

# Supplementing Omitted Named Entities in Cooking Procedural Text with Attached Images

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# Research Background

- In recent years, user-submitted recipe sites have become popular.
- Recipes with one-to-one correspondence between **images and texts**
- Recipe website: Haodou



Target Data

# Research Problem

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Example:

- when people interacting with smart speakers...

Cut into slices.



onion



We could extract food information from images

Food entity is omitted in the text.

- **Foodstuffs are omitted** in some instructional text.
  - This can make the recipe or a particular procedure difficult to understand.
  - However, those entities omitted in text are sometimes shown in the **instructional images**.
- If we want to **supplement food in text**, we need to **recognize food** in instructional images.

# Research Problem

Depending on the situation, **the appearance of the same ingredients (in the images) may differ.**

Prepare two potatoes.



Beginning Phase

Cut them into pieces.



Intermediate Phase

Boil for 5 minutes.



Finishing Phase

On the other hand, even if the **images are similar**, the **food (in the text) might be different** in different situations.

Potato



Spring onion



Beans



# Research Summary

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To supplement food in text,

we propose a method —

**recognizing food entity candidates based on both sentence similarity and image similarity**

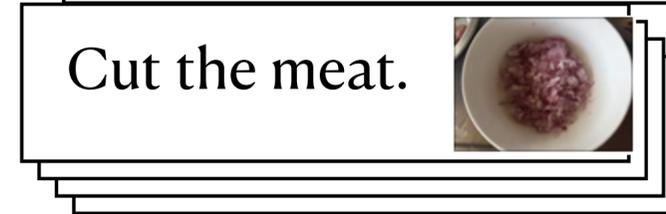
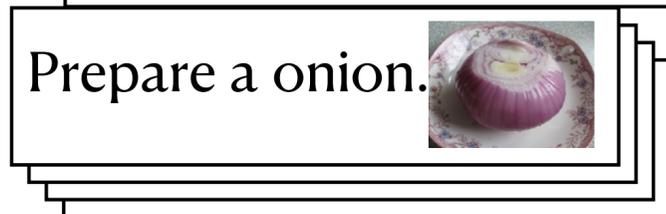
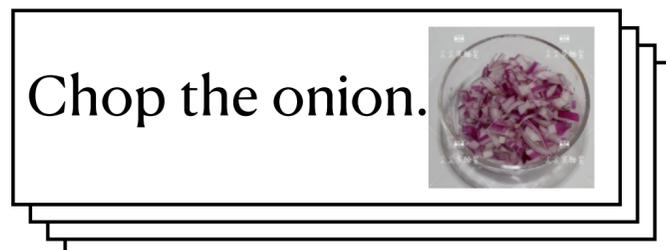
# Food Recognition Based on Similarities

Target text-image pair



Food is omitted in the sentence  
(Want to supplement)

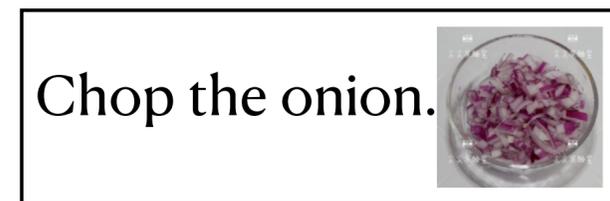
Text-image pair dataset



Compute the similarity {  
Text similarity  
Image similarity



Obtain the candidates with highest probability



# Examples of Experiment Results

- The example results of the sentence embedding method for calculating text similarity

Target text-image pair

Stir fry well and stand by



Text-image pair set with high similarity to the target.

Quickly add egg pieces.  
Add egg pieces.  
Pour in egg pieces and stir fry.  
Pour in egg pieces.  
Add egg pieces and stir fry.  
Add egg pieces and fry for a while.  
Wash the eggs.  
Put in egg pieces



# Evaluation

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- Evaluation: compare the result with manually labeled results and compute the intersection.
  - Our method: 67.55%
    - Can supplement arbitrary food classes appearing in the dataset
  - (Baseline) Ordinary Inception V3: 43.57%
    - Cannot supplement food that are not included in the 10 classes over which the model is trained.

**Thanks for listening!**