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The Arabic that is spoken in Algeria is so special; a Darja which is distinct from one region to another. People of the North do not speak like those of the South, nor do people of the East speak like those of the West creating a sort of dialect continuum which turns to a social parameter of distinguishing people. This distinction is, throughout decades now, creating a sort of dialectal regionalism. Regionalism, in this study, away from its political conventional definition, is used to refer to regional varieties characterizing different geographical areas and favoring one over another generating linguistic hierarchy, social stratification, and discrimination among speakers. This paper presentation aims to describe the socio-linguistic situation that is taking place in Algeria about the regional variation and the different consequences resulting from it.

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