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Demystifying Science: What is a Visual Turing Test?

A Turing Test, named for mathematician Alan Turing, centres on the idea that if a computer was able to trick a human into believing that it was human, then the machine was deemed to be "intelligent" or indistinguishable from people. But passing a 'Visual' Turing Test involves computers being able to recognise objects in photographs and other images and "understanding" the relationships or implied activities between them. Researchers have recently devised a method of evaluating how well computers perform at that task. Researchers from Brown and Johns Hopkins Universities, U.S. have come up with a new way to evaluate how well computers can divine information from images.

In an apparent attempt to crack down on revenge porn, Twitter has introduced a new policy that states that no one can post or share "intimate photos

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