Media Literacy Education for Adult Audiences: Navigating the Attention Economy

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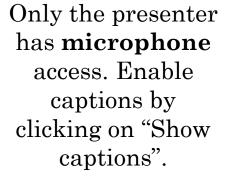
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Algorithms



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Algorithm Design

- Objective Setting
- Data Collection
- Modeling and Training
- Testing and Adjustment
- Continuous Optimization



Ranked...based on what?

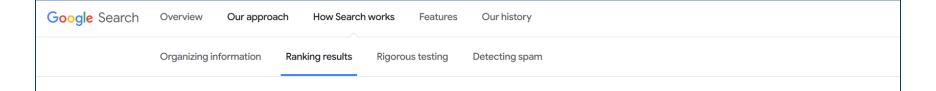
- How often it's linked to by others
- User location information
- Search history



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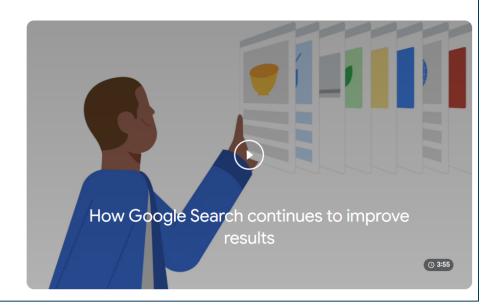


"Google It"



Automatically generating and ranking results

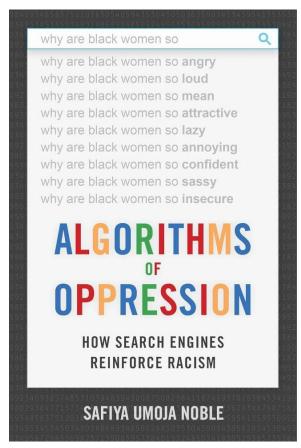
Google's ranking systems are designed to sort through hundreds of billions of webpages and other digital content to present the most relevant, useful results on the first page in a fraction of a second.

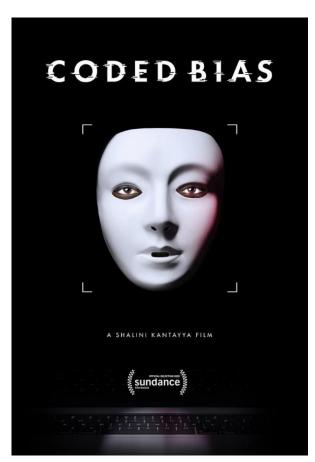


Screenshot of the website that explains Google's page rank algorithm, Page Rank (PR), taken 11.11.2024



The Question of Neutrality

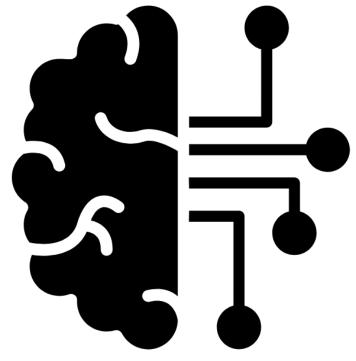




Book covers and film poster from author and producer websites, 2024



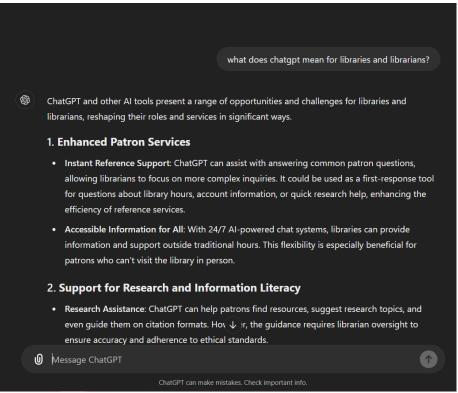
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What Does It Mean?



Screenshot of answer for ChatGPT query, "What does chatgpt mean for libraries and librarians?", 2024

- Quality of information is paramount
- Watch for bias
- Protect privacy
- Watch for IP issues





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What determines the information that shows up in online search results? Why do results vary from person to person when the same search terms are used? Why do vacation ads appear across different websites after searching for a travel agent? The answers to these questions point to a set of structures that affect the information we all see and find online.

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