



Multi-view Hypergraph-based Contrastive Learning Model for Cold-Start Micro-video Recommendation

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INTRODUCTION

RESEARCH BACKGROUND:

1. **Rapid Growth** of micro-video platforms (TikTok, Kwai) driving demand for personalized recommendations
2. **Rich Multi-modal Features** in micro-videos:
 - Textual metadata (titles, descriptions)
 - Visual elements (cover images)
 - Dynamic video content
3. **User Engagement** heavily influenced by these diverse features
4. **Unique Challenges** compared to traditional content recommendation

CHALLENGES:

1. **Over-smoothing Problem**
2. **Long-tail Distribution**
3. **Cold-start Scenarios**
4. **Information Underutilization**

INTRODUCTION

OUR MOTIVATION:

1. **Beyond Traditional Graphs:**

Need richer structures to capture higher-order relationships

2. **Multi-view Learning:**

Different perspectives provide complementary information

3. **Self-supervised Signals:**

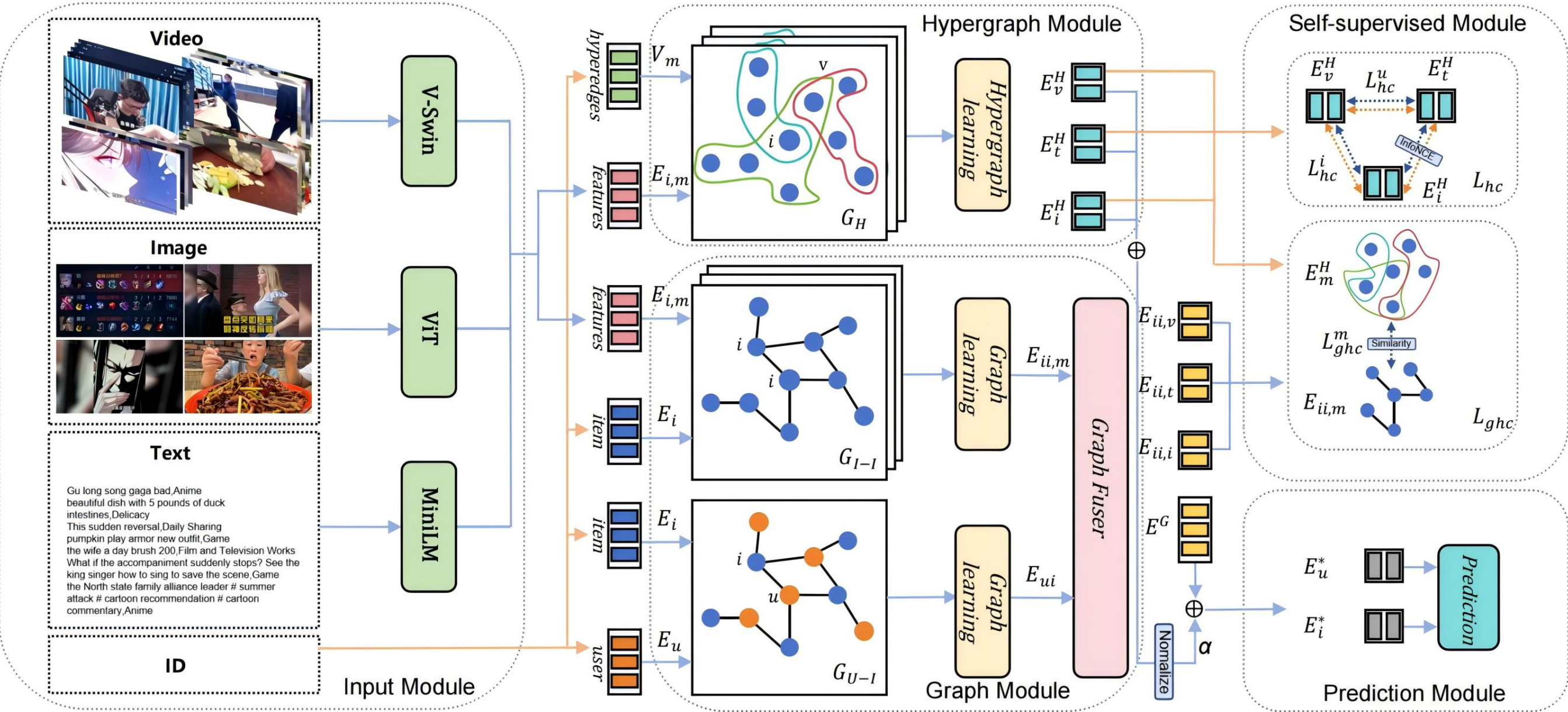
Additional supervision can compensate for sparse interactions

4. **Cold-start Focus:**

Improving recommendations for new/rarely viewed content benefits both creators and viewers

PROPOSED METHOD

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PROPOSED METHOD

MULTI-VIEW FEATURE EXTRACTION:

1. User-Item Graph:

- Captures direct interaction patterns
- Formula:

$$E_{ui}^{(l)} = \sum_{i \in N_u} \frac{1}{\sqrt{|N_u| \cdot |N_i|}} E_{ui}^{(l-1)},$$

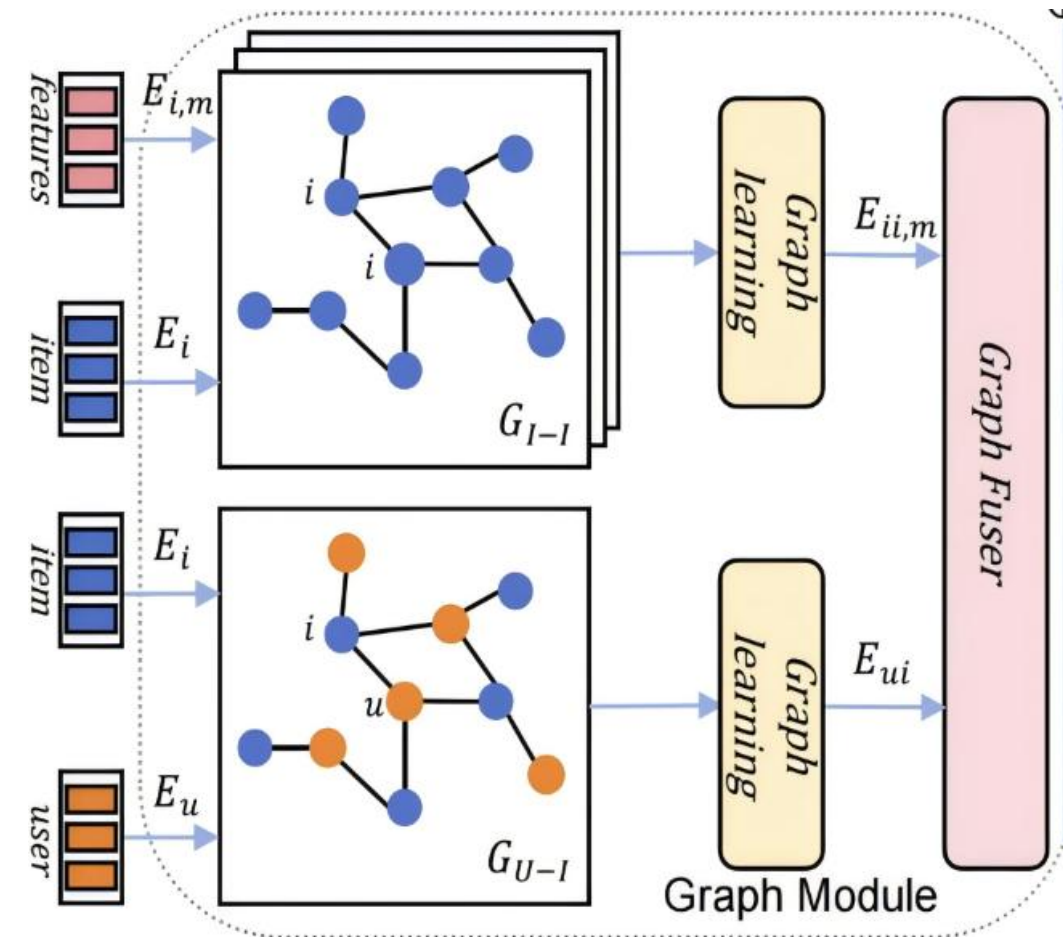
- Aggregates high-order collaborative signals

2. Item-Item Graph:

- Models relationships between items
- Modality-specific correlations
- Affinity calculation:

$$s_{a,b}^m = \frac{(e_a^m)^T \cdot e_b^m}{\|e_a^m\| \|e_b^m\|},$$

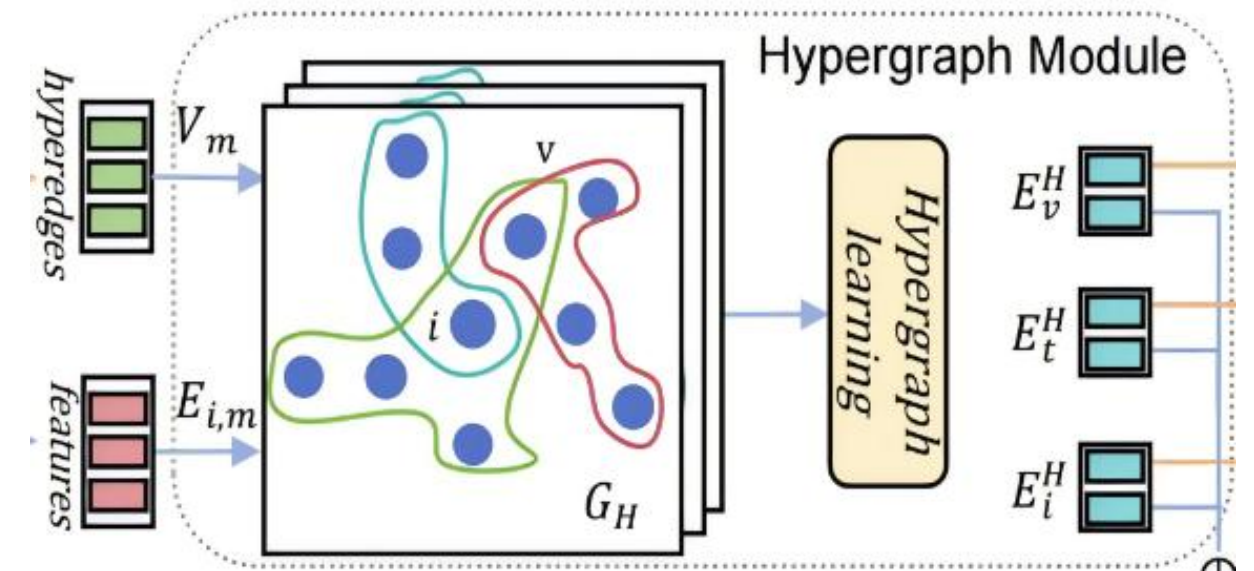
- KNN sparsification for efficiency



PROPOSED METHOD

HYPERGRAPH MODULE:

1. Beyond Pairwise Relationships:
 - Hyperedges connect multiple nodes simultaneously
 - Captures complex interaction patterns
2. Learnable Hyperedge Embeddings:
 - $H_i^m = E_i^m \cdot V_m^\top$
 - $H_u^m = X_u \cdot (H_i^m)^\top$
3. Global Information Transfer:
 1. Message passing via hyperedges
 2. Facilitates information flow between disparate nodes



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SELF-SUPERVISED LEARNING:

1. Cross-modal Hypergraph Contrastive Learning:

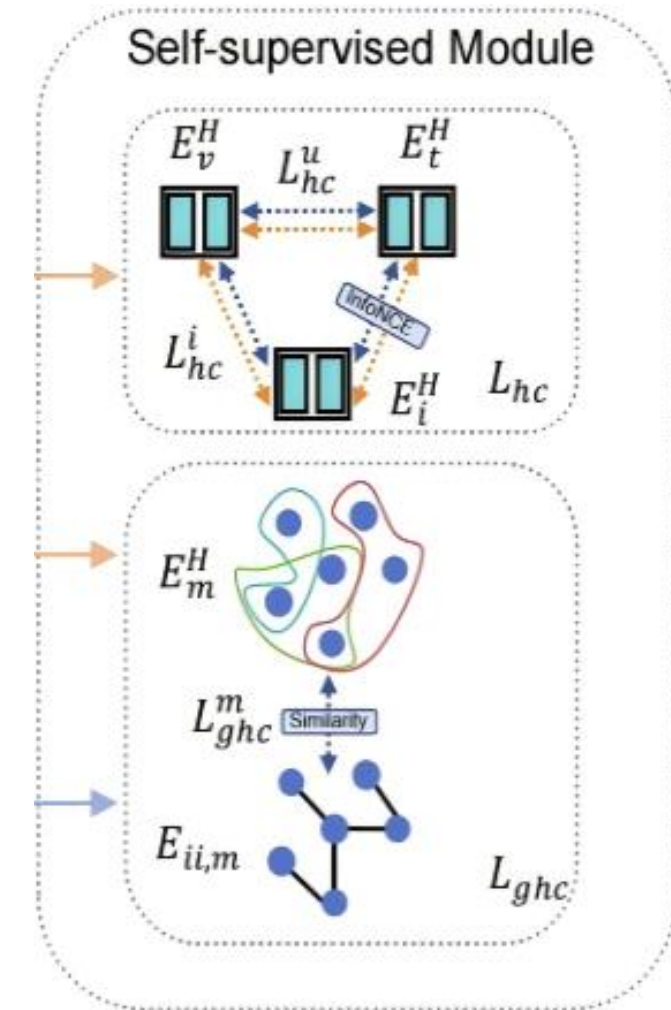
1. Ensures effective fusion across modalities
2. Pulls same entities closer in different modality spaces
3. Loss function:

$$L_{hc} = \sum_{x \in U \cup I} -\log \frac{\sum_m \exp \left(\frac{s(E_x^{m,H}, E_x^{m',H})}{\tau} \right)}{\sum_{x' \in U \cup I} \sum_m \exp \left(\frac{s(E_x^{m,H}, E_{x'}^{t,H})}{\tau} \right)},$$

2. Graph-Hypergraph Contrastive Learning:

1. Aligns representations from different structural views
2. Enhances consistency between graph and hypergraph embeddings
3. Loss function:

$$L_{ghc} = \sum \left(-\log \frac{\exp \left(\frac{s(E^G, E^H)}{\tau} \right)}{\exp \left(\frac{s(E^G, E^H)}{\tau} \right) + \sum \exp \left(\frac{s(E^G, E^H)}{\tau} \right)} \right)$$



EXPERIMENTAL SETUP

DATASETS:

1. MicroLens-50K: 50,000 users, 19,220 items, 359,708 interactions
2. MicroLens-100K: 100,000 users, 19,738 items, 719,405 interactions

EVALUATION METRICS:

1. Recall@n ($n \in \{10, 20\}$)
2. NDCG@n ($n \in \{10, 20\}$)

BASELINES:

1. General: YouTube, VBPR
2. Graph-based: LightGCN, LayerGCN
3. Multimodal: MMGCN, GRCN, BM3, Freedom, MGCN

OVERALL PERFORMANCE RESULTS:

TABLE I
PERFORMANCE METRICS OF DIFFERENT MODELS ON TWO MICROLENS DATASETS

| Dataset | Metric | YouTube | VBPR | MMGCN | LightGCN | GRCN | LayerGCN | BM3 | Freedom | MGCN | MHCR |
|----------------|--------|---------|--------|--------|----------|--------|----------|--------|---------|--------|---------------|
| MicroLens-50K | R@10 | 0.0375 | 0.0544 | 0.0403 | 0.0365 | 0.0631 | 0.0627 | 0.0565 | 0.0656 | 0.0708 | 0.0736 |
| | R@20 | 0.0632 | 0.0888 | 0.067 | 0.0534 | 0.0982 | 0.0994 | 0.0918 | 0.1028 | 0.1089 | 0.1102 |
| | N@10 | 0.0178 | 0.0273 | 0.0197 | 0.0284 | 0.0328 | 0.032 | 0.0281 | 0.0334 | 0.0363 | 0.0383 |
| | N@20 | 0.0245 | 0.0361 | 0.0264 | 0.0345 | 0.0415 | 0.0414 | 0.0372 | 0.0429 | 0.0459 | 0.0477 |
| MicroLens-100K | R@10 | 0.0392 | 0.0624 | 0.0405 | 0.0388 | 0.0682 | 0.0730 | 0.0601 | 0.0654 | 0.0717 | 0.0798 |
| | R@20 | 0.0648 | 0.1002 | 0.0678 | 0.056 | 0.1057 | 0.1120 | 0.0975 | 0.1016 | 0.1096 | 0.1187 |
| | N@10 | 0.0188 | 0.0314 | 0.0202 | 0.0306 | 0.0353 | 0.0382 | 0.0305 | 0.0337 | 0.0371 | 0.042 |
| | N@20 | 0.0252 | 0.0410 | 0.0271 | 0.0367 | 0.0448 | 0.0480 | 0.0401 | 0.0431 | 0.0467 | 0.0519 |

MICROLENS-50K IMPROVEMENTS:

- Recall@10: 0.0736 (+3.96% vs MGCN)
- NDCG@10: 0.0383 (+5.51% vs MGCN)

MICROLENS-100K IMPROVEMENTS:

- Recall@10: 0.0798 (+11.30% vs MGCN)
- NDCG@10: 0.0420 (+13.19% vs MGCN)

COLD-START PERFORMANCE:

TABLE II
PERFORMANCE COMPARISON OF DIFFERENT MODELS FOR COLD-START USERS ON TWO MICROLENS DATASETS

| Dataset | Metric | GRCN | LayerGCN | BM3 | Freedom | MGCN | MHCR |
|----------------|--------|--------|----------|--------|---------|--------|---------------|
| MicroLens-50K | R@10 | 0.0521 | 0.0527 | 0.0471 | 0.053 | 0.0588 | 0.0616 |
| | R@20 | 0.081 | 0.0826 | 0.0789 | 0.0839 | 0.0912 | 0.0937 |
| | N@10 | 0.0267 | 0.0267 | 0.0237 | 0.0267 | 0.0299 | 0.0321 |
| | N@20 | 0.034 | 0.0341 | 0.0316 | 0.0344 | 0.038 | 0.0396 |
| MicroLens-100K | R@10 | 0.0562 | 0.0588 | 0.0485 | 0.0544 | 0.0605 | 0.0655 |
| | R@20 | 0.0874 | 0.092 | 0.0807 | 0.0882 | 0.0937 | 0.0984 |
| | N@10 | 0.0288 | 0.0299 | 0.024 | 0.0275 | 0.0311 | 0.0342 |
| | N@20 | 0.0366 | 0.0384 | 0.0321 | 0.0359 | 0.0396 | 0.0423 |

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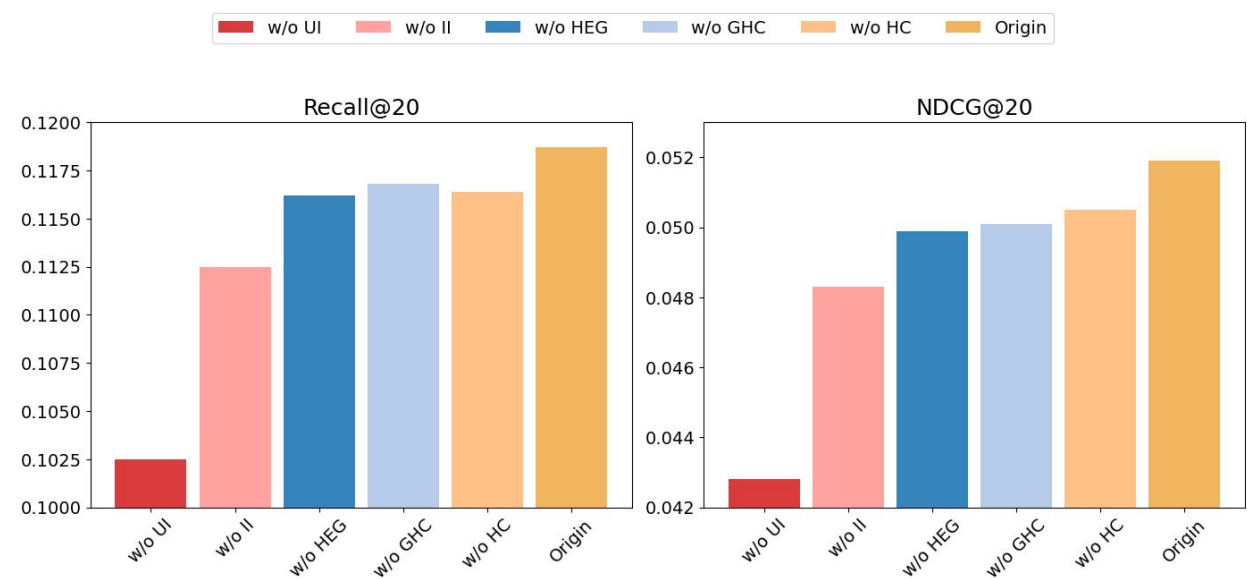
- Recall@10: 0.0616 (+4.8% vs MGCN)
- NDCG@10: 0.0321 (+7.3% vs MGCN)

MICROLENS-100K IMPROVEMENTS:

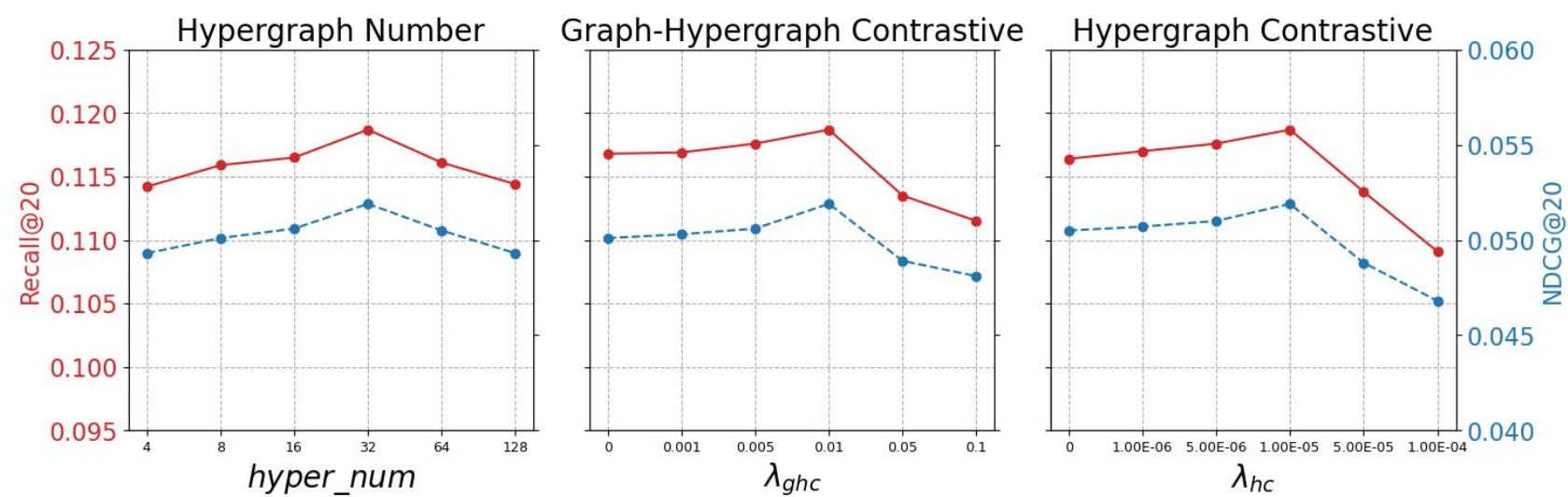
- Recall@20: 0.0984 (+5.0% vs MGCN)
- NDCG@20: 0.0423 (+6.8% vs MGCN)

EXPERIMENTAL SETUP

COMPONENT CONTRIBUTIONS:



PARAMETER SENSITIVITY:



CONCLUSION

KEY CONTRIBUTIONS:

1. Novel integration of hypergraphs with contrastive learning
2. Multi-view feature extraction enhances representation quality
3. Significant performance gains, especially in cold-start scenarios

BROADER IMPACT:

1. Framework applicable to other recommendation domains
2. Helps address content discovery challenges for new creators
3. Enhances user experience with more diverse recommendations

FUTURE DIRECTIONS:

1. Dynamic hypergraph construction
2. Temporal modeling of evolving user interests



THANK YOU!