

# Deep Graph Library

## Overview, Updates, and Future Directions

**DGL**



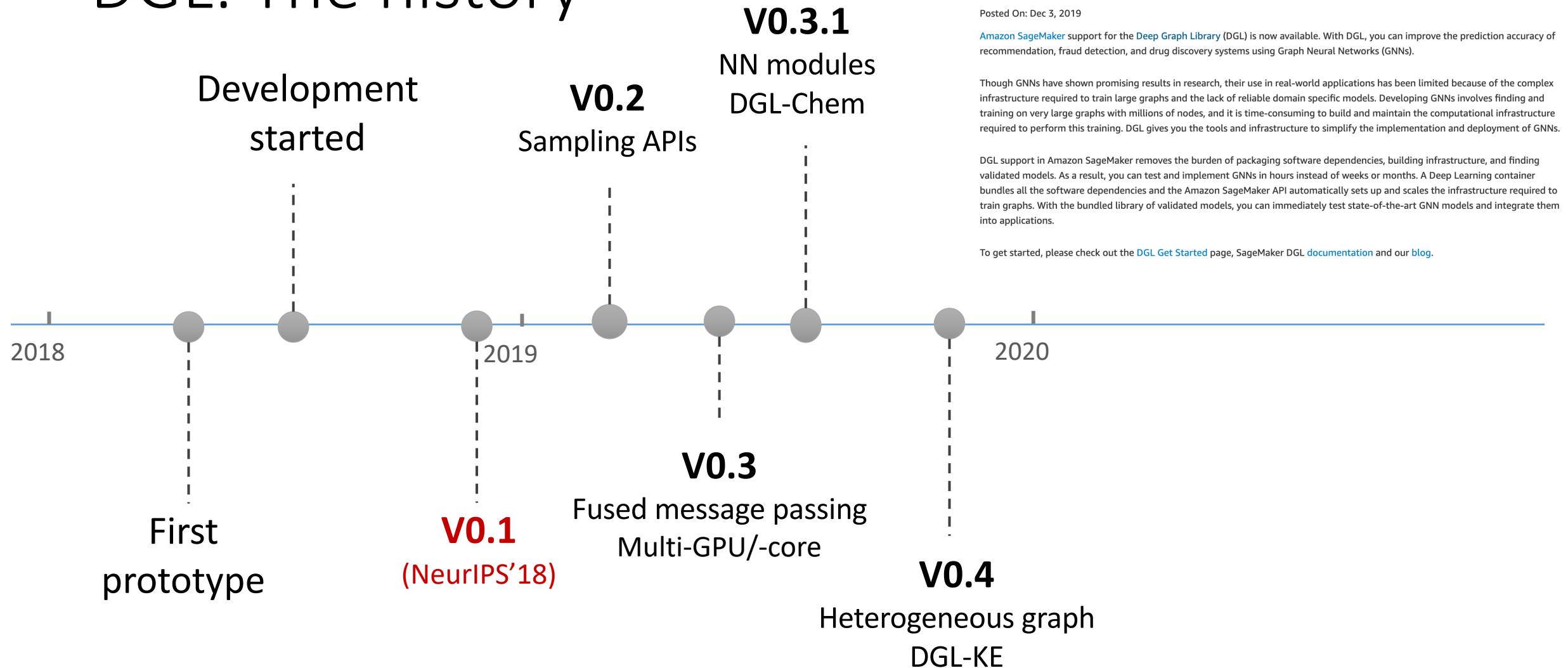
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# DGL: The history



## Introducing Amazon SageMaker Support for Deep Graph Library (DGL): Build and Train Graph Neural Networks

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[Amazon SageMaker](#) support for the [Deep Graph Library \(DGL\)](#) is now available. With DGL, you can improve the prediction accuracy of recommendation, fraud detection, and drug discovery systems using Graph Neural Networks (GNNs).

Though GNNs have shown promising results in research, their use in real-world applications has been limited because of the complex infrastructure required to train large graphs and the lack of reliable domain specific models. Developing GNNs involves finding and training on very large graphs with millions of nodes, and it is time-consuming to build and maintain the computational infrastructure required to perform this training. DGL gives you the tools and infrastructure to simplify the implementation and deployment of GNNs.

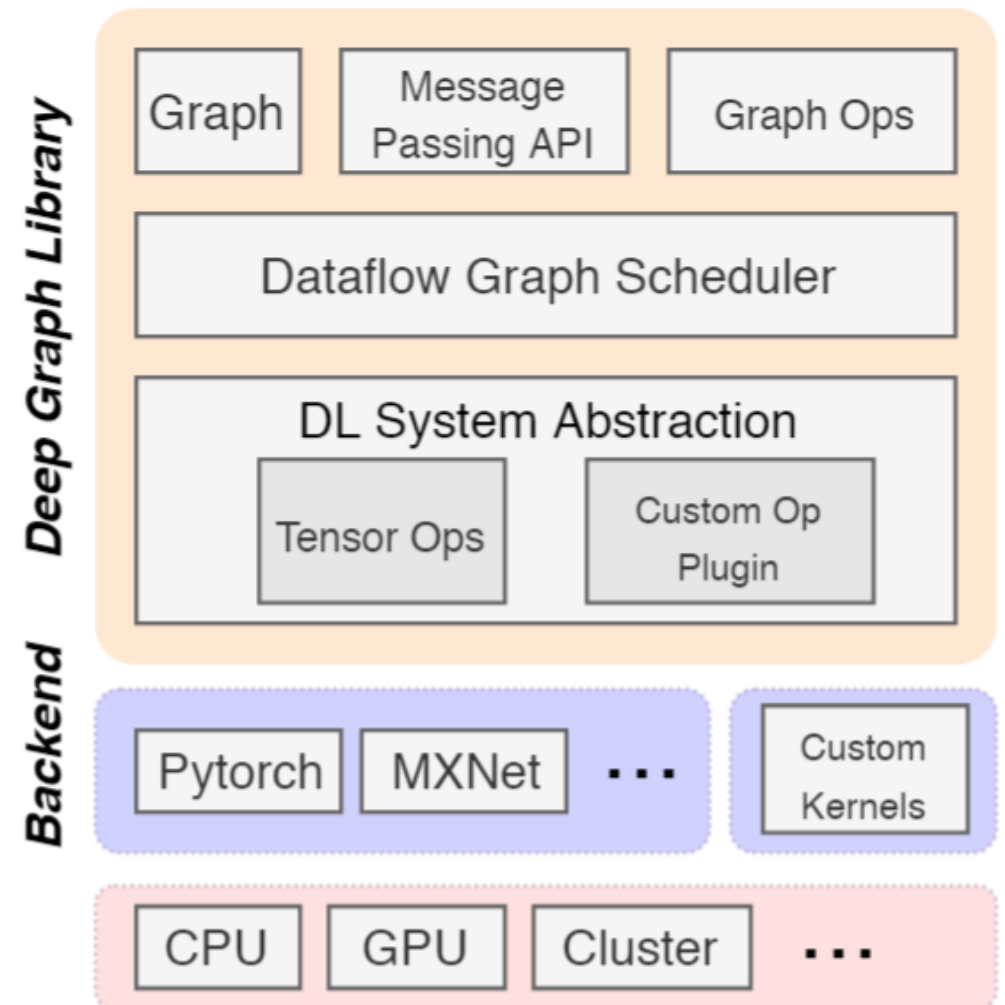
DGL support in Amazon SageMaker removes the burden of packaging software dependencies, building infrastructure, and finding validated models. As a result, you can test and implement GNNs in hours instead of weeks or months. A Deep Learning container bundles all the software dependencies and the Amazon SageMaker API automatically sets up and scales the infrastructure required to train graphs. With the bundled library of validated models, you can immediately test state-of-the-art GNN models and integrate them into applications.

To get started, please check out the [DGL Get Started](#) page, SageMaker DGL [documentation](#) and our [blog](#).

# DGL: Design & API

# DGL meta-objective & architecture

- Forward and backward compatible
  - **Forward**: easy to develop new models
  - **Backward**: seamless integration with existing frameworks (MXNet/Pytorch/Tensorflow)
- **Fast and Scalable**



# Flexible message handling

*Message function*

$$\text{Edge-wise: } \mathbf{m}_k^{(t)} = \phi^e(\mathbf{e}_k^{(t-1)}, \mathbf{v}_{r_k}^{(t-1)}, \mathbf{v}_{s_k}^{(t-1)}),$$

$$\text{Node-wise: } \mathbf{v}_i^{(t)} = \phi^v(\mathbf{v}_i^{(t-1)}, \bigoplus_{\substack{k \\ \text{s.t. } r_k = i}} \mathbf{m}_k^{(t)}),$$

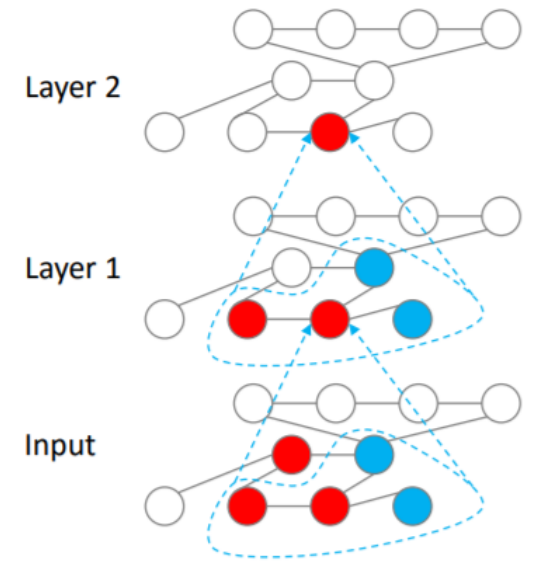
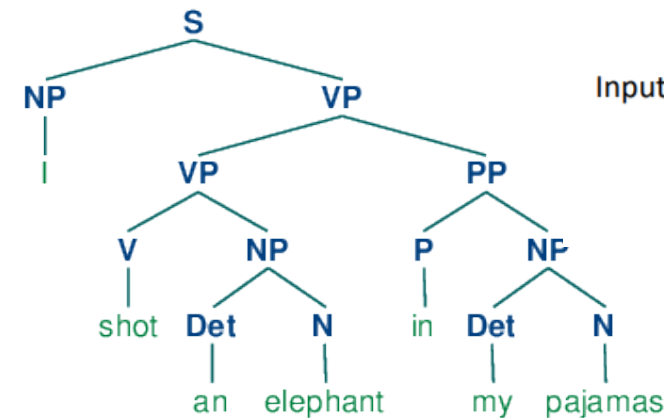
*Update function*

*Reduce function*

[Gilmer 2017, Wang 2017, Battaglia 2018]

# Flexible message propagation

- Full propagation (“everyone shouts to everyone near you”)
- Propagation by graph traversal
  - Topological order on sentence parsing tree
  - Belief propagation order
  - Sampling
- Propagation by random walk



# DGL programming interface

- Graph as the core abstraction
  - DGLGraph
  - `g.ndata[ 'h' ]`
- Simple but versatile message passing APIs

$$\text{send}(\mathcal{E}, \phi^e), \quad \text{recv}(\mathcal{V}, \bigoplus, \phi^v)$$

**Active set** specifies which nodes/edges to trigger the computation on.

$\phi^e$   $\phi^v$   $\bigoplus$  can be user-defined functions (**UDFs**) or **built-in** symbolic functions.

# Writing GNNs is intuitive in DGL

update\_all is a shortcut for  
send(G.edges()) + recv(G.nodes())

```
# code: PyTorch + DGL
# G: DGL Graph
# H: node repr matrix (n_nodes, in_dim)
# W: weights (in_dim * 2, out_dim)
import dgl.function as fn
G.ndata['h'] = H
G.update_all(
    fn.copy_u('h', 'm'),
    fn.max('m', 'h_n'))
H_N = G.ndata['h_n']
H = torch.relu(torch.cat([H_N, H], 1) @ W)
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$$h_v^{(t+1)} = \max_{u \in \mathcal{N}(v)} h_u^{(t)}$$

$$h_v^{(t+1)} = \frac{1}{|\mathcal{N}(v)|} \sum_{u \in \mathcal{N}(v)} h_u^{(t)}$$



# Writing GNNs is intuitive in DGL (GAT)

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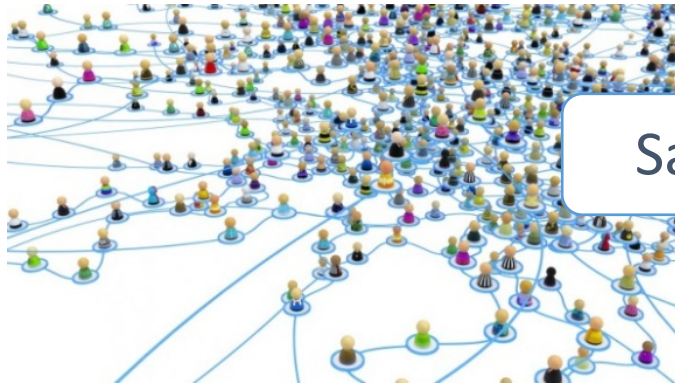
import dgl.function as fn
G.ndata['h'] = H
G.update_all(msg_func, reduce_func)
H_N = G.ndata['h_n']
H = torch.relu(torch.cat([H_N, H], 1) @ W)
```

$$\alpha_{ij} = \frac{\exp\left(\text{LeakyReLU}\left(\vec{a}^T[\mathbf{W}\vec{h}_i \parallel \mathbf{W}\vec{h}_j]\right)\right)}{\sum_{k \in \mathcal{N}_i} \exp\left(\text{LeakyReLU}\left(\vec{a}^T[\mathbf{W}\vec{h}_i \parallel \mathbf{W}\vec{h}_k]\right)\right)}$$

```
def msg_func(edges):
    h_src = edges.src['h']
    h_dst = edges.dst['h']
    alpha_hat = MLP(
        torch.cat([h_dst, h_src], 1))
    return {'m': h_src, 'alpha_hat': alpha}

def reduce_func(nodes):
    # Incoming messages are batched along
    # 2nd axis.
    m = nodes.mailbox['m']
    alpha_hat = nodes.mailbox['alpha_hat']
    alpha = torch.softmax(alpha_hat, 1)
    return {'h_n':
            (m * alpha[:, None]).sum(1)}
```

# Different scenarios require different supports



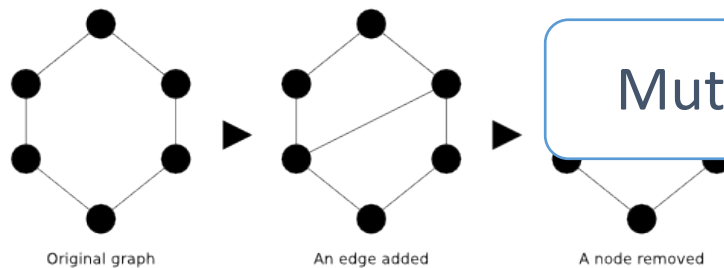
Sampling

Single giant graph



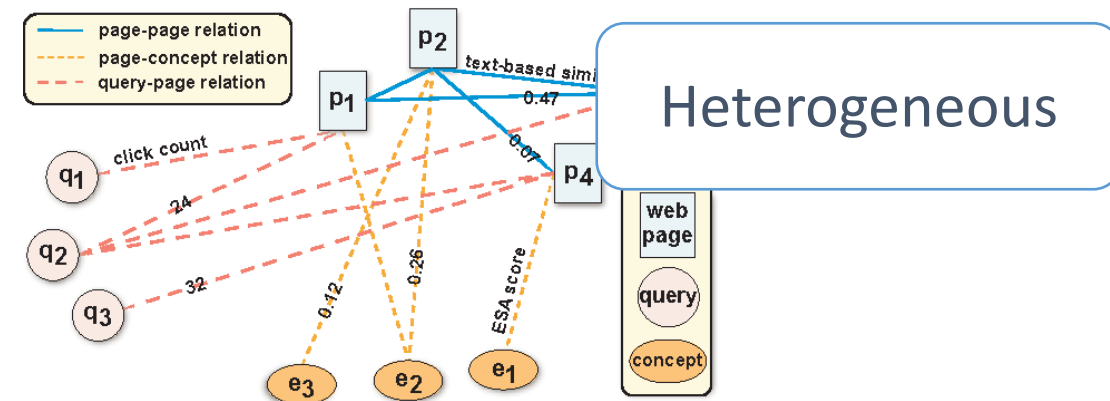
Batching  
graphs

Many moderate-sized graphs



Mutation

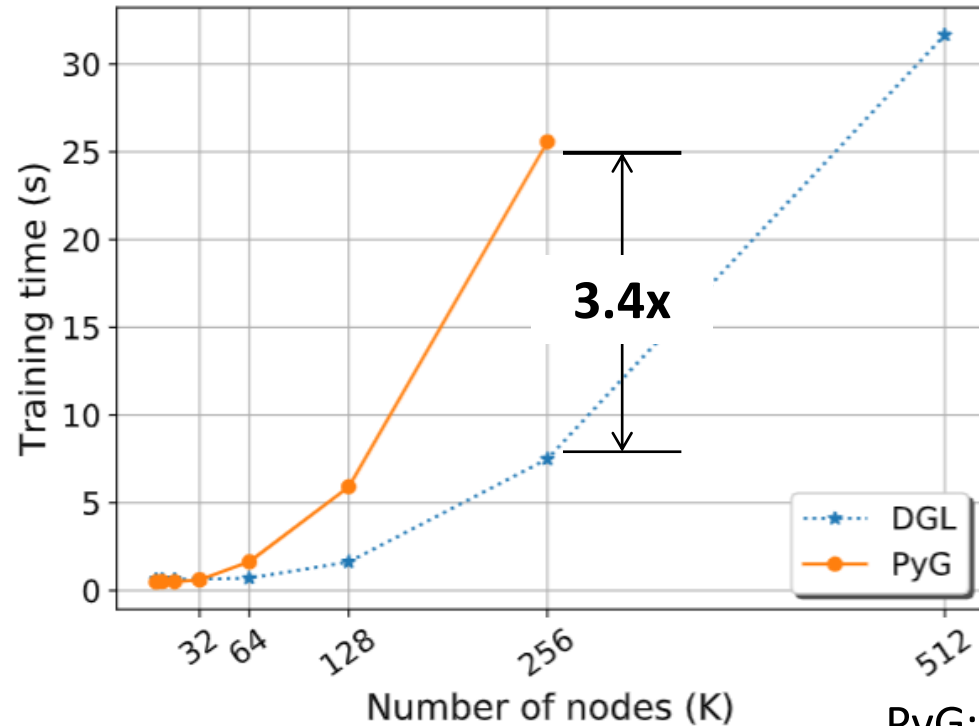
Dynamic graph



Heterogeneous

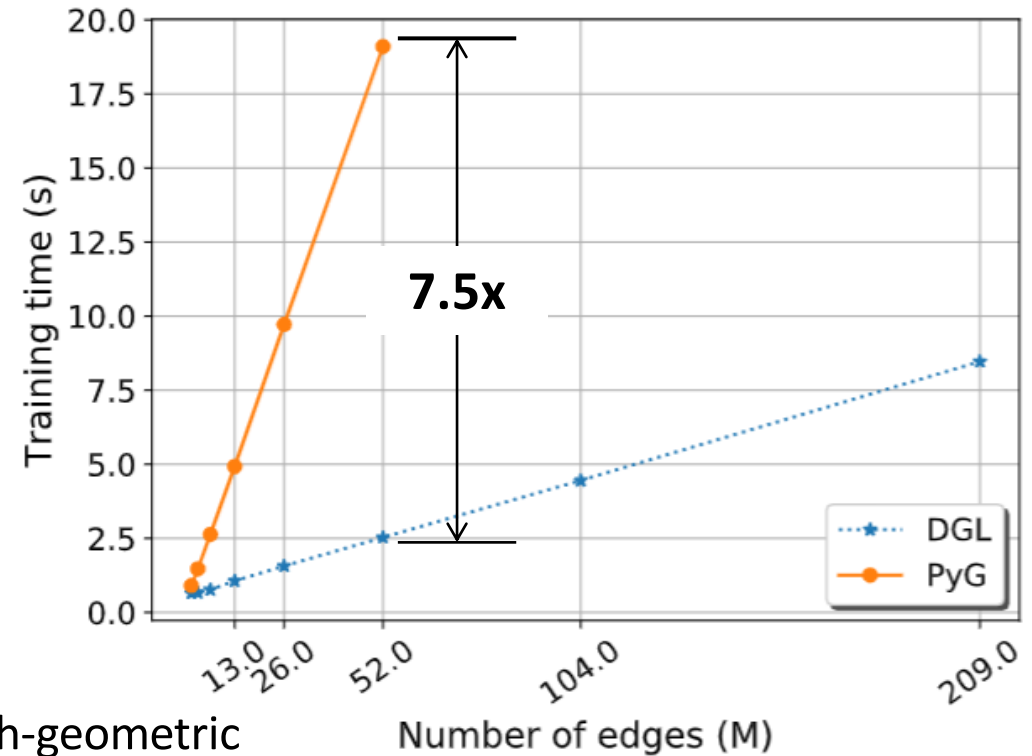
# Performance

# Scalability: single machine, single GPU



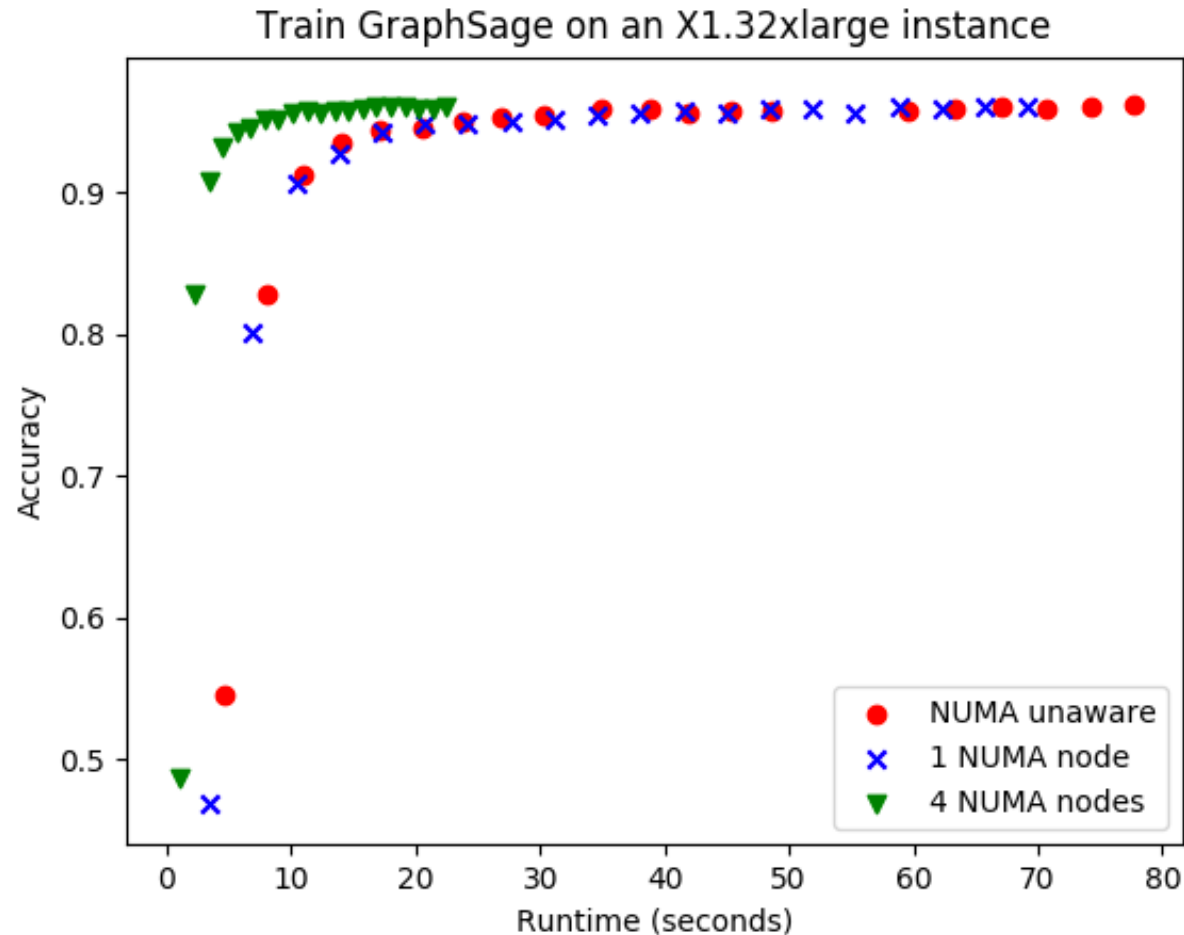
PyG: pytorch-geometric

Scalability with graph size



Scalability with graph density

# Scalability: single machine, NUMA



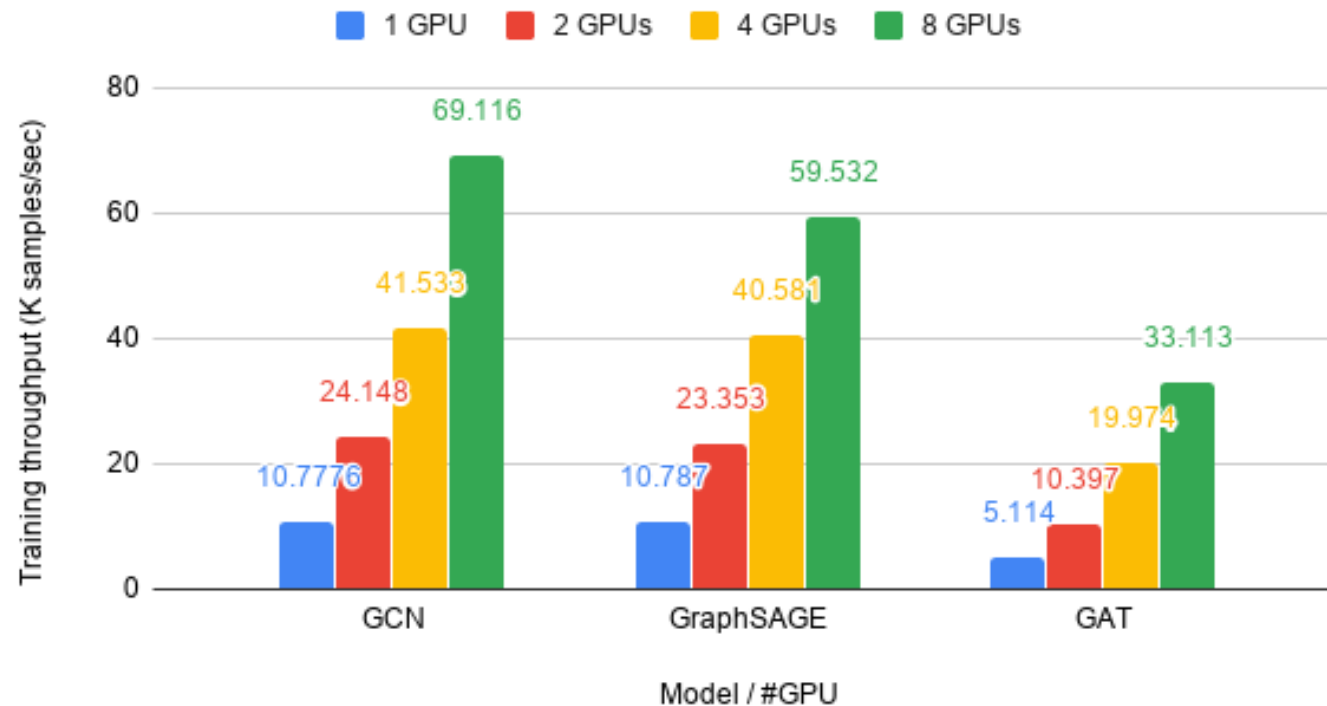
X1, 2TB, 128 vCPU

Data set: Reddit (232K nodes, 114M edges)

Controlled-variate sampling

# Scalability: single machine, multi-GPU

Scalability of training GNNs on multi-GPUs

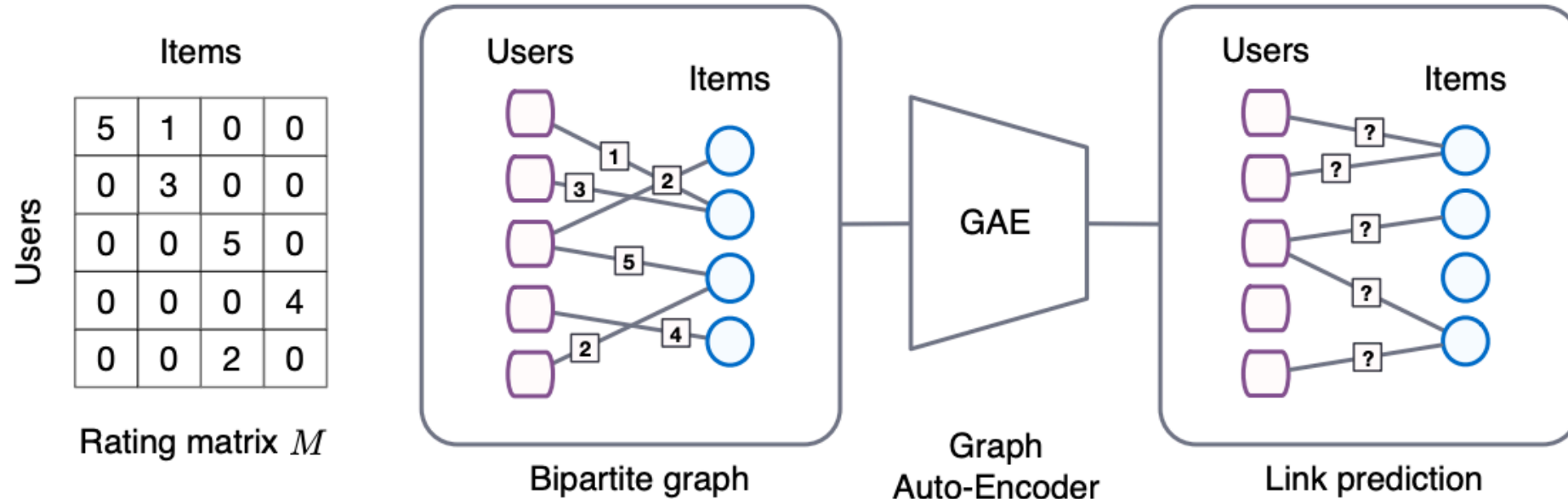


p3.16xlarge, 8 V100 GPUs, 64 vCPU  
Data set: Reddit (232K nodes, 114M edges)  
Trained with neighbor sampling

What's new and what's in the pipeline?

# Heterogenous graph

Example: recommendation system, GCMC





# Supporting Heterogeneous Graph

```
1 import torch
2 import torch.nn as nn
3 import torch.nn.functional as F
4 import dgl.function as fn
5
6 class HeteroRGCNLayer(nn.Module):
7     def __init__(self, in_size, out_size, etypes):
8         super(HeteroRGCNLayer, self).__init__()
9         # define parameter W_r for each relation
10        self.weight = nn.ModuleDict({
11            name : nn.Linear(in_size, out_size) for name in etypes
12        })
13
14    def forward(self, G, feat_dict):
15        # G is a heterogeneous graph
16        # feat_dict is a dictionary of features of each node type
17        funcs = {}
18        for srctype, etype, dsttype in G.canonical_etypes:
19            # Compute W_r * h
20            Wh = self.weight[etype](feat_dict[srctype])
21            # Save it to graph
22            G.nodes[srctype].data['Wh_%s' % etype] = Wh
23            # Per-type message passing: (message_func, reduce_func)
24            # All reducers write to the same field 'h', which is a hint for type-wise reducer.
25            funcs[etype] = (fn.copy_u('Wh_%s' % etype, 'm'), fn.mean('m', 'h'))
26        # Trigger message passing on heterograph using multi_update_all
27        # Argument#1: per-type message passing functions.
28        # Argument#2: type-wise reducer, could be: "sum", "max", "min", "mean", "stack"
29        G.multi_update_all(funcs, 'sum')
30        # Return the updated features of each node type.
31        return {ntype : G.nodes[ntype].data['h'] for ntype in G.ntypes}
```

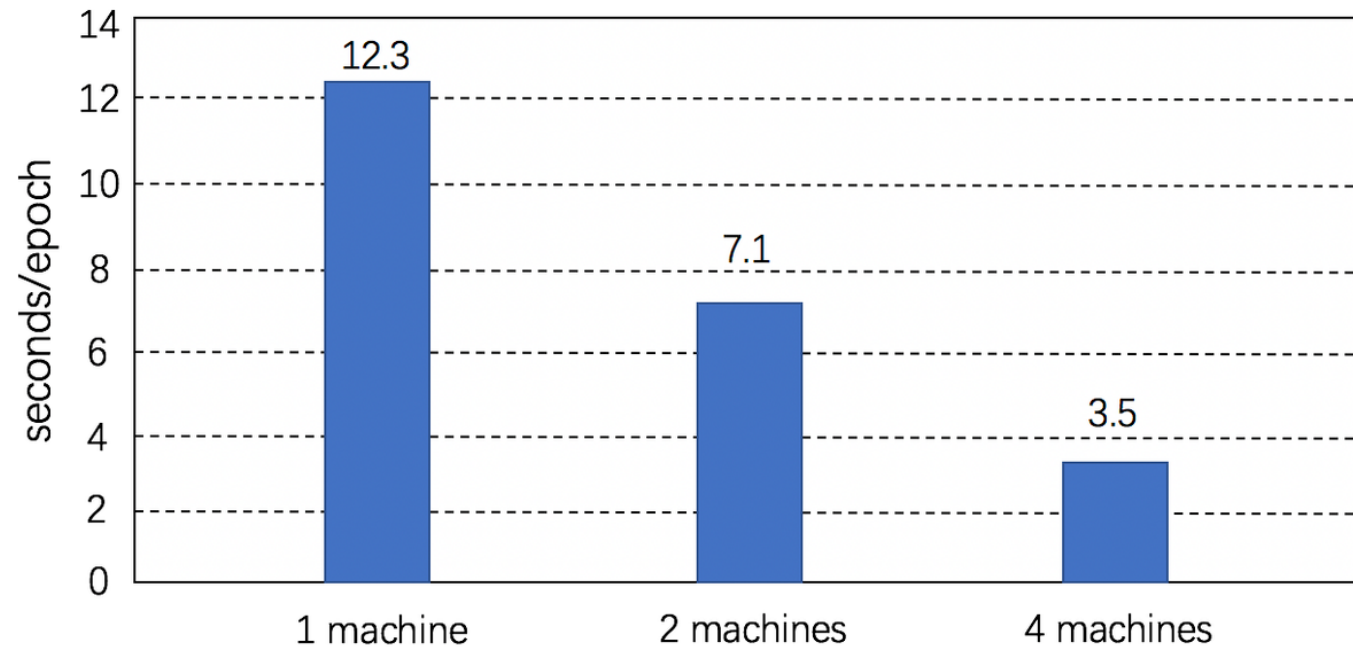
$$h_i^{(l+1)} = \sigma \left( \sum_{r \in \mathcal{R}} \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}_r(i)} W_r^{(l)} h_j^{(l)} \right)$$


# Example: graph convolutional matrix completion

Dataset	RMSE (DGL)	RMSE (Official)	Speed (DGL)	Speed (Official)	Speedup
MovieLens-100K	<b>0.9077</b>	0.910	<b>0.025</b> s/epoch	0.101 s/epoch	<b>5x</b>
MovieLens-1M	0.8377	<b>0.832</b>	<b>0.070</b> s/epoch	1.538 s/epoch	<b>22x</b>
MovieLens-10M	0.7875	<b>0.777*</b>	<b>0.648</b> s/epoch	Long*	

\*Official training on MovieLens-10M has to be in mini-batch, which lasts for over 24+ hours

# Distributed training: GCN (preliminary)



Distributed training of GCN on Reddit dataset.

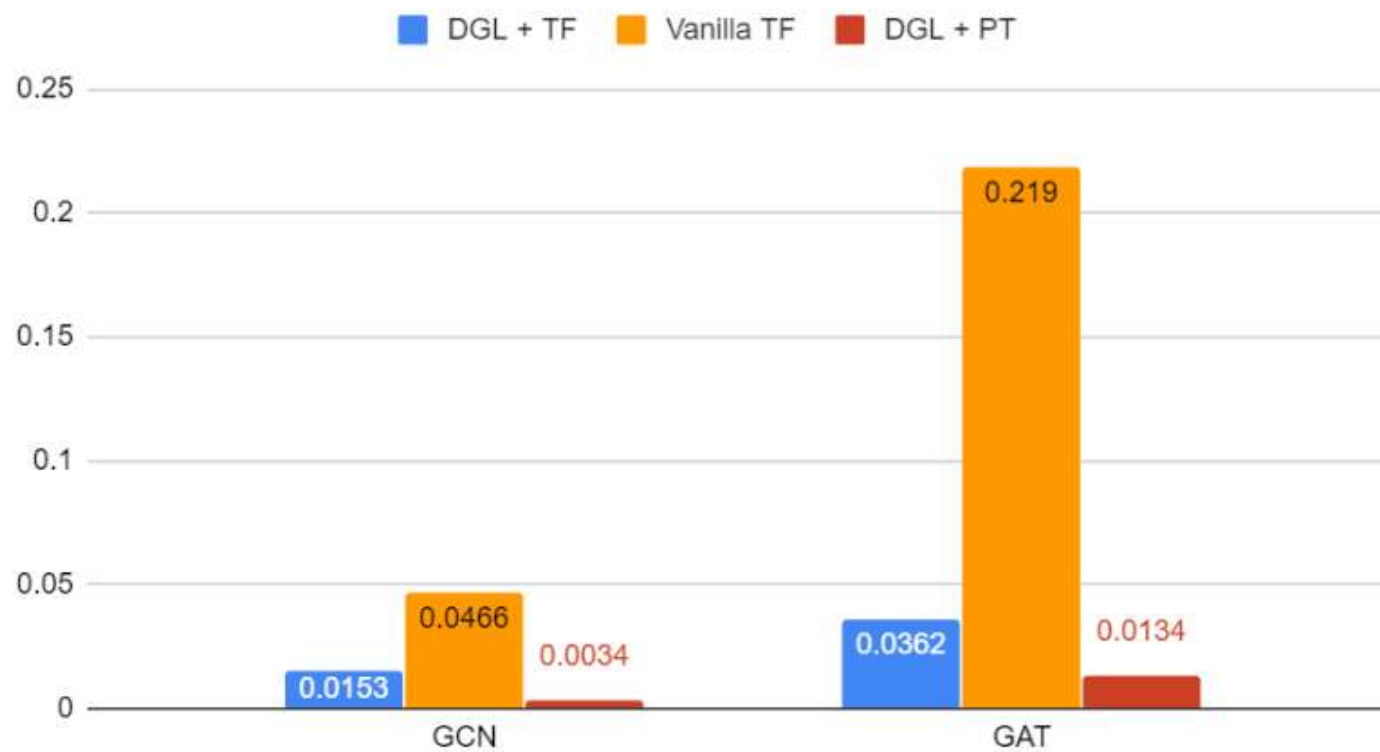
Neighbor sampling

Data set: Reddit (232K nodes, 114M edges)

Testbed: c5n.18x, 100Gb/s network, 72vCPU

# TF backend (preliminary)

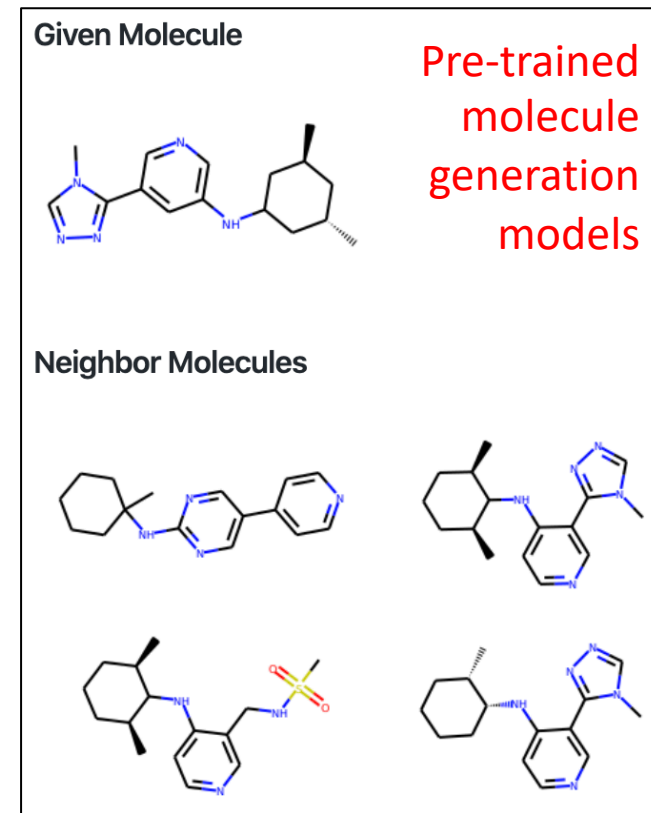
Epoch training time on Pubmed



Vanilla TF (TF 1.0)  
DGL + TF (TF 2.0)

# DGL Package: DGL-LifeSci

- Utilities for data processing
- Models for molecular property prediction and molecule generation
  - Graph Conv, GAT, MPNN, AttentiveFP, SchNet, MGCN, ACNN, DGMG, JTNN
- Efficient implementations
- Training scripts
- Pre-trained models

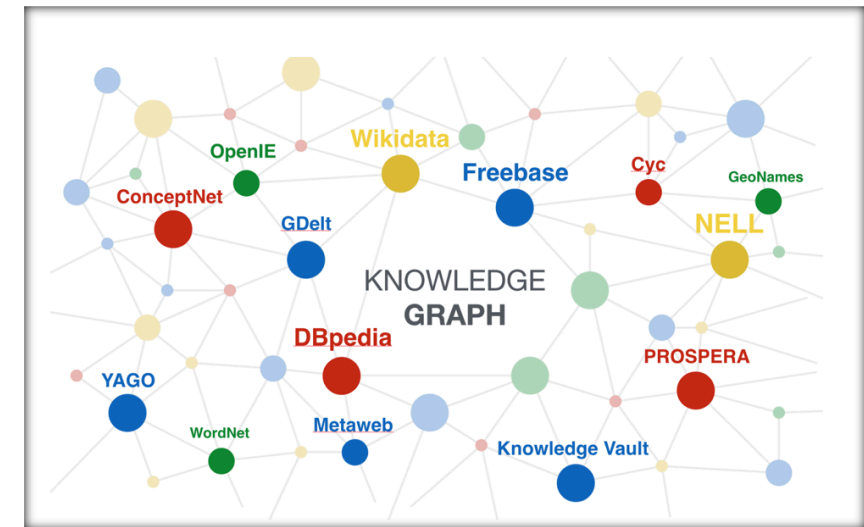


## Efficient implementations

	DGL	Official	Speedup
Graph Conv	1.9s	8.4s (DeepChem)	4.4x
AttentiveFP	1.2s	6.0s	5.0x
JTNN	743s	1826s	2.5x

# DGL Package: DGL-KE

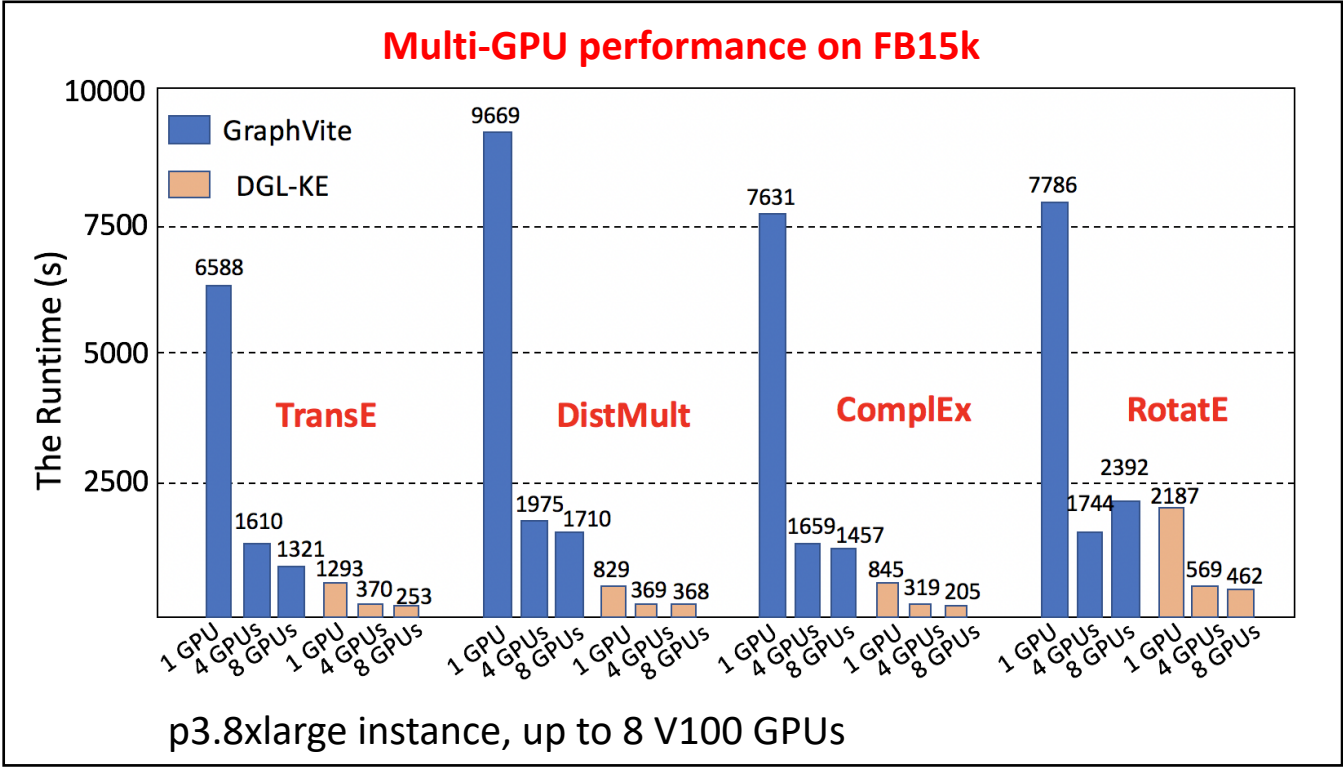
- An open-source package to efficiently compute knowledge graph embedding in various hardware:
  - Many-core CPU machine
  - Multi-GPU machine
  - A cluster of machines
- DGL-KE support popular KGE models:
  - TransE, TransR
  - DistMult, ComplEx, RESCAL
  - RotatE
- Applications: search, recommendation, question & answering



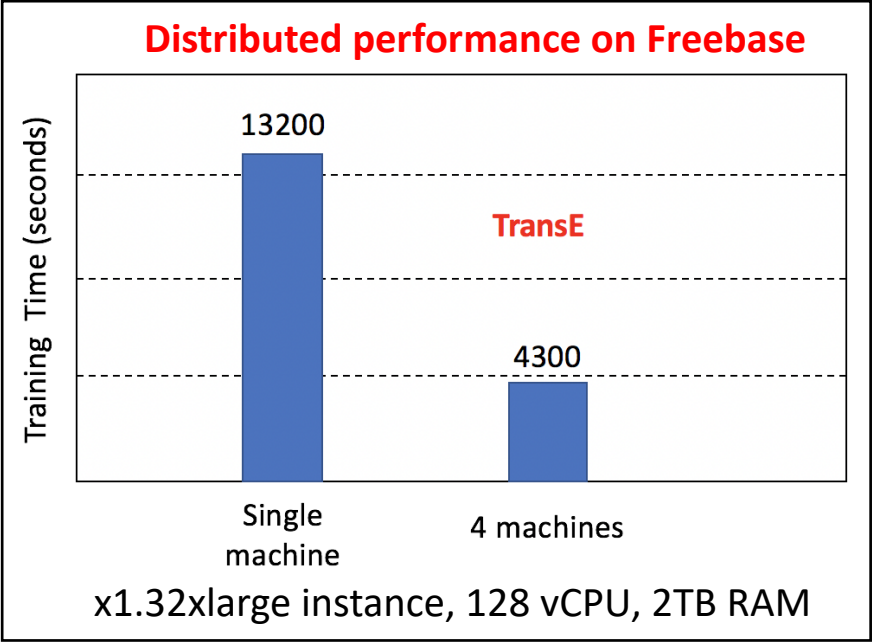
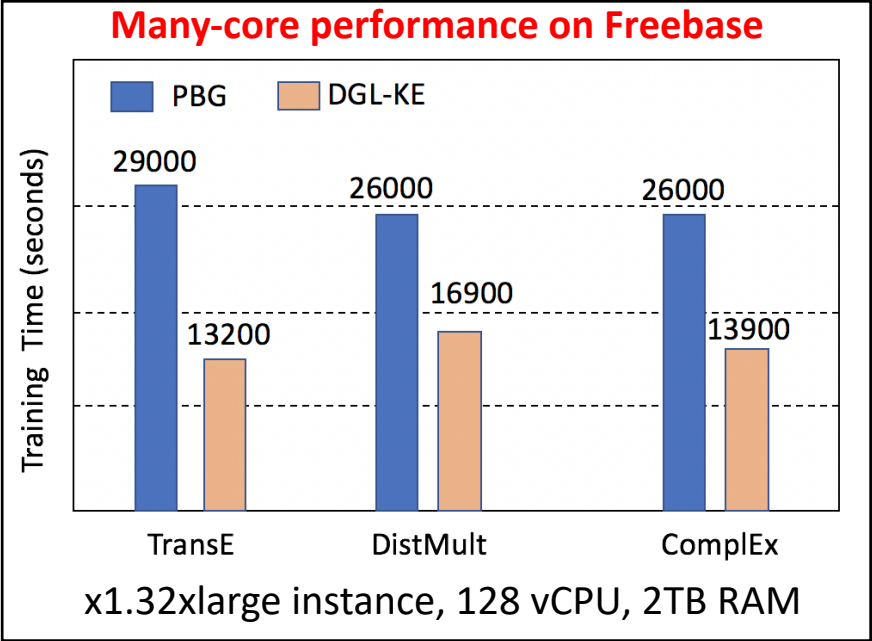
# DGL-KE – Focus on high performance

- Maximize locality:
  - Metis graph partitioning to reduce network communication in distributed training.
  - Relation partitioning to avoid communication for relations in multi-GPU training.
- Increase computation-to-memory intensity:
  - Joint negative sampling to reduce the number of entities in a mini-batch
- Reduce the demands on memory bandwidth:
  - Sparse relation embeddings to reduce computation and data access in a batch.
- Hide data access latency:
  - Overlap gradient update with batch computation.

# DGL-KE: Performance

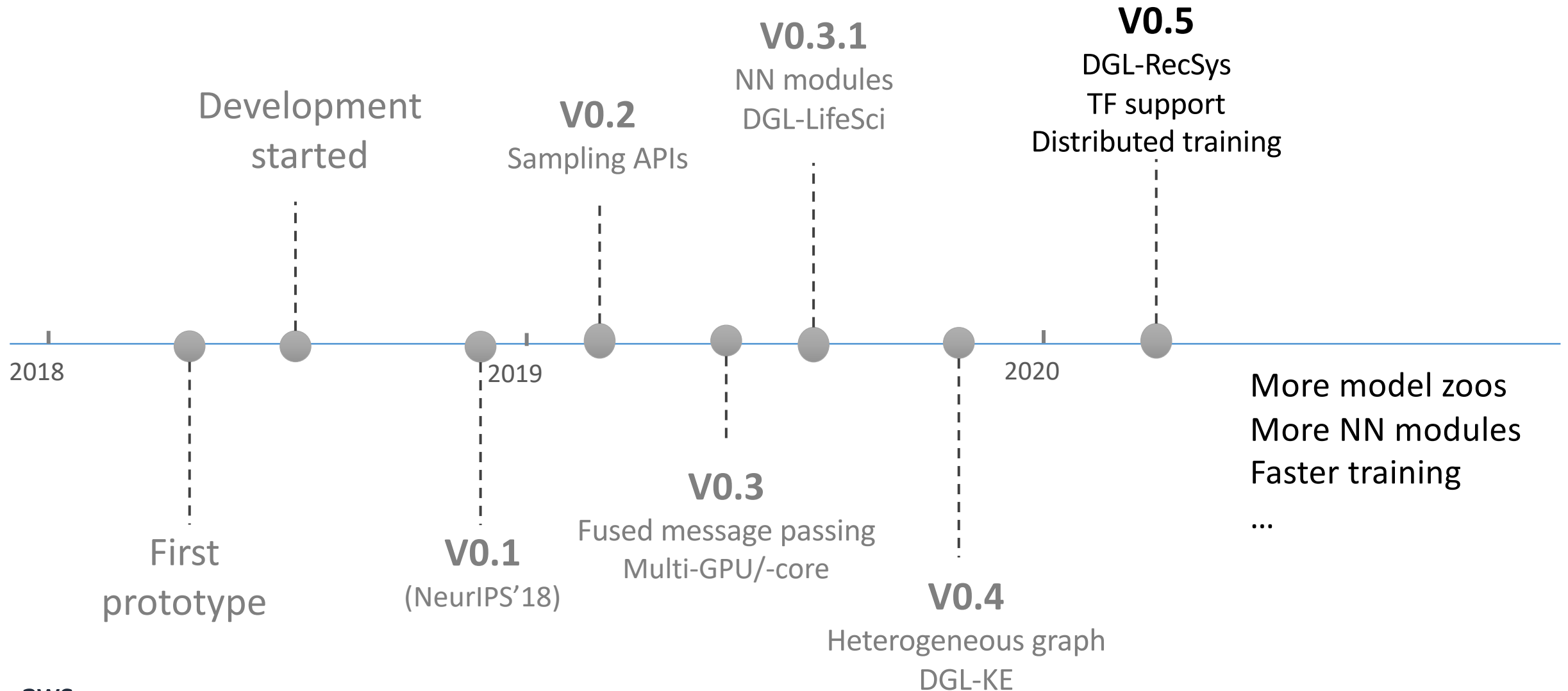


Datasets: FB15K (15K nodes, 592K edges); Freebase (86M nodes, 338M edges)



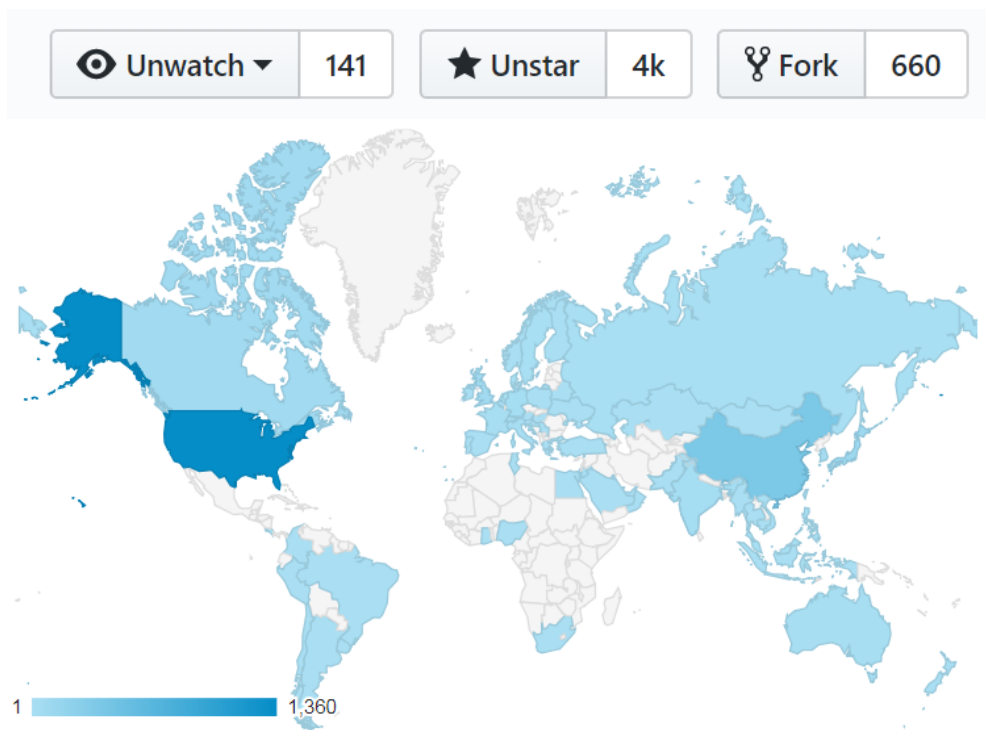


# DGL: next step(s)



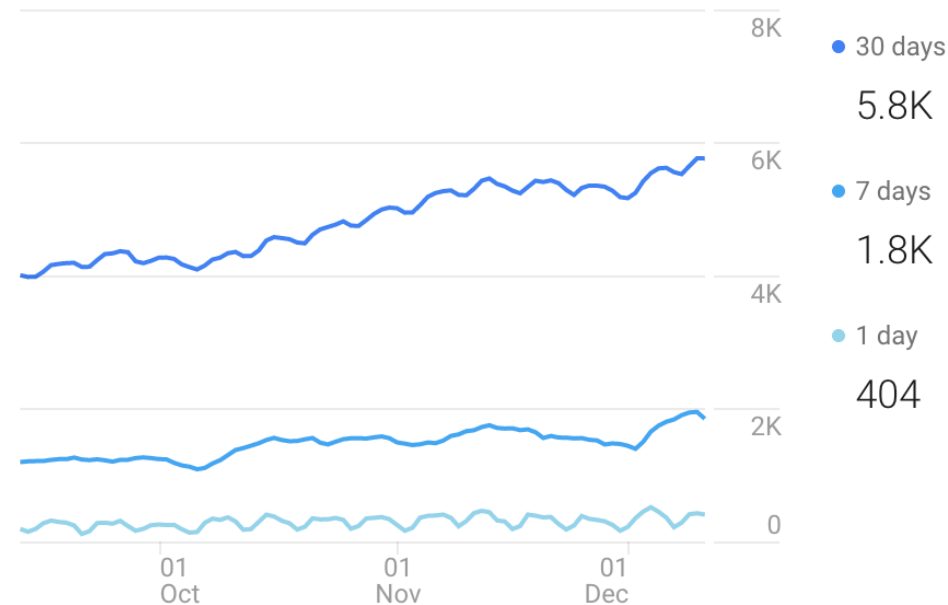
# Community

# Open source, the source of innovation



3975 github stars  
312k downloads for all versions on Pip  
8.8K downloads for all version on Conda  
1.8K anaconda downloads of 0.4.1

Active Users



32 model examples, 28 NN modules (including  
14 GNN convolution modules)  
6 pretrained models for chemistry  
GCN, generative, KG, RecSys...  
47 contributors, 10 core developers

# Channels

- Discuss forum <https://discuss.dgl.ai>
  - Any questions about DGL
  - Average response time: <1 day
- Github Issues <https://github.com/dmlc/dgl/issues>
  - Bug report and feature request.
- Twitter @GraphDeep
  - Latest news and releases
- Wechat group
  - 24/7 on-call ☺

The image displays three screenshots of DGL community channels. The top screenshot is the DGL forum homepage, featuring a blue header with the DGL logo and a search bar. A light blue banner at the top contains a welcome message. Below the banner, there are tabs for 'all categories', 'Latest', 'Unread (3)', 'Top', and 'Categories'. A table lists recent topics with columns for 'Topic', 'Replies', 'Views', and 'Activity'. The bottom screenshot shows the Twitter profile of DeepGraphLibrary (@GraphDeep), including a pinned tweet about heterogeneous graph support and a table comparing RMSE values. The rightmost screenshot is a WeChat group QR code for 'DGL用户-开发者三群' (DGL Users - Developers Group 3), with a note indicating the QR code is valid for 7 days.

**DGL Forum**

As the graph is connected, so shall we !! Deep learning on graphs is an emerging direction. Models, applications and systems are all at their early stages. DGL is the system effort to improve the productivity of such research. Feel free to ask, discuss, and chat anything about DGL or graph learning here. Enjoy your stay !

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Graph Store Support for single giant Heterogeneous graph • Questions	2	26	3d
Dependency trees to DGL graphs • Questions	2	133	3d
	2	31	5d

**DeepGraphLibrary**  
@GraphDeep  
Official twitter for Deep Graph Library  
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24 Following 1,555 Followers

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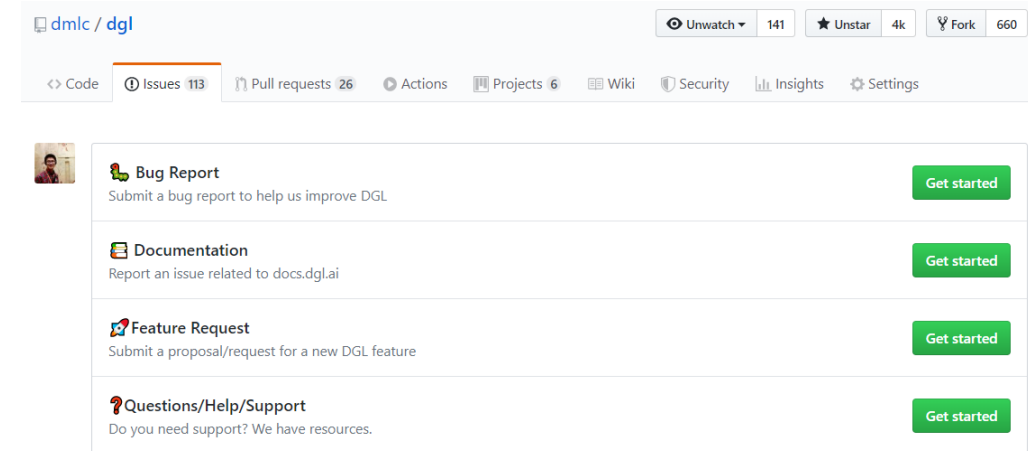
RMSE (DGL)	RMSE (Official)	Sf

**DGL用户-开发者三群**

该二维码7天内(2月15日前)有效, 重新进入将更新

# Do you want to contribute?

- Data scientist? Researcher? or just ML lover?
  - Develop new models & applications.
- Tech writer? Native speaker?
  - Revise documents.
- System hacker?
  - More algorithms and operators on graphs.
- Share your work and experience from using DGL:  
<https://github.com/dglai/awesome-dgl>



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