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Implicit Bias

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Our explicit attitudes towards our fellow humans shape our treatment of them. But many of our actions seem to be guided by our less than explicit dispositions toward others. Many racist and prejudicial attitudes are thought to be such implicit biases. What is the role of these bias attitudes in our actions and decision making? Can their impact on our actions be overcome by explicit attitudes or beliefs? Are these implicit attitudes different in kind compared to the explicit attitudes we endorse?

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