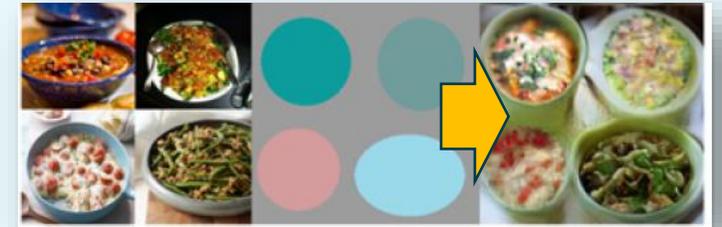
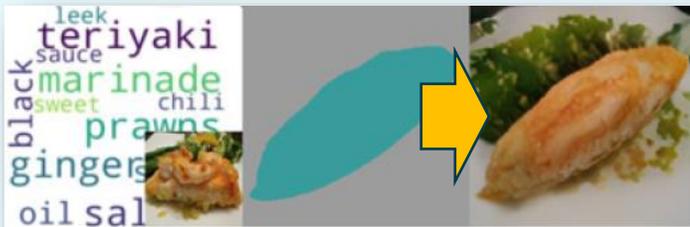


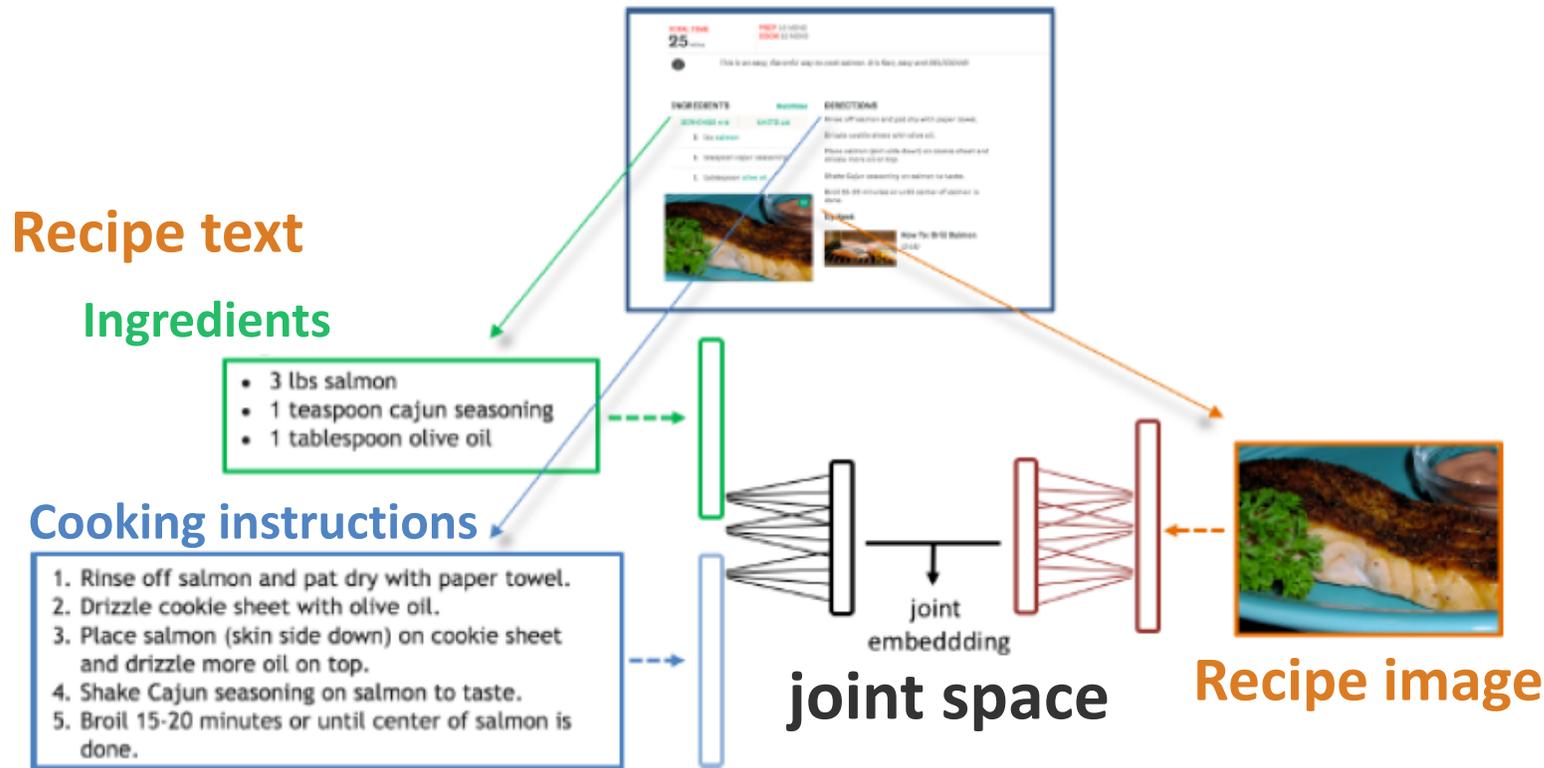
Mask-based Food Image Synthesis with Cross-Modal Recipe Embeddings



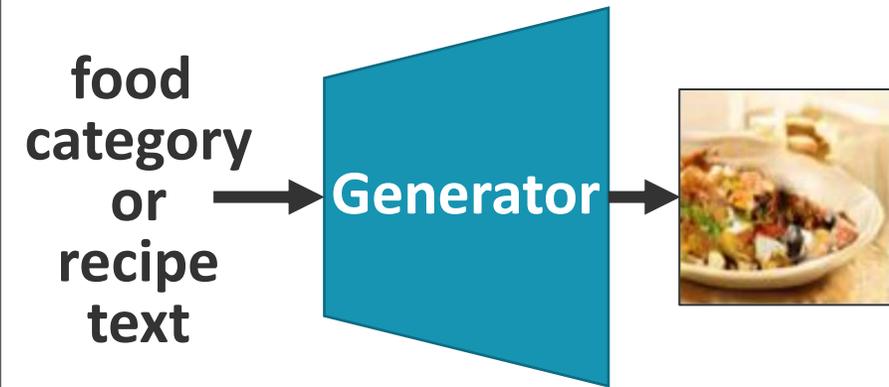
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Background

- Cross-model recipe retrieval and food photo synthesis have drawn much attention in the food multimedia research community.



Cross-model recipe retrieval

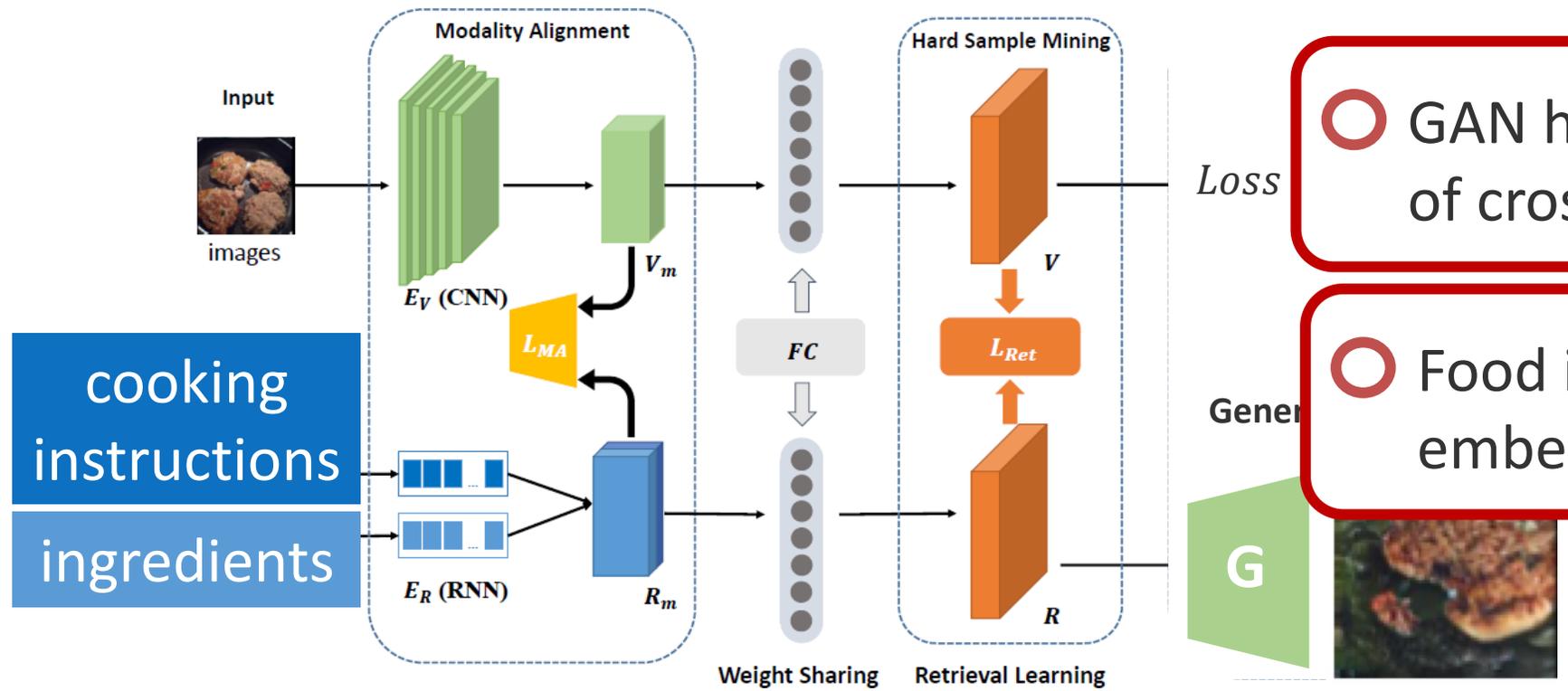


Food Image Synthesis

Background: Cross-Modal Recipe Retrieval + GAN

Cross-modal recipe retrieval + GAN

Food Image Generation from cross-model embedding



○ GAN has improved accuracy of cross-modal recipe search.

○ Food image generation from embedding became possible.

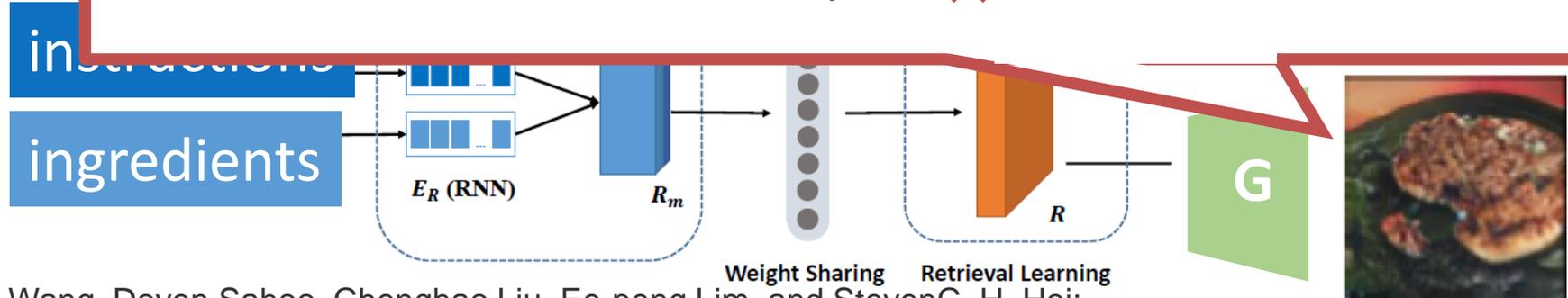
Motivation: We like to control the shape of generated foods img.

Cross-modal recipe retrieval + GAN

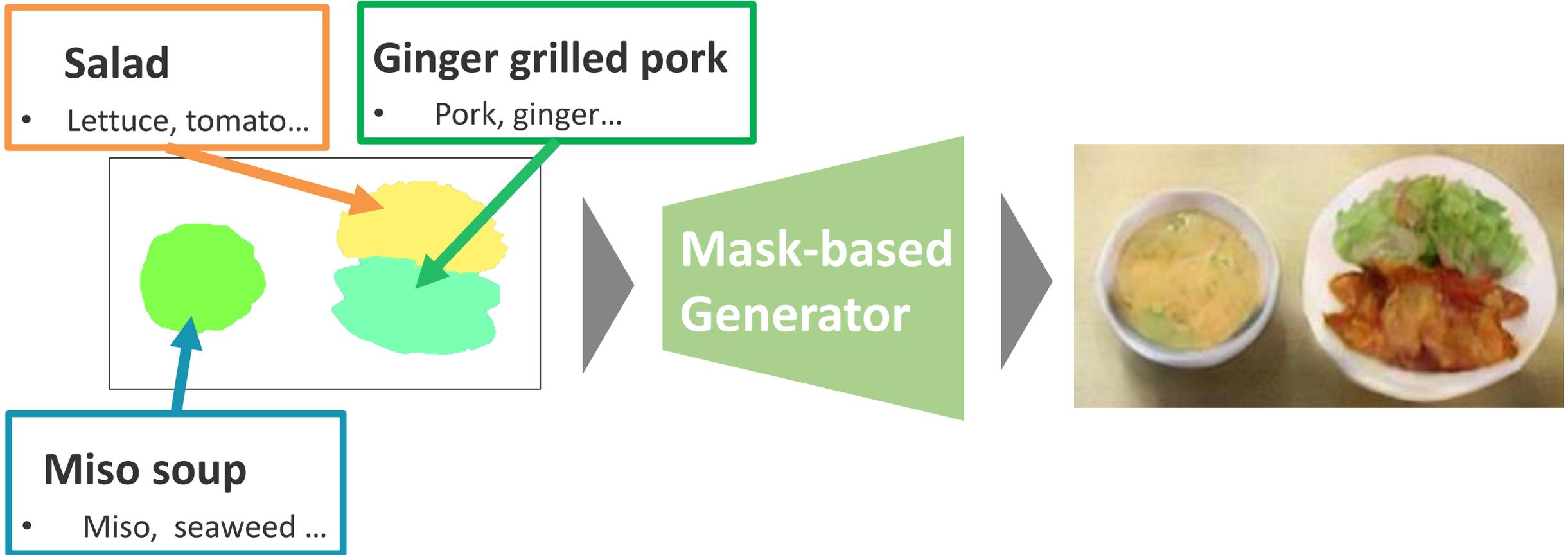
Food Image Generation from cross-model embedding

The shape of foods is not controllable.

✗ Preferred shape ✗ Preferred location



Objective: mask-based food image synthesis



We aim to generate high-quality food images from shape masks and recipe information

Related work ① : Adversarial Cross-Modal Embedding (ACME)

ACME [Hao, CVPR2019]

- Is the first work which added a food image generator (GAN) to cross-modal recipe search model.
- improvement of recipe search performance & food image generation from cross-modal recipe embeddings

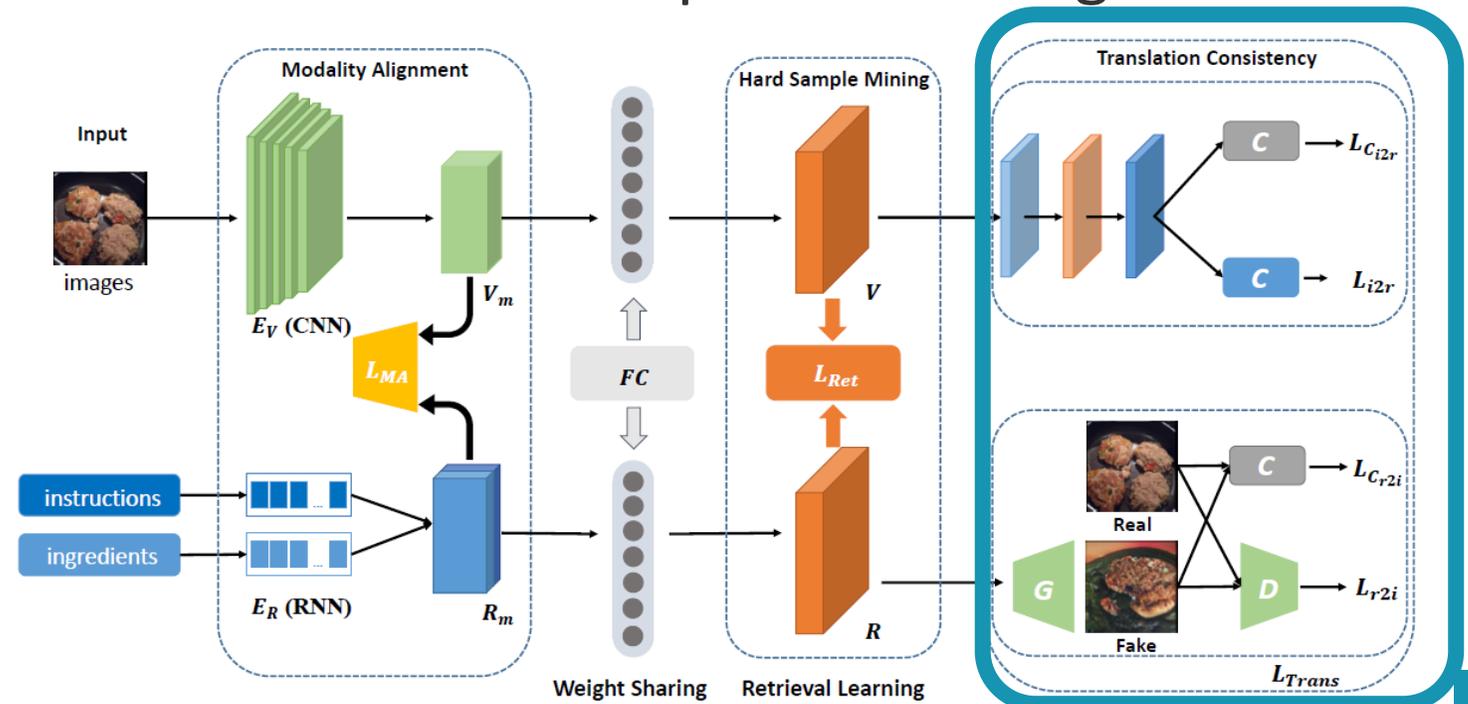
✖ low-quality images



Generated Images



Generated Images

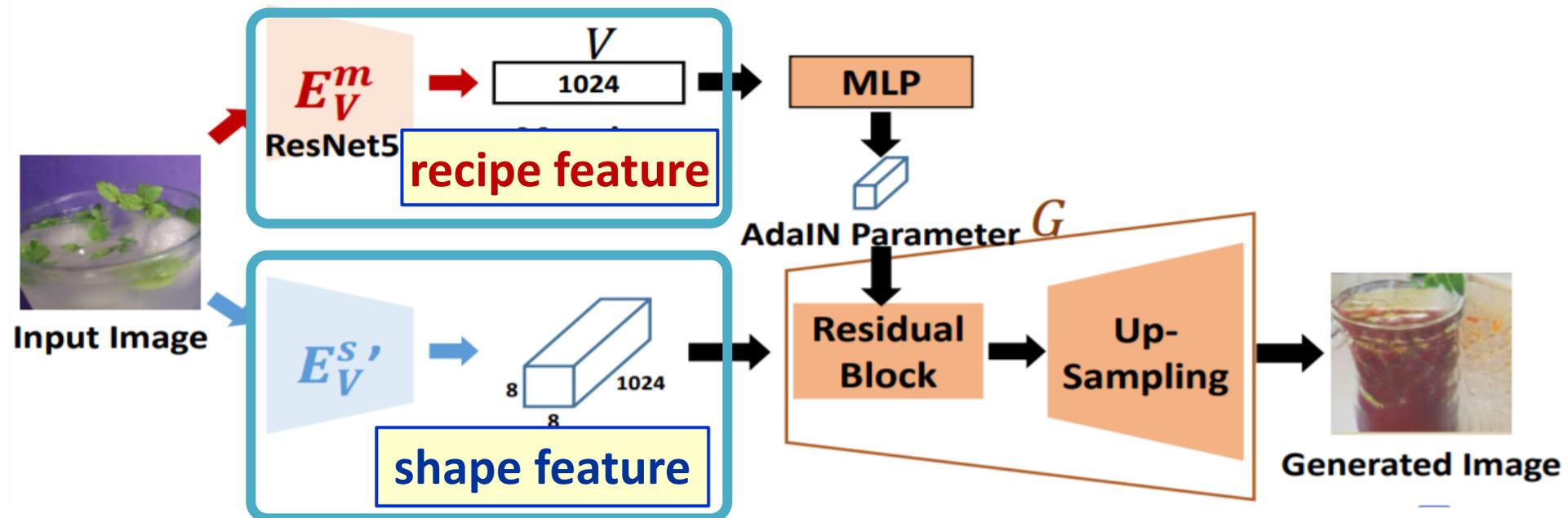


Related work ②: RDE-GAN (Our previous work)

RDE-GAN [Sugiyama and Yanai, ACM Multimedia2021]

Recipe Disentangling Embedding GAN (RDE-GAN) disentangles **recipe information** from **shape information** of recipe images.

- high performance on cross-modal recipe retrieval and high-quality image generation
- ✗ instability of training process, and imperfect disentanglement on shape information



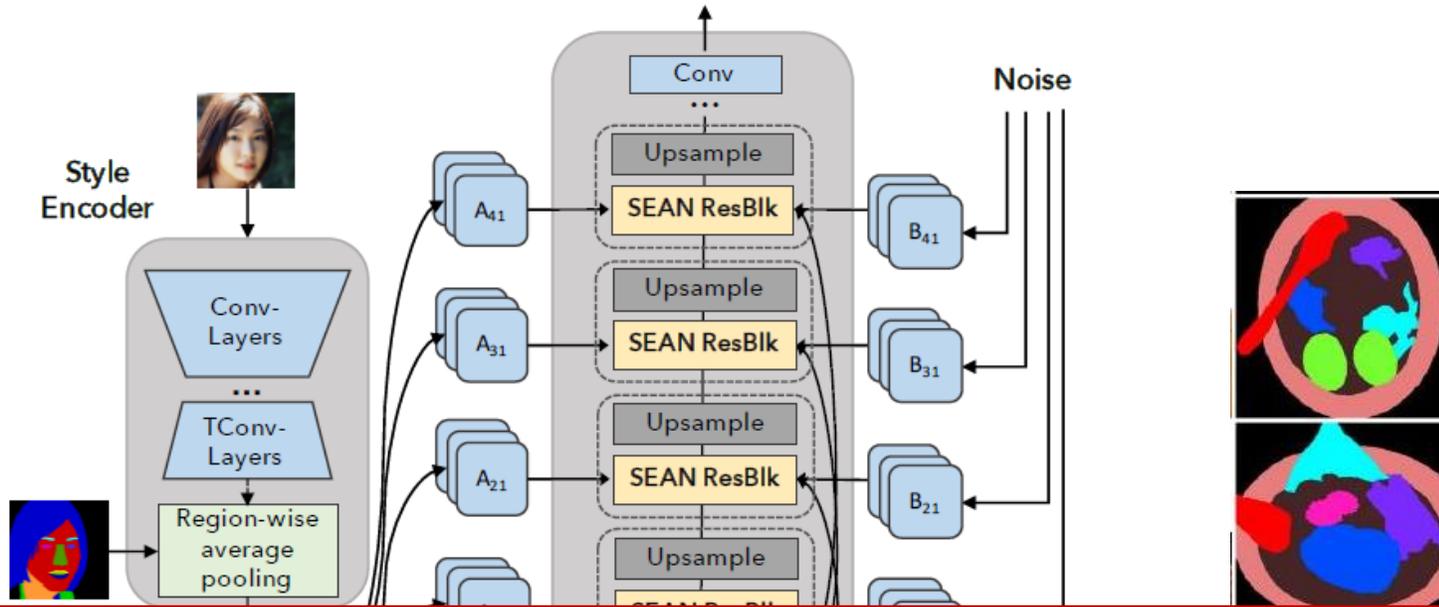
Related work ③: Mask-based image synthesis GAN

SEAN (Semantic region-Adaptive Normalization) [CVPR 2020]

- SEAN can control styles on each semantic mask independently.
e.g. We can transfer the ramen style to semantic mask images.



style images



masks

We introduce mask-based GAN into cross-modal food image synthesis.

Proposed method: Overview

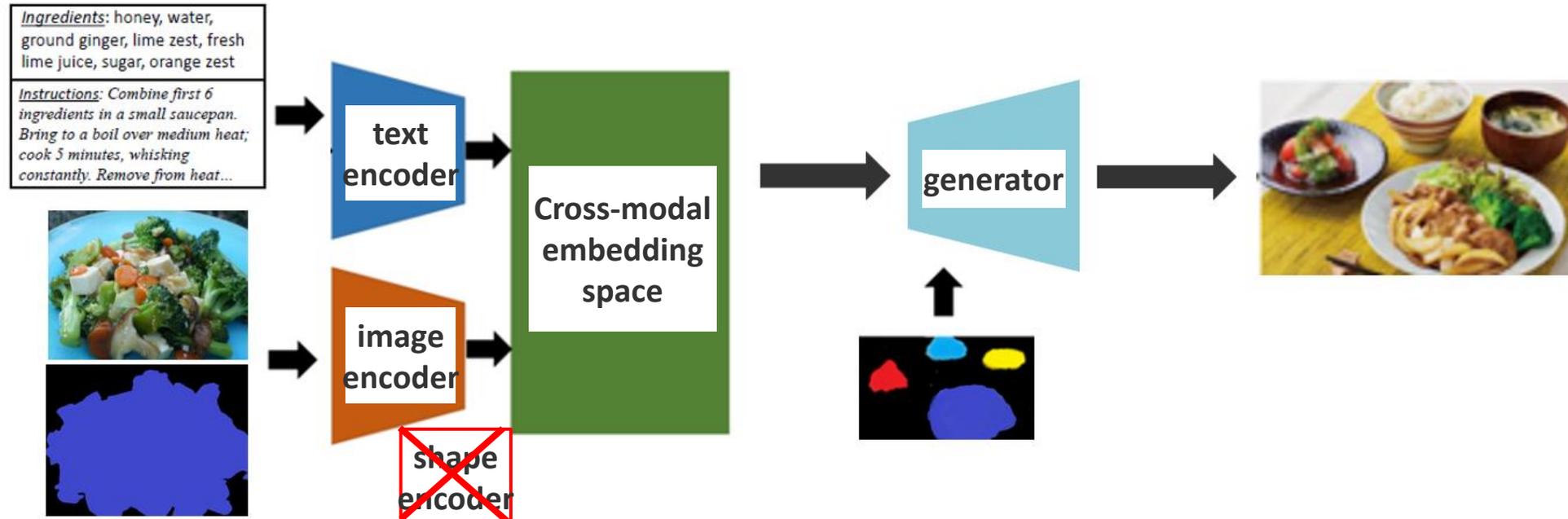
MRE-GAN (Mask-based Recipe Embedding GAN)

[generation time]

Given region masks and recipe embeddings, we can generate multiple-dish food images.

[training time]

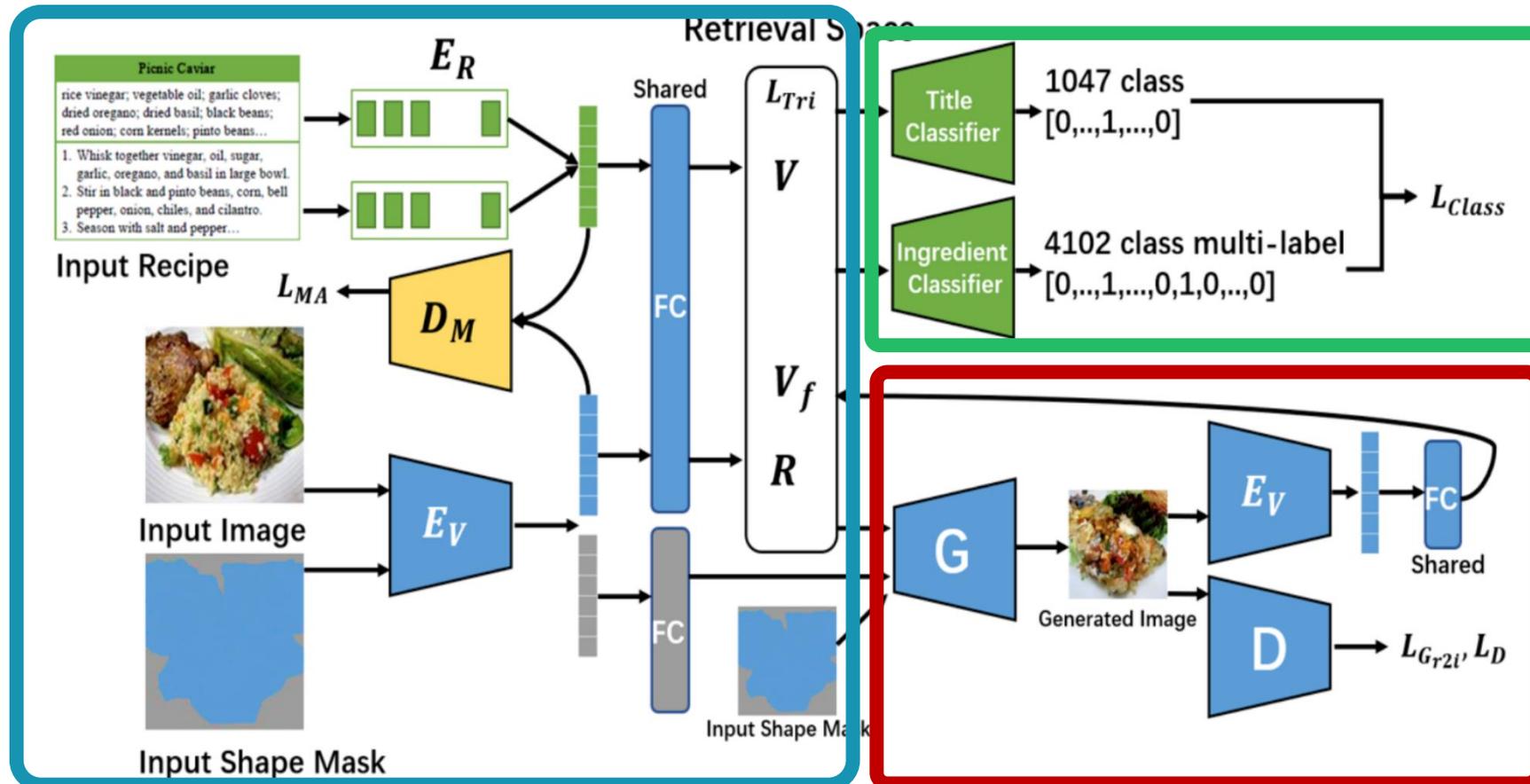
By providing masks for training images, a shape encoder is removed, which makes training easier than RDE-GAN having both image and shape encoders.



Proposed method : architecture

MRE-GAN (Mask-based Recipe Embedding GAN) consists three parts:

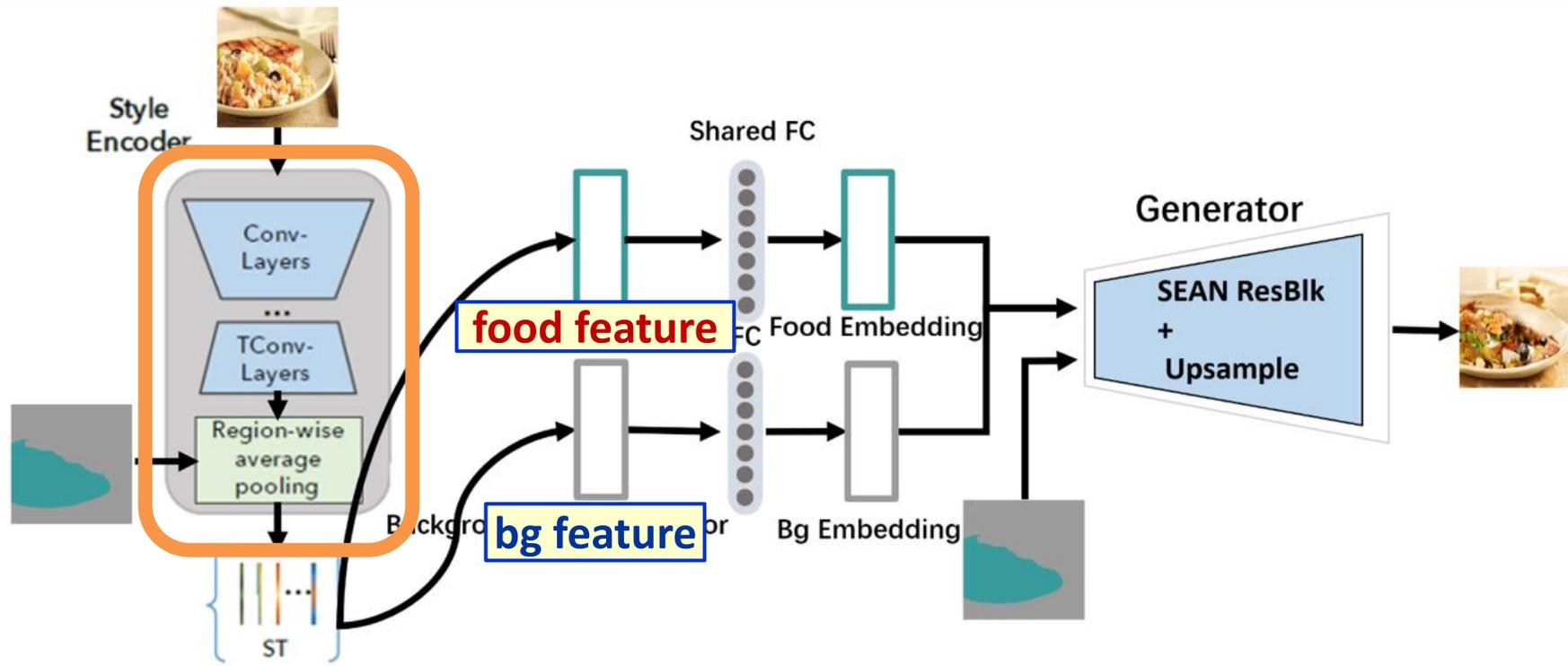
- **Mask-based GAN** + **Cross model recipe embedding** + **recipe title/ingredient estimation**
- Based on RDE-GAN, we added SEAN and removed a shape encoder to control food shapes.



Proposed method: Improvement (1) from RDE-GAN

Improvement ① : Mask-based image encoder with masked average pooling

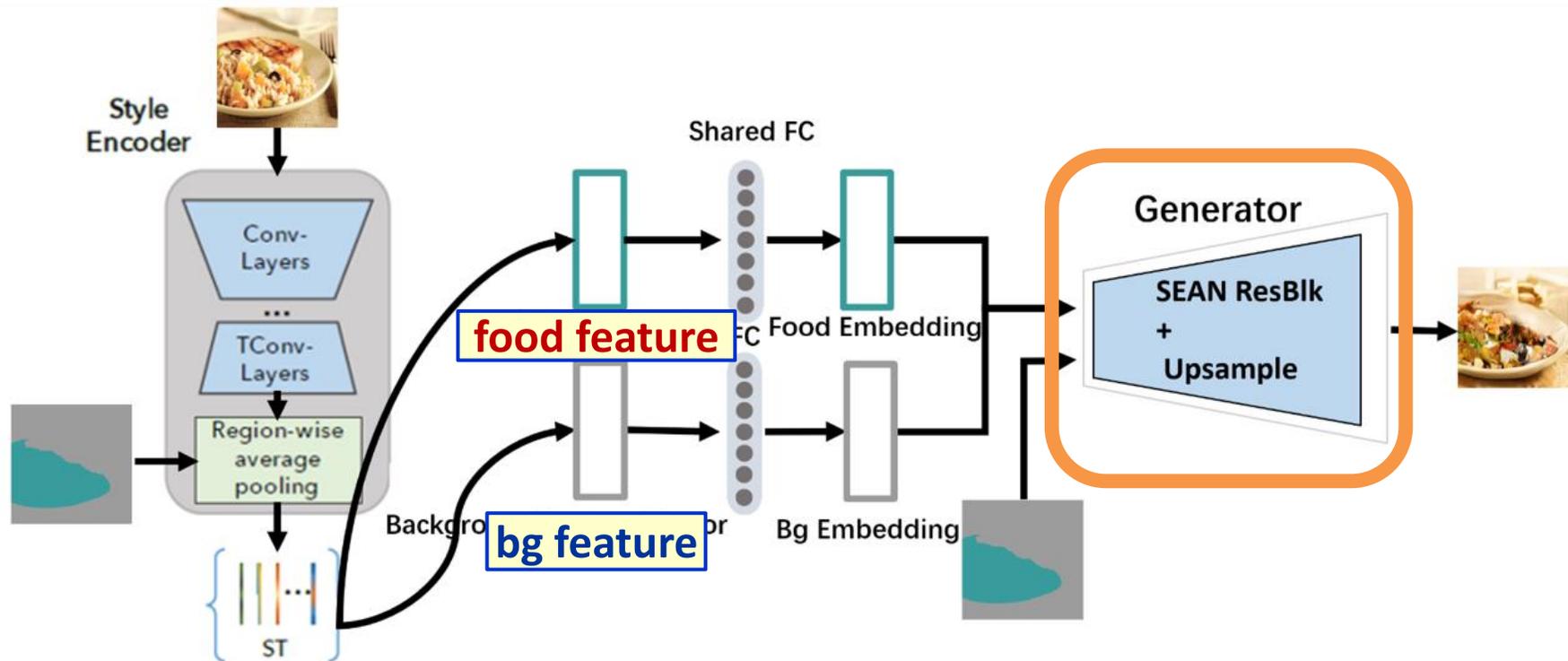
- Extract foreground food region features and background features separately from an input food image based on the corresponding food region mask
- Use only food region features for training of cross-modal embeddings
- Use triplet loss and cross-modal adversarial loss for training of cross-model embeddings



Proposed method: Improvement (2) from RDE-GAN

Improvement ② : Masked-based image generator based on SEAN

- Introduce a SEAN-based generator to control a style of each of the mask regions.
- Use adversarial loss, feature matching loss and Perceptual loss for training of a generator



Proposed method: Loss functions (same as ACME and RDE-GAN)

1) Adversarial training between text and image emb.

$$L_{MA} = E_{i \sim p_{image}} [\log(D_M(E_V(i)))] + E_{r \sim p_{recipe}} [\log(1 - D_M(E_R(r)))]$$

Modality Alignment Loss

2) Distance learning between texts and images

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

Triplet Loss

3) Training image generator (GAN)

$$L_{Gr2i} = \min_{E, G} \left(\max_{D1, D2} \sum_{k=1,2} L_{GAN} \right) + \gamma_1 \sum_{k=1,2} L_{FM} + \gamma_2 L_{percept}$$

Adversarial, Feature matching, Perceptual Loss

4) Estimation of recipe title and ingredient from embeddings

$$L_{Class} = L_{Title}(V, L_t) + L_{Title}(R, L_t) + L_{Ingr}(V, L_i) + L_{Ingr}(R, L_i)$$

Class Loss

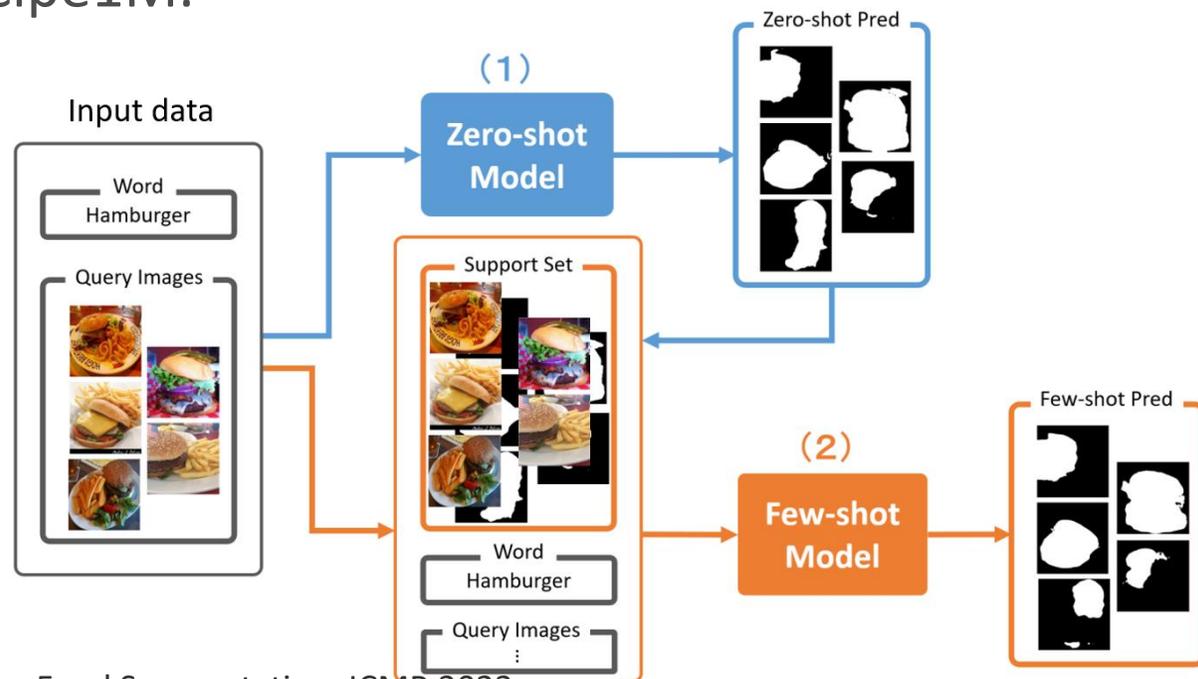
➔
$$L_{Total} = \lambda_1 L_{Tri} + \lambda_2 L_{MA} + \lambda_3 L_{Gr2i} + \lambda_4 L_{Class}$$

$$(\lambda_1=1.0, \lambda_2=0.005, \lambda_3=0.002, \lambda_4=0.002)$$

Preparing food masks for all the images of the Recipe1M dataset

To do that, we used “Unseen Food Segmentation[1]”.

- We adapted a Zero/Few-shot segmentation method, PFENet[TPAMI 2021], for food domain.
- Using only recipe textual information, we created food masks for all the images in Recipe1M.
- MIoU of generated food masks: 73.0 %



Recipe1M images



Estimated food masks

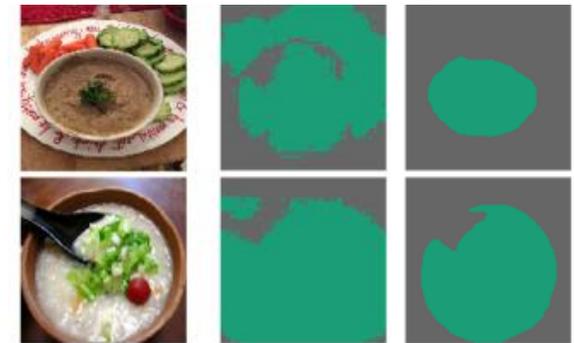
[1] Yuma Honbu and Keiji Yanai: Unseen Food Segmentation, ICMR 2022.

Experiments

- Quantitative/qualitative experiments for MRE-GAN
- Baselines
 - Cross-modal GAN models: **ACME** [CVPR2019], **RDE-GAN** [ACMMM2021], **X-MRS**[ACMMM2021] Food GAN models: **CookGAN** [CVPR2020]

- Training data

Recipe1M: We used 340,000 pairs of recipe texts and images.
 (training: 238,999 val: 51,119 test: 51,303)



Food shape masks automatically generated by two methods: ① ②

- ① DeepLabV3+ trained with food segmentation dataset, UECFoodPix Complete.
- ② “Unseen Food Segmentation” methods which is based on the combination of Zero-shot + Few-shot Segmentation ① mIoU: **54.1%** ② mIoU: **73.0%**

[1] Hao Wang et al. : Learning Cross-Modal Embeddings with Adversarial Networks for Cooking Recipes and Food Images. CVPR 2019.

[2] Yu Sugiyama and Keiji Yanai. Cross-Modal Recipe Embeddings by Disentangling Recipe Contents and Dish Styles. ACMMM2021

[3] Amaia Salvador, et al.: Learning Cross-Modal Embeddings for Cooking Recipes and Food Images. CVPR2017.

Experiments (1): quantitative evaluation

Evaluation of the quality with FID and IS.

- Compared with four baselines.

(The smaller FID and the bigger IS means the higher quality.)

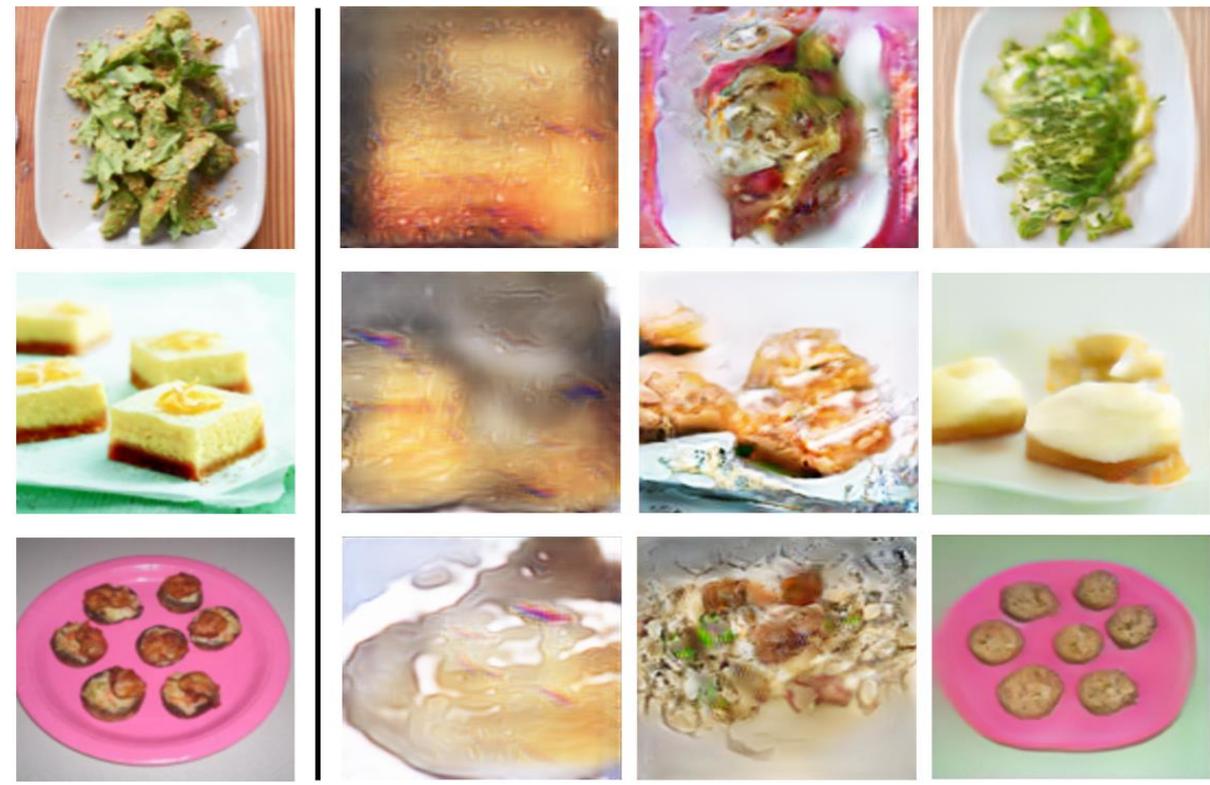
Table 1: Comparison of image quality by the FID score (↓) and the IS score (↑).

Method	Text2Img(FID↓)	Img2Img(FID↓)	Img2Img(IS↑)
ACME[17]	390.52	391.29	2.19±.09
RDE-GAN[15]	83.82	84.31	6.99±.07
CookGAN[19]	–	–	5.41±.11
X-MRS[7]	28.60	27.90	–
Ours (Mask _{DeepLabV3+})	56.72	56.11	–
Ours (Mask_{unseen})	27.44	27.12	8.27±.05

MRE-GAN outperformed the baseline and MRE-GAN w/ low-quality masks.

Experiments (2): qualitative evaluation

- Comparison on reconstruction ability (auto-encoder task)

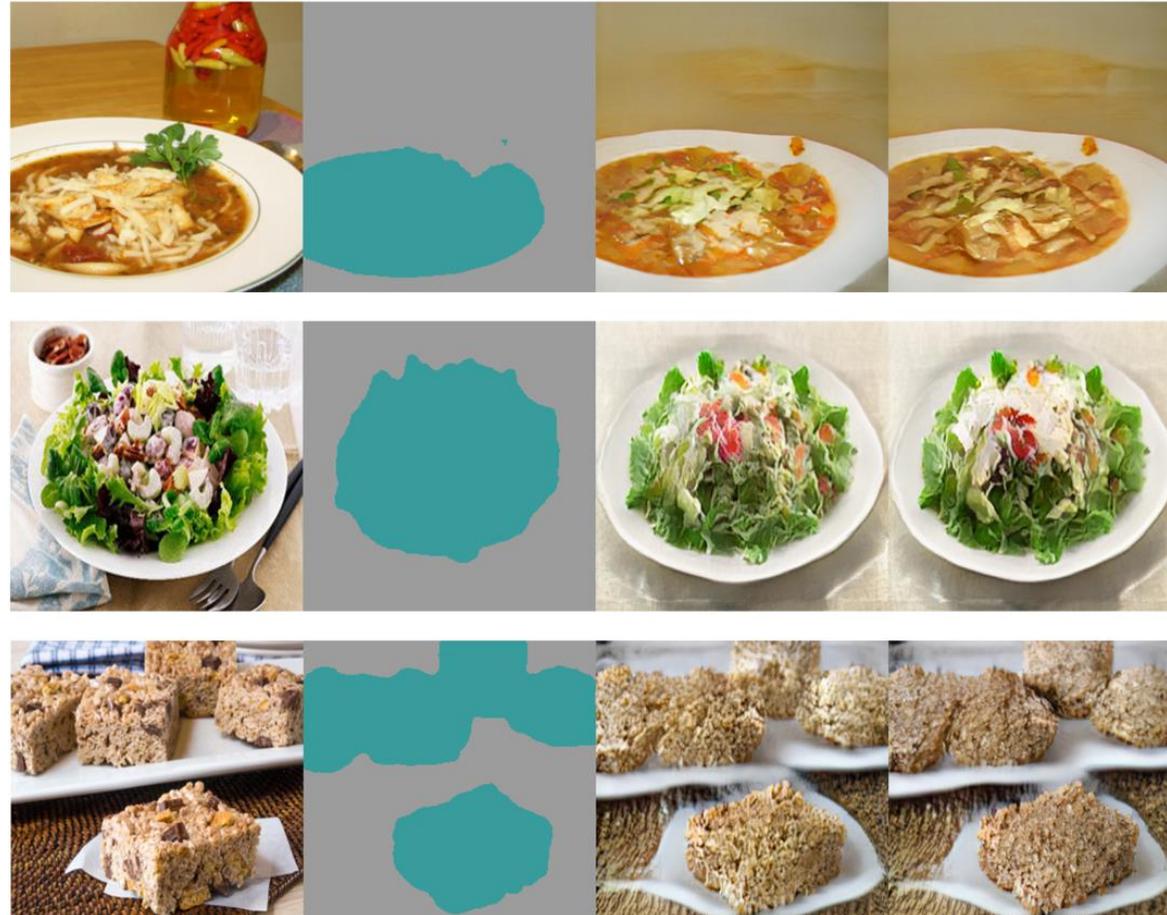


Original ACME RDE-GAN MRE-GAN

MRE-GAN can synthesis images with the same style and shape as original.

Experiments (2): qualitative evaluation

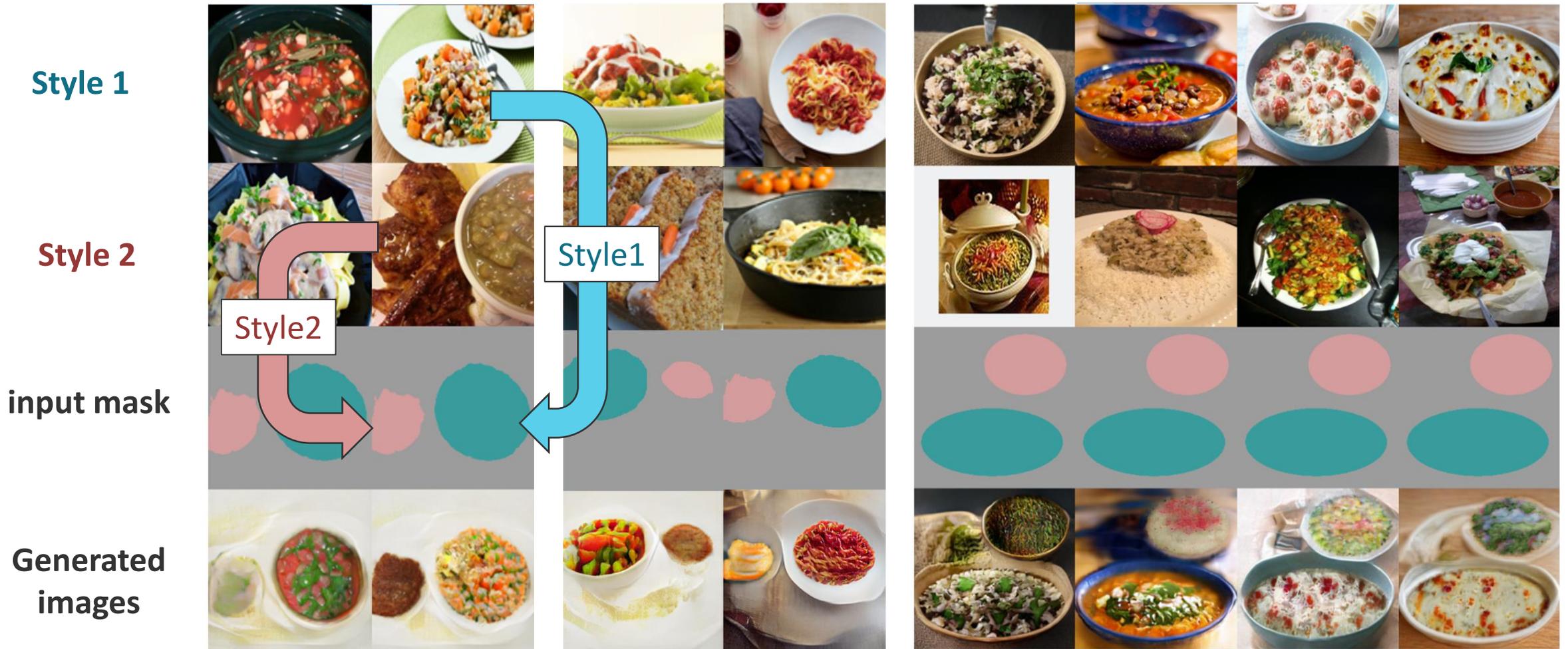
- Reconstruction from textual emb. (text2img) and image emb. (img2img)



The image generated from both text and image emb. are almost identical .

Experiments (3) : multiple-dish images

Generating multiple-dish food images is possible.



Experiment (4): Modification of generated images

A) Changing shape masks with fixed recipe embeddings



Experiment (4): Modification of generated images

B) Changing recipe embeddings gradually with fixed shape masks

(interpolating recipe embeddings between two recipe)

Input Mask

Input Image

Fixing Shape and Changing Recipe

Target Image



Experiment (4): Modification of generated images

C) Changing a part of the ingredient texts with fixed masks



Add orange juice



Remove beef



**Change tomato
to eggplant**



Conclusions

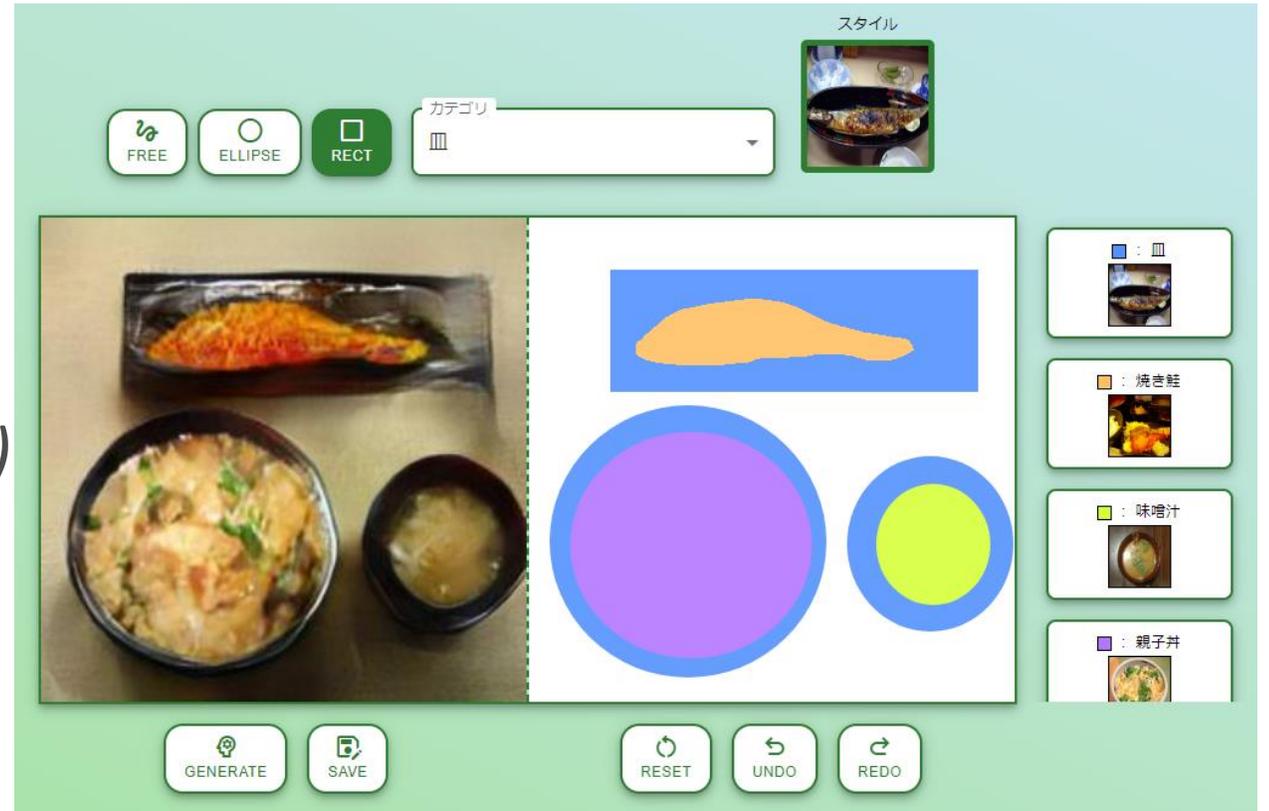
- We proposed a Mask-based Recipe Embedding GAN (MRE-GAN) which generates food images from cross-modal recipe embeddings based on region mask images.
- We added food region masks to all the images in Recipe1M.
- We confirmed the effectiveness of MRE-GAN by the experiments. We successfully generated multiple-dish food images and arbitrary shape food images.



- ***Future works***

- Currently, the shape of dish plates is not controllable. We like to add plate mask annotation to our food region mask dataset of Recipe1M.
- We are working on Diffusion Model based food image generation with cross-model recipe embedding.

- We added plate region masks to UEC-FoodPix Complete (100-kind food segmentation dataset) by Few-shot Segmentation methods.
- **We can generate set meal images from plate and food masks.**
(not using cross-model embeddings)



Yuma Honbu and Keiji Yanai: **SetMealAsYouLike: Sketch-based Set Meal Image Synthesis with Plate Annotations**, ACM MM WS on MADiMa 2022.