# AUTHENTICITY TRAP Do you really want to be who you are?

An Al Ethics Case Study

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Consumers say sticky orange dust a Cheetos disadvantage.

NeuroFocus discovered the icky dust triggers a powerful sense of giddy, enjoyable subversion.

AI marketing can contradict the findings of focus groups.

Gizmodo Science, Neuroscientific Explanation for Why We Love Cheetos

GET WHAT YOUR TRUE YOU WANTS, DESPITE WHAT YOU THINK YOU WANT, OR WANT TO WANT





### NO ESCAPE FROM YOURSELF

PLACE: DELETED "You have one identity. The days of having a different image for your co-workers, and for other people you know, are ending. Having two identities for yourself is an example of a lack of integrity."

- Facebook's Mark Zuckerberg



PART IV.

## Integrity and Authenticity

#### 17. Misrepresentation

Authenticity is the cornerstone of our community. We believe that people are more accountable for their statements and actions when they use their authentic identities. That's why we require people to connect on Facebook using the name they go by in everyday life. Our authenticity policies are intended to create a care contronment where people can trust and hold one another accountable.



Why do people want to be authentic?

Can data and algorithms truly capture who you truly are?

## Authenticity

If you had to choose right now, would you want to know and be yourself perfectly, or remake yourself from nothing?

Provocation: Make the case that it is good to be inauthentic

Provocation: Can the marketing and platforms of authenticity be turned against themselves?



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