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! **For those of you who moderate political subreddits: Seeking feedback on the accuracy and comprehensiveness of /r/RemovedComments** (self.modtalk)

submitted 2 months ago * by go1dfish `POLITIC Moderati`

/r/RemovedComments/comments has been running for a bit, had a big hiccup yesterday but it's now in a much better place, with no external dependencies beyond reddit.

I believe that it should be picking up any non-spam comment removals from your subreddit's that were posted since 4 hours before this post.

I want to know:

- Am I reporting comments removed as spam?
- Am I missing comments that are removed but aren't spam?
- Does the bot appear biased in any way towards or against certain removals or content?
- Am I picking up your auto moderator or other bot initiated removals?

Any information you choose to share with me will only be used for the improvement of the bot's accuracy. I'm not gonna go posting it elsewhere, that said if you point me to a removal that the bot didn't pick up I will be working to make the bot pick it up (that's the point)

The bot is open source:

https://github.com/go1dfish/politic-bot

The subreddits monitored are the subreddits listed in /u/PoliticBot's public multi-reddits. If you moderate

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go1dfish
`POLITIC ModerationLog RemovedComments` (edit)

for mods to discuss various stuff. Bans, reasons for bans, spam, etc?

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- **IRC Help**
- **101 guideline for connecting to and registering on IRC so you can get modtalk chat access.**

irc://irc.snoonet.org/#modtalk

Know of someone who wants access to r/modtalk? They can message r/modtalk_advisory for consideration.

Current minimum is 25,000 subscribers, can be a total of all of the subreddits they mod, and must have been a mod of the same amount of subscribers for a month.

Modtalk rules

- Be courteous. This is a place of friends. Even if you disagree with someone, respect their opinions.
- Don't post deliberately inflammatory posts.

one of these subs, my bot should ideally detecting all non-spam removals in your sub-reddit.

It is not my desire to attribute actions to individual moderators, only to the subreddit as a whole.

I have no interest in who did what, except for cases where it was a bot doing the removal; and even then it doesn't really matter except as a curiosity to me.

Edit:

Relevant for those still convinced that this is against reddit's rules

The above link is an admin clarifying explicitly that /r/ModerationLog (tracks moderator removed posts) is acceptable. If you think /r/RemovedComments isn't, then you need to explain why exposing comment removals is different than exposing post removals. But this isn't the point of my post, I really just want feedback/data on the actual capabilities of the bot and suggestions to improve it.

Edit 2

So I think I may have come across a compromise that should help address our shared concerns while also allowing the sub-reddit to function in a neutral and objective way.

My bot will now link directly to the removed comment on the user's profile and not mirror/archive the actual content in any way.

/r/RemovedComments/new

If the content was truly onerous

MODERATORS   message the moderators

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enough that it shouldn't be visible at all; the user will be banned and the content will no longer be visible. Even if all the mods of /r/RemovedComments should simultaneously slip into a coma.

I'm very happy with the changes myself, they simplify the bot's logic, and reduce the amount of request load needed for reporting.
I also think it will allow for more interesting filtering/sorting and searching of removed comments as well.

As I see it, this completely addresses your concerns from my end.

Do you agree?

Would you now be interested in answering the questions that are the topic of this post?

Or do you have any other concerns I should address for my subreddit to meet your approval?

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[–] **youhatemeandihateyou** too many to count   14 points 2 months ago
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> This is a horrible idea. CedarWolf broke down all of the issues pretty clearly and you referred to the well-reasoned list as a tantrum, so I'm not going to bother with repeating what has already been said. You clearly don't want feedback, you just want to make an already thankless and shitty task even worse.

[−] **go1dfish** `POLITIC ModerationLog RemovedComments` [S] -1 points 2 months ago

I may have come across a good compromise and would like to hear your feedback

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> [−] **youhatemeandihateyou** `too many to count` 2 points 2 months ago*
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> I appreciate that you are willing to make even a small concession, but I still think that this is a site-breaking quagmire that exists only to fuel drama and witch hunts. You seem to be willfully confusing janitorial maintenance with political activism.
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> If you want an "uncensored" political subreddit, build, grow, and maintain it yourself. Problem solved.
>
> edit: The compromise is better than nothing. Since people have to click on each link, it will require more effort and make it more difficult to just skim the list to find personal information and such. But I am confused about why the admins would not step in on this one.
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> > [−] **go1dfish**
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> > http://www.reddit.com/r/blog/comments/
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> > Admins have already clarified that documenting post removals is perfectly fine so long as there is no intent to prevent a user from editing their *own* content. As a moderator of a sub-reddit, you do not own the content submitted by subscribers. You own the sub itself sure, but the content is of and by the community.
> >
> > If you think the admins need to step in, you need to make a good case for why this is worse than post removals.

For those of you who moderate political subreddits: Seeking feedback on the accuracy and comprehensiveness of /r/RemovedComments
0 points | 68 comments

Second part of XavierMendel's leak contains personal information. Admins already on the case. Be careful!
13 points | 17 comments

#modtalk leaked, again.
12 points | 45 comments

Well look they got their tinfoil hats out
5 points | 29 comments

Can we as moderators (finally) take a

Especially given that since I've refactored it the bot:

- Does not mirror any content of the comment
- Does not link to the original subreddit of the comment
- Links to publicly available information on reddit.com

If anything, it seems like comment removal reports (as implemented now) are less likely to cause issues than post removal reports.

With post removals, I mirror the entirety of the user generated content (except in the case of self-posts). If /rules breaking content exists in the title or url it requires moderator intervention to remove.

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[−] **go1dfish** POLITIC ModerationLog RemovedComments [S] -5 points 2 months ago

I absolutely want feedback, I want feedback on the accuracy of the bot, and if it is even capable of reporting content marked as spam. Which nobody has offered yet.

It's you and CedarWolf that are going off topic and attacking the very existence of my sub-reddit and bot.

I absolutely understand the concerns about rule breaking content and I want to address them. But just whining that you can't remove stuff without people noticing isn't constructive at all.

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[−] **CedarWolf** DualGender genderqueer TransSpace transgender questi
10 points 2 months ago

Well, let's see... Considering that 90 to 95% of our removed comments are things where someone is actively insulting or arguing with someone else, and the rest are usually personal information or other rules violations...

You're putting a spotlight on all of the worst interactions in a subreddit that deals with a lot of

very charged topics.

So I'm not at all sure what you're trying to accomplish, but kudos for making it that much harder to mod difficult subreddits. It's already bad enough with the /r/undelete crowd looking for conspiracies behind every bit of spam, or every user who breaks the rules getting upset because they didn't break the rules, the mods are just shills out to get them. You're just feeding the conspiracy theorists. How is this not actively breaking the site functionality, again?

Furthermore, thanks for making it that much harder to remove personal information when someone doxxes someone they have an ideological difference with. You *do* have a system in place for checking for personal information before your bot spreads it, right?

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[–] **go1dfish** POLITIC ModerationLog RemovedComments [S] -1 points 2 months ago

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> Do you agree?
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> Would you now be interested in answering the

account activity

questions that are the topic of this post?

Or do you have any other concerns I should address for my subreddit to meet your approval?

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[–] **cojoco** 1 point 2 months ago

oh wow, I didn't know you could do that.

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[–] **go1dfish** POLITIC ModerationLog RemovedComments [S] 0 points 2 months ago

I'm not sure anyone did till I figured it out a few days ago.

It's a neat little trick.

This is all public API btw, the only thing undocumented i'm using is the api call that powers the duplicates page. And that only gets used for post removals. Variations of mine and other bots have been doing post removals for over 3 years now and the sky has not fallen.

But the same sorts of outcries happened then.

This is all public information.

Moderators who wish to hide the actions of their community from non-members are always welcome to go private.

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[–] **go1dfish** POLITIC ModerationLog RemovedComments [S] -3 points 2 months ago

Also:

> not actively breaking the site functionality, again?

What site functionality am I actively breaking?

I am very careful to ensure my bot follows all API access restrictions.

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[–] **p00rleno** /r/leagueoflegends & related, archeage 5 points 2 months ago

The ability of moderators to remove stuff. Rule 5 http://www.reddit.com/rules/

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[–] **go1dfish** POLITIC ModerationLog RemovedComments [S] 0 points 2 months ago

I may have come across a good compromise and would like to hear your feedback

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[–] **go1dfish** POLITIC ModerationLog RemovedComments [S] -2 points 2 months ago

Moderators are not given the ability to remove stuff from reddit.com

Moderators are given the ability to remove content from their own sub-reddit.

This content stays on user pages.

My bot in no way impedes the ability of moderators to remove content from their own sub-reddit.

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[−] **p00rleno** /r/leagueoflegends & related, archeage 4 points 2 months ago

Quite the BS pedantry argument you've got there.

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[−] **go1dfish** POLITIC ModerationLog RemovedComments [S] -3 points 2 months ago

Not pedantry at all, it is this exact argument that Heavily modded subreddits will use to counter accusations of censorship when they remove a post.

The fact that it's only removed from their sub, not censored entirely from reddit.

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[−] **p00rleno** /r/leagueoflegends & related, archeage 6 points 2 months ago

No; it *is* censorship. I'm censoring your post, because it's rubbish.

At its core, moderation is nothing *but* censorship.

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[−] **go1dfish** POLITIC ModerationLog RemovedComments [S] -3 points 2 months ago

I applaud your honesty. It absolutely is censorship.

But that doesn't necessarily make it bad.

It's the opaqueness of the censorship that makes it bad. People contribute to this site under the impression that it supports free speech and unfettered expression of ideas (how true that actually is a whole other story).

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[−] **CedarWolf** DualGender genderqueer TransSpace transgender questioning AskGSM 3 points 2 months ago

> /u/go1dfish said:
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> > I applaud your honesty. It absolutely is censorship.
> >
> > But that doesn't necessarily make it bad.

I feel like posting that out-of-context on one of your anti-mod conspiracy subs.
It would be *extremely* petty, so I won't, but it *would* be deliciously ironic.

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[−] **go1dfish** POLITIC ModerationLog RemovedComments [S] -3 points 2 months ago

Do it.

You're welcome to repost every comment by me in this thread with as much or as little context as you like.

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[−] **go1dfish** POLITIC ModerationLog RemovedComments [S] -5 points 2 months ago

The bot has a delay of about 30 minutes before it usually detects removed comments. It is also absolutely incapable of reporting a comment from a shadowbanned user.

There is a huge collection of mods in /r/RemovedComments from a variety of subs to look at for this sort of thing because I also share this concern and have no interest in spreading any content against the overall rules of the site.

Do you have any ideas or suggestions as to how the bot could automate avoiding reposting PI etc... ?

I recognize that the majority of removed content is stuff that nobody could give two shits about.

But reddit provides plenty of tools to help interested communities filter and find the content that interests them, even among a flood of crap.

And to the extent that what gets removed is shit that nobody cares about; a log of those removals should help you defend your case against those who seek to accuse you of conspiracies in the face of limited data.

Also, I believe my bot is not currently capable of finding spam removed comments, that's part of why I'm asking for feedback to see if this is actually the case.

If it is, then just remove PI as spam, and problem is solved.

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[–] **CedarWolf** DualGender genderqueer TransSpace transgender questioning AskGSM   4 points 2 months ago

> just remove PI as spam, and problem is solved

Not exactly. In accordance with our rules and practices, we have specific CSS on /r/politics that forces a mod to flair a post when it's removed. This allows our reader to know why their post was removed... and it also lets them know that it *was* removed. On other subreddits, you can remove something and the user isn't notified, so people may not notice their stuff was removed quite so quickly.

We're dealing with a political subreddit, which features a lot of very charged topics. People don't like taking personal responsibility for their actions, and they don't like hearing that they've broken the rules. Psychologically, it's easier for them to blame their actions on another person... in this case, the mods. Every day we get called derogatory words for liberals, derogatory words for conservatives, and dang near everything in between. We're not operating on political leanings, but to read our modmail, we're portrayed like the most repressive regime on the planet.

You can go up to someone and say "Hi, you broke our 'exact title' rule, but you're welcome to resubmit your link if you fix the title" and you get back a screed about how you're just a shill censoring so-and-so's specific viewpoint.

(And then a lot of these readers go over to subs like /r/conspiracy or /r/undelete and say "I got banned for posting X, the mods are shills!" and the anti-mod sentiment just ferments and congeals. Meanwhile, on our end, it's like "We just told you that you could resubmit that link if you didn't make up your own title, we didn't ban you for that" or "Well yeah, you called a dozen people douchebags and told some guy that he should kill himself, *of course* you got banned." Come on, the rules are *right there* in the sidebar, they're not that hard to follow.)

Similarly, we get a decent amount of blogspam and people who like to break reddit's

site-wide rules concerning spam and self-promotion. We're actually much more lenient about that than other subreddits, but we have to be very careful, too. A personal blog is much more likely to have personal information attached to it because there's no editorial oversight.

So, we have a problem:

1. Our subreddit CSS encourages mods to give feedback to our readers when stuff is removed properly.

2. This is supposed to give more information to readers so they can not break the rules and have better submissions in the future, or so they can fix whatever caused their link to get pulled in the first place, which is usually an editorialized title instead of the one that's actually on the article.

3. But if we remove stuff properly, people get angry with us, *and* it archives all of the junk with your bot - including the spam, the personal information, the stuff we want people to resubmit but they've broken the title rule...

tl;dr: Removed stuff is supposed to be removed, that's what mods are for, and your bot is helping to undermine that, which is dangerous because you haven't taken any precautions to prohibit the spread of personal information.

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[−] **go1dfish** POLITIC ModerationLog RemovedComments [S] -3 points 2 months ago

My bot in no way prevents you from removing any content you want to from your own sub-reddit.

Moderators are not given the tools to remove content from reddit.com entirely, only from their own subs.

You are still perfectly capable of curating your sub-reddit however you see fit.

No content that violates the overall rules of reddit will be allowed in this sub, so your archival concerns there are misfounded.

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[−] **CedarWolf** DualGender genderqueer TransSpace transgender questioning AskGSM 7 points 2 months ago

I'll break it down short:

1. A mod pulls something because it contains someone's personal information or because it's actively threatening another user.

2. Your bot archives the removed material.

3. You have *nothing* set in place to detect or deal with personal information, so it sits there, longer.

4. Maybe it eventually gets reported and one of your mods goes in to remove it, manually.

Now, apparently we can get around this by "spamming" every rule-breaking submission or comment that comes down the pipes... but if we do that, then we're *penalizing* every reader that we spam. It trains our spam filter to go after those readers. That's not a good end for anyone, either.

Whereas before, we just had one step: a mod pulls something and it goes away,

now we have a whole slew of hoops to jump through just to ensure that a comment like "Hey, here's this dude's address, why hasn't someone shot him yet?" isn't being posted here.

Just yesterday or the day before, we had to ban someone for asking why no one had shot the Kochs yet. I think it was on a post about how they'd dumped more money into an election than the entire Democratic Party combined.

Your bot is archiving that, and encouraging it, while doing nothing to mitigate the potential dangers.

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[−] **go1dfish** POLITIC ModerationLog RemovedComments [S] -4 points 2 months ago

> You have nothing set in place to detect or deal with personal information, so it sits there, longer.

Bullshit, I have human mods the same as you all modding with the expectations and concerns you share. How are you so much more able to effectively combat this than us?

> Now, apparently we can get around this by "spamming" every rule-breaking submission or comment that comes down the pipes... but if we do that, then we're penalizing every reader that we spam. It trains our spam filter to go after those readers. That's not a good end for anyone, either.

And that's why you should only use it for content that violates the overall site rules like PI, CP or spam. Things where the account ought to get shadowbanned anyway.

> Whereas before, we just had one step: a mod pulls something and it goes away, now we have a whole slew of hoops to jump through just to ensure that a comment like "Hey, here's this dude's address, why hasn't someone shot him yet?" isn't being posted here.

Still one step, remove as spam. But you should also report to admins in either case.

> Your bot is archiving that, and encouraging it, while doing nothing to mitigate the potential dangers.

My bot doesn't encourage, condone, or disparage any topic, subreddit or action. It's a neutral observer of factual events.

And again, I have absolutely no interest in archiving content that violates the site rules.

Your tantrum amounts to: "I can't opaquely remove things that don't violate the overall rules of reddit"

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[−] **CedarWolf** DualGender genderqueer TransSpace transgender questioning AskGSM 3 points 2 months ago

> "I can't opaquely remove things that don't violate the overall rules of reddit"

We're mods. You of all people should know that isn't true, not by a long chalk, and asserting so is patently ridiculous.

Basically, mods act like a sieve. It's our job to catch and discard the things that break the rules or break the site-wide rules. We've got to be really careful about personal information, because it can be dangerous to have that sort of information on such a large sub.

What you're doing is sifting through the trash and keeping it up where anybody else can dig through it. You've set up a system that operates like going through the dumpsters behind a pharmacy for peoples' medical information, and you wonder why I have an issue with that?

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[−] **go1dfish** POLITIC ModerationLog RemovedComments [S] -4 points 2 months ago

I'll repeat this again because you still don't seem to get it.

I have absolutely no interest in archiving and reporting content that violates the overall rules of reddit

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[−] **CedarWolf** DualGender genderqueer TransSpace transgender questioning AskGSM 3 points 2 months ago

Then why are you setting up an automated system that does just that, *without* any code in place for detecting addresses, names, phone numbers, etc?

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[−] **fearnotthewrath** /r/Excel 3 points 2 months ago

I am curious, could you not just ban the bot from your sub?

Sorry if that is a lame question, but if it can't scan the sub, wouldn't that solve the problem?

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[−] **fearnotthewrath** /r/Excel 1 point 2 months ago

Sorry, I see it now, banned from posting, not from seeing... Sorry for my ignorance...

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[−] **go1dfish** POLITIC ModerationLog RemovedComments [S] -2 points 2 months ago

My system does not do that at all. I repost content found on reddit.com. I have every intention to remove any and all content that violates the sites rules.

I don't have automated systems in place to catch these things because these things are not always PI:

See:

http://www.reddit.com/r/RemovedComments/comments/2ubt3 context=3

Any and all content posted to any of my subs that violates the overall sites rules will be removed by me or another mod just like the subs you mod.

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[–] **316nuts** 6 points 2 months ago

What could go wrong dot jpg

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[–] **Dolphman** 3 points 2 months ago

If you really want to get the "mods are nazi" rhetoric going, I say make it +500 votes comments only. Reddit Generally isnt *that* awful in upvoting childporn/Personal information so you be safe from it.

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> [–] **go1dfish** [POLITIC ModerationLog RemovedComments] [S] -3 points 2 months ago
>
> That's not my goal.
>
> My only goal here is removal transparency in political discussions.
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> If you like, you could create your own bot that let mine do the hard work for you, and have your bot pick out the reports you deem most interesting.
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> > [–] **greenduch** 5 points 2 months ago
> >
> > nottheonion is not a political subreddit. Y'all were posting shit to your sub that was us removing comments by neonazis or various other shit. Which, hey, is a great way to encourage moderators to not do their jobs and let everything devolve into a worse cesspit than half our comment sections already are.
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> > > [–] **go1dfish** [POLITIC ModerationLog RemovedComments] [S] -4 points 2 months ago
> > >
> > > The bot doesn't use the multis as a list of the only subs it monitors.
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> > > It considers any url posted to those subs to be topical, and will pick up and monitor when that url is cross posted elsewhere.
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> > > notheonion may not be a politically focused sub, but the particular post in question most likely was.
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> > > > [–] **greenduch** 4 points 2 months ago
> > > >
> > > > I dont understand what you're saying. I think the subreddit is a terrible idea. NTO is our sub, we didn't opt into that. It makes our already difficult job more difficult, and discourages the already difficult and thankless task of attempting to clean up comment sections so we don't all devolve into a giant clusterfuck of literal stormfront neonazi shit.
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> > > > > [–] **go1dfish** [POLITIC ModerationLog RemovedComments] [S] -1 points 2 months ago
> > > > >
> > > > > My bot does not and will not ever post or comment in your subreddit in any

way.

Everything my bot does happens in subreddits it controls.

Everything my bot sees and reports on is public.

> [−] **greenduch** 3 points 2 months ago
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> I am aware of these things.
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[−] **mobilehypo** `AskScience` 1 point 2 months ago

Can we like, opt-out? Because really, it's just not appropriate in some cases. A lot of what we remove is straight up hazardous / dangerous advice.

[−] **go1dfish** `POLITIC ModerationLog RemovedComments` [S] 1 point 2 months ago

My bot doesn't monitor AskScience directly, it will only pick up removed submissions and comments from that sub when they are cross posted to a political subreddit.

If anything you remove is dangerous enough to not be on reddit at all, please message the mods of /r/RemovedComments and it will be removed.

Moderators are always welcome to opt their community out of public scrutiny by going private.

I will only do opt outs from monitoring of the bot:

- At the mandate of the admins
- For communities who's topic of discussion is clearly far removed from regular political or serious discussion and especially those who might cause harm by bringing additional attention to.

These are a list of the currently blacklisted subreddits, it's probably one of the oddest multis in existence (and that's why it's private, not any interest in secrecy)

- /r/4chan
- /r/Blizzard
- /r/CenturyClub (because it's private)
- /r/CHIBears
- /r/circlejerk
- /r/Civcraft
- /r/cowboys
- /r/dating_advice
- /r/depression
- /r/DestinyTheGame
- /r/dirtykikpals
- /r/dirtyr4r
- /r/DirtySnapchat
- /r/Fireteams
- /r/GreenBayPackers
- /r/greentext
- /r/Guildwars2

- /r/intrusivethoughts
- /r/minnesotavikings
- /r/NavalAction
- /r/nba
- /r/nfl
- /r/nsfw
- /r/nsfwcosplay
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- /r/Warframe
- /r/wargame
- /r/Warhammer
- /r/warlizard
- /r/WarriorCat
- /r/warriors
- /r/WarriorWomen
- /r/WarshipGore
- /r/WarshipPorn
- /r/Warships
- /r/Warthunder
- /r/wartrade
- /r/wow

In general if the bot mirrors a non-political post for whatever reason and the community it came from is clearly not intended to be political or serious I will add it to the blacklist.

An example of this is that due to the way my bot detects meta discussions /r/green turned my bot into a Packers fan, and /r/war gave it a penchant for gaming.

In my view, the discussion of science and politics often overlap, and it would be undesirable to exclude a place for serious science discussion from transparency.

If you have examples of the types of removals that concern you I'd be happy to take a look and take that into consideration.

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[−] **cojoco**   0 points 2 months ago

This is excellent.

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[–] **go1dfish** `POLITIC ModerationLog RemovedComments` [S] -1 points 2 months ago

At least someone here thinks so.

I think this is probably the most downvoted post I've ever had by percentages, and I used to post conservative/libertarian viewpoints to r/politics

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[–] **cojoco** -1 points 2 months ago

ah well, you're doing it for the benefit of the users, not the mods.

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[–] **go1dfish** `POLITIC ModerationLog RemovedComments` [S] 0 points 2 months ago

I think I may have found an excellent compromise

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[–] **cojoco** -1 points 2 months ago

ahhhh ... it's not actually possible to read any comments except by clicking each one individually, is it?

that pretty much makes it impossible to find out what kind of stuff is being removed.

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[–] **go1dfish** `POLITIC ModerationLog RemovedComments` [S] 0 points 2 months ago

The way I see it, my bot's job is to detect and document as many removals in public political discussions and communities as it can find in an unbiased objective manner.

If someone else wants to make bots that curate my bot's content further based on original score or some other metric I think that's an excellent idea.

Snoo knows /r/undelete is way more popular than /r/ModerationLog ever was even though came first.

The admins actually even specifically requested I limited my bot to political content nearly 3 years ago:

http://www.reddit.com/r/ModsAreKillingReddit/comments/qtbsh/announceme

And I've abided by that ever since.

But trying to find removals of popular content has never been my thing. I just want transparency for political removals.

I only pointed my old bot at TIL, WTF and a few others back then because people requested it, and I thought it would be a good stress test (it was).

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