

# Collapse-Aware Triplet Decoupling for Adversarially Robust Image Retrieval

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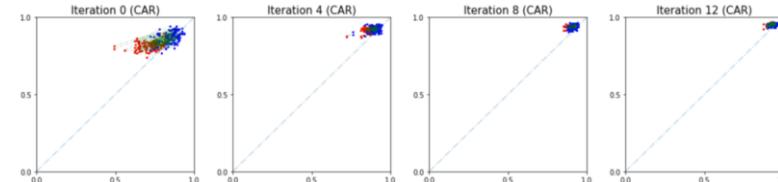
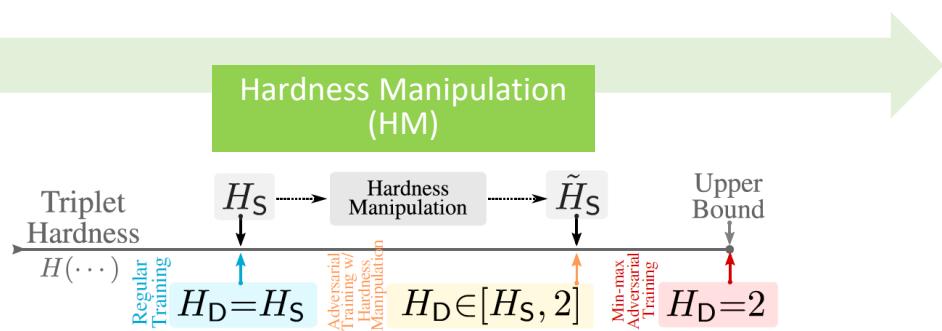
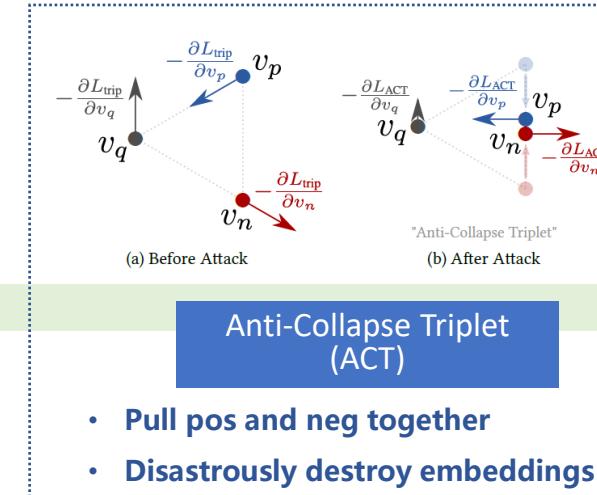
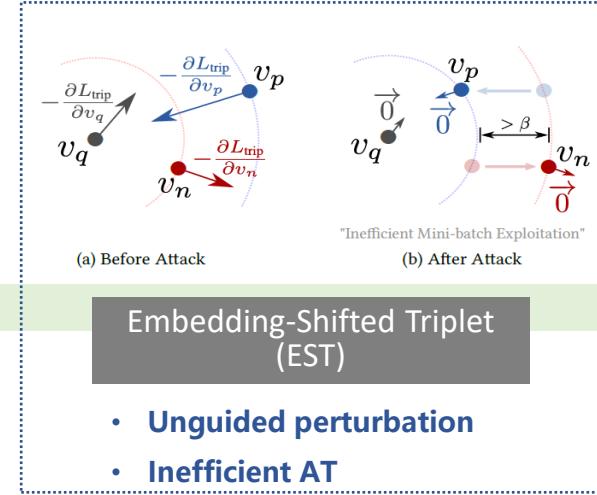
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# Research Background

## ➤ Current Adversarial Defense in Deep Metric Learning

### Adversarial Training(AT)



- Neglect the triplet structure in DML- **Weak Adversary**
- DML cannot handle excessively hard triplets- **Model Collapse**

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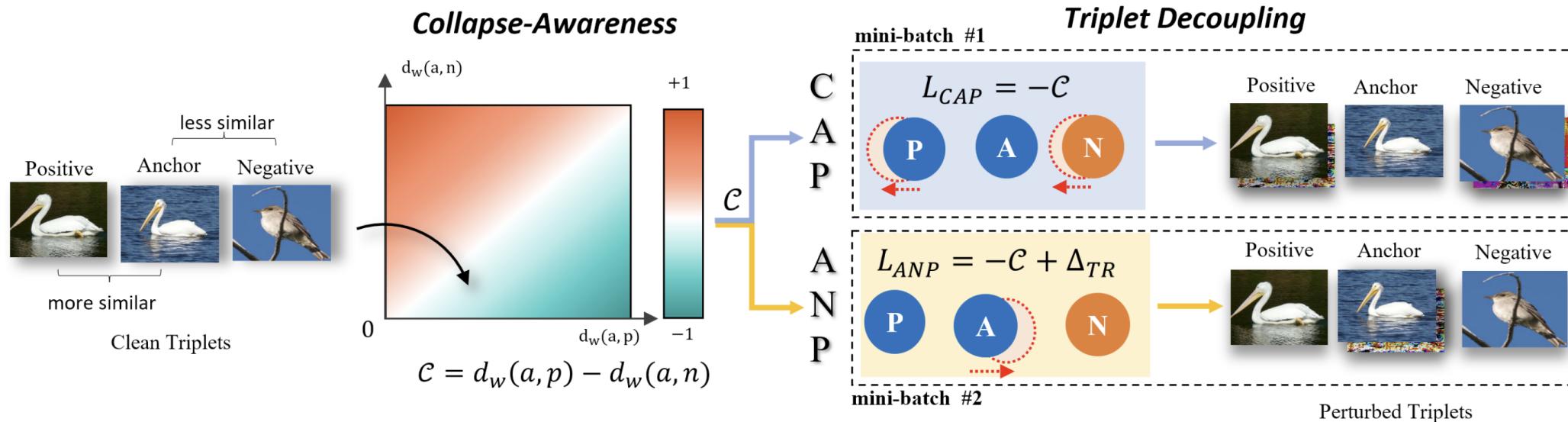
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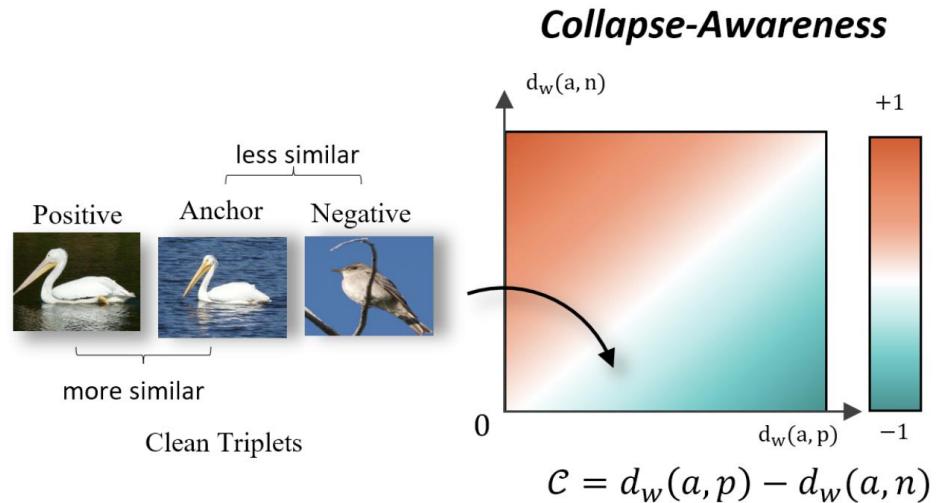
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## ➤ Collapse-Aware Triplet Decoupling (CA-TRIDE)



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## ➤ Collapse-Aware (CA) -> Model Collapse



### Current Method

$$H(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{P}, \mathbf{N}) = d(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{P}) - d(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{N}), \quad H \in [-2, 2]$$

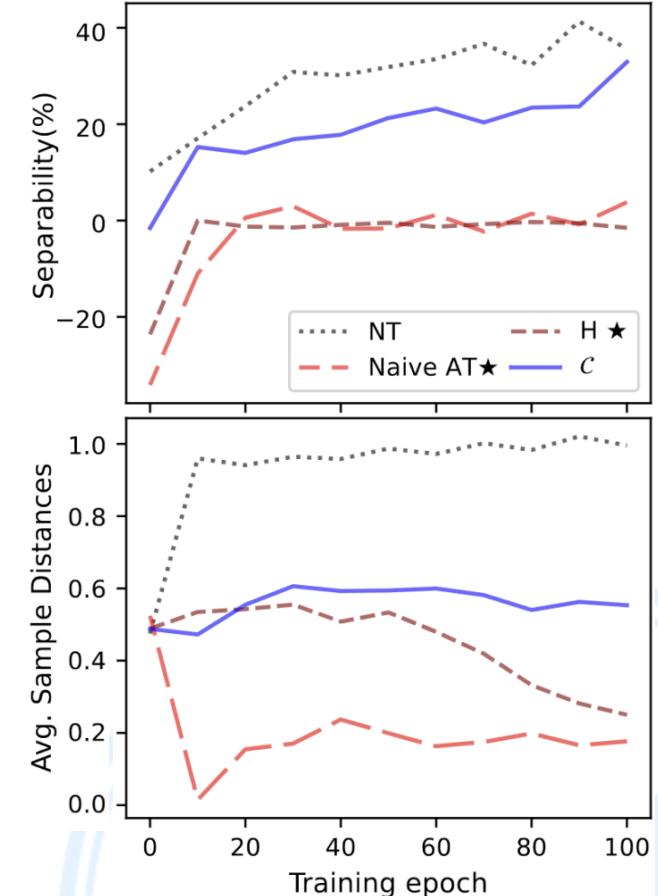
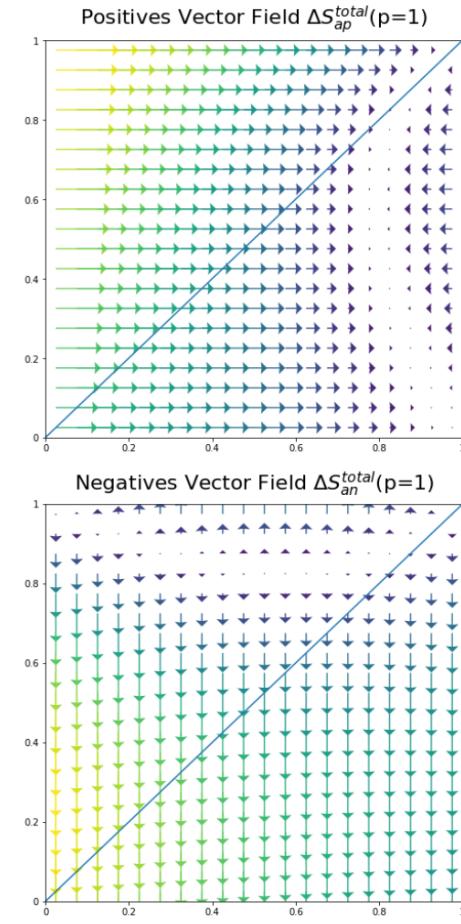
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$$\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{P}, \mathbf{N}) = d_\omega(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{P}) - d_\omega(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{N})$$

$$d_\omega(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{P}) = \frac{\sum_i^{\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{P}} (w_{p_i} \cdot d(a_i, p_i))}{\sum_i^{\mathbf{P}} w_{p_i}}$$

$$w_{p_i} = \exp\left(-\lambda(d(a_i, p_i) - \min_{\forall a_i \in \mathbf{A}, p_i \in \mathbf{P}} d(a_i, p_i))\right)$$

$$\arg \max_{\delta} \mathcal{C}(\tilde{\mathbf{A}}, \tilde{\mathbf{P}}, \tilde{\mathbf{N}})$$



## ➤ **Triplet Decoupling (TRIDE)** -> Weak Adversary

Anchor Perturbation

Decouple current methods

Candidate Perturbation

Previous method

Attack

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Triplet Decoupling

Anchor Perturbation

Candidate Perturbation

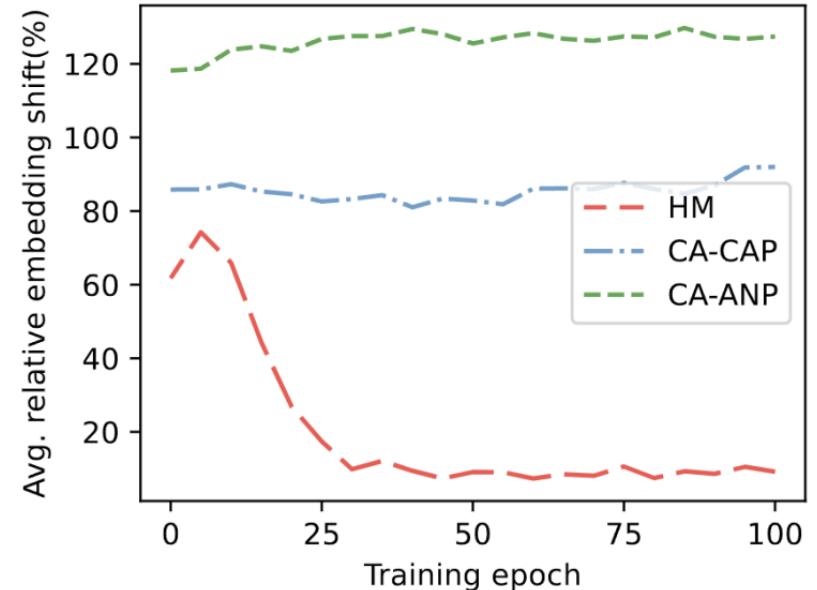
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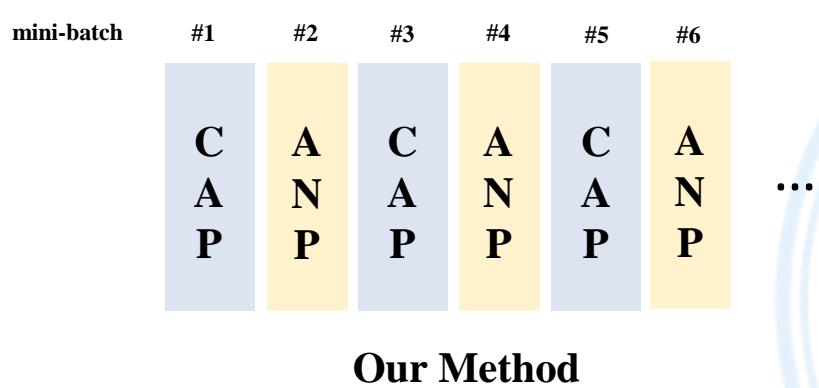
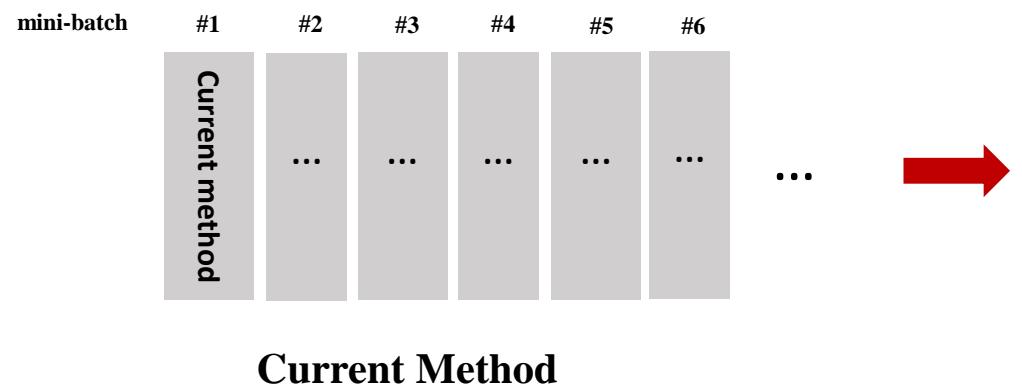
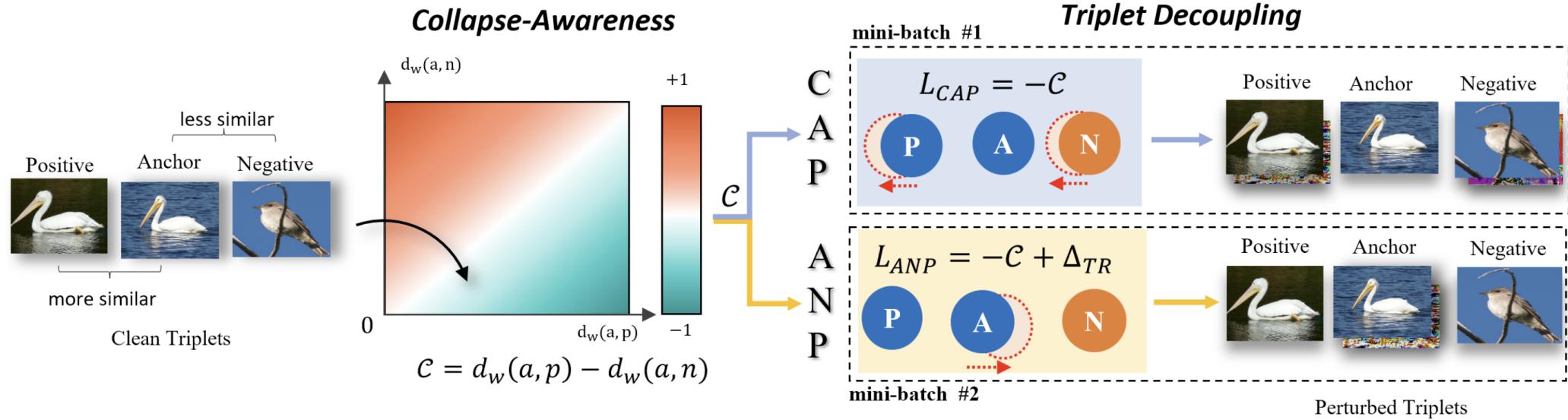
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$$\arg \min_{\theta} L_{\mathcal{T}}(\tilde{\mathbf{A}}, \tilde{\mathbf{P}}, \tilde{\mathbf{N}}; \Theta) \quad \xrightarrow{\hspace{1cm}} \quad \begin{aligned} \arg \min_{\Theta} \begin{cases} L_{\mathcal{T}}(\tilde{\mathbf{A}}, \mathbf{P}, \mathbf{N}; \Theta) + L_{TR}, & ANP \\ L_{\mathcal{T}}(\mathbf{A}, \tilde{\mathbf{P}}, \tilde{\mathbf{N}}; \Theta), & CAP \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$



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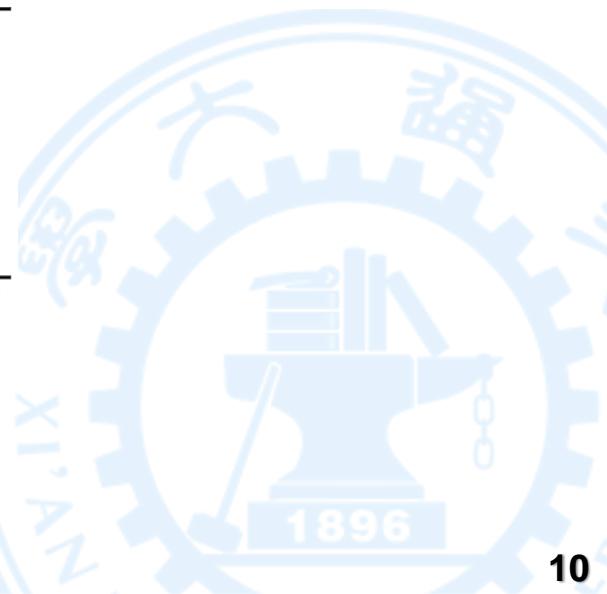


# Experiments & Conclusions

Dataset	Defense	PGD	Benign Example Evaluation					Adversarial Example Evaluation (%)						Overall	Overall	
	Method	steps	R@1↑	R@2↑	mAP↑	NMI↑	CA+↑	CA-↑	QA+↑	QA-↑	ES:R↑	LTM↑	GTM↑	GTT↑	ERS↑	ARS↑
CUB	N/A	N/A	58.9	66.4	26.1	59.5	3.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	23.9	0.0	3.8	3.5	
	ACT	32	27.5	38.2	12.2	43.0	31.0	62.9	30.2	68.5	40.3	34.2	54.2	1.0	33.9	40.3
	HM	32	34.9	45.0	19.8	47.1	31.0	62.9	33.2	69.8	51.3	47.9	<b>78.2</b>	2.9	36.0	47.2
	Ours	<b>16</b>	34.9	45.1	19.6	45.6	<b>32.6</b>	<b>68.5</b>	<b>41.8</b>	<b>79.2</b>	<b>61.9</b>	<b>59.0</b>	64.8	<b>5.3</b>	<b>38.6</b>	<b>51.6</b>
CARS	N/A	N/A	63.2	75.3	36.6	55.6	0.4	0.0	0.0	3.6	0.0	0.0	21.2	0.0	3.6	2.8
	ACT	32	43.4	54.6	11.8	42.9	36	68.4	35	70.2	37.6	35.3	47.7	1.6	38.6	41.4
	HM	32	60.2	71.6	33.9	51.2	<b>38.6</b>	74.8	39.2	75.1	50.3	61.0	<b>76.4</b>	8.8	46.1	52.9
	Ours	<b>16</b>	60.7	71.2	34.6	49.4	36	<b>81.0</b>	<b>47.0</b>	<b>87.5</b>	<b>64.4</b>	<b>66.9</b>	60.8	<b>13.7</b>	<b>47.7</b>	<b>57.2</b>
SOP	N/A	N/A	62.9	68.5	39.2	87.4	0.2	0.6	0.3	0.9	0.0	0.0	10.0	0.0	4.0	1.5
	ACT	32	47.5	52.6	25.5	84.9	48.2	90.4	45.4	91.5	44.6	45.5	58.5	15.3	50.8	54.9
	HM	32	46.8	51.7	24.5	84.7	64.0	96.8	67.4	<b>98.0</b>	83.5	85.0	81.0	45.6	61.6	77.7
	Ours	<b>16</b>	48.3	53.3	25.9	84.9	<b>65.8</b>	<b>97.1</b>	<b>71.4</b>	97.9	<b>89.4</b>	<b>93.4</b>	82.4	<b>53.1</b>	<b>62.4</b>	<b>81.3</b>

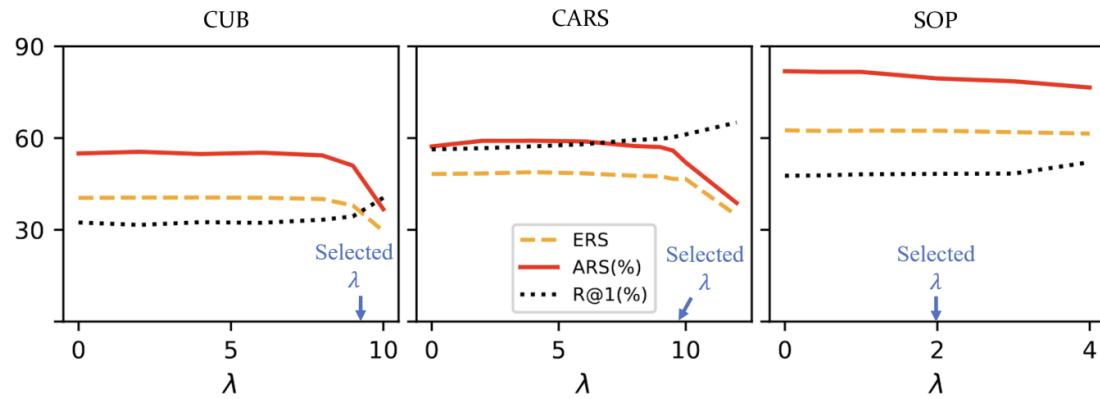
Defense	R@1↑	Adversarial Example Evaluation (ARS) (%)						Overall	Overall
		CA+↑	CA-↑	QA+↑	QA-↑	ES:R↑	LTM↑		
CA-ANP	34.2	27.4	56.7	35.6	73.3	57.3	61.1	65.8	5.1
CA-CAP	33.8	34.2	68.0	52.2	70.8	51.2	47.6	60.7	3.1
CA-TRIDE	34.9	32.6	68.5	41.8	79.2	61.9	59.0	64.8	5.3
								<b>38.6</b>	<b>51.6</b>

- ✓ CA-TRIDE achieves SOTA performance on both **benign** and **adversarial** examples on CUB, CARS and SOP.
- ✓ Through TRIDE, our CA-TRIDE uses **less time (~15%)** and **half PGD steps** to achieve **better robustness** and **accuracy**.

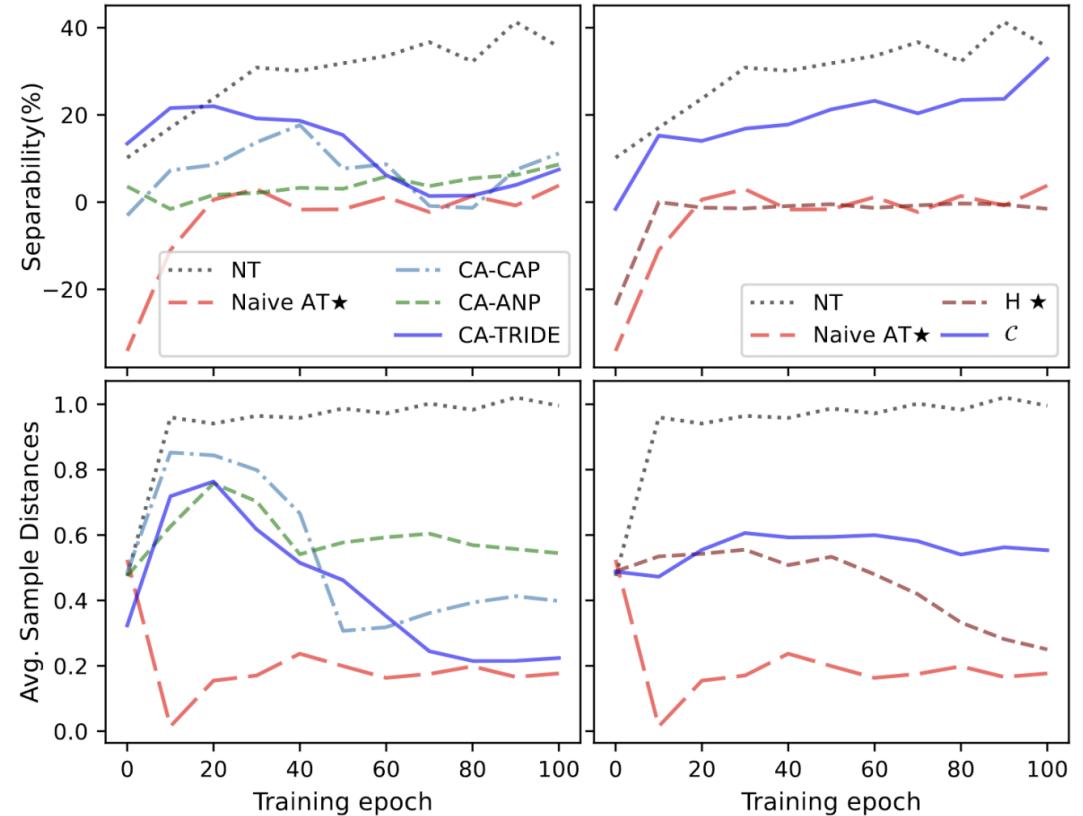
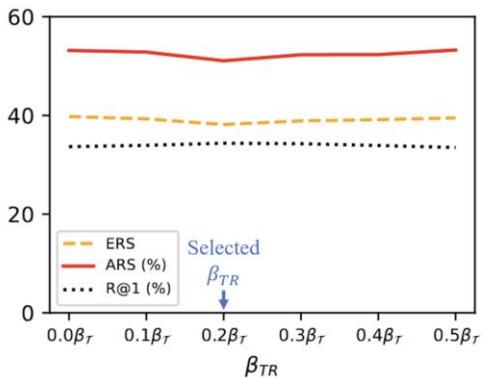




# Experiments



Dataset	Inter-Class Distances	Intra-Class Distances	Entanglement	$\lambda$
CUB	0.287	0.226	0.79	10.0
CARS	0.325	0.256	0.79	9.5
SOP	0.664	0.438	0.66	2.0



- ✓ Ablation studies validate the effectiveness of CA to stop model collapse and TRIDE to address the weak adversary.
- ✓ Proven insensibility of our methods towards hyperparameters.
- ✓ Interesting correlation between attention factor  $\lambda$  and entanglement level.



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# Collapse-Aware Triplet Decoupling for Adversarially Robust Image Retrieval

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Adversarial training has achieved substantial performance in defending image retrieval against adversarial examples. However, existing studies in deep metric learning (DML) still suffer from two major limitations: weak adversary and model collapse. In this paper, we address these two limitations by proposing Collapse-Aware TRIplet DEcoupling (CA-TRIDE). Specifically, TRIDE yields a stronger adversary by spatially decoupling the perturbation targets into the anchor and the other candidates. Furthermore, CA prevents the consequential model collapse, based on a novel metric, collapseness, which is incorporated into the optimization of perturbation. We also identify two drawbacks of the existing robustness metric in image retrieval and propose a new metric for a more reasonable robustness evaluation. Extensive experiments on three datasets demonstrate that CA-TRIDE outperforms existing defense methods in both conventional and new metrics. Codes are available at [this https URL](https://github.com/michaeltian108/CA-TRIDE).

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