

More Than Just Attention: Improving Cross-Modal Attentions with Contrastive Constraints for Image-Text Matching (Supplementary Material)

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1. Implementation Details

SCAN and PFAN. These two methods separately train the text-to-image attention models where words are query fragments, and the image-to-text attention models where image regions are query fragments. When training the text-to-image attention models, we randomly sample one word fragment from each matched image-text pair to apply the proposed constraints. The image-to-text attention models are trained in a similar way by sampling image fragments.

BFAN. The method jointly trains the text-to-image and image-to-text attention models. In order to jointly supervise both attention models and reduce computation cost, for each matched image-text pair, we apply our constraints to either a sampled word fragment for the text-to-image attention model or a sampled image region for the image-to-text attention model with a probability of 50%.

SGRAF. This approach has a text-to-image attention model to learn the alignment between words and regions. We randomly sample one word fragment from each matched image-text pair to apply the proposed constraints.

2. Additional Attention Evaluation Results

Quantitative Analysis. To demonstrate the influence of different T_{IoU} on Attention Precision, Attention Recall, and Attention F1-Score, we report the results when T_{IoU} is set to 0.6 on Table 1 and Figure 1. We can observe similar performance improvements as when T_{IoU} is set to 0.4 (shown in the main paper). It demonstrates that the proposed constraints achieve consistently better results than baseline methods when different T_{IoU} values are chosen.

Qualitative Analysis. We report three cases of BFAN and SGRAF trained on the Flickr30K (see Figure 2 and 4) and MS-COCO dataset (see Figure 3 and 5). We find that the attention models trained with the proposed constraints can assign attention weights more accurately than the correspondent baselines across different datasets.

| Method | Attention Precision | Attention Recall | Attention F1-Score |
|-------------|---------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| SCAN | 16.88 | 47.40 | 22.88 |
| + CCR | 18.87 | 49.96 | 25.05 |
| + CCS | 20.30 | 48.58 | 26.22 |
| + CCR & CCS | 21.31 | 47.15 | 26.80 |
| BFAN | 27.50 | 46.52 | 31.92 |
| + CCR | 30.17 | 48.72 | 34.49 |
| + CCS | 29.55 | 46.97 | 33.55 |
| + CCR & CCS | 30.24 | 49.20 | 34.69 |
| SGRAF | 25.93 | 47.93 | 31.23 |
| + CCR | 27.13 | 48.49 | 32.27 |
| + CCS | 28.24 | 48.31 | 33.08 |
| + CCR & CCS | 28.94 | 49.20 | 33.94 |

Table 1: Attention Precision, Attention Recall, and Attention F1-Score (%) of the SCAN, BFAN, and SGRAF models trained on the Flickr30K dataset when T_{IoU} is 0.6.

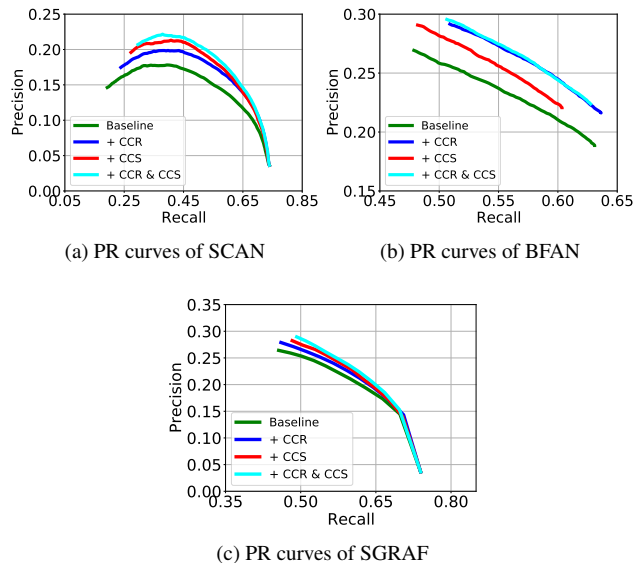


Figure 1: Attention PR curves of SCAN, BFAN, and SGRAF trained on the Flickr30K dataset when T_{IoU} is 0.6.

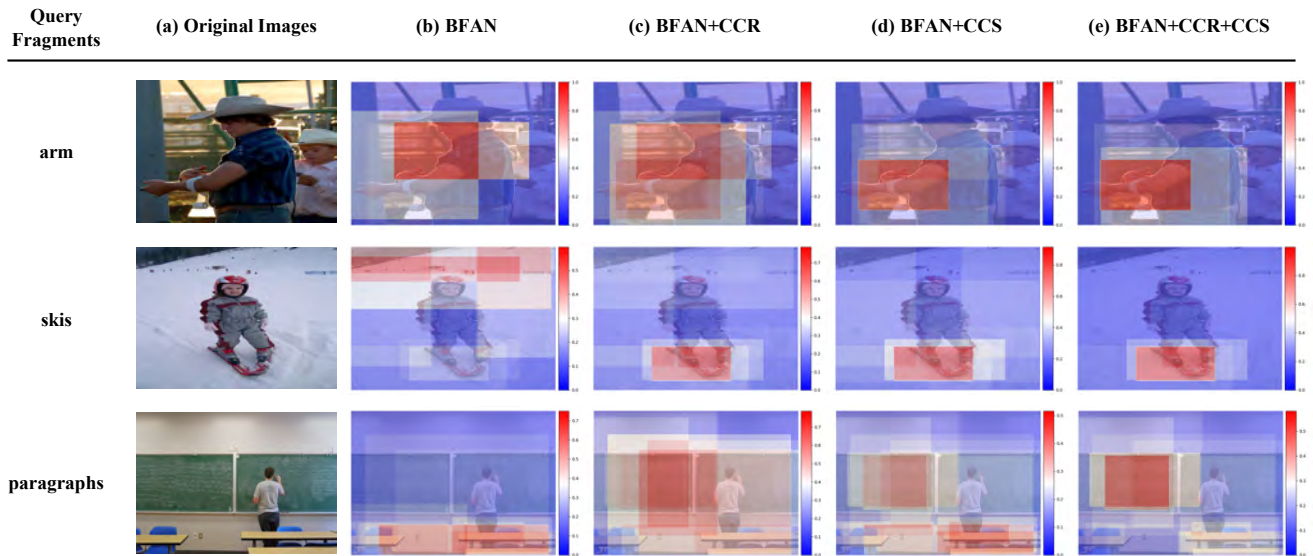


Figure 2: Examples of attended image regions with respect to the given words for the BFAN model on the Flickr30K dataset.

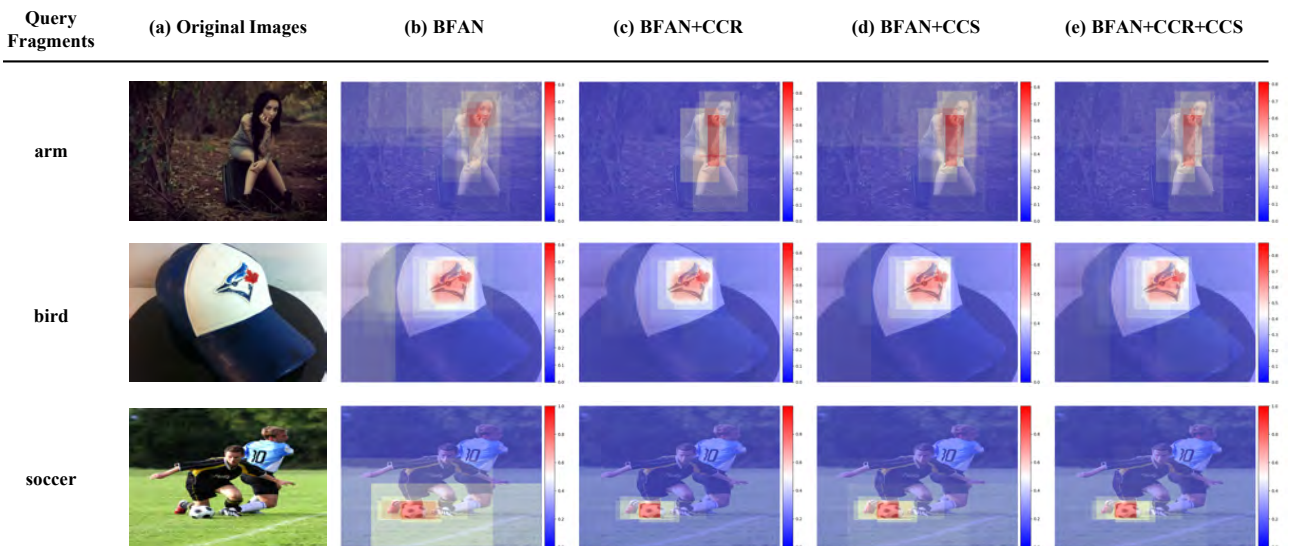


Figure 3: Examples of attended image regions with respect to the given words for the BFAN model on the MS-COCO dataset.

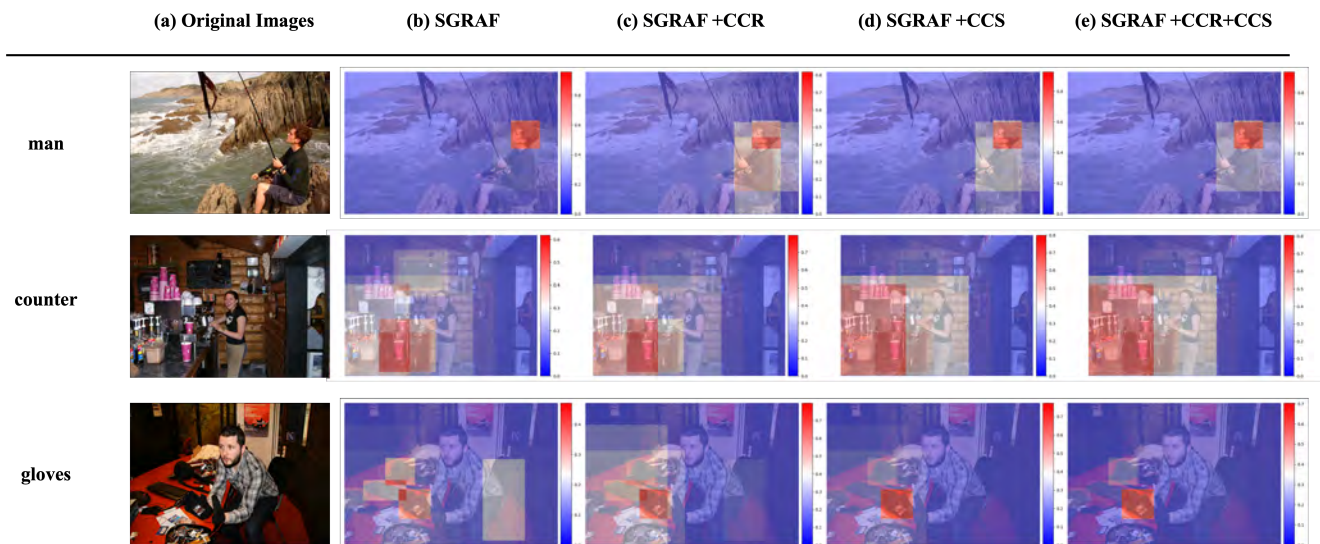


Figure 4: Examples of attended image regions with respect to the given words for the SGRAF model on the Flickr30K dataset.

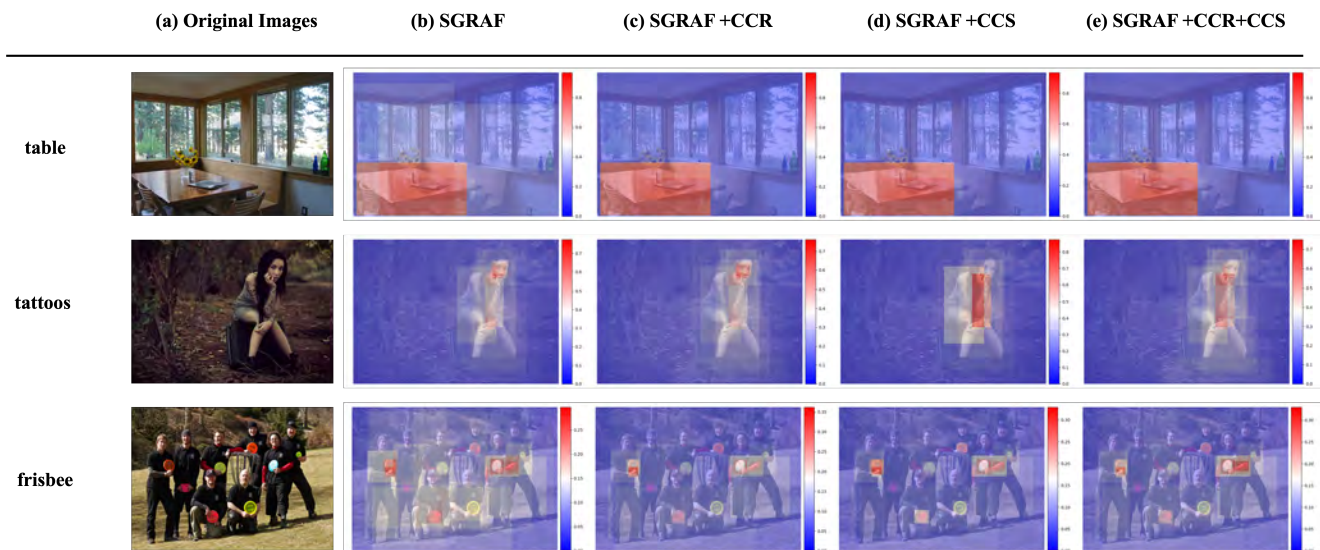


Figure 5: Examples of attended image regions with respect to the given words for the SGRAF model on the MS-COCO dataset.