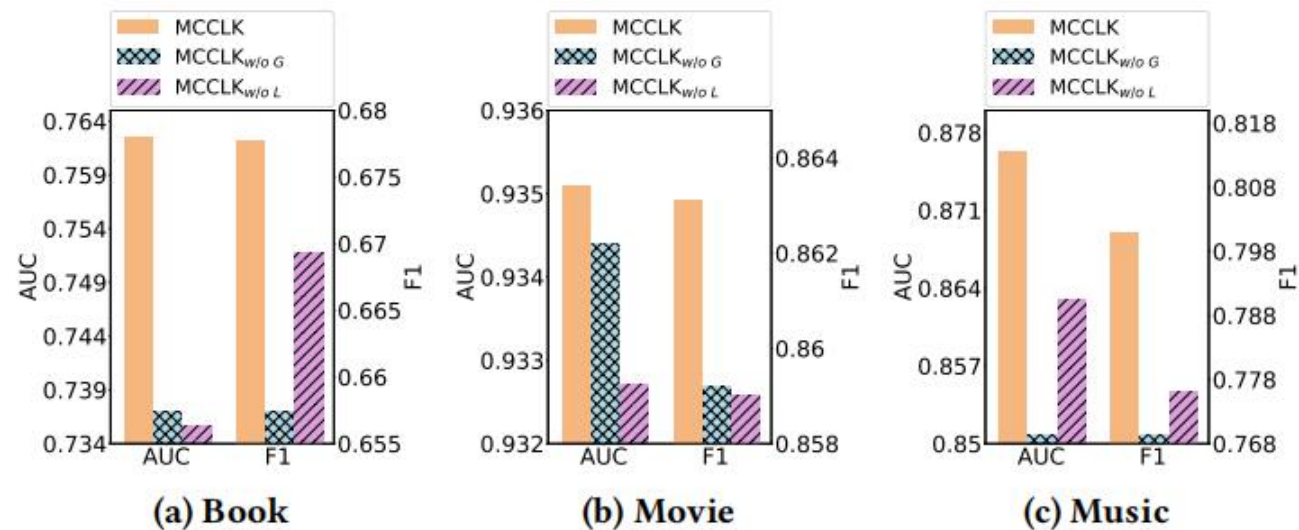


Figure 4: Effect of ablation study.

	Book		Movie		Music	
	Auc	F1	Auc	F1	Auc	F1
$L=1$	0.7602	0.6777	0.9350	0.8631	0.8711	0.7858
$L=2$	0.7601	0.6768	0.9347	0.8628	0.8742	0.7945
$L=3$	0.7591	0.6733	0.9345	0.8627	0.8726	0.7891
$L=4$	0.7583	0.6749	0.9343	0.8627	0.8720	0.7846

Table 3: Impact of aggregation depth in semantic view.

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	Book		Movie		Music	
	Auc	F1	Auc	F1	Auc	F1
$L'=1$	0.7602	0.6776	0.9350	0.8628	0.8711	0.7858
$L'=2$	0.7625	0.6777	0.9351	0.8631	0.8763	0.8008
$L'=3$	0.7550	0.6719	0.9334	0.8589	0.8713	0.7899
$L'=4$	0.7569	0.6680	0.9320	0.8574	0.8706	0.7841

Table 4: Impact of aggregation depth in structural view.

	Book		Movie		Music	
	Auc	F1	Auc	F1	Auc	F1
$\beta=1$	0.7520	0.6649	0.9337	0.8593	0.8735	0.7938
$\beta=0.1$	0.7625	0.6713	0.9351	0.8622	0.8758	0.7972
$\beta=0.01$	0.7608	0.6689	0.9346	0.8610	0.8721	0.7913
$\beta=0.001$	0.7607	0.6675	0.9343	0.8604	0.8714	0.7856

Table 5: Impact of contrastive loss weight β .

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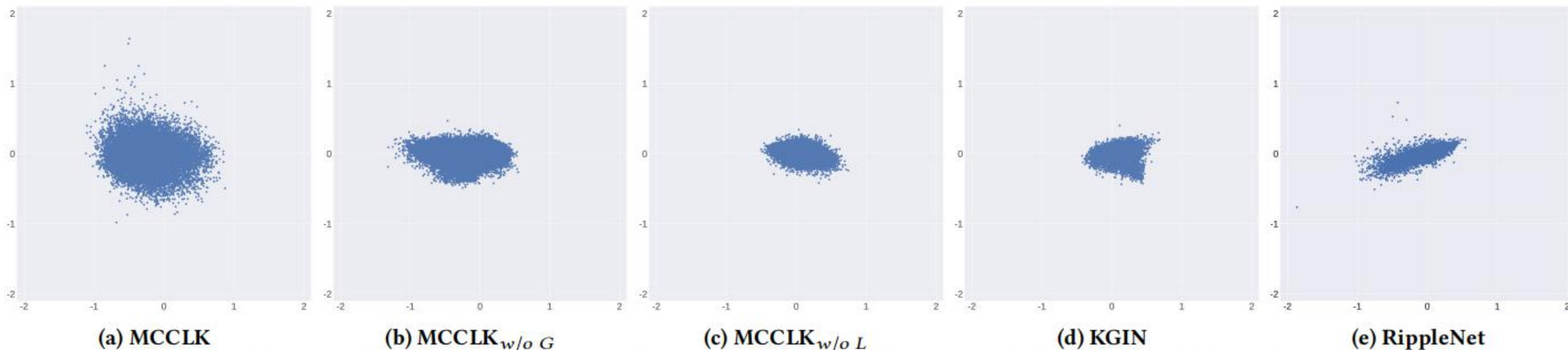


Figure 5: Visualization of model representation learning ability on Book-Crossing.

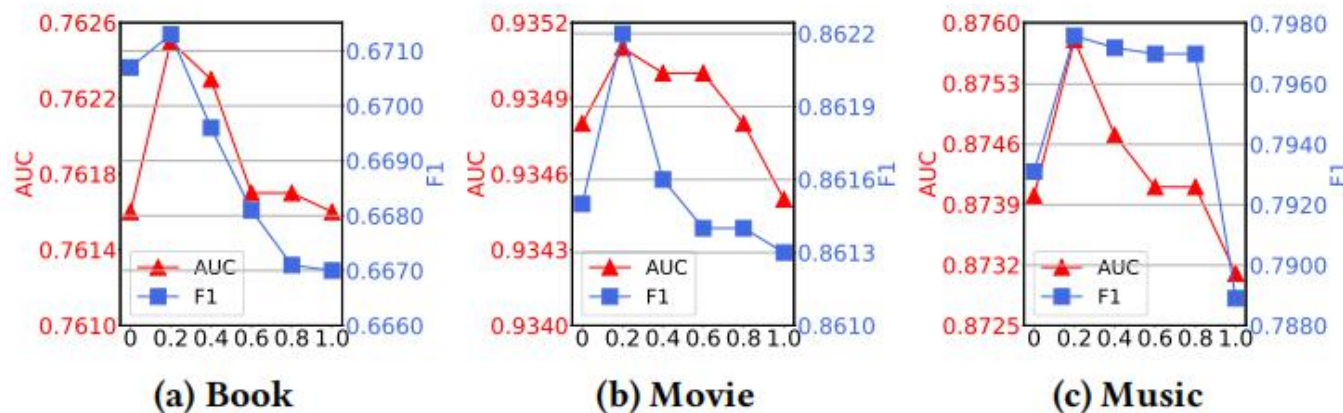


Figure 6: Impact of local-level contrastive loss weight α .



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