jeff bezos is my interior decorator

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so anyway

when we moved into spelman hall senior year we ordered this futon off amazon right and obviously we're lazy or maybe just indecisive or maybe we just like trust the system so we type "futon" into amazon and just like pick the first one

and let me tell you















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i start seeing it everywhere

like everyone i mean literally everyone has this dang futon

btw its name is emily







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right so there's this idea that algorithmic recommender systems have created this flattening of individual taste

algorithms show you things it thinks you would want right so then the things that get popular get shown more and so they stay popular

everyone's just minding their business online and then one day bam everyone owns this couch

writer kyle chayka says we're living in "airspace"

"It's the realm of coffee shops, bars, startup offices, and co-live / work spaces that share the same hallmarks everywhere you go: a profusion of symbols of comfort and quality, at least to a certain connoisseurial mindset. Minimalist furniture. Craft beer and avocado toast. Reclaimed wood. Industrial lighting. Cortados. Fast internet."









anyway when it's time to move out people are throwing out their furniture

and we find this couch dumpyard with three of these identical emily futons stacked next to each other on the sidewalk





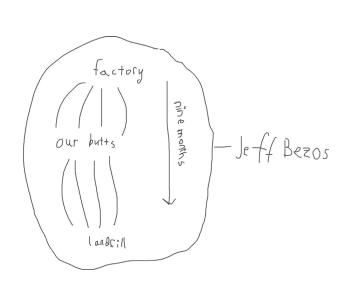
and i start thinking about the life cycle of these emilys

from some factory worker being told by an algorithm to keep cranking them out to the bajillion twentysomethings that keep buying them to some sanitation worker who has to come collect all these dang couches off the sidewalk

and it tickles me a bit that we're all doing what we're doing because of jeff bezos

jeff brought us together

technology really has the power to transform the world or like at least algorithmically determine what ends up in the landfill





i imagine an archaeological excavation digging through geological layers of emily futons stacked on top of each other

the vanilla ones are at the top, then pink, then green, then navy linen and grey linen

and the only difference between my imaginary landfill and the earth right now is the density of emilys in any given place

but as time approaches infinity, so does emily density

that's just algorithmically inevitable

anyway after i graduate i go visit my sister in her new apartment

and i walk in and i'm like

hey nice futon

i have one just like it

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