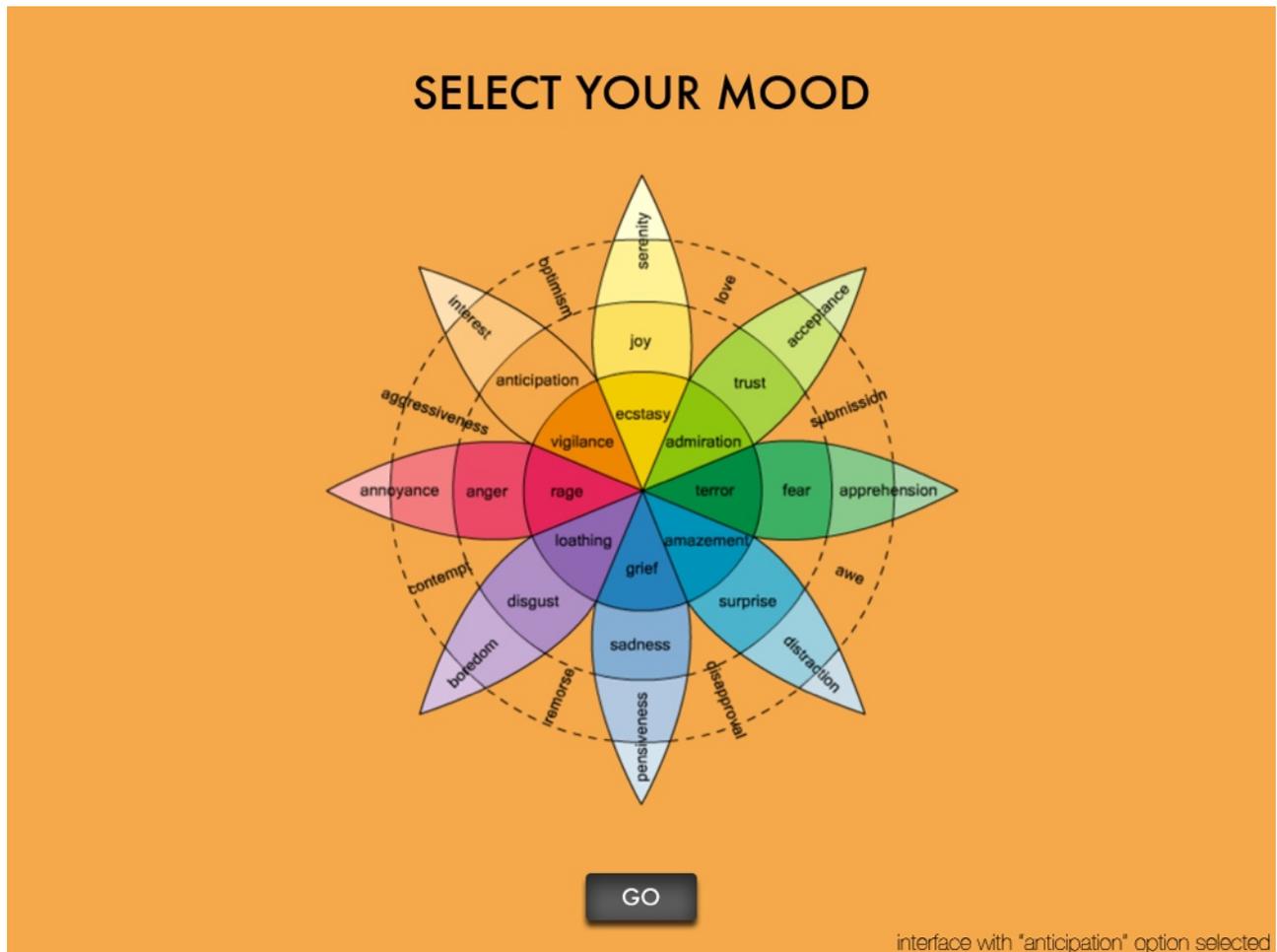
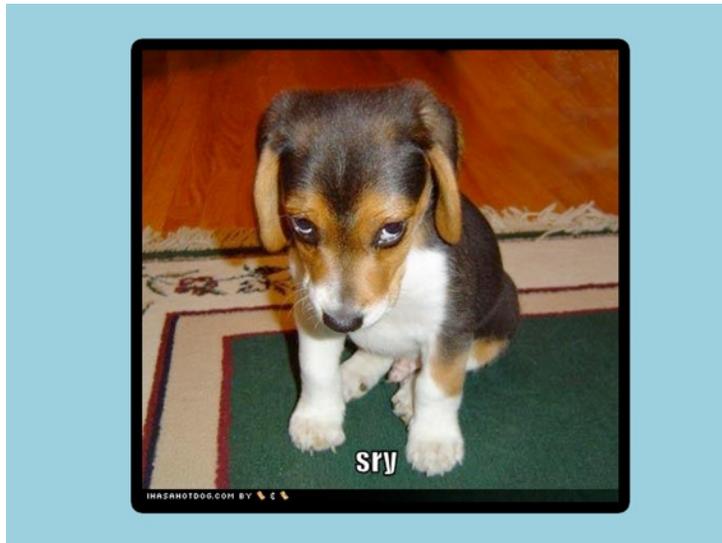


EMOTIONALLY AUGMENTED SPACE

Imagine waking up in the morning full of anticipation: you are waiting for important test results. As you are getting your breakfast and going to work you cannot get your mind off of it - it creates a very distracting anxiety for you. You keep thinking about the possible outcomes and as you expect a generally positive result you can't wait to have it. Your mind keeps revolving around this anticipation leaving very little space for anything else. But you have to work and take care of your daily duties. Luckily, you have an emotionally augmented space installed in one of the rooms at work. As you walk into the room you enter your log-in information into a small computer terminal at the entrance and sit down in a comfortable chair in front of a large pale white monitor and put your arms on the armrests. The biometric sensors in the armrests read your emotional condition of anticipation and anxiety. Under your fingers you have familiar laptop-like mousepads. The large monitor displays an interface allowing you to confirm or correct the biometric reading.



You verify the reading and click “GO”. The background color changes and displays an image of a very cute puppy. After a minute or two it changes to another similar picture. The sound system starts playing one of your favorite songs; you get an SMS with a funny message.



Please answer some questions to help me in the development of this system:

1. How often would you use a system like this?
2. How much time would you invest to help the system adapt to your personality by inputting your preferences, correcting the system’s choices, sharing your personal information with the system?
 - a) 5 min/day
 - b) 15 min/day
 - c) 30 min/day
 - d) 1 hour/day
 - e) more
3. Would feel comfortable if this system had access to your personal information on the web: Facebook and Twitter accounts, browser history, other personal accounts?

4. Would feel comfortable fully relying on the computer to recognize your emotional state or would your prefer to input this information yourself?