

# Affective Color Palette Recommendations with Non-negative Tensor Factorization

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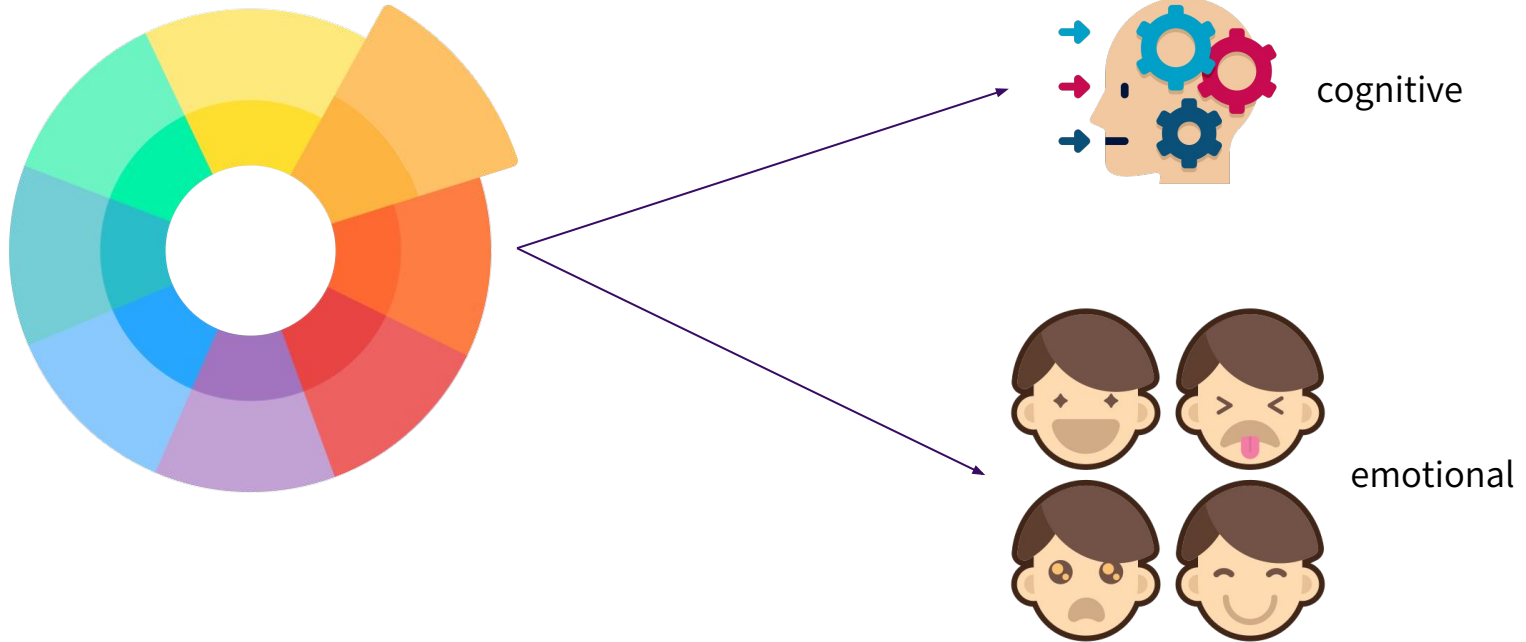
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# Introduction

Color is a crucial element in visual media, influencing both cognitive and emotional perceptions.



# How color influences visual media and emotions



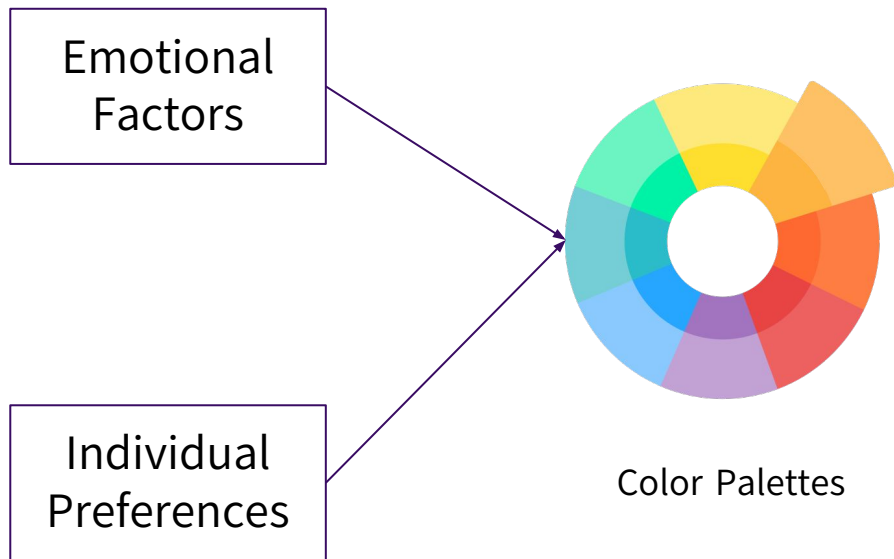
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# The challenge



Non-Negative Tensor Factorization (NTF)

to implement a color palette recommendation system considering both individual preferences and affective intentions



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# Related Work

## A. Color Harmony Design

Researchers have been studying how colors work together, both in theory and in real-world applications.

- a. ***Ou et al.*** started with models for harmonizing two colors and expanded to three.
- b. ***Cohen-Or*** and others began enhancing color harmony in images using computer graphics
- c. ***Wang*** and their team built a system that follows specific *design rules* for colors. This system can automatically choose colors that are sensible and meaningful, especially when dealing with data visualization.
- d. ***Lindner*** and colleagues even made a computer model associating colors with words, creating color palettes based on language.

L.-C. Ou and M. R. Luo, "A colour harmony model for two-colour combinations," Color Research & Application doi: [10.1002/col.20208](https://doi.org/10.1002/col.20208)

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J. Lindner and S. Susstrunk, "Automatic color palette creation from words," in Proceedings of the IS&T 21st Color and Imaging Conference, [Online]. Available:

<https://library.imaging.org/cic/articles/21/1/art00012>

# Related Work

## B. Tools for Color Design

Tools have been made to make colors look better using advanced techniques:

- a. **ColorBrewer** : Choose appealing color combinations, especially for maps.
- b. **Setlur et al.** : Aims to make colors relevant and purposeful based on the content they represent.
- c. **Fang et al.** : Developed an algorithm to arrange colors to better distinguish visual elements.
- d. **Smart et al.** : Study how designers use color in lamps with machine learning.
- e. **Misue** : Improve understanding of color differences, using contours and color ramps.

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K. Misue, "Development of a tool to help understand color spaces and color differences," IV2020, doi: [10.1109/IV51561.2020.00096](https://doi.org/10.1109/IV51561.2020.00096)

# Related Work

## C. Recommendation systems

- a. Collaborative filtering** : predicts a new user's favorites by simulating the behavior of similar existing users.
- b. Color Palette Recommendation Systems :**
  - i. O'Donovan** : predicted what colors people like by studying a big dataset of rated color themes.
  - ii. Linping** : created a smart system using deep learning to recommend color palettes based on data.

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# Non-negative Matrix Factorization (NMF)

- Co-occurrence matrix
- Non-negative factorization maximally respects the **underlying sparsity** in the elements of the factor matrices.
- minimizing the error  $\| \mathbf{V} - \mathbf{W} \mathbf{H} \|$

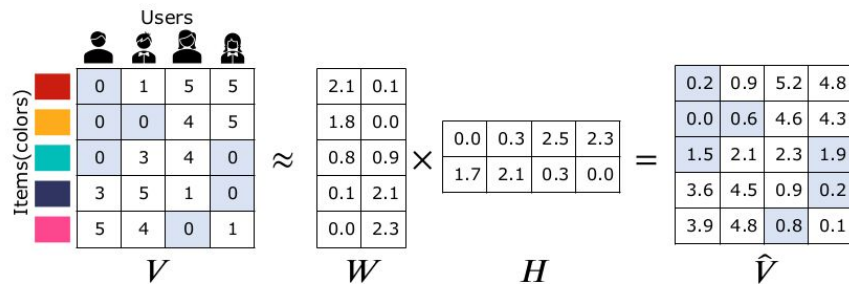


Fig. 2. NMF lets us factorize a data matrix  $\mathbf{V}$  into matrices  $\mathbf{W}$  and  $\mathbf{H}$ .  $\hat{\mathbf{V}}$  is the reconstructed matrix as the product of  $\mathbf{W}$  and  $\mathbf{H}$  and approximates the original matrix  $\mathbf{V}$ .

# Non-negative Tensor Factorization (NTF)

- $\mathbf{X} \approx \widehat{\mathbf{X}} = \mathbf{A} \otimes \mathbf{B} \otimes \mathbf{C}.$
- minimizes the error  $\| \mathbf{X} - \mathbf{A} \otimes \mathbf{B} \otimes \mathbf{C} \|$

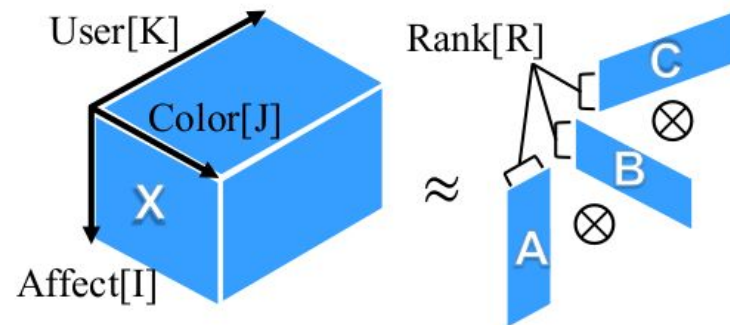


Fig. 3. NTF allows us to factorize a tensor  $\mathbf{X}$  into the three factor matrices  $\mathbf{A}$ ,  $\mathbf{B}$ , and  $\mathbf{C}$ .

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# Choice of Affects and Colors

- [Affective Color in Visualization \(Bartram et al.\)](#)
- **Color: 41**
- **Affect: 8**
  - Positive, Negative, Calm, Exciting, Serious, Playful, Trustworthy, and Disturbing



Fig. 4. The set of 41 representative color samples proposed in [23]. Color IDs are used consistently in this manuscript.

# Collecting Color Scores in the Online Questionnaire

- **User: 50**
  - 12 females and 38 males
  - ages ranged from 19 to 64
- We asked participants to select **five colors** out of the 41 representative color samples for each of the eight affective categories.
- We assigned the scores **5–1** to the five selected colors in that order and **0** to the other unselected colors.

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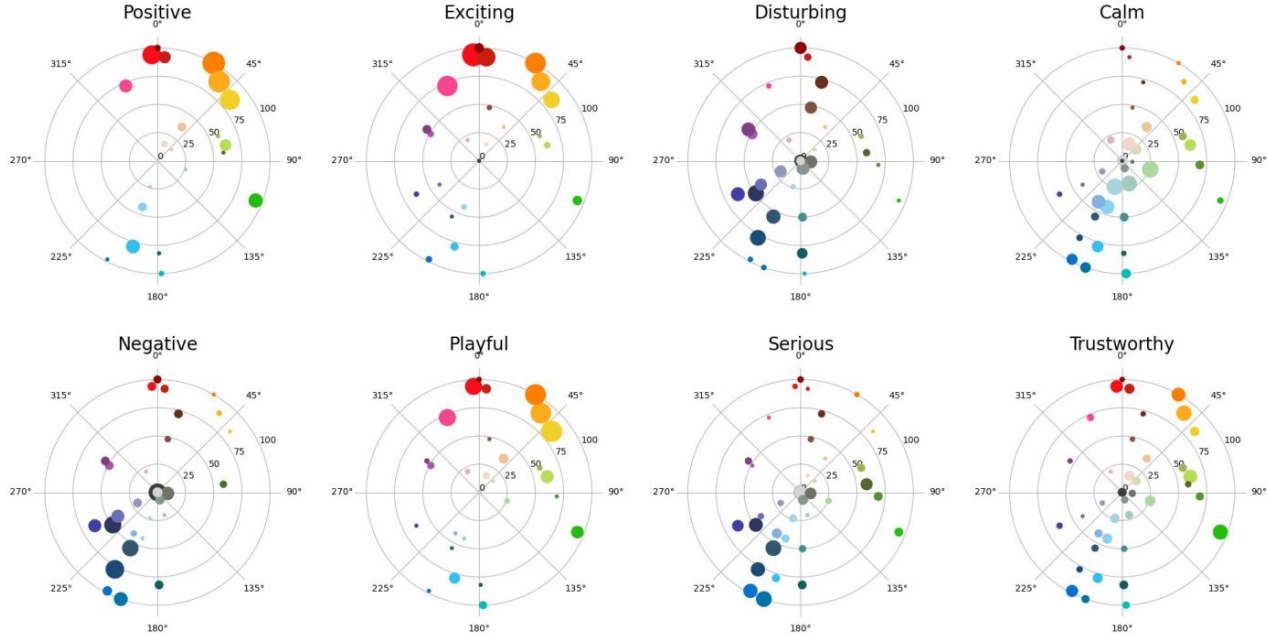


Fig. 5. Colors selected for each affect in the questionnaire. Each color sample is plotted on a hue wheel, while the distance from the center corresponds to the saturation. The size of each dot indicates the selection frequency of the corresponding color.

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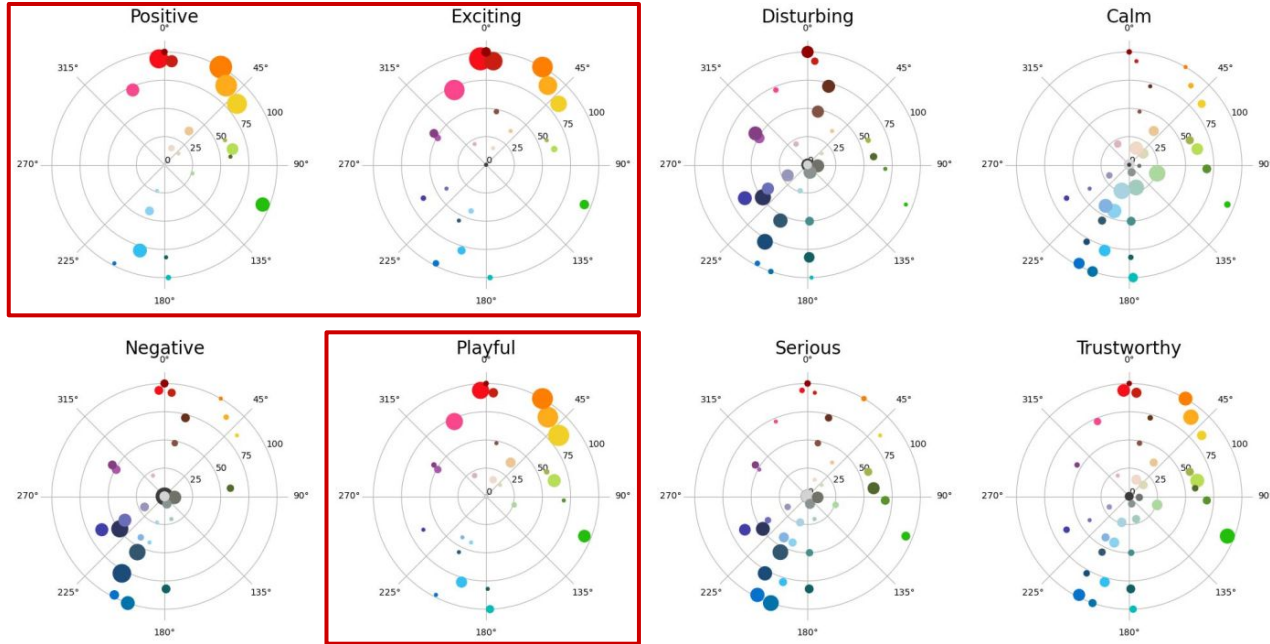


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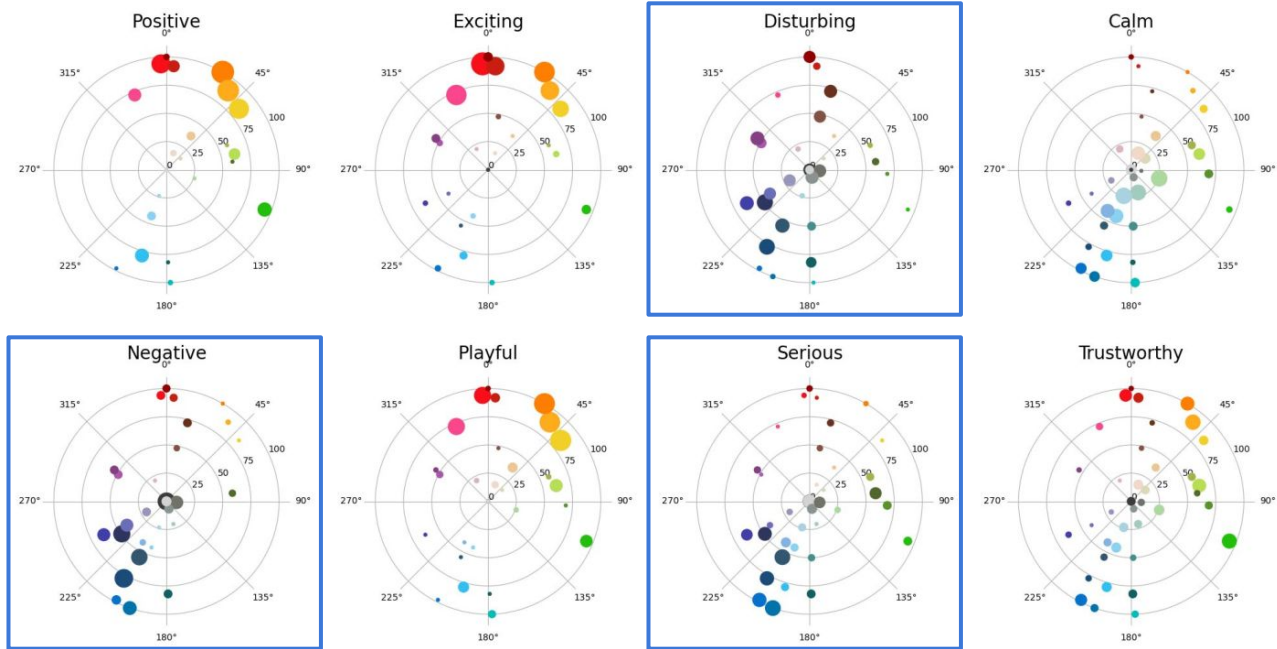


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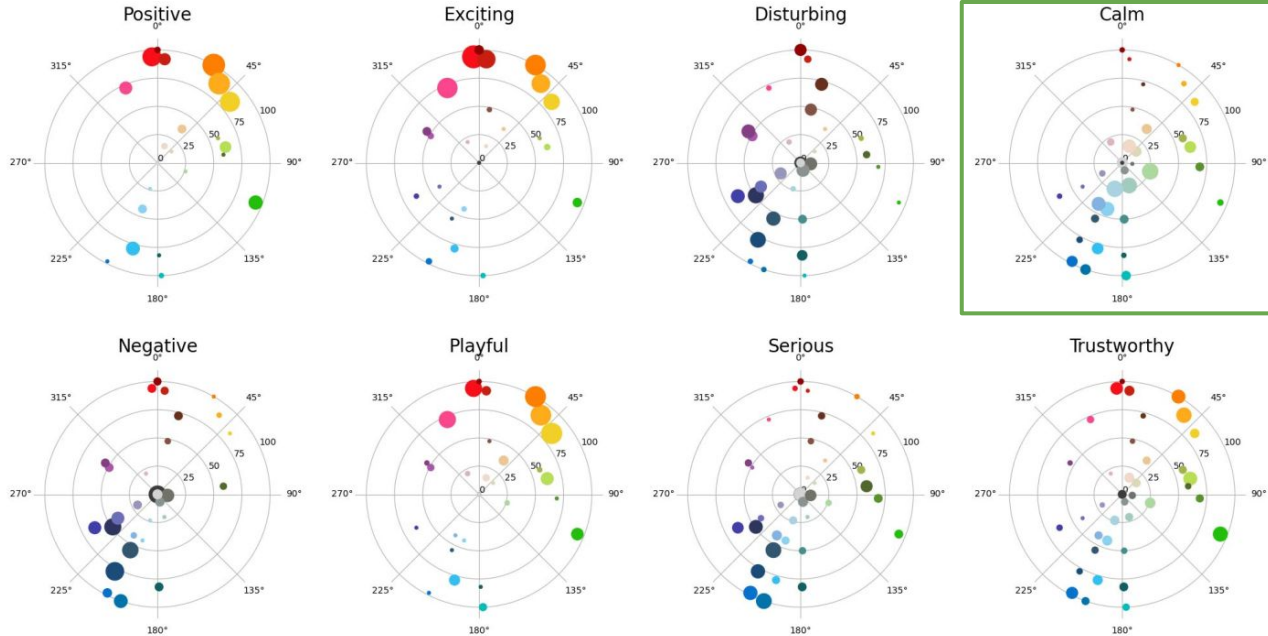


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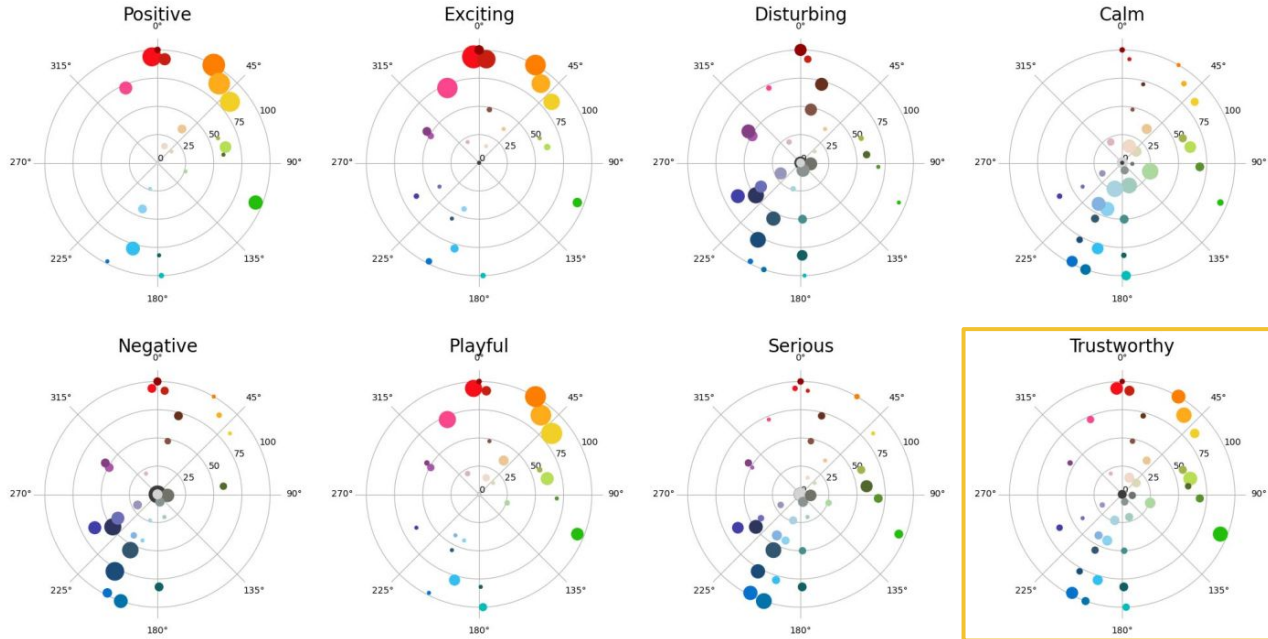


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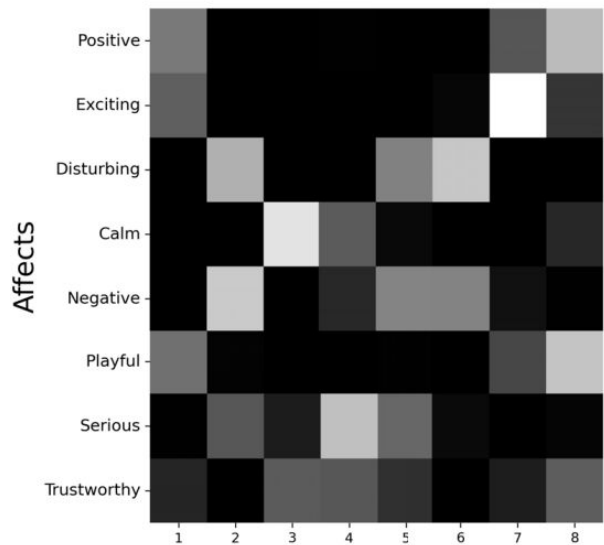
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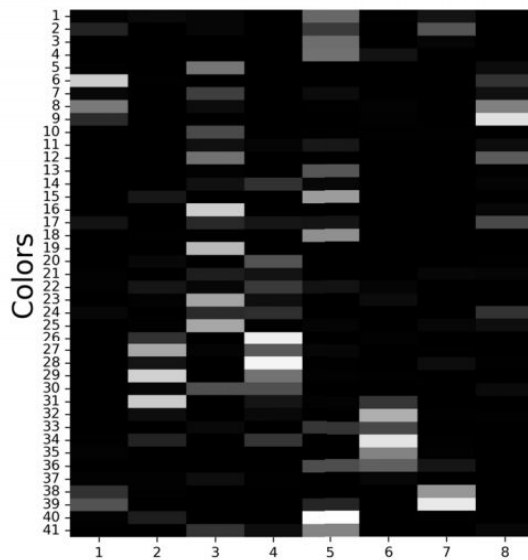
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**Affect: 8**



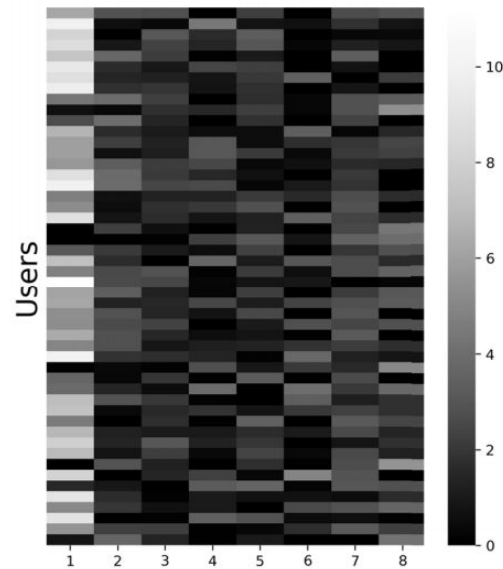
Factor matrix  $A$

**Color: 41**



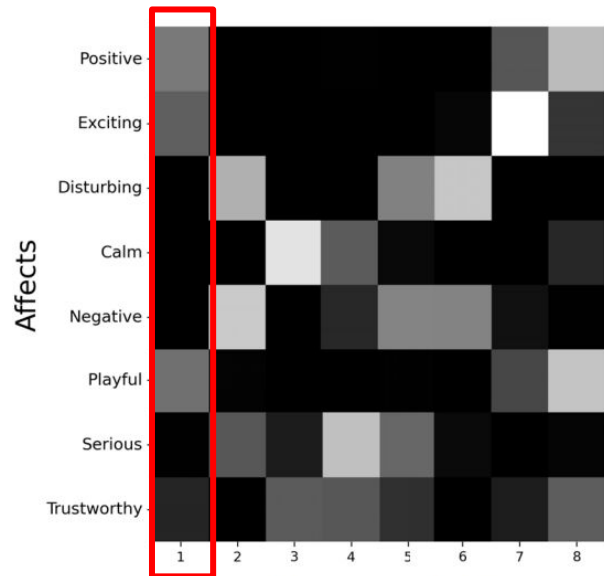
Factor matrix  $B$

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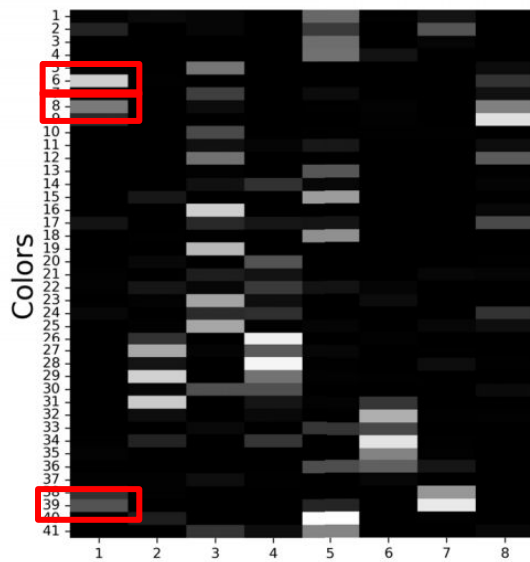


Factor matrix  $C$

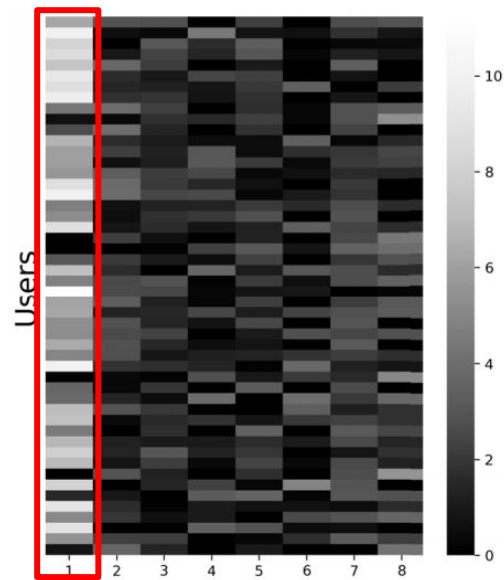
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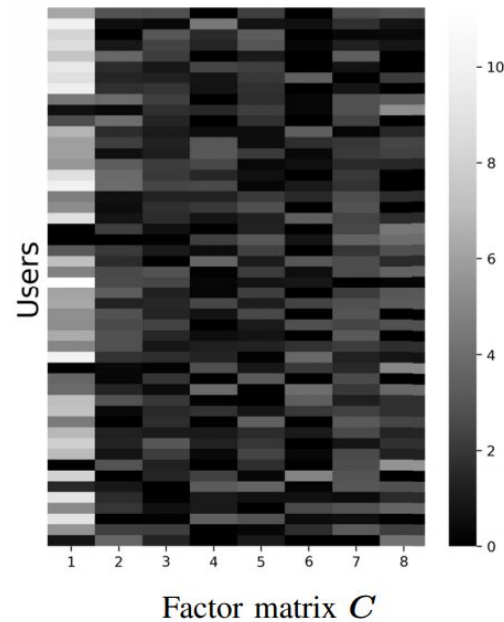
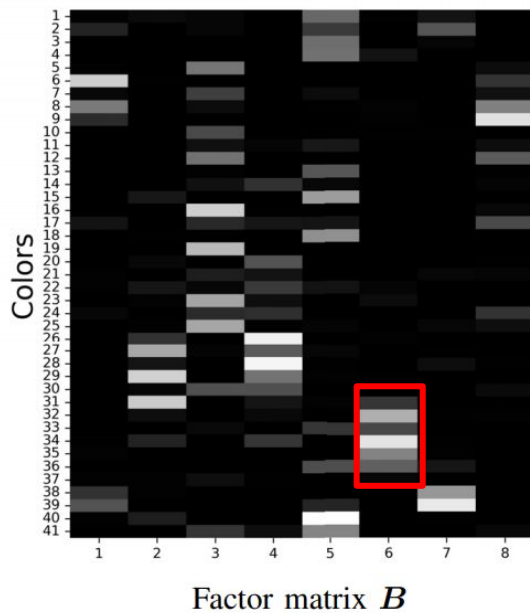
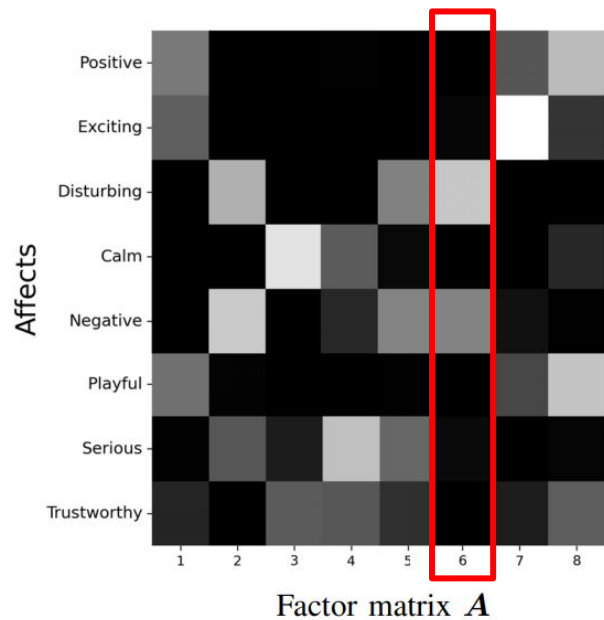


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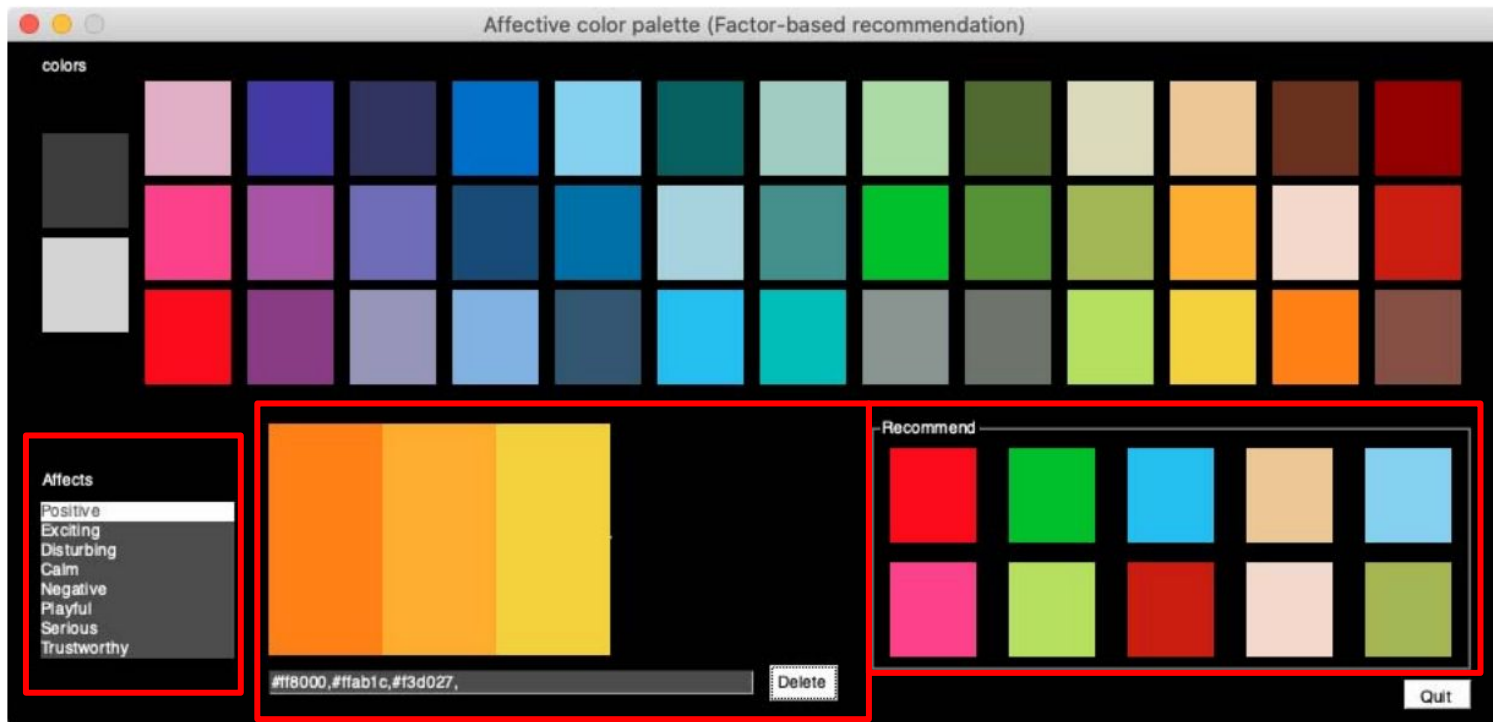
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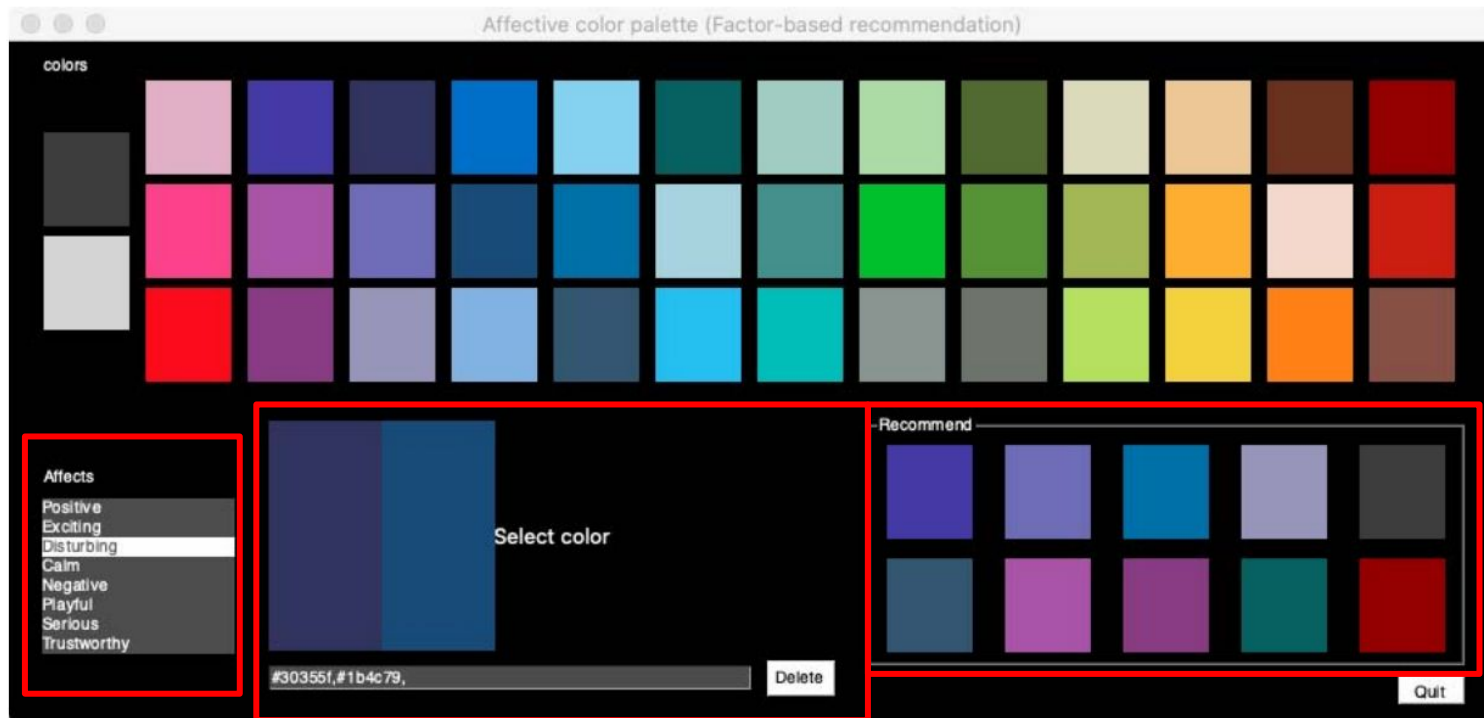
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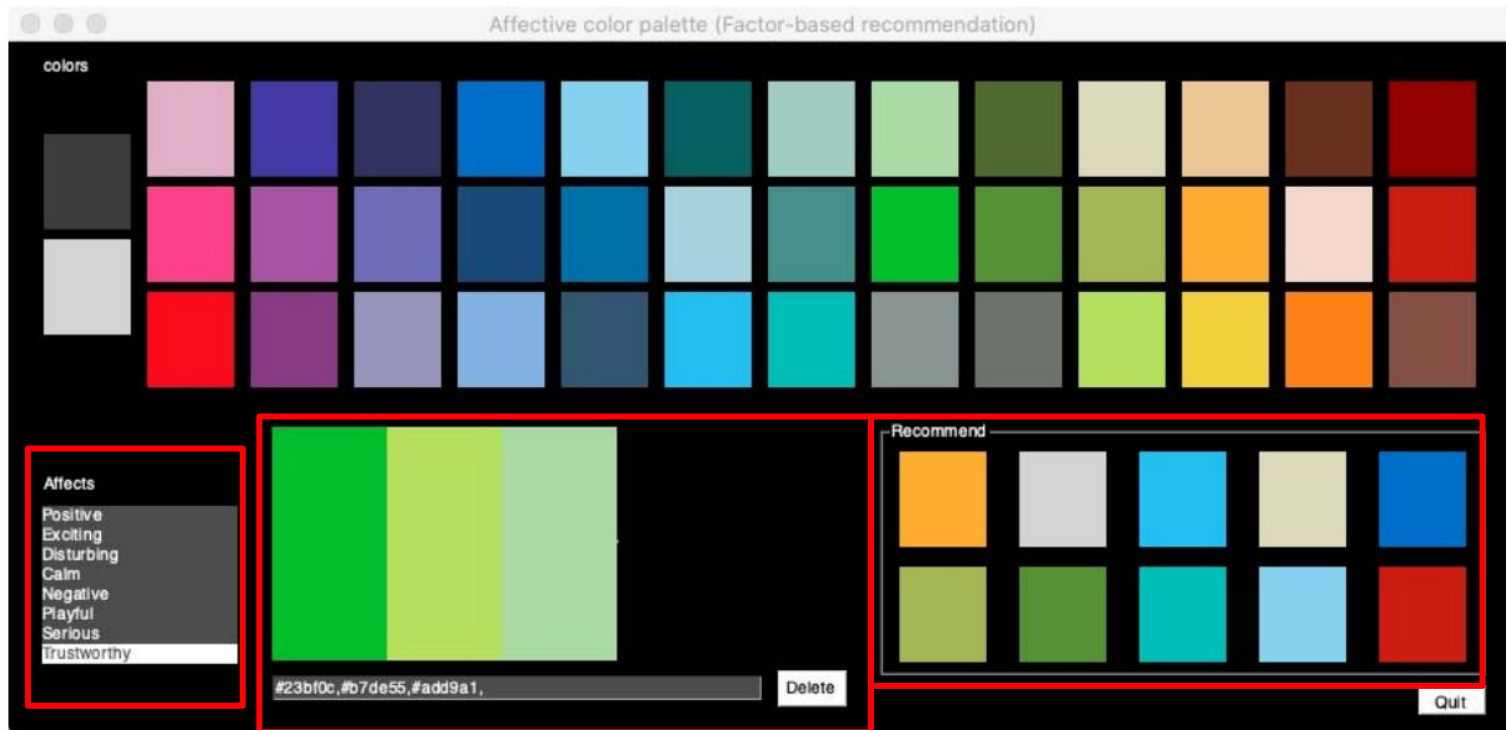
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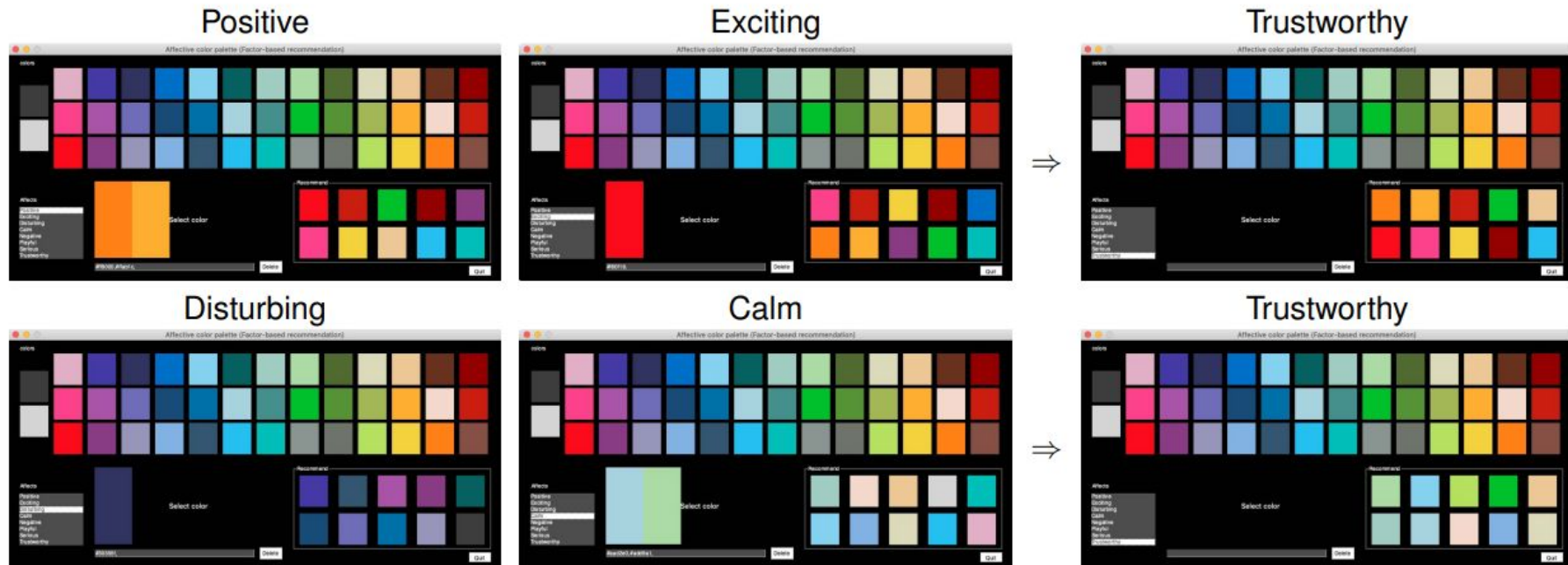
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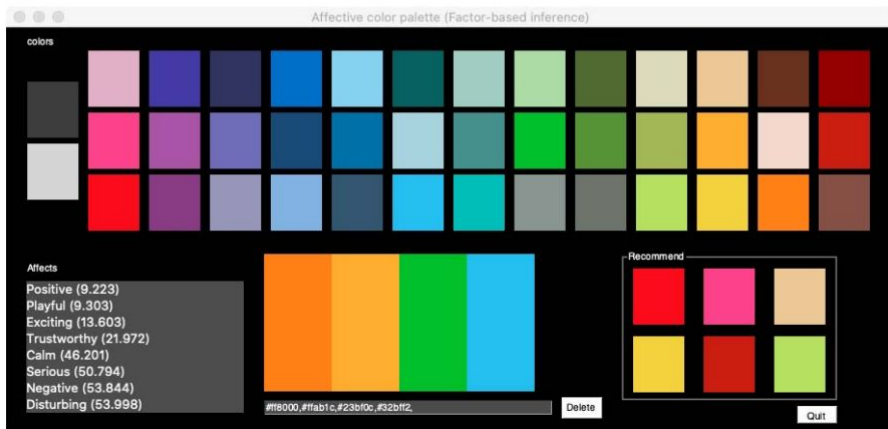
Case II: Predicting colors taking all affective categories into account



# Result

Case III: Predicting colors while inferring the corresponding affective category

## Positive



## Playful

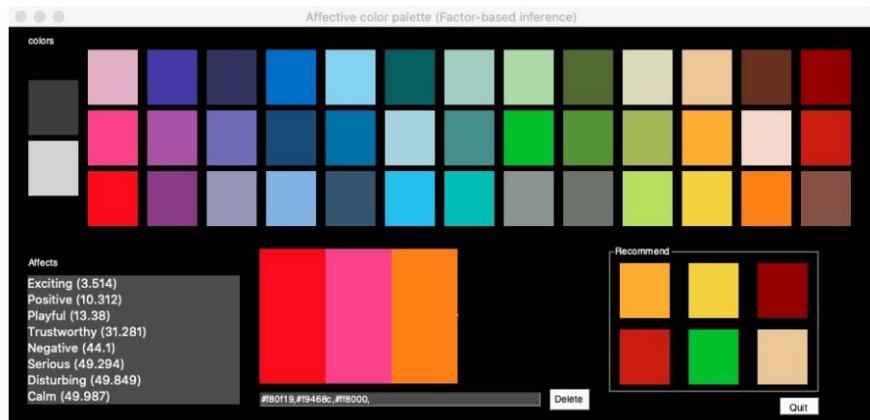




# Result

Case III: Predicting colors while inferring the corresponding affective category

## Exciting



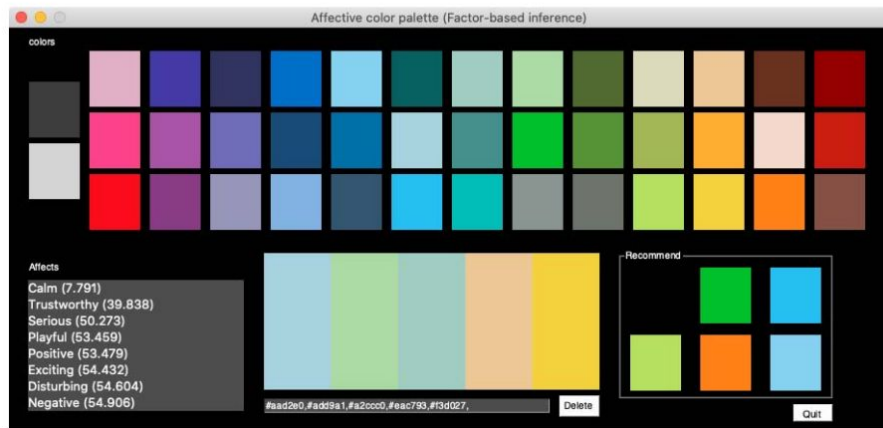
## Disturbing



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Case III: Predicting colors while inferring the corresponding affective category

## Calm



## Trustworthy



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# Conculsion

- This paper has presented an approach to color palette recommendation that considers emotional expressions and color preferences.
- The three case studies for color palette composition by considering affective types and demonstrated the applicability through interactions with the prototype system.
- Incorporating additional attributes/conditions for recommending colors, develop an interactive tool for adjusting color parameters.

# Thank You!

