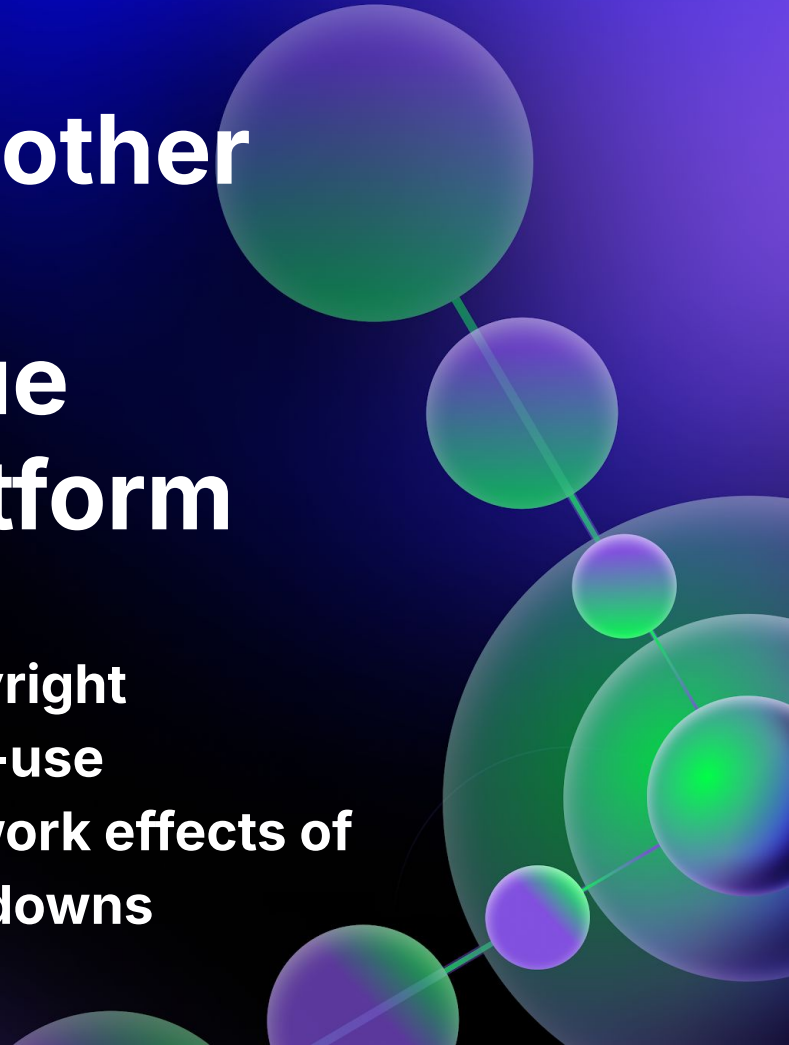# Nuances and Challenges of Moderating a Code Collaboration Platform

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Code is different from other content. Its functional purpose creates unique considerations for platform moderation.

- Copyright
- Dual-use
- Network effects of takedowns

Code has different copyright concerns.

- Functional purpose
- Independent duplication
- Open source sharing
- Filtering false positives


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-On September 12, the EU Parliament voted to:
+On February 11, the EU Parliament, Council, and Commission voted
+to:
* Make content-sharing platforms directly liable for copyrighted
content that users upload, which could lead to use of upload
filters (Article 13)
-* Exclude "open source software developing platforms" from that
- liability and need for upload filters (Article 2)
+* Exclude "open source software developing and sharing platforms"
+ from that liability and need for upload filters (Article 2)
-* Allow an exception for text and data mining only by research
- institutions for scientific purposes on a "non-for-profit" basis,
- with only an "optional" exception for others (Article 3)
+* Create a mandatory exception for text and data mining on large
+ datasets but with an opt-out for rightholders who do not want
+ the exception to apply to their works (Article 3)
-* Create a new right for press publishers to require a license to
- use content of news articles except for "mere hyperlinks, which
- are accompanied by individual words" (Article 11)
+* Create a new right for press publishers to require a license to
+ use content of news articles except for "individual words" or "very
+ short extracts" (Article 11)
+* Exclude software developers from articles related to the
+ principle of appropriate and proportionate remuneration. (Those
+ articles cover reporting requirements and contract adjustment
+ rights related to remuneration for rightholders, and resolution of
+ disputes about reporting or contract adjustment rights. They also
+ provide the right to revoke an exclusive license or transfer of rights
+ where the copyrighted work hasn't been exploited.)
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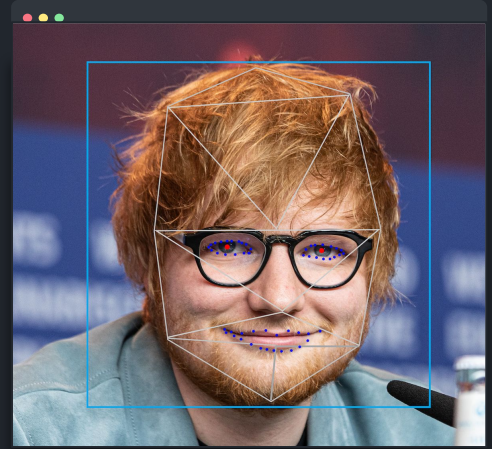
Case study: EU Copyright Directive

Code has dual-use applications.

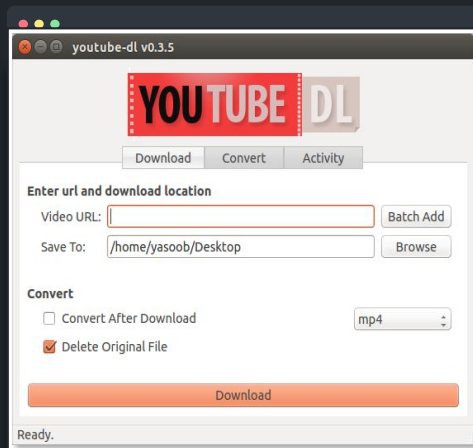Supporting legitimate and beneficial research while disallowing harmful misuse

Case study: Security research

Case study: Deepfake NCII and disinformation policy

Moderating code requires careful deliberation of context and network effects.
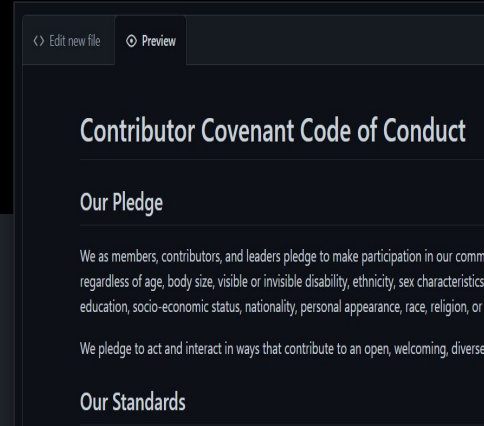

Case study: Youtube-dl

Moderating a developer community

Developer community and open source norms

Platform moderation beyond takedowns

Encouraging community content moderation

New Frontiers for Content Moderation

AI
AI developer tools

Model hosting

Scaling moderation
One billion developers on
GitHub by 2030

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