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## Twitter's racist algorithm is also ageist, ableist and Islamaphobic, researchers find | NBC

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> <u>A Twitter image-cropping algorithm</u> that went viral last year when users discovered it preferred white people to Black people was also coded with implicit bias against a number of other groups, researchers have found.

> Researchers looked at how the algorithm, which automatically edited photos to focus on people's faces, dealt with a variety of different people and saw evidence that Muslims, people with disabilities and older people faced similar discrimination. The same artificial intelligence had learned to ignore people with white or gray hair, who wore headscarves for religious or other reasons, or who used wheelchairs, researchers said.

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