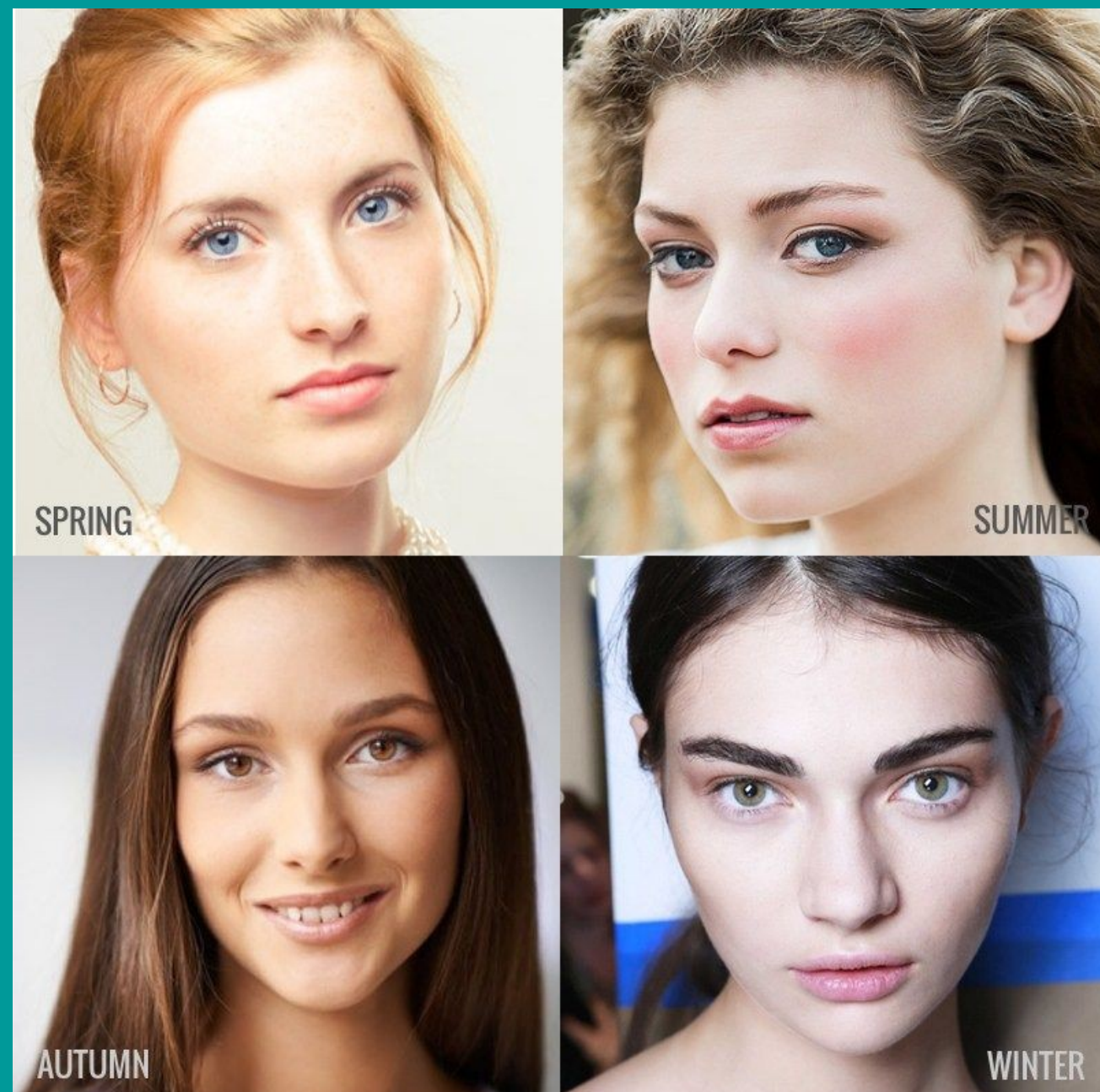


# Seasonal Color Classification: Can we train a model to do it from a picture?

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Stylists sometimes use in their work the idea of classifying appearances by color to find out which colors would suit the person the best.

One of those classifications is the four seasons:

Summer – muted and cool colors

Winter – bright and cool colors

Spring – bright and warm colors

Autumn – muted and warm colors

In my project, I tried to find out whether such classification is purely subjective, or has some statistical background behind it.

If it is real, can we train a neural network to determine the type by a photo?

Since there are two (independent?) parameters, there were two options to approach this task:

- 1) Classify by brightness and temperature independently and then combine the results to a single prediction
- 2) Decide that those parameters are unseparable and classify all the data together

The second approach was discovered to be the right one.

Also, although this is an image classification, the simplest FNN model, when applied to histograms of the images gave better results, than more sophisticated CNN models.

Given a FNN model with 10 layers of 1024 pixels and an image represented in RGB or HSV mode, the model gives a correct prediction in 82% percent of the cases.

Since it is possible to divide the given images into the right categories, it seems that this color classification system does have some 'real world' justification.

One can conclude that if with this humble dataset, it is possible to divide the given photos into the relevant categories, given a bigger dataset, it is possible to build a model that will provide an even more accurate result, so replacing a stylist for this matter with a computer program is possible.

Also, it seems that the assumption that dividing to two binary categories was inefficient, although this way each class had more samples. So it is possible that this classification is somewhat different from just those two different parameters.

Of course, this does not prove that the suggested color would be the most flattering, since flattering is a highly subjective matter.

