

Improving Cross-Modal Recipe Embeddings with Cross Decoder



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□ Modality

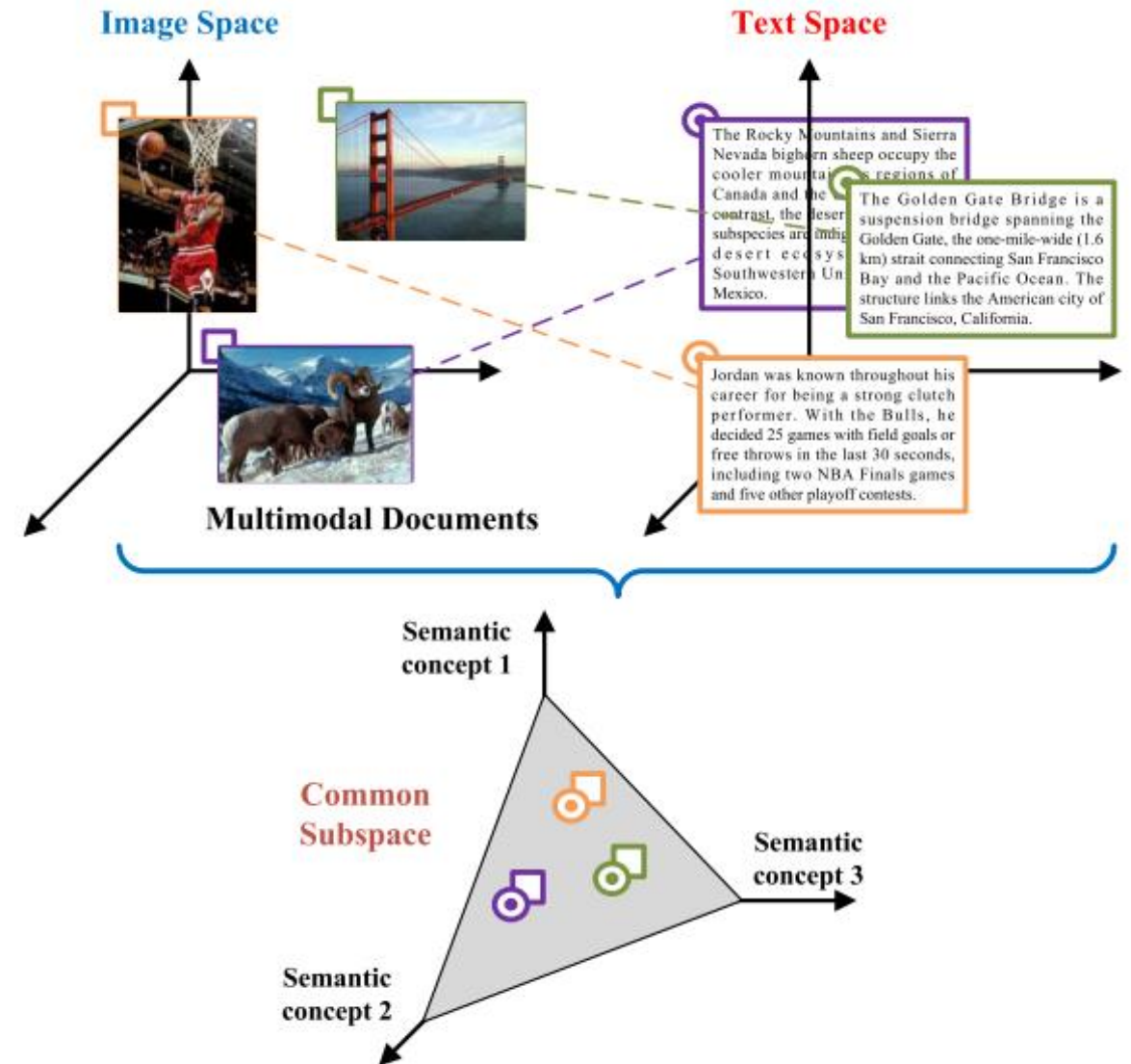
- Text, image, audio, video...

□ Cross-modal image-text retrieval

- Build the connection is difficult
➡ The gap between modalities

□ Solution

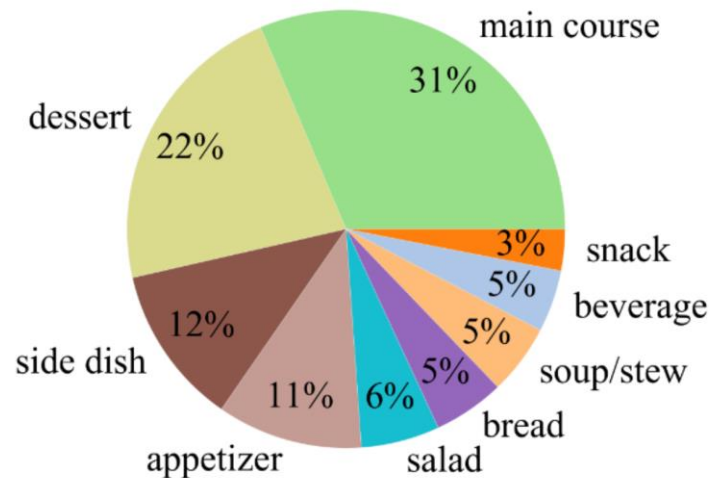
- Embeddings & Distance Learning
- A large number of data pairs



Background: Recipe Retrieval and Dataset

□ Recipe1M

- One of the applications of cross-modal retrieval
- 1 million pairs of recipe images and recipe texts



Query Image



Retrieved Recipe

Ingredients	Instructions
butter	1. Melt 1 tablespoon butter with 1/2 tablespoon olive oil in saucepan over medium heat.
olive oil	2. Add onions and saute, stirring every few minutes, until they are caramelized, about 15-20 minutes.
sweet onions	...
portabella mushrooms	3. (If soup is too thick, thin with a little more hot broth).
celery	4. Season to suit your taste with salt and freshly-cracked black pepper.
carrot	5. Serve in deep bowls, garnished with a sprinkle of minced, fresh parsley.
garlic cloves	
...	

Query Recipe

Ingredients	Instructions
hamburger	1. Cook hamburger until done and drain off the fat.
rigatoni pasta	2. Add mushrooms and onion and fry until translucent.
Ragu pizza sauce	3. Add pepperoni.
mushrooms	4. ...
onion	5. Lay noodles on top of hamburger mix in crockpot.
pepperoni	6. Turn crock on low and leave 4-5 hours.
mozzarella cheese	7. Pour over the remainder of pizza sauce over the noodles.
	8. Top with the cheese.



Retrieved Image



□ Challenge of Recipe Retrieval

➤ Text

- Ingredients are diverse (and rare in dataset)
- Instructions are detailed (or lengthy) and diverse

Query Recipe

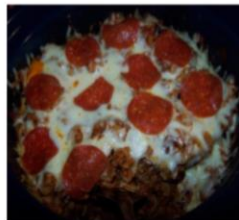
Ingredients	Instructions
butter	1. Heat butter in 2 qt saucepan over low heat until melted
garlic cloves	2. Add garlic.
all - purpose flour	3. Stir in flour and salt.
kosher salt	4. Cook, stirring constantly until bubbly.
milk	5. Remove from heat and stir in milk and broth.
chicken broth	...
mozzarella cheese	6. Cook uncovered at 350F 20-30 minutes until nice and bubbly.
parmesan cheese	7. Let stand 10 minutes before cutting.
onion	
...	

Retrieved Image



SIMPLY BREAKFAST LASAGNA

Query Image



CROCK POT PIZZA

Retrieved Recipe

Ingredients	Instructions
spiral shaped pasta	1. Cook pasta according to package directions and drain.
pepperoni	2. Pour into large mixing bowl.
ground beef	3. Finely chop half of the pepperoni.
pizza sauce	4. ...
mozzarella cheese	5. Pour in lightly greased casserole dish.
dried parsley	6. Sprinkle remaining half of cheese over top.
onion powder	7. Place remaining pepperoni slices on top.
garlic	8. Sprinkle with parsley.
	9. Bake in 350 degree oven until cheese bubbles.

□ Challenge of Recipe Retrieval

➤ Image

- Various plating (in bowls, on plates, on the table...)



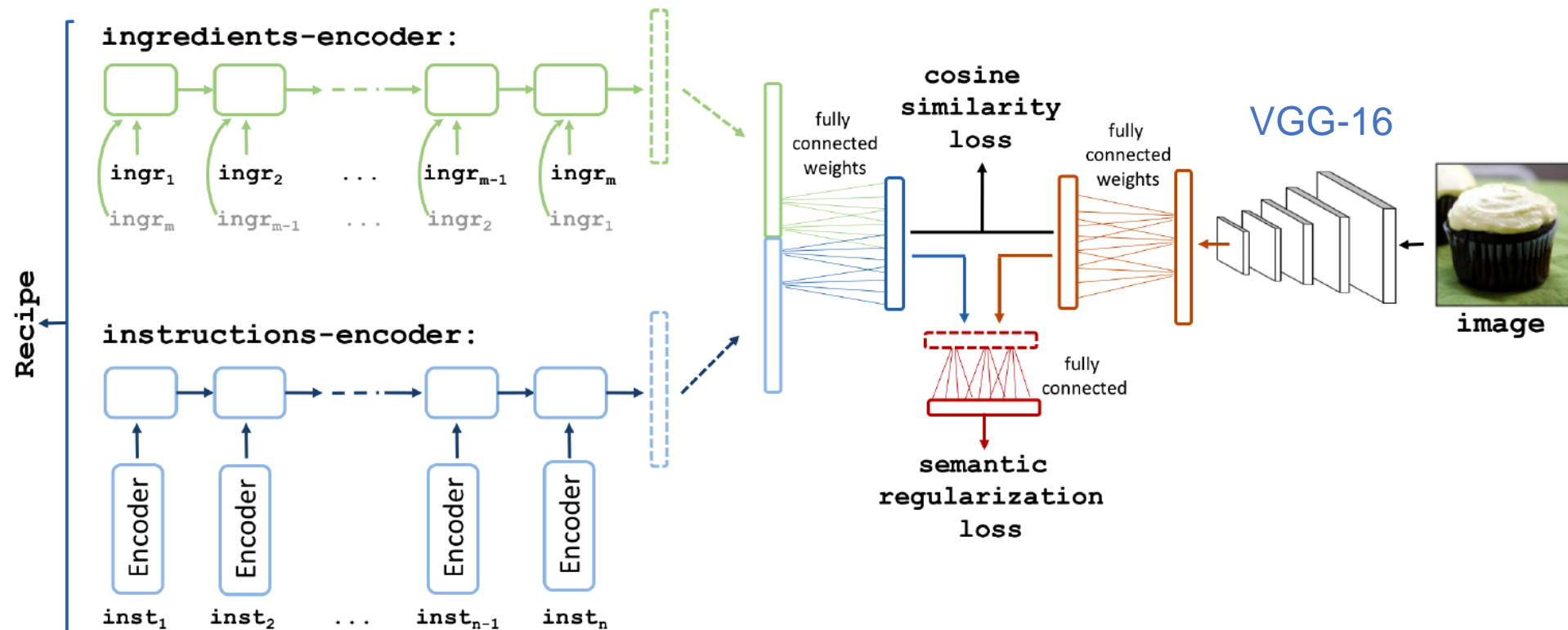
- Different amount and background



Related Works

□ Joint Embedding

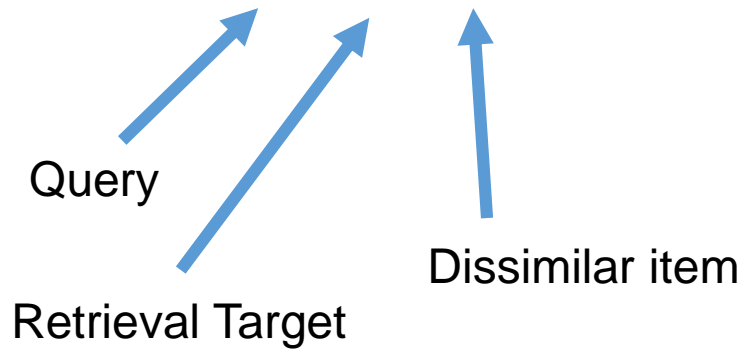
- A framework with the proposal of Recipe1M
- Bidirectional LSTM for **ingredients encoder**
- Regular LSTM for **instruction encoder**



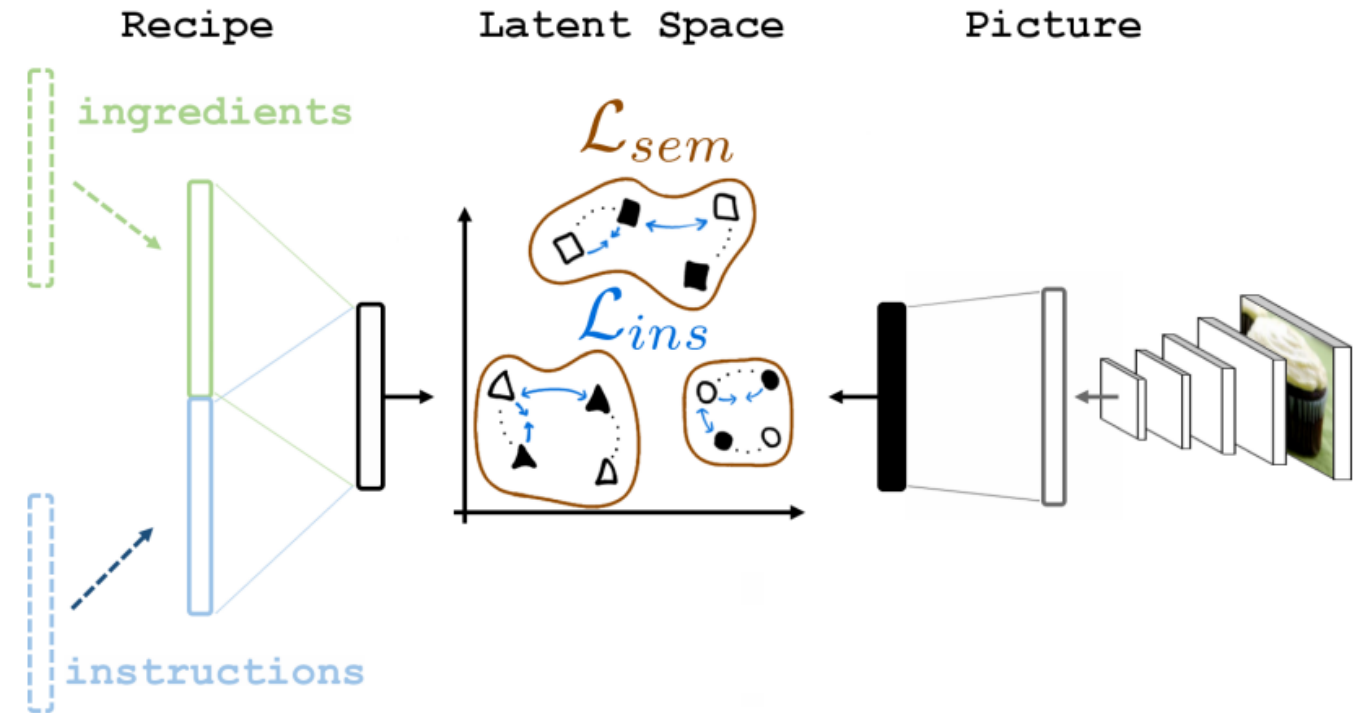
□ AdaMine

- Retrieval Loss (Triplet Loss)

$$\ell_{ins}(\theta, x_q, x_p, x_n) = [d(x_q, x_p) + \alpha - d(x_q, x_n)]_+$$

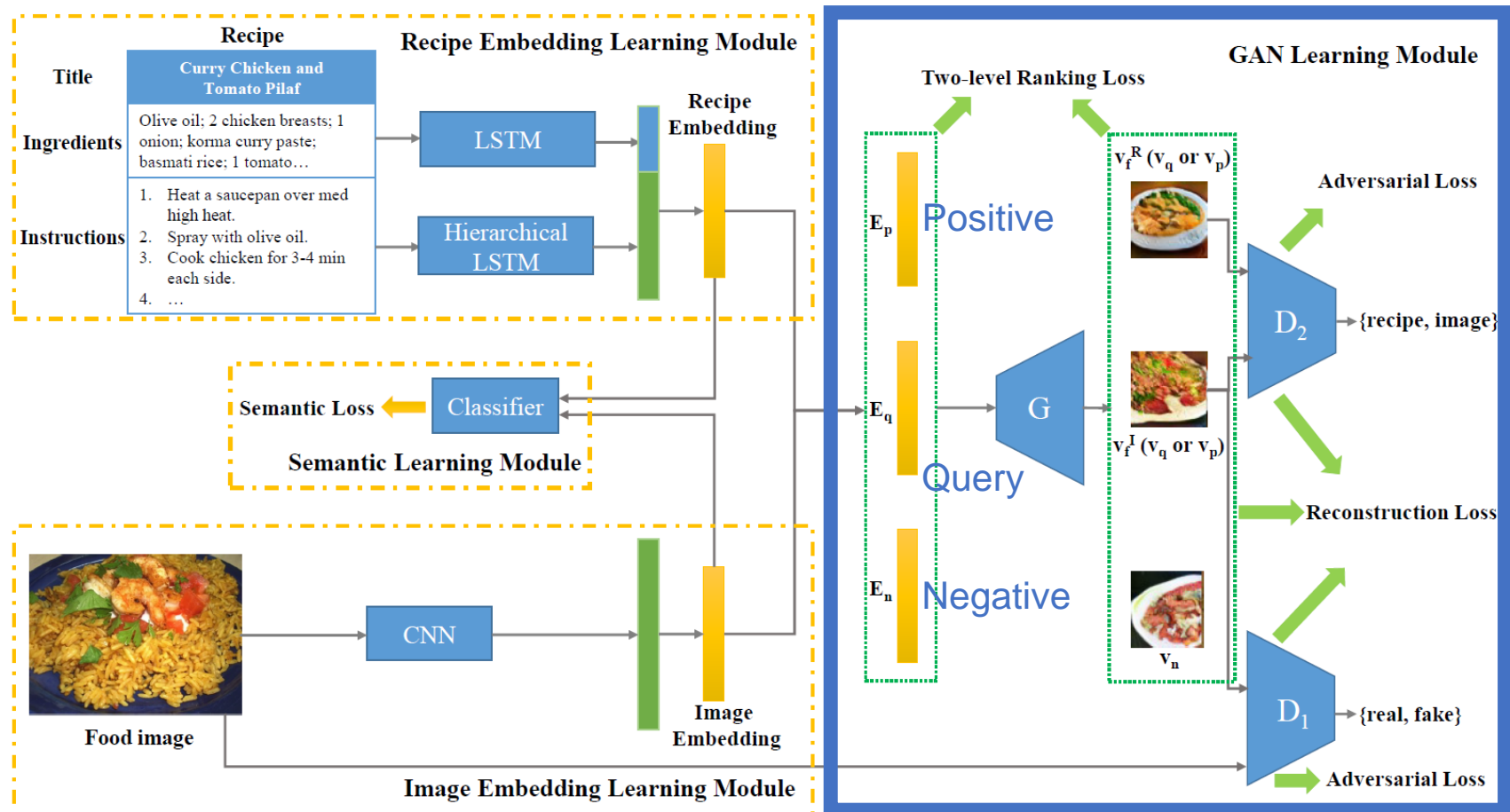


Cosine Distance



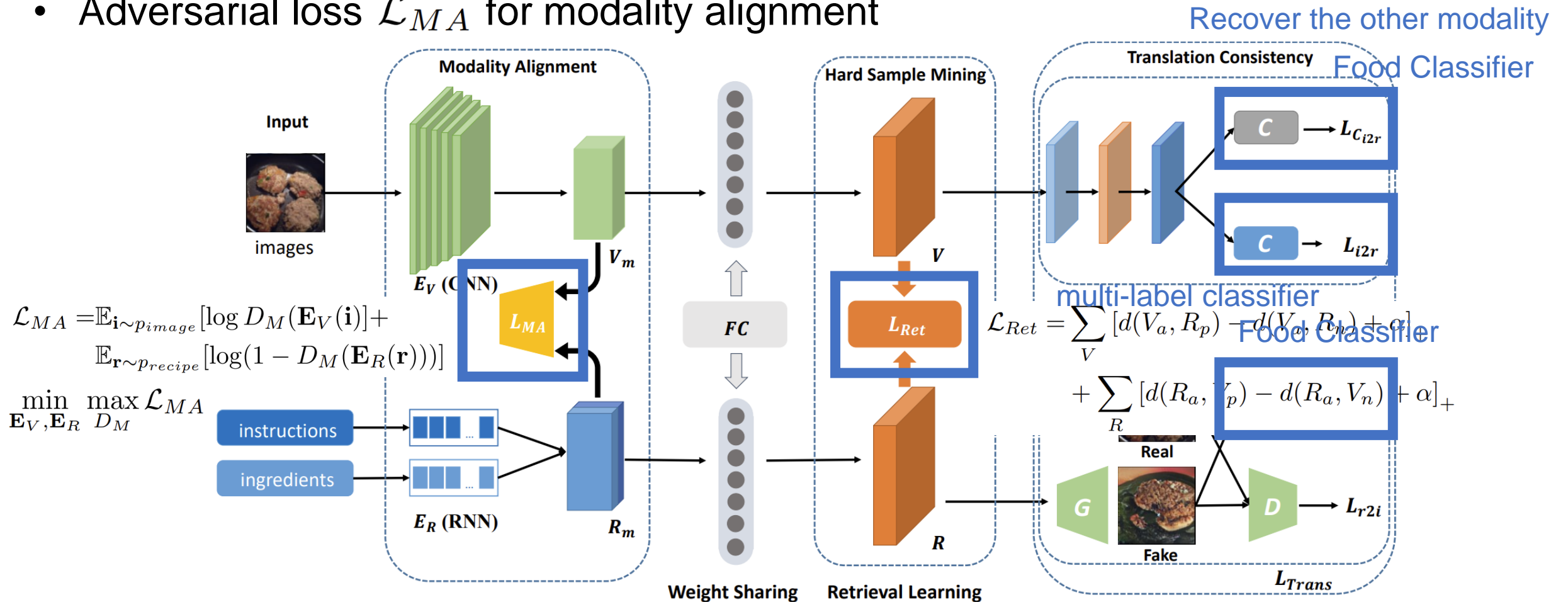
□ R2GAN

- Using GAN to learn compatible cross-modal features



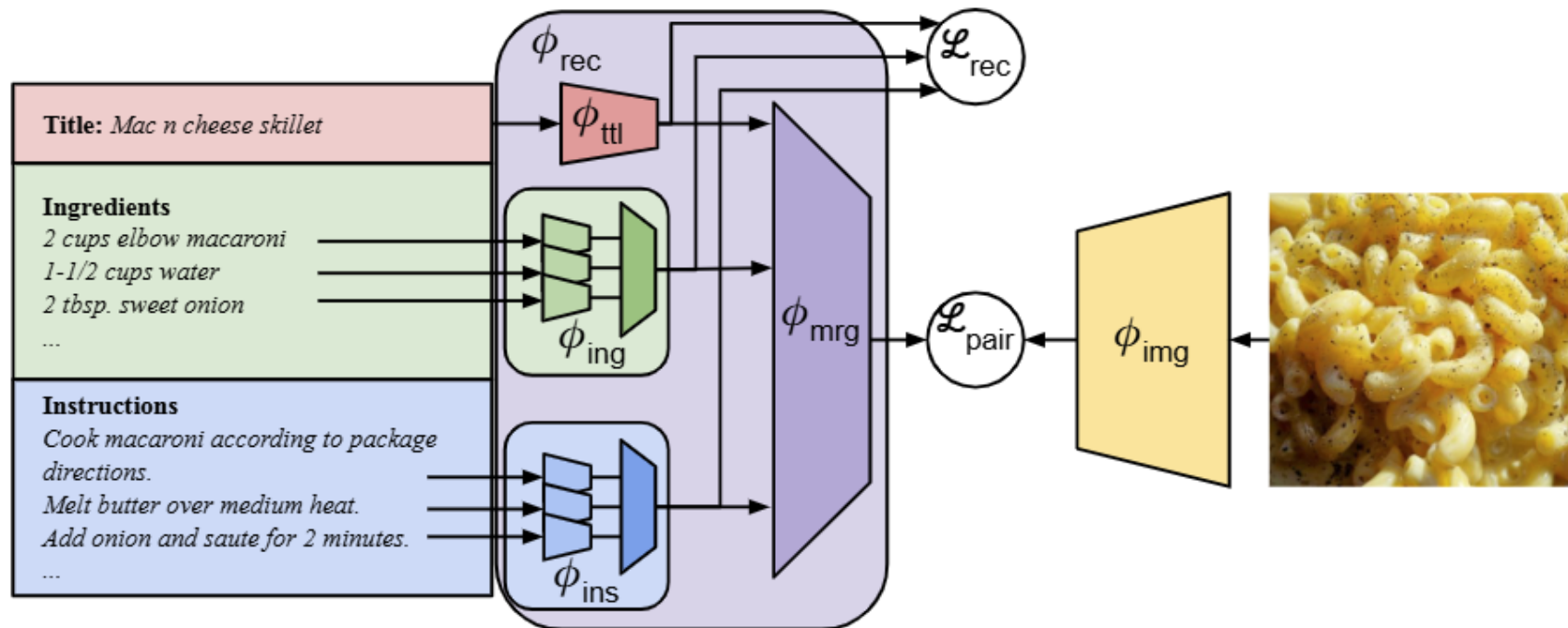
Adversarial Cross-Modal Embedding (ACME)

- Translation consistency losses and a new triplet loss
- Adversarial loss \mathcal{L}_{MA} for modality alignment



□ Hierarchical Transformers (H-T)

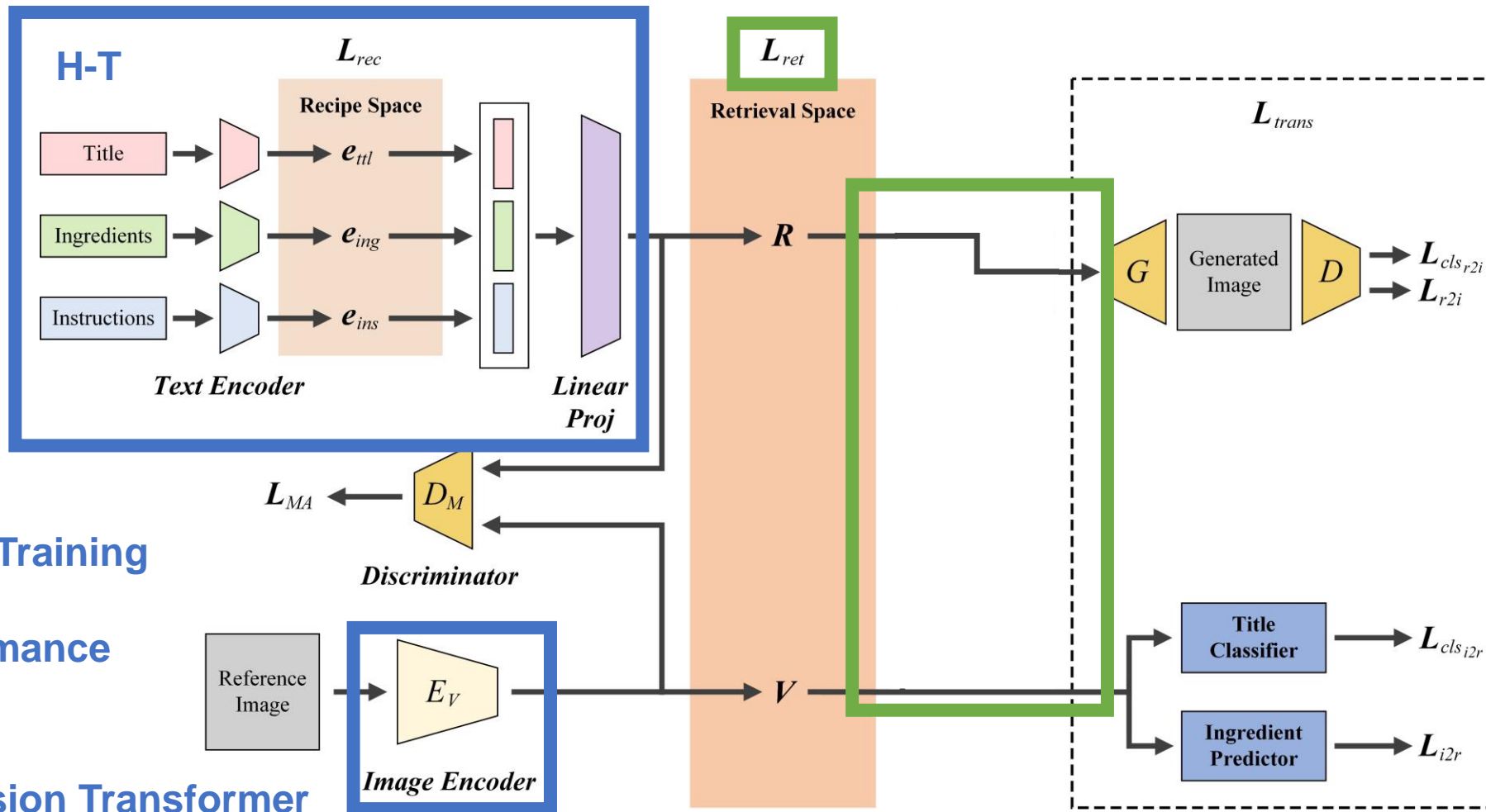
- Hierarchical transformers to encode recipe
- Self-supervised losses on top of pairs of recipe components



Motivation & Method

□ TNLBT + Dynamic Margins + Cross Decoder

- Improving the representation capability of the recipe embeddings



Method: Dynamic Margins

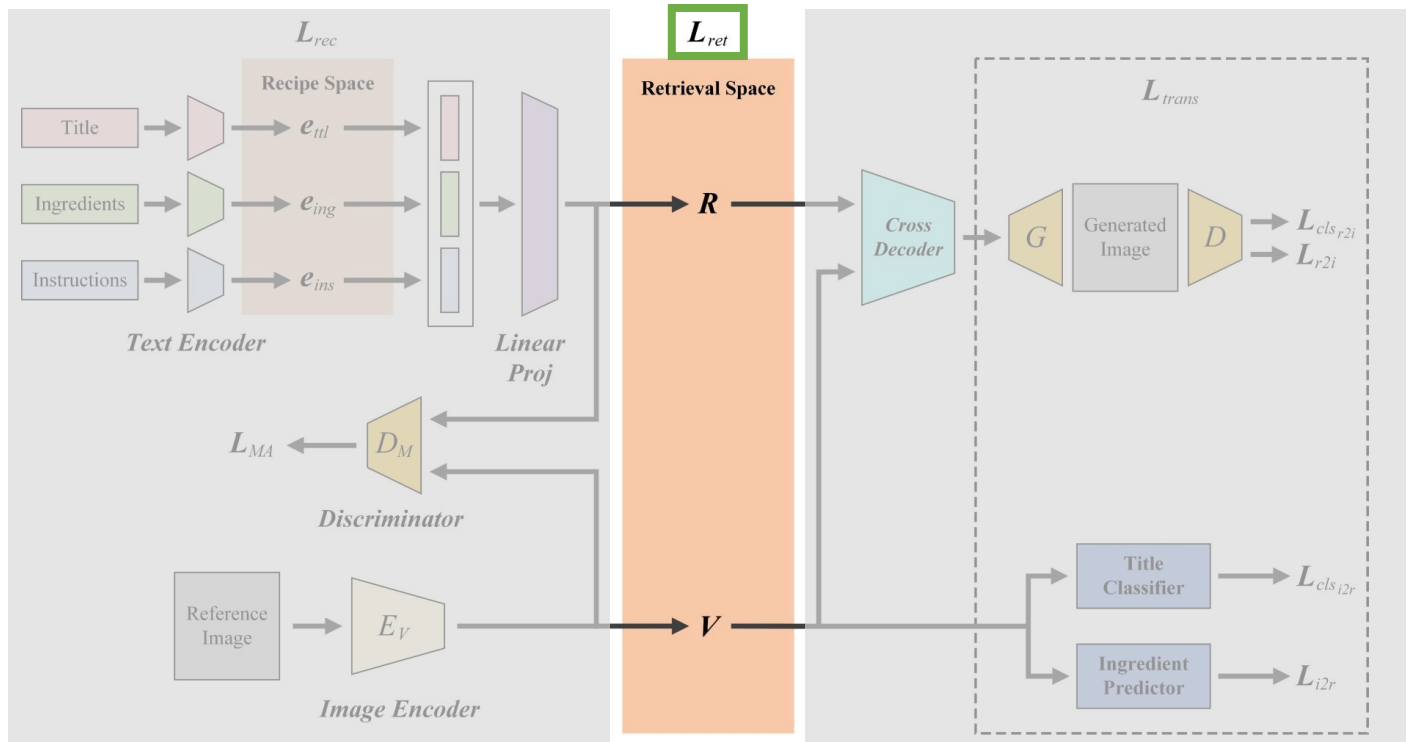
Distance learning with dynamic margins

- Adjust the learning difficulty of retrieval loss

$$\alpha \rightarrow \alpha_{dm}$$

- Increase α_{dm} during training

$$L_{ret} = \sum_V [d(V_a, R_p) - d(V_a, R_n) + \alpha_{dm}]_+ + \sum_R [d(R_a, V_p) - d(R_a, V_n) + \alpha_{dm}]_+$$

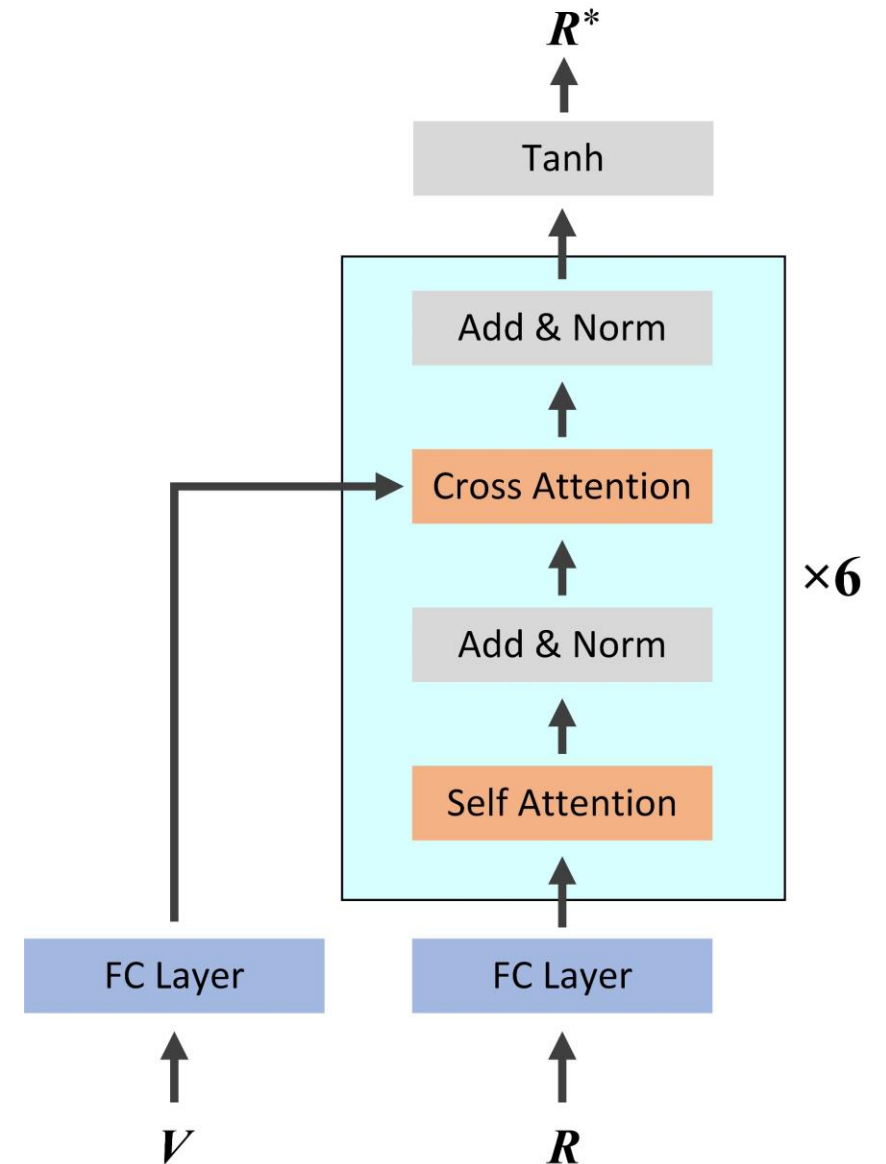
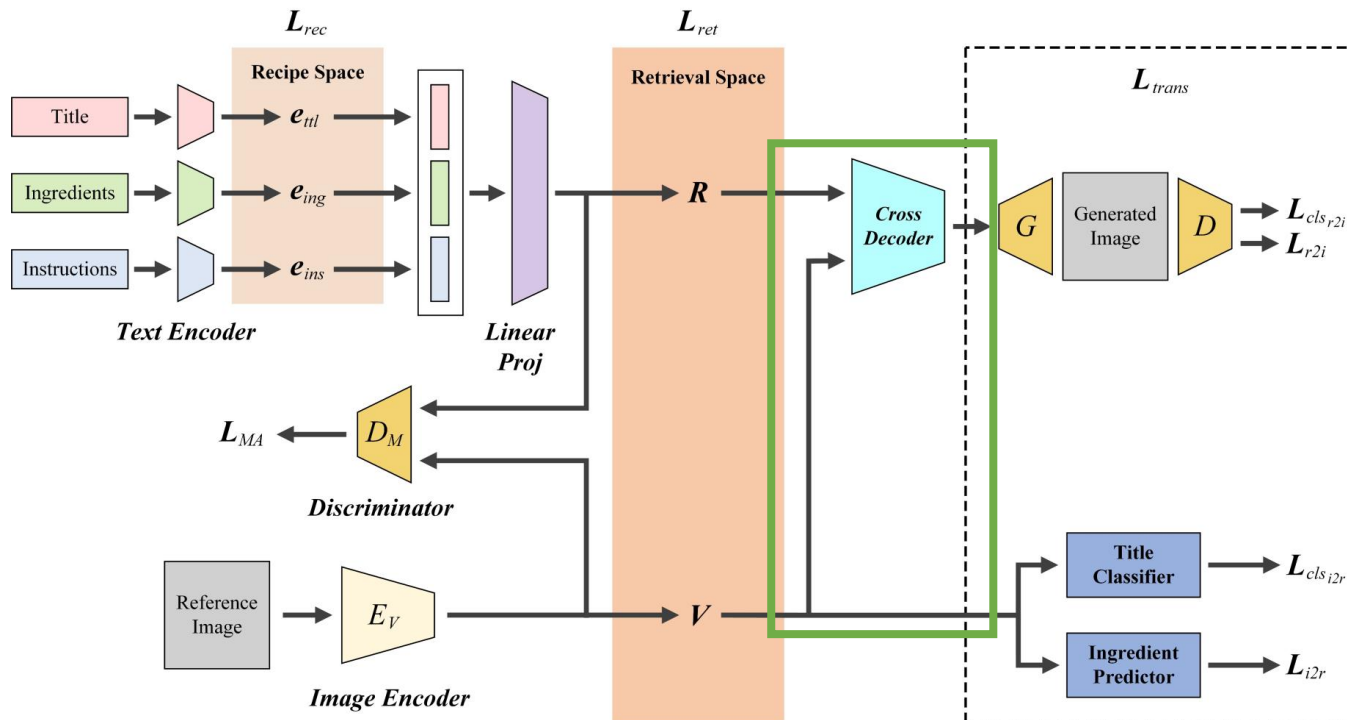


Method: Cross Decoder

Improving cross-modal recipe embeddings

- Fusing before Generating

$$R^* = \text{CrossDec}(FC(R), FC(V))$$



□ Test Process

- Randomly select recipe-image pairs from test set
 - 1k setting and 10k setting

□ medR

- Median rank of the closest ground truth result in the list

□ R@K

- Recall percentage at top K (R@1, R@5, R@10)

□ Comparison with state-of-the-art methods

- Randomly select recipe-image pairs from test set

	1k								10k							
	Image-to-Recipe				Recipe-to-Image				Image-to-Recipe				Recipe-to-Image			
	medR	R@1	R@5	R@10	medR	R@1	R@5	R@10	medR	R@1	R@5	R@10	medR	R@1	R@5	R@10
JE[5]	5.2	24.0	51.0	65.0	5.1	25.0	52.0	65.0	41.9	-	-	-	39.2	-	-	-
R2GAN[11]	2.0	39.1	71	81.7	2.0	40.6	72.6	83.3	13.9	13.5	33.5	44.9	12.6	14.2	35.0	46.8
ACME[9]	1.0	51.8	80.2	87.5	1.0	52.8	80.2	87.6	6.7	22.9	46.8	57.9	6.0	24.4	47.9	59.0
H-T[6]	1.0	60.0	87.6	92.9	1.0	60.3	87.6	93.2	4.0	27.9	56.4	68.1	4.0	28.3	56.5	68.1
X-MRS[2]	1.0	64.0	88.3	92.6	1.0	63.9	87.6	92.6	3.0	32.9	60.6	71.2	3.0	33	60.4	70.7
T-Food[7]	1.0	72.3	90.7	93.4	1.0	72.6	90.6	93.4	2.0	43.4	70.7	79.7	2.0	44.6	71.2	79.7
VLPCook[1]	1.0	73.6	90.5	93.3	1.0	74.7	90.7	93.2	2.0	45.3	72.4	80.8	2.0	46.4	73.1	80.9
TNLBT-C (baseline)	1.0	78.8	94.4	96.8	1.0	79.4	94.7	97.1	1.0	52.2	77.7	84.8	1.0	53.1	78.2	85.3
+CrossDec	1.0	80.9	95.4	97.6	1.0	80.8	95.5	97.8	1.0	55.5	80.2	87.0	1.0	54.5	79.5	86.6
+Dynamic margins	1.0	81.8 ↑	95.9	97.8	1.0	81.2 ↑	96.0	97.9	1.0	56.5 ↑	81.0	87.6	1.0	55.7 ↑	80.2	87.1
		3.8%				2.3%				8.2%				4.9%		

- We introduce a **Cross Decoder** to improve the representation capability of the cross-modal recipe embeddings
- We introduce **dynamic margins** into the retrieval distance learning to adjust the learning difficulty
- The results on the Recipe1M dataset show that our method outperforms the **state-of-the-art** methods

