

What is Gab?

- Users can post "Gabs," which have a 300 character limit
- Users can follow other Gabbers and be followed back
- Users can upvote or downvote Gabs
- Top Gabs are ranked based on these votes
- Gabs are also displayed in a chronological order

Hate Speech Analysis

On Gab, an Extremist-Friendly Site, Pittsburgh Shooting Suspect Aired His Hatred in Full

By Kevin Roose

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Robert Bowers, Pittsburgh shooting suspect, was avid poster of anti-Semitic content on Gab

Pittsburgh shooter's anti-semitic surface

ABOUT 'ANTI-WHITE HATE' CALLED OUT FOR ROBERT BOWERS

Suspected Hill synagogue gunman: 'Jews are the son of Satan'

BY JASON LE MIERE ON 10/27/18 | DOLLY RENATTA SIGNORINI AND NANCY SIEGMUND | Saturday, Oct. 27, 2018, 4:24 p.m.

Gab, the white supremacist sanctuary linked to the Pittsburgh suspect offline (for now)

The Pittsburgh shooter owned to help a white-supremacist hate group dox a

WHAT IS GAB BY ROBERT BOWERS WORKS PART OF GROWING 'ALT-TECH' MOVEMENT

Gabbers Wanted authorities say

a social network -witter - here's everything

Robert Bowers

Jews Killing Journalists

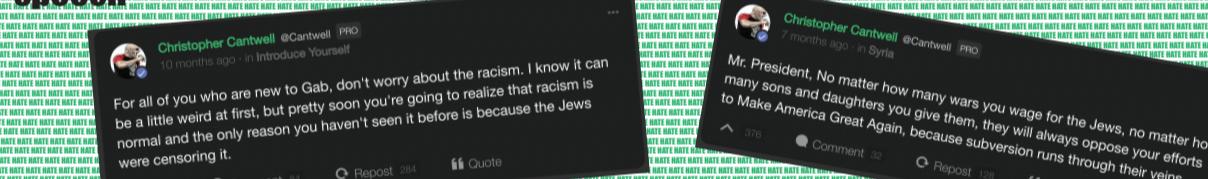
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Rules? What rules?

Gab has a very small set of rules:

- No threats/terrorism
- No illegal pornography
- Legal pornography must be marked NSFW
- No doxxing

Everything else (including hate speech) is allowed and categorised as free speech



Method

Based on "Automated Hate Speech Detection and the Problem of Offensive Language"
- T. Davidson, D. Warmsley, M. Macy, I. Weber
Model - Linear SVM.
3 classes - Hate, Offensive, Neither

	Hate	Offensive	Neither
True categories	0.61	0.31	0.09
Predicted categories	0.05	0.91	0.04

Data

Using Gab's API, we crawl the social network using a snowball methodology

Obtain data for most popular users on Gab

Simple BFS to collect data from all their followers and all their followers

18,562 Gabs

10,000 users' information

600 trending topics

7,500 trending Gabs

Robert Bowers 123 Gabs

