

Adding Emotions to Pictures

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1. Introduction

Many out-of-copyright classic works of children literature are available as e-books:

- * Project Gutenberg
- * Google Books
- * Internet Archive

However, they are **not particularly appealing** for children to read.



2. Idea

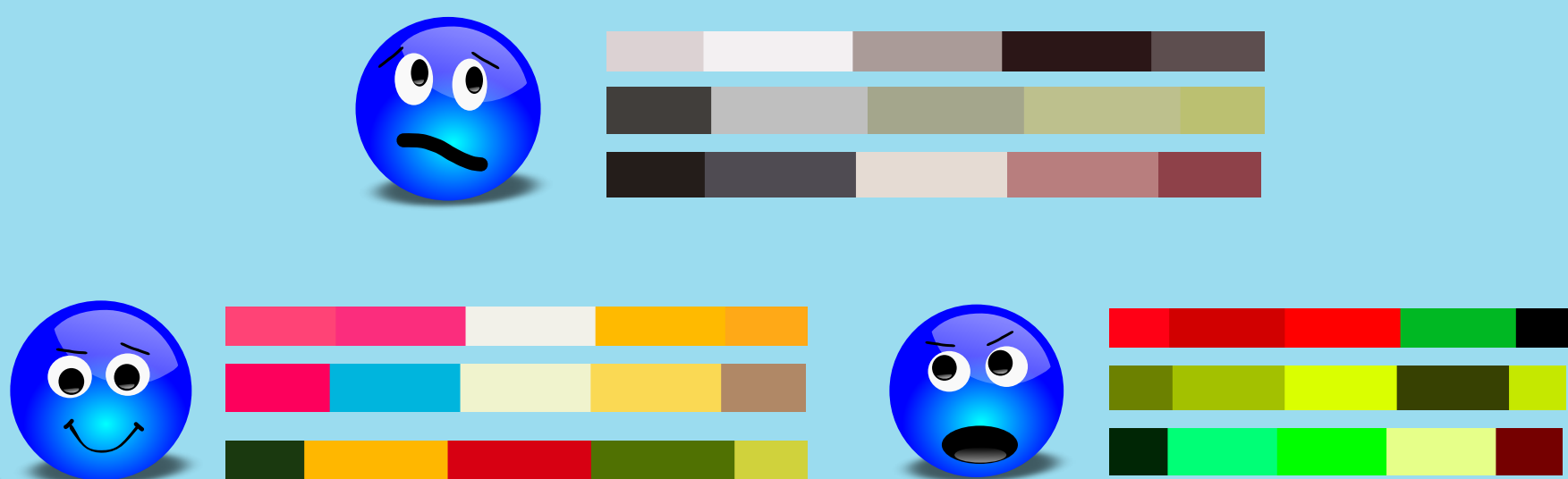
Automatically illustrating those texts with images makes them more entertaining to read.

Existing work on text2image focuses on factoid sentences [1], while children texts often contain emotional paragraphs.

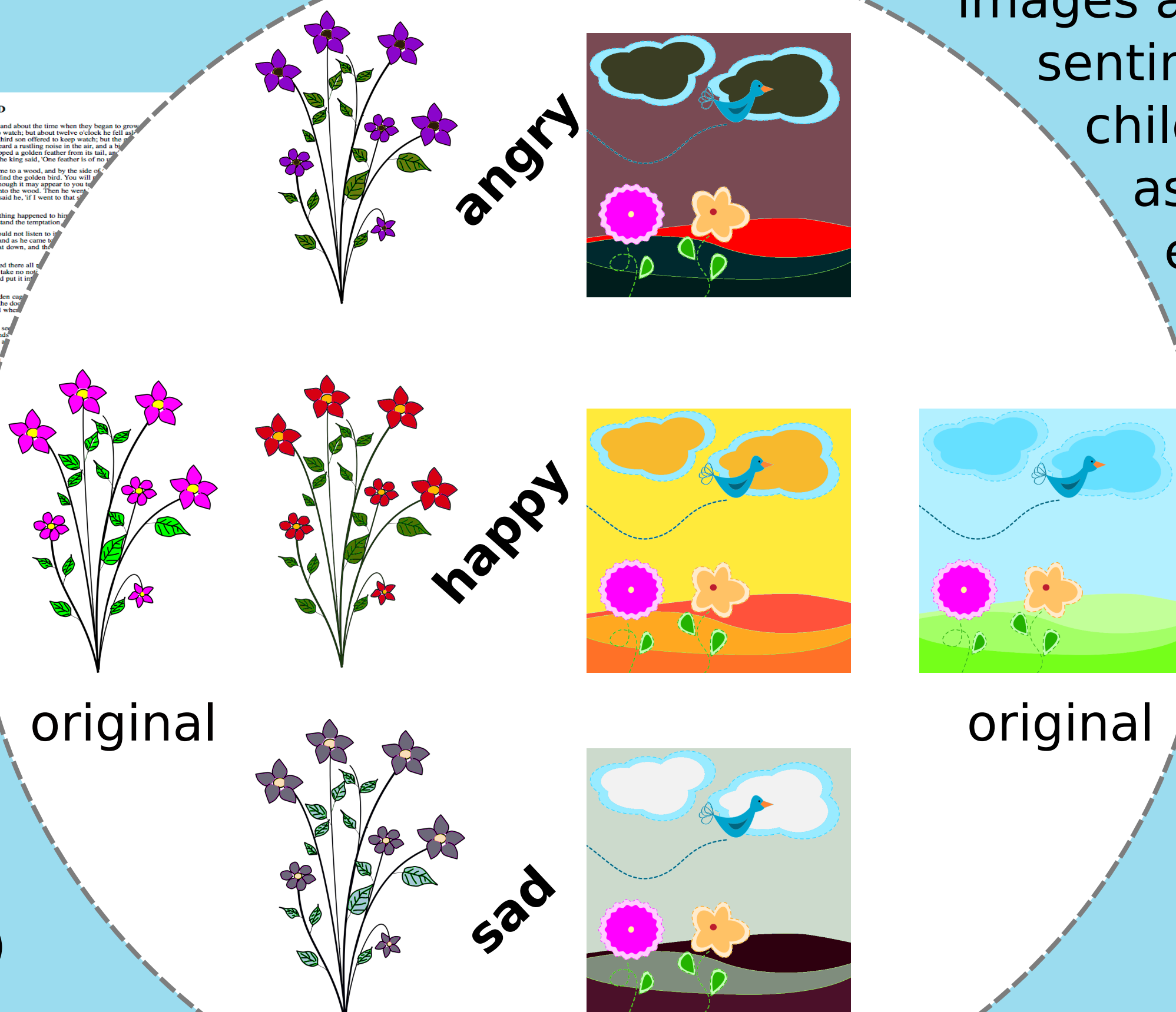
Proposal: Postprocess selected images according to the found sentiment [2]. Since children are able to associate colors with emotions [3], we can alter the image's color scheme acc. to the sentiment.

3. Colors

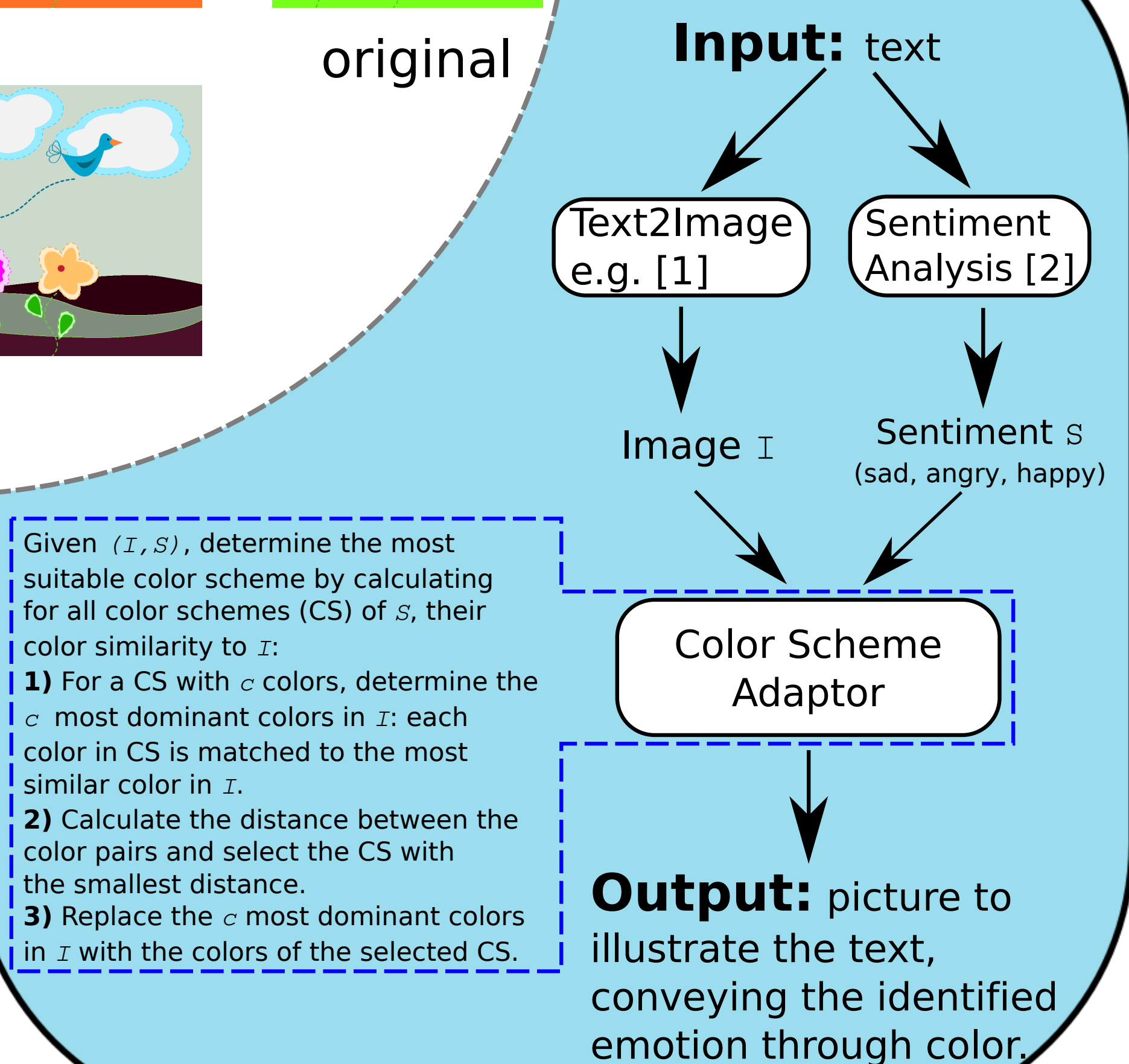
Fifty color schemes were extracted for each sentiment (sad, happy, angry) from Kuler: each scheme consists of 4-5 colors; with tags provided by users.



<http://kuler.adobe.com/>



4. Approach



5. Future Work

User study with children

- (i) Do children recognize the different emotions conveyed?
- (ii) Are children interested in such pictures?

Combination of color schemes

Currently each color scheme has a maximum of five colors.

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