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## Google has released a tool to spot faked and doctored images | MIT Technology Review

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Jigsaw, a technology incubator at Google, has released <u>an experimental platform called Assembler</u> to help journalists and front-line fact-checkers quickly verify images.

**How it works:** Assembler combines several <u>existing techniques</u> in academia for detecting common manipulation techniques, including changing image brightness and pasting copied pixels elsewhere to cover up something while retaining the same visual texture. It also includes a detector that spots deepfakes of the type created using StyleGAN, an algorithm that can generate realistic imaginary faces. These detection techniques feed into a master model that tells users how likely it is that an image has been manipulated.

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