

# AP157 Capstone Project

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# Racial profiling is the practice of targeting individuals for suspicion of crime based on their race, ethnicity, religion, or national origin. <sup>a</sup>

- Reasons Why Racial Profiling is Bad: <sup>a</sup>
  1. Violation of Human Rights
  2. Ineffectiveness in Law Enforcement
  3. Erosion of Trust
  4. Psychological and Social Harm
  5. Legal and Ethical Concerns
- Instances of Wrongful Incrimination:
  1. Traffic Stops and Searches
  2. Stop-and-Frisk Practices <sup>b</sup>
  3. Post-9/11 Policies <sup>c</sup>
  4. Cases of Wrongful Arrest <sup>d</sup>

<sup>a</sup> <https://www.aclu.org/issues/racial-justice/race-and-criminal-justice/racial-profiling>

<sup>b</sup> <https://www.nyclu.org/data/stop-and-frisk-data>

<sup>c</sup> <https://www.hrw.org/reports/2002/usahate/usa1102-04.htm>

<sup>d</sup> <https://www.npr.org/sections/thetwo-way/2018/05/03/607973546>

This study aims to spread awareness and educate that no matter the situation, one must never judge another based on their color.

*“never judge a book by its cover”*

*-Aristotle (probably)*



Wild ???  
appeared!

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Scyther  
Bug/Flying



Togekiss  
Fairy/Flying



Mamoswine  
Ice/Ground



# Gotta catch 'em all!

Type-profiling Pokémon based on their color  
using image processing and machine learning

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# Dataset

- Datasets were retrieved from Kaggle.com
- Dataset by Vishal Subbiah was used in this study <sup>1</sup>

	Name	Type1	Type2	Evolution
0	bulbasaur	Grass	Poison	ivysaur
1	ivysaur	Grass	Poison	venusaur
2	venusaur	Grass	Poison	NaN
3	charmander	Fire	NaN	charmeleon
4	charmeleon	Fire	NaN	charizard
...	...	...	...	...
804	stakataka	Rock	Steel	NaN
805	blacephalon	Fire	Ghost	NaN
806	zeraora	Electric	NaN	NaN
807	meltan	Steel	NaN	NaN
808	melmetal	Steel	NaN	NaN
809 rows x 4 columns				

Figure 1. Pokémon Dataset

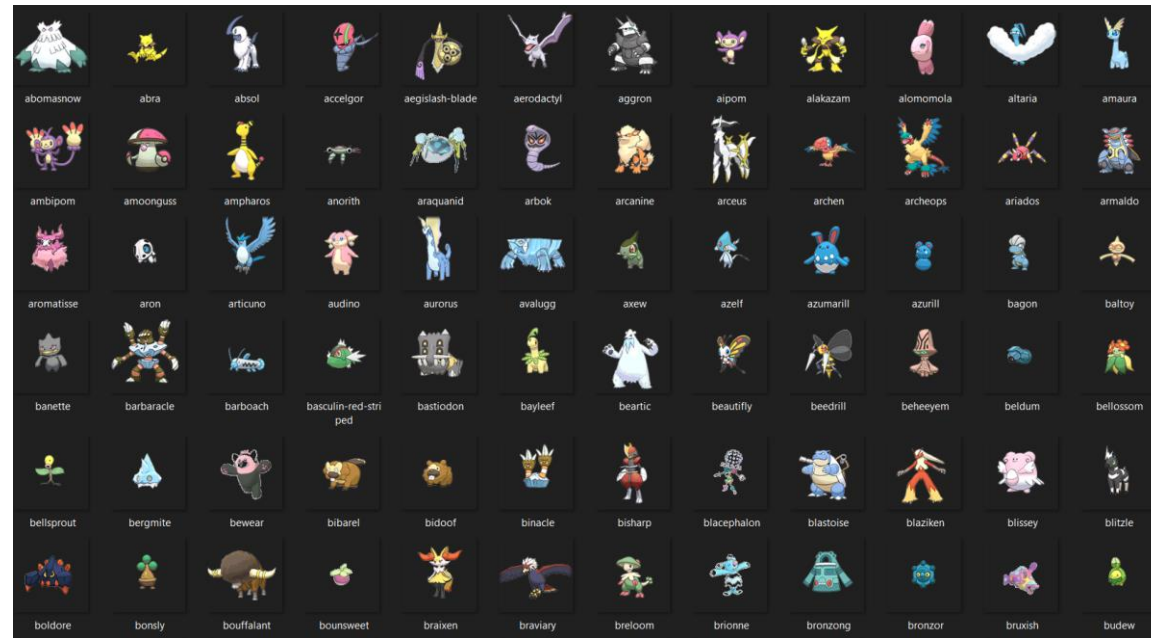


Figure 2. Pokémon Images

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/vishalsubbiah/pokemon-images-and-types>

# Image processing

- Color Thief <sup>2</sup>
  - a Python library that extracts the dominant color or a palette of colors from an image
  - utilizes the k-means clustering algorithm to analyze colors and identify the most prominent colors

Figure 3. Color Thief process flowchart

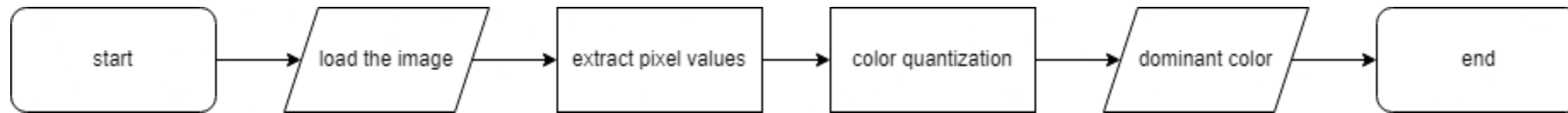


Figure 4. Pikachu dominant color and palette



Figure 5. Eevee dominant color and palette

<sup>2</sup><https://github.com/fengsp/color-thief-py>



# Machine learning

- Scikit-learn <sup>3</sup>
  - Model selection: train\_test\_split was used to split dataset (names, types, colors) into train and test subsets
  - Model training: random forest classifier was used to train the model

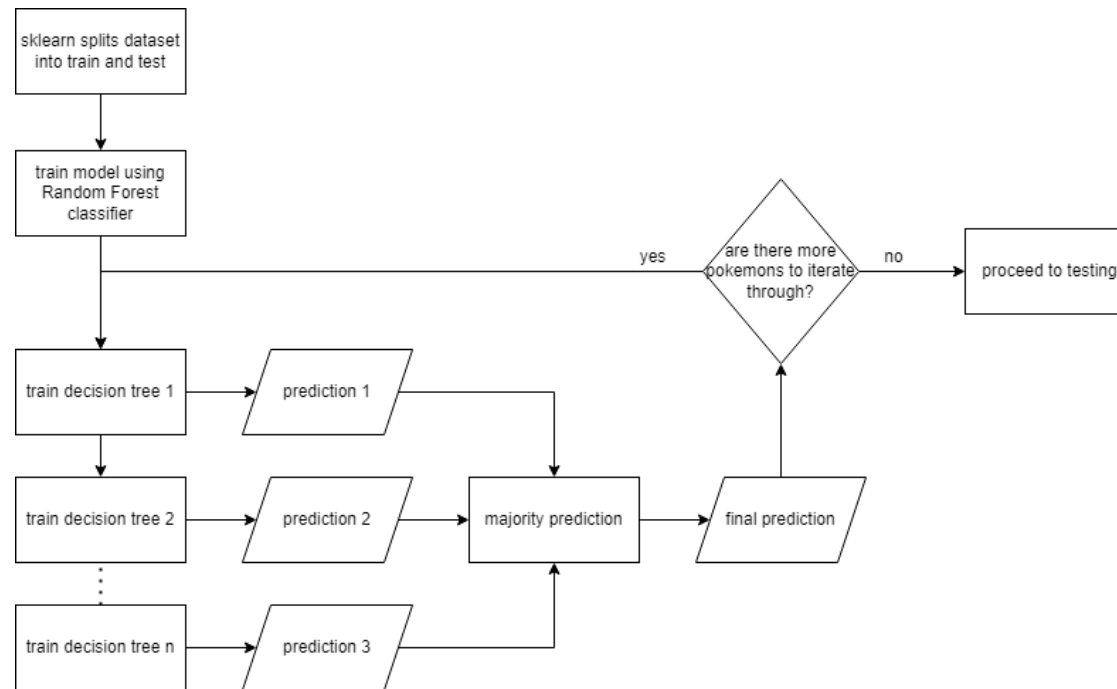


Figure 6. Model training flowchart using Random Forest classifier

<sup>3</sup><https://scikit-learn.org/stable/>

# Machine learning

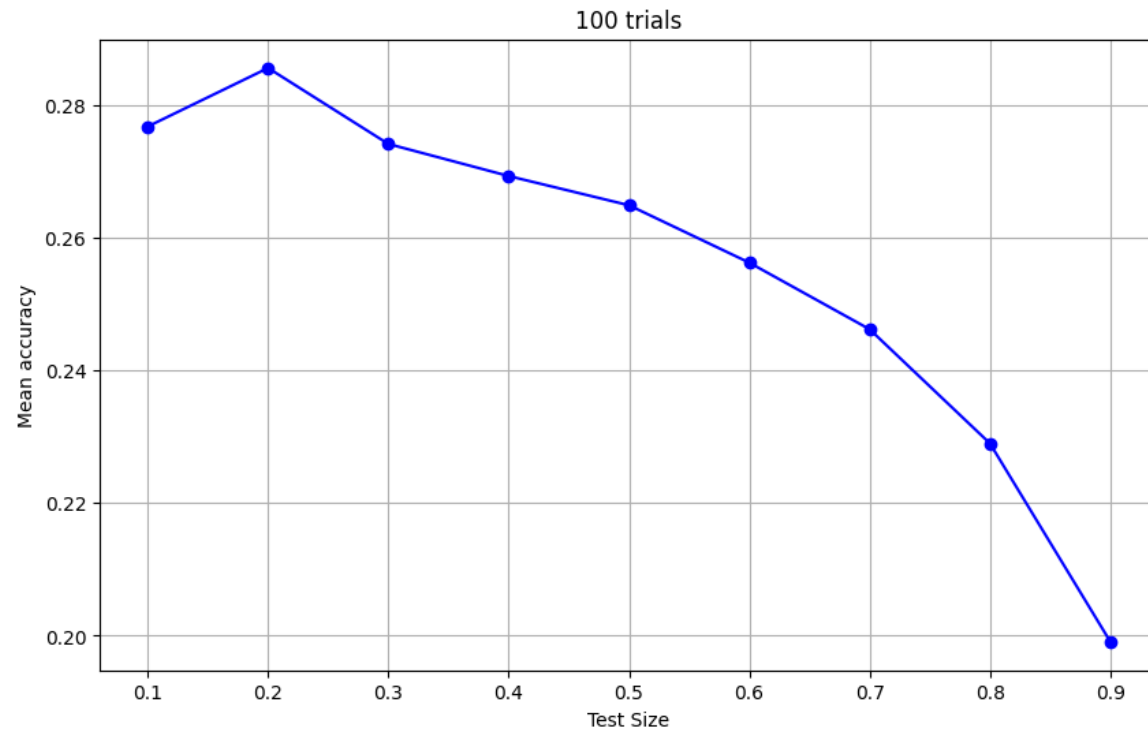


Figure 7. Mean accuracy of varying test sizes over 100 trials

<sup>3</sup><https://scikit-learn.org/stable/>

# Results

- First test: at least one predicted type matches

```
swinub
predicted: Normal
real type: Ice and Ground
Failed

cyndaquil
predicted: Fire
real type: Fire
SUCCESSFUL PREDICTIONS = 13

wartortle
predicted: Psychic
real type: Water
Failed

lombre
predicted: Grass
real type: Water and Grass
SUCCESSFUL PREDICTIONS = 14

haunter
predicted: Poison
real type: Ghost and Poison
SUCCESSFUL PREDICTIONS = 15
```

Accuracy: 26.9%

Figure 8. First test sample results and accuracy

- Second Test: predicted type must match primary type

```
huntail
predicted: Rock
real type: Water
FAILED

pelipper
predicted: Water
real type: Water and Flying
SUCCESS

heatmor
predicted: Fire
real type: Fire
SUCCESS

lotad
predicted: Grass
real type: Water and Grass
FAILED

marill
predicted: Normal
real type: Water and Fairy
FAILED
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Accuracy: 25.2%

Figure 9. First test sample results and accuracy

# Results

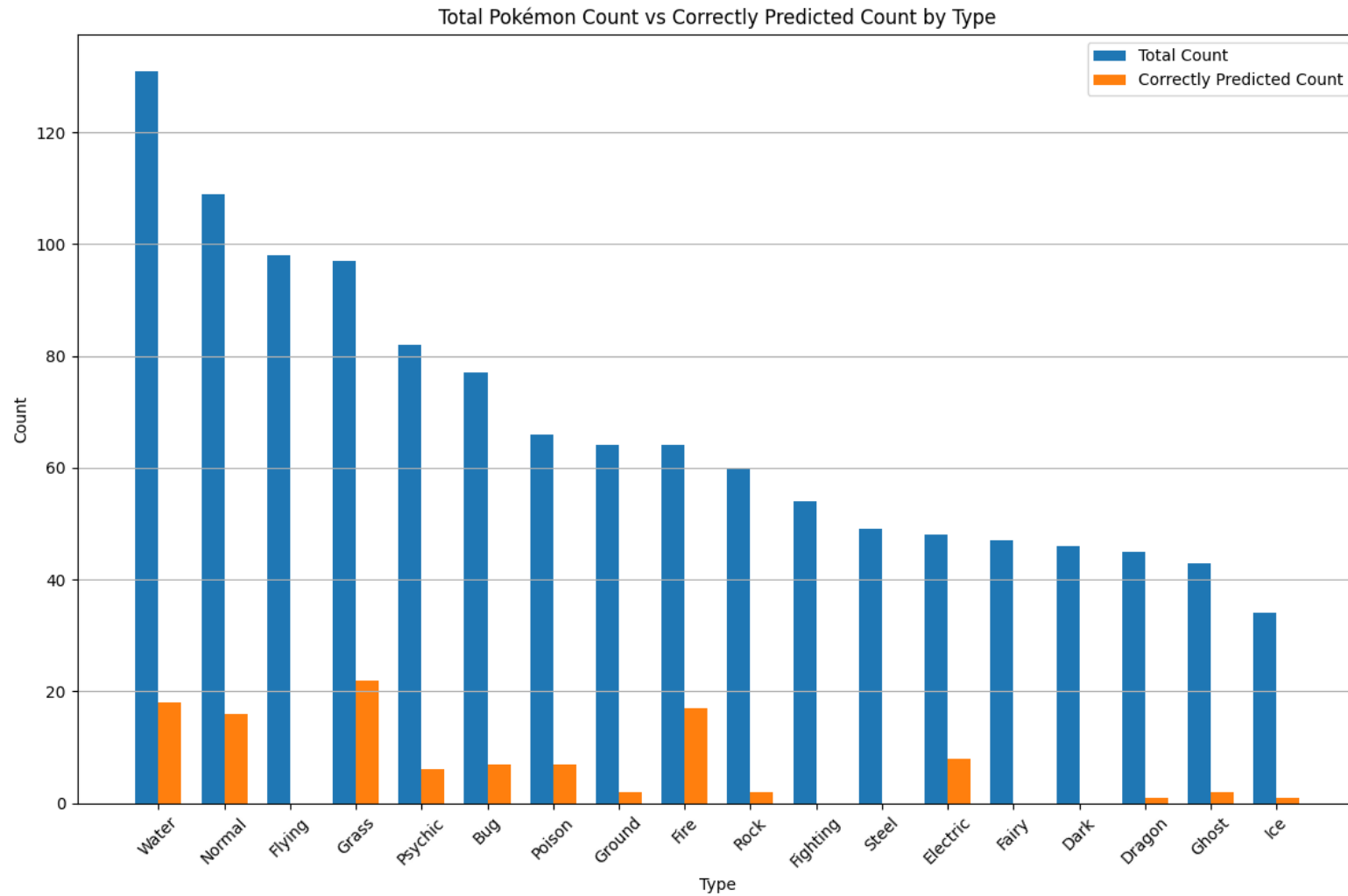


Figure 10. Total Pokémon count with the number of correctly predicted count for each type

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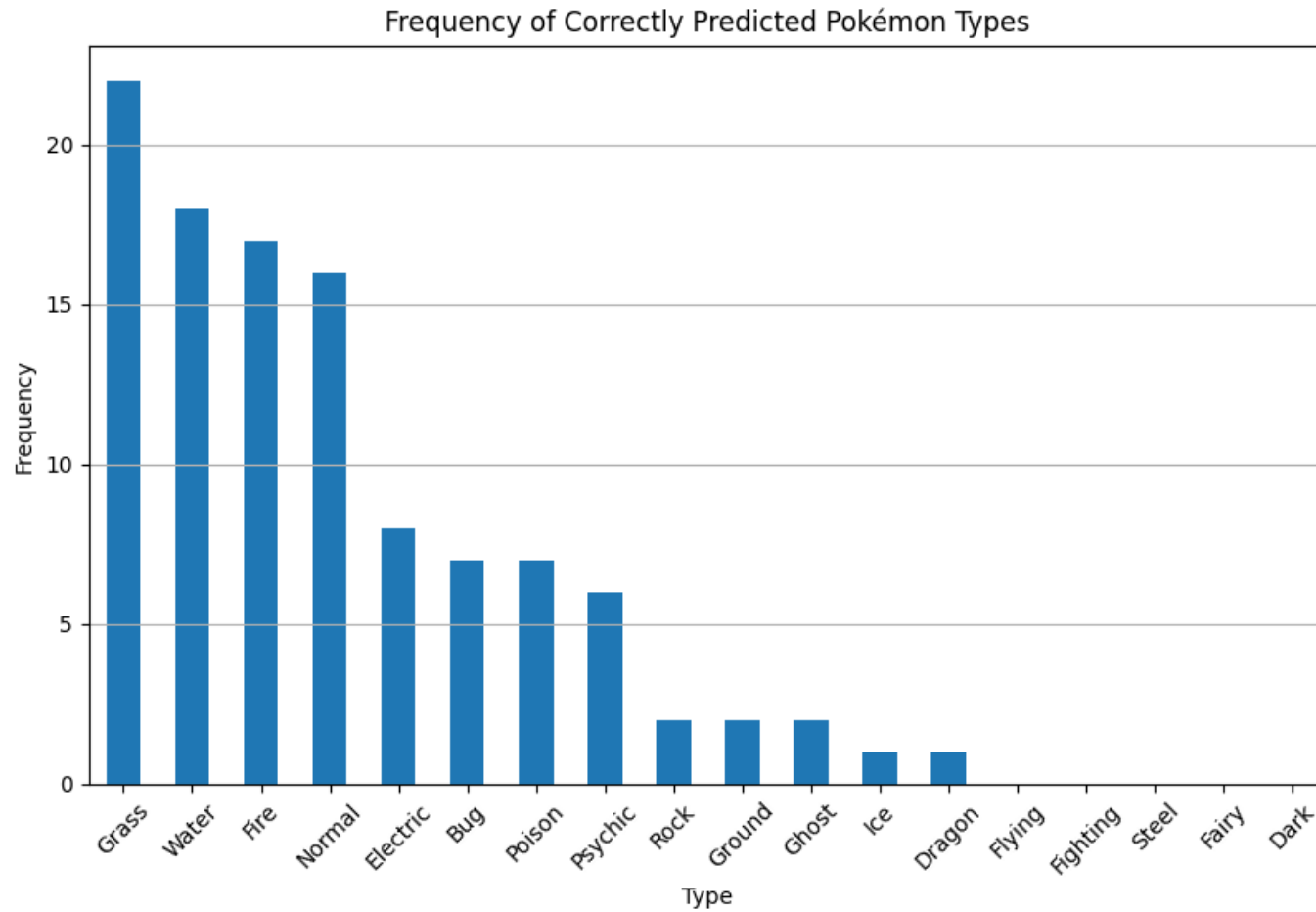


Figure 11. Frequency of successful predictions by type

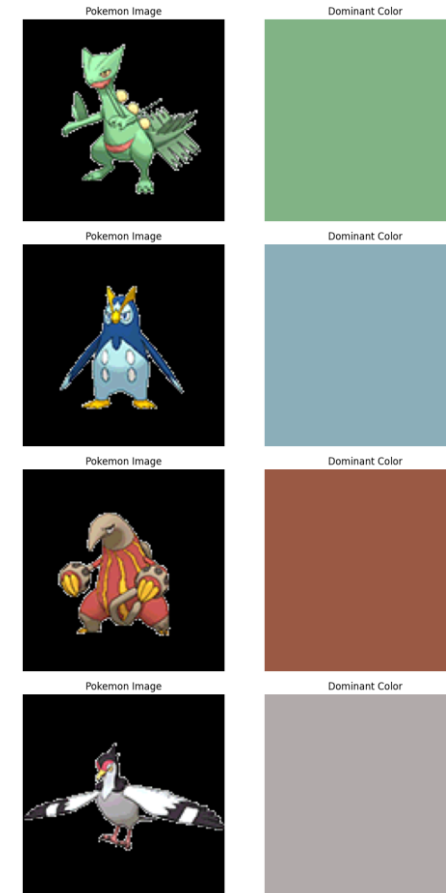


Figure 12. Grass, Water, Fire, and Normal type sample Pokémons and their dominant color

# Insights and Limitations

- Pokémon aesthetics

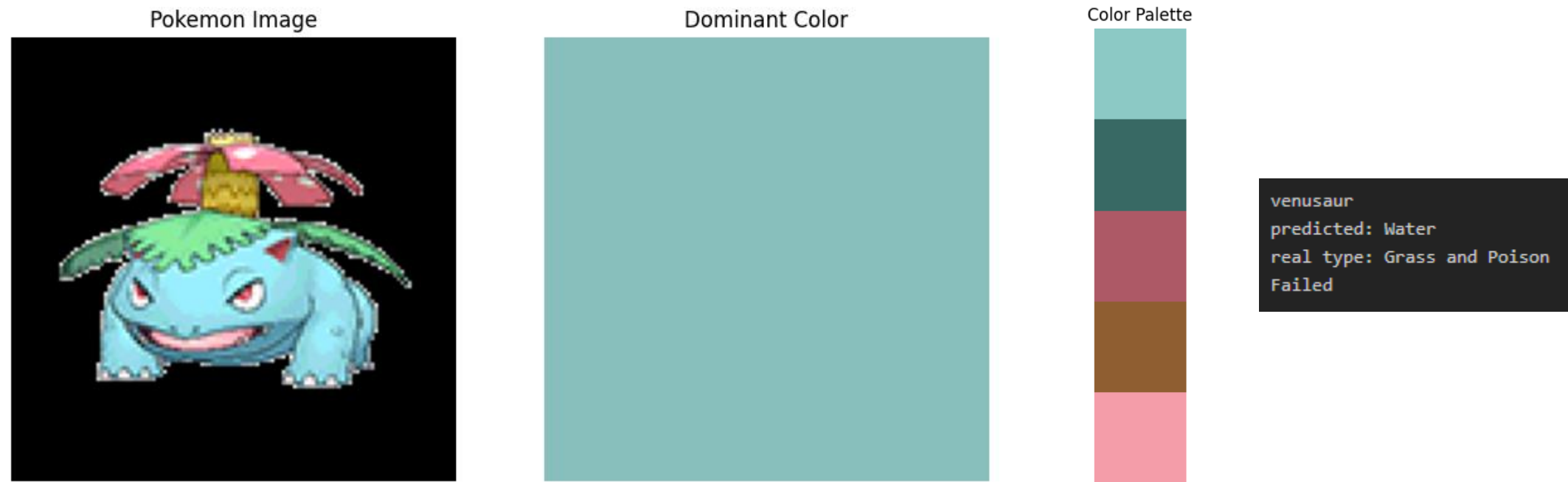


Figure 13. Venusaur, a Grass/Poison type Pokémon, with its dominant color, palette and model-predicted type

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- Lack of representative color

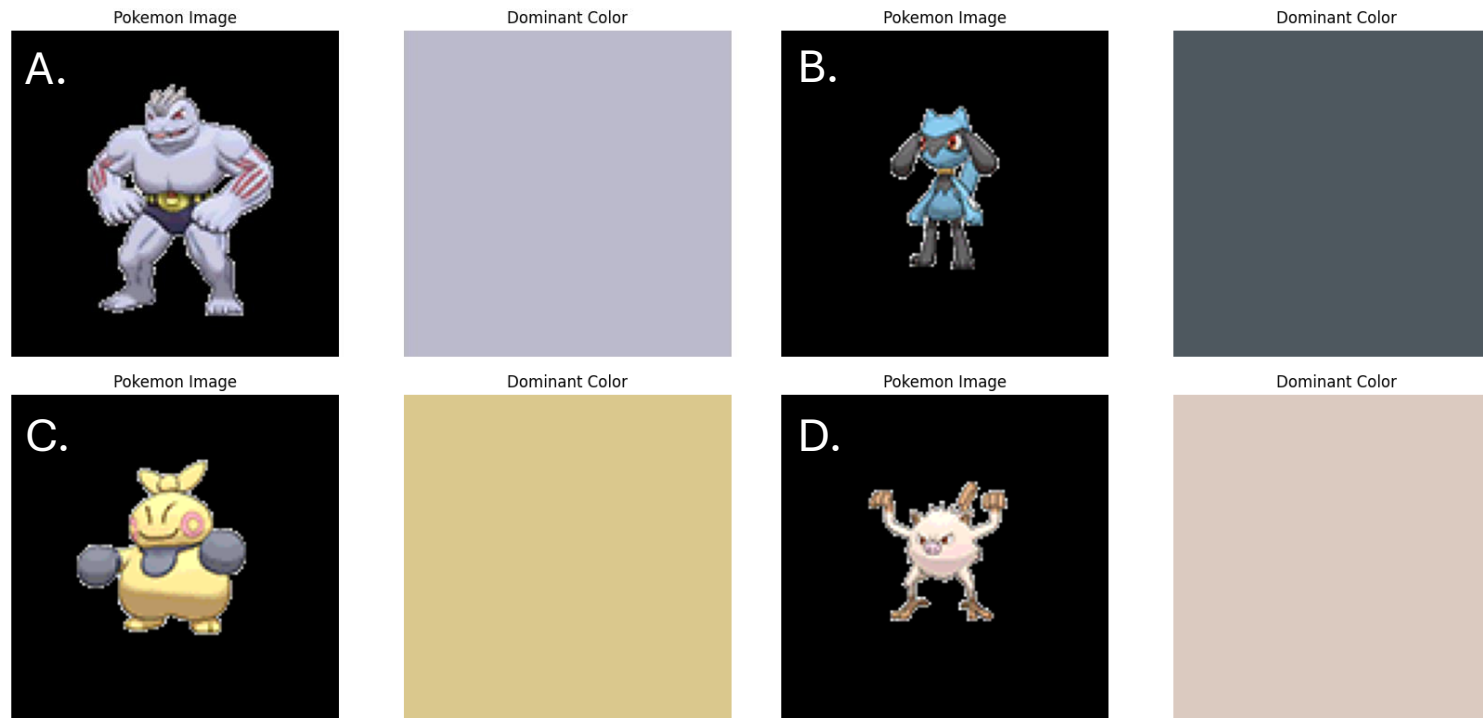


Figure 14. Four pure fighting-type pokemons with varying dominant colors.  
A = Machoke. B = Riolu. C = Mauhita. D = Mankey

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Bug/Flying



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Mamoswine  
Ice/Ground





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**DARK???/???**



Scyther  
Bug/Flying



Togekiss  
Fairy/Flying



Mamoswine  
Ice/Ground



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DARK??/?



Scyther

Bug/Flying



Togekiss

Fairy/Flying



Mamoswine

Ice/Ground



Eelektross  
**ELECTRIC**



Scyther  
Bug/**Flying**



Togekiss  
Fairy/**Flying**



Mamoswine  
Ice/**Ground**



# Conclusion

- Color of Pokémon is **not** a good indicator for type, with an accuracy of only 26.9% and 25.2% on the first and second test, respectively.
- Usage of CNN deep learning algorithm might be able to achieve higher accuracy.
- Using CNN, double type prediction may be possible.

# Conclusion



# References

Dataset:

Subbiah, V. (March 2024). Pokemon Image Dataset. Retrieved from <https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/vishalsubbiah/pokemon-images-and-types> on May 16, 2024

Other images and GIFs:

Pokémon Database (n.d.). Retrieved from <https://pokemondb.net/> on May 16, 2024

