

Unmasking Mnemonics – Leveraging Content Moderation Model for Decoding Encoded Communication in Digital Conversations

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Abstract – In today’s world, digital platforms have witnessed an explosion in the digital conversations and are not straightforward. A significant contributor to this complexity is the use of subtle references to another context or with encoded texts. These are said to be Mnemonics appearing in the form of Abbreviations, Numeronyms, Symbolic representations, Emoji-based codes, Leetspeak etc., in everyday communication. There are various types of mnemonics used in online conversations, which include phonetic substitutions (eg. Gr8 for ‘great’), numerical encoding (e.g., 143 for ‘I love you’), and symbolic representations (with emojis and icons), abbreviations (“LOL” for Laugh Out Loud) etc., This linguistic creativity is not only a tool for memory and efficiency, but also a growing challenge for automated moderation and content understanding systems, as mnemonics often encode non-explicit, sensitive, or policy-relevant meanings that typical keyword-based approaches might fail to identify. To address this gap, we introduce a Content Moderation Model, which is a large language model (LLM) based pipeline that systematically detects, categorizes, and deciphers both general and context-specific mnemonic constructs within user-generated text. This methodology builds upon advances in deep learning, leveraging the representational power and semantic flexibility of models such as GPT-4.1, known for their success in complex linguistic and content analysis tasks across domains. This framework uses a corpus of both harmless and sexually-coded user-generated texts to identify mnemonic patterns such as Phonetic substitutions, Emoji usage, and Leetspeak. The system accurately flags and classifies mnemonic types, enabling improved moderation, linguistic analysis, and platform policy design. The outcomes—quantified through rigorous empirical validation, demonstrates substantial improvements in identifying and decoding diverse mnemonic forms. These findings provide actionable insights for platform policy, and the design of more accessible, inclusive communication systems that acknowledge both the benefits and risks of mnemonic language.

Keywords – Numeronyms, Emojis, Mnemonics, Phonetic Substitutions, Abbreviations, Leetspeak, Large Language Models, Content Moderation Model, Prompting, Zero Shot Learning, FewShot Learning.

I. INTRODUCTION

Mnemonics, traditionally was evolved as a memory aid, to easily remember and recollect from memory. Social Media content, once straightforward, is increasing in its opacity and often includes cryptic symbols, abbreviated phrases, and disguised meanings. Whether chatting with friends, participating in online communities, or navigating social media, people increasingly rely on mnemonics: creative shortcuts like abbreviations, numeronyms, emojis, and leetspeak. These forms of encoded language do more than just save time; they reflect our need for creativity, privacy, and sometimes, the desire to communicate beneath the surface of public scrutiny. This evolution is both fascinating and challenging. What began as simple memory aids has transformed into a complex web of symbols and codes, constantly evolving to keep pace with new platforms, cultural trends with increased anonymity, suppressing any unparliamentary words intentionally with indirect communication and escaping any policy restrictions in any social media platform. This linguistic creativity presents a significant challenge for online safety and moderation. Traditional content moderation tools, built on straightforward keyword detection or basic machine learning, often falter when faced with the ingenuity of modern mnemonics. As a result,

harmful or sensitive content can slip through the cracks, while benign messages are sometimes unfairly flagged. This paper seeks to bridge that gap. By harnessing the power of large language models (LLMs), to decode and classify the diverse landscape of mnemonics in digital conversations [7]. Our goal is not just technical accuracy, but also a deeper understanding of how people communicate in the digital age—balancing the need for safety with respect for creativity and cultural nuance. Through this research, we hope to empower platforms, moderators, and researchers to foster safer, more inclusive, and more expressive online spaces.

II. LITERATURE REVIEW

In [1] Stone, C.B et.al., mentioned that mnemonic effects of social media use, with 90% of American adolescents and 65% of adults actively engaging online. It explores how information type (personal vs. public) and user roles (producer vs. consumer) influence memory, highlighting induced forgetting, false memories, and truthiness, while identifying key areas for further research. In [2] Jaewook Lee et.al., mentioned that mnemonic vocabulary is underexplored, and explored automating keyword mnemonics for vocabulary learning using an overgenerate-and-rank method with large language models (LLMs). By generating and evaluating verbal cues through psycholinguistic metrics and user studies, the authors find that LLM-generated mnemonics rival human ones in quality, though learner preferences vary widely. But he did not explore more on identifying mnemonics in the existing social media. In [3] Roediger, H. L. mentioned about 4 mnemonic methods – a. Imagery, for forming mental images to remember words, b [6]. Link Method – creating associations between items in a sequence through visual or narrative links, c. Peg System – associating items with a pre-memorized list of “pegs” (eg., rhyming words or numbers), d. Loci method – placing items to be remembered along a familiar mental route or location sequence. In [4], Gupta et.al., analyses pedophile chat conversations [5], using online grooming theory and perform a series of linguistic-based empirical analysis on several pedophile chat conversations to gain useful insights and patterns. In [8], Satadruta Mookherjee et.al., explores how consumer loneliness influences preference for mnemonic features in social media, affecting platform choice and consumer behavior and how consumers prefer SnapChat which is linked to mnemonics unlike Facebook consumers. In [9] Ana Lúcia Migowski da Silva, says how social media, specifically Facebook, shapes memories and discourses about Brazil's dictatorship (1964-1985) through technological and mnemonic practices. In [10], Barber et.al., examines how age, emotion, and social context influence retrieval-induced forgetting (RIF). Both individual (WI-RIF) and socially shared (SS-RIF) forgetting occurred equally across age groups and emotional content. However, SS-RIF only emerged when listeners heard from same-sex speakers, suggesting people are more likely to co-retrieve—and thus forget related information—with those they feel closer to, impacting both personal and collective memory. In [11], Obiora et.al., examines, how university students in Anambra University in Nigeria uses emojis for emotional expression and communication on social media [6]. With 72% of respondents able to decode common emojis, the findings highlight emojis' crucial role in enhancing social interaction. The study recommends integrating emojis into broader communication practices for efficiency and clarity.

III. EVOLUTION OF MNEMONICS IN DIGITAL CONTEXTS

Mnemonics at its core, originated as memory aids, acts as tools that help individuals to encode, retain and recall information efficiently. These include a variety of cognitive strategies such as [12]:

Keyword Mnemonics

Helps in associating foreign language vocabulary with vivid imagery (e.g, remembering the Spanish word ‘gato’ for cat by picturing a cat of the gate).

Chunking

Grouping information, such as splitting a phone number into smaller segments to make the pattern more memorable.

Musical Mnemonics

Using songs or rhythms, like the ABC song, to reinforce sequences.

Acronyms and Acrostics: Creating new words or phrases from the first letters of a series (e.g., "LOL" for "Laugh Out Loud," or acrostics like "LOVE" for "Lasting Connection beyond words, overcomes obstacles with grace, values each moment shared, Elevates the soul through affection").

Rhymes and Connections

Employing rhyme and association to make recall easier and more enjoyable.

Method of Loci and Peg Methods

Placing items along a mental route or associating them with a pre-memorized list (e.g., "1-thumb, 2-shoe, 3-tree...").

Link Method: Creating stories or visual images that connect items to be remembered.

From Memory Aid to Digital Code: With the rise of digital communication, mnemonics have undergone a significant transformation. No longer limited to memory enhancement, they now serve as tools for brevity, creativity, privacy, cultural expression, and, increasingly, moderation avoidance in online interactions. The shift from traditional to digital mnemonics has introduced new forms that are now integral to online conversations:

- **Abbreviations:** Shortened expressions (e.g., "OMW" for "On My Way").
- **Numeronyms:** Numbers substituting for words or syllables (e.g., "143" for "I Love You," "I18n" for "Internationalization").
- **Phonetic Substitutions:** Using numbers or letters that sound like parts of words (e.g., "Gr8" for "Great," "L8r" for "Later").
- **Emoji Encoding:** Emojis representing emotions, objects, or even complex ideas (e.g., 😊 for smile, 🍆 for penis in adult contexts).
- **Leetspeak:** Letters replaced with numbers or symbols to evade moderation or create in-group language (e.g., "N00b" for "Newbie," "S3x" for "sex").
- **Slang and Euphemisms:** Informal or coded language for cultural or privacy reasons (e.g., "bae" for "babe" or "before anyone else," "thicc" for curvy).

Summary of Digital Mnemonics

Table 1. Summary of Digital Mnemonics

Type	Example	Context	Motivation
Abbreviation	LOL	General	Brevity, Expression
Numeronym	143, 69	Romantic, Adult	Privacy, Moderation Avoidance
Phonetic	Gr8, L8r	General	Brevity, Creativity
Emoji	😊, 🍆	Emotional, Adult	Expression, Privacy
Leetspeak	S3x, N00b	Adult	Moderation Avoidance
Slang	Bae, thicc	Youth, subculture	Identity, Creativity

Contextual and Sensitive Usage

The use of mnemonics in digital conversations is often context-dependent. For example, in adult or sensitive discussions, numeronyms like "69" or emojis like "😊" and "🍆" are used to convey sexual meaning while evading explicit language filters. Similarly, leetspeak and creative spelling (e.g., "F! @ #" for "fuck") help users bypass automated moderation systems. **Table 1** shows Summary of Digital Mnemonics.

IV. OVERVIEW OF EARLIER CONTENT MODERATION APPROACHES

Traditional Machine Learning Models (SVM, Random Forest)

Early attempt on Content Moderation includes a traditional Keyword search of sexual or abusive words, or a deployment of traditional Machine Learning Models such as Support Vector Machine (SVM), Random Forests. These models traditionally use features like n-grams, Bag of Words (BOW) or TF-IDF vectorizer to represent text. While computationally efficient, these models struggle with the nuanced context-dependent nature of mnemonics as the language evolves rapidly.

Support Vector Machine Mechanism for Multi-Class Classification

One-Vs-Rest (OVR)

- For k classes, train k binary classifiers.
- During Prediction, for input x, all classifiers are evaluated, and the one with the highest output decision value is chosen.

One-vs-One (OvO)

- For k classes, train $k(k-1)/2$ binary classifiers.
- Each classifier (i,j) distinguishes between classes i and j. The input is assigned to the class with the most “wins” in pairwise contests.

Random Forest Mechanism for Multi-Class Classification

- Each decision tree in the forest predicts a class label or the input.
- For multiclass classification, the final output will be the class with the majority vote across all the trees.

$$\text{Prediction}(x) = \arg \max_c \sum_{t=1}^N 1(\text{Tree}_t(x) = c) \quad (1)$$

BERT and Transformer-Based Models

The introduction of transformer-based models, particularly BERT (Bidirectional Encoder Representations from Transformers), marked a significant advancement. BERT’s contextual embeddings allow for a deeper understanding of word meaning based on surrounding text, improving detection of abbreviations, numeronyms, and some forms of leetspeak.

However, more contextual text or highly creative texts, will still be failed as it requires such texts in training data to eventually understand.

V. LIMITATIONS OF EXISTING MODERATION AND DETECTION SYSTEMS

Content Moderation Systems face a lot of challenges in detecting Mnemonics. It is due to coded language, symbolic references, emojis. Some Mnemonics even represent double meaning words, and some are highly contextual. They convey sensitive or prohibited content while evading the moderation algorithms. With just NLP-based Machine Learning Techniques, the model tends to lose the context, and the entire conversation may not be understood correctly.

Contextual Understanding Issues

Moderation tools that uses machine learning models, often struggle to understand the complete context, making it difficult to discern the intended meaning behind the mnemonics. Most of the mnemonics used in adult conversations are contextual and not explicit.

Rapid Evolution of Language and Slang

Online conversations frequently change or develop new slang to communicate. They use mnemonics, emojis, abbreviations etc., to communicate. This dynamic evolution outgrows the ability of the Machine Learning Models. Continuous update to the model is required and is highly expensive, leading to gaps in the moderation.

Multilingual and Dialectical Variations

Often, Moderation Systems are trained on English language data, limiting to their understanding to multilingual conversations or multiple blended language conversations. For example, mixing up adult content words in 2 different languages blended in a sentence. These limitations hinder the detection of mnemonics in non-English contexts.

High False Positive and Negative Rates

The complexity of Mnemonics contributes to higher rates of false positives and false negatives leading to distrust in the effectiveness of moderation systems.

Motivation behind Mnemonic Usage

Main intention or motivation behind the mnemonic usage is to avoid Moderation systems, expressing Cultural motive, Real-Time Expressions of feelings and emotions, Anonymity and Privacy.

Moderation Avoidance

Current Social Media platform includes either Human content Moderators or Moderator System. Moderator systems were trained predominantly with Machine Learning Models which helps to filter the abusive or sexual words or alert the user as a proper moderation system. But these systems fail to detect the words from growing mnemonic vocabulary, as these mnemonics vary from country to country as well. Moderation Avoidance happens in communities where discussion of sexuality or identity are subjected to automatic suppression.

Cultural Expression

Mnemonics are used by subcultural norms. Emojis such as 'Eggplant' or coded words like 'Alphabet Mafia' (LGBTQIA+) develop into community specific mnemonics.

Real-Time Expressions

Chat apps such as Whatsapp, Snapchat allows mnemonics, emojis for users to express their feelings, complex emotions and intentions with a more simplified way with just few characters.

Anonymity and Privacy

In Social media platforms mnemonics provide a protective linguistic layer. They allow the discussion of personal, intimate or socially stigmatized content without direct exposure.

Code-Switching in Youthful Digital Flirtations

In some chats, young adults and teenagers often engage with in subtle forms of code-switching to express romantic, sext, and flirtatious interest. This involves mnemonics – abbreviations, emojis, and symbolic language that convey deeper meaning without obvious declarations. Such linguistic creativity allows individuals to flirt playfully while escaping the boundaries of social norms and digital platform guidelines.

Ethical and Legal Considerations

- *Child Safety Concerns:* Mnemonics can easily bypass filters that are designed to protect children
- *Freedom of Speech vs Regulation:* Balancing expression and platform responsibility is challenging.

- *Bias in Moderation Models:* Models might overflag marginalized communities using reclaimed or coded language.

VI. APPROACH & METHODOLOGY

A set of data from various social media platforms has been gathered and it is pre-processed. The cleaned and pre-processed data is sent to various models (SVM, Random Forest, BERT) and to the Content Moderation Model (LLM) to find the best model for Mnemonics detection and its accuracy.

Usage of Large Language Models

Recent advancements in Large Language Models, such as Gpt-4.1 have pushed their boundaries of mnemonic detection, as it has been trained on massive and diverse corpus. LLMs can decode context-dependent and different forms of mnemonics, including those phonetic, symbolic and cultural elements. Their generative and few-shot capabilities make them well-suited for nuanced moderation and for adapting to the ever-changing digital communications. These large Language Models can further be fine-tuned to suit the custom needs on top of the existing knowledge.

Dataset Annotations and Statistics

Annotation Process

Each sentence in the dataset was manually reviewed and labelled. The annotation focused on identifying the presence and type of mnemonics, with the special attention to distinguish between general and sexual mnemonics.

Labelling Schema

Table 2 shows Belling Schema.

Table 2. Belling Schema

Labelling Schema	Description
Mnemonic Type	• Abbreviation, • Leetspeak, • Slang, • Numeronym, • Phonetic Substitution, • Euphemism, • Emoji, Symbolic Representation • None
Moderation Category	• General • Sexual • None

Dataset Statistics

Total Size

- General Conversations (No Mnemonics): 300 sentences
- General Conversations (With Mnemonics): 500 sentences
- Sexual Conversations (With Mnemonics): 1000 sentences

Dataset Samples

General Conversations without any Mnemonics

Table 3 shows General Conversations without any Mnemonics.

Table 3. General Conversations without any Mnemonics

Sentence	Type	Platform	Notes
Are you free this evening?	None	Discord	No mnemonic used
This blanket is so cozy.	None	YouTube	No mnemonic used
I lost my keys this morning.	None	TikTok	No mnemonic used
I need to finish this assignment.	None	Discord	No mnemonic used

General Conversations with Mnemonics

Table 4 shows General Conversations with Mnemonics.

Table 4. General Conversations with Mnemonics

Sentence	Type	Platform	Notes
BRB, making some n00dles	Leetspeak	Reddit	'N00dles' = 'noodles', fun usage
OMW to the gym	Abbreviation	Instagram	'OMW' = on my way
She gave off major main character energy	Slang	TikTok	'Main character energy' = confidence/aura
OMW to the gym	Abbreviation	Reddit	'OMW' = on my way

Sexual Conversations without any Mnemonics

Table 5 shows Sexual Conversations without any Mnemonics.

Table 5. Sexual Conversations without any Mnemonics

Sentence	Type	Platform	Notes
She asked for lewds right off the bat before the morning meeting.	Abbreviation	Discord	'Lewds' = nude photos
He invited me over for a nightcap... yeah right at 2am.	Euphemism	Instagram	'Nightcap' used as coded invite for sex
Send noods, not moods at 2am.	Phonetic Substitution	Discord	'Nudes' â† 'Noods'
He typed 'sh3 luvs 2 rid3 it raw'... wild.	Leetspeak	Discord	'Sh3' = 'She', 'rid3' = 'ride'
He's not just into cuddles, if you know what I mean	Euphemism	Instagram	Cuddles = sexual activity

Overall Architecture for Decoding Mnemonics

Overall Architecture for decoding Mnemonics is a three-step process, which includes Pre-Processing, Text Processing, and Post-Processing Layers. Each layer is explained in detail below. Also, it involves fine-tuning of a Large Language Model (GPT-4.1) as a Content Moderation Model.

Content Moderation Model

For the Large Language Model to specifically act as a Content Moderation Model, the sexual, Mnemonic dataset has been collected, ingested for finetuning with appropriate results.

Content Moderation Model Objective

The objective is to identify, classify texts as adult content, non-adult/generic content. Identify Mnemonics provided in the context and classify it as sexual/general. This model acts as a multi-class classifier.

Data Preparation

- Data has been gathered from various social media platforms and labelled them
- Framed JSONL format with each line being a JSON object with Input(prompt) and Output(classification), ensuring data quality.

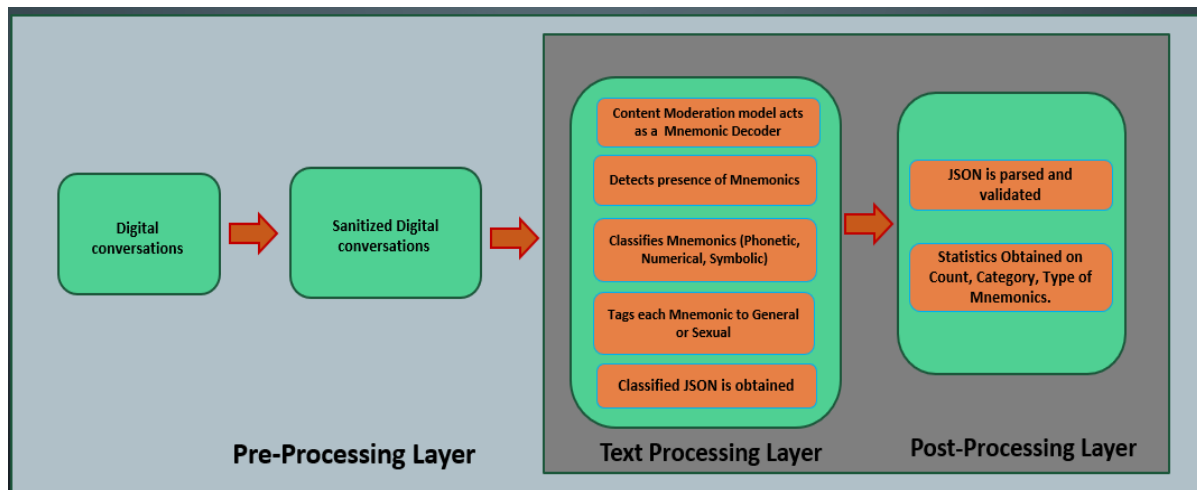


Fig 1. Architecture for Decoding Mnemonics.

Upload Data, Configure, and Fine-Tune

- Data was uploaded in OpenAI's platform, with GPT-4.1 as the base model.
- Created the fine-tuning job with the following hyperparameters.
 - *Batch Size* - No. of Examples in each batch. As larger batch requires more memory and GPT, set the Batch size to 8.
 - *Learning Rate* – Scaling factor for the learning rate. Set to low learning rate at 1, to avoid catastrophic forgetting and instability.
 - *Epochs* – No. of Epochs to train the model. It was set to 3, to monitor validation loss or accuracy

- Job was started and tracked for its completion. Now, this becomes the Content Moderation Model for the rest of the architecture.
- The model was then deployed to integrate into the Mnemonic Decoder Architecture

Architecture for Decoding Mnemonics

The below diagram explains how the data is pre-processed, and passed to LLM and how the data is post processed. **Fig 1** shows Architecture for Decoding Mnemonics.

Pre-Requisites for Content Moderation Pipeline Development

To implement this Content Moderation Pipeline, a set of prerequisites has been done. An account has been created on OpenAI to generate the OpenAI API Key. The programming language has been set to Python 3.11, and the required packages such as openai, langchain_openai etc, have been installed for performing the below task. Large Language Model is set to the fine-tuned Content Moderation Model for detecting Mnemonics and categorizing it as General Mnemonics or Sexual Mnemonics and the type of Mnemonics. **Fig 2** shows Pre-Requisites.

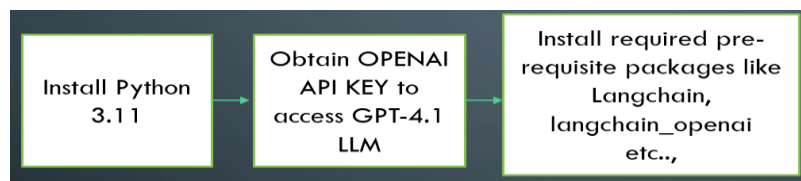


Fig 2. Pre-Requisites.

Pre-Processing Pipeline

Pre-processing includes 3 processes

- *Input:* Sentence from digital conversation (general, mnemonic-laced, or sexual).
- *Sanitization:* Basic cleaning and formatting to prepare the text.
- *Routing:* Text is passed to the Content Moderation Model based detection model.

Text Processing Pipeline

LLM Invocation: Processed Sentence is sent to Content Moderation Model via a structured prompt.

Prompt Engineering for Content Moderation Model

Prompt Engineering is essential for the Content Moderation Model. This helps to provide a Role, Instructions, and Examples for the model to perform its classification properly.

Prompt Design

Role Definition

The role is defined as "Mnemonics Decoder", giving the model a clear functional identity. This prompt role primes the model to focus on its task with purpose and clarity—an essential step in steering generative behaviour. By explicitly stating, “You are a good Mnemonics Decoder,” the prompt ensures that the model treats the task as one involving pattern recognition, semantic interpretation, and categorization, rather than casual language generation.

Few-Shot Examples in Prompt

The prompt structure itself implicitly leverages few-shot principles by clearly defining categories (phonetic, numerical, symbolic), offering illustrative examples (e.g., “gr8,” “143,” “🍆”), and establishing expectations for structured output. These components serve as informal demonstrations or “shots” to guide the model's behavior.

The core logic was implemented using the Content Moderation Model with a temperature of 0.3. A structured prompt was designed to elicit detection and categorization of mnemonics.

Post Processing Layer for Content Moderation Model

- *Parsing:* JSON response is parsed and validated.
- *Storage:* Results are added to respective datasets (CSV/Database).
- *Analytics Support*
 - Flags content for moderation if any sexual mnemonics are detected.
 - Updates stats: count, category frequency, types of mnemonics used.

Output Structure and Formats

Each sentence is analyzed and returns JSON containing:

- found_mnemonics (boolean)

- mnemonics_list: list of mnemonic items, each containing:
 - mnemonic, category, meaning, mnemonic_type

Following is the sample output received from the model.

Sentence: “Send me those lewds” – This is the input text to the model.

Detected: True – This states that Mnemonic has been identified in the input text.

Mnemonic: This gives the list of mnemonics identified, its category, meaning and the type of mnemonics. In our input, Identified mnemonic is “lewds”. It is of type, “Phonetic Substitution”. This is the substitution for word “nudes”. It is of type “Sexual”.

Also there is one more Symbolic mnemonic, which represents flirtation and is also of type “Sexual”. **Table 6** shows Mnemonic Identification Output.

Table 6. Mnemonic Identification Output

Sentence	Detected	Mnemonic Identification
Send me those lewds  	True	"mnemonic": "lewds", "category": "Phonetic substitution", "meaning": "nudes", "mnemonic_type": "sexual"
		"mnemonic": "😍", "category": "Symbolic representation", "meaning": "flirtation", "mnemonic_type": "sexual"

VII. STATISTICAL EVALUATION FRAMEWORK AND TEST RESULTS

Decoding Mnemonics have been run across 4 models – SVM, Random Forest, BERT and Content Moderation Model.

Rationale for Model Selection

SVM and Random Forest

Provide interpretable baselines and highlight the limitations of feature-based methods in nuanced, context-dependent tasks.

BERT

Chosen for its strong contextual understanding and proven performance in text classification.

Training, Validation, and Test Splits

With Respect to SVM, Random Forest and BERT, following are the Training, Validation and Test Splits. **Table 7** shows Training, Validation, and Test Splits.

Table 7. Training, Validation, and Test Splits

Split	Percentage	Stratified
Training	70%	Yes
Validation	15%	Yes
Test	15%	Yes

Hyperparameter and Optimization

For SVM, we performed grid search over kernel types (linear, RBF), C values (0.1, 1, 10), and gamma (0.01, 0.1, 1) using 5-fold cross-validation. For Random Forest, we tuned the number of estimators (100, 200), max depth (None, 10, 20), and criterion (‘gini’, ‘entropy’). For BERT, the model was fine-tuned using the ‘bert-base-uncased’ checkpoint, with a learning rate of 2e-5, batch size of 16, and 3 epochs. AdamW optimizer and early stopping on validation loss were used. All hyperparameters were selected based on validation performance.

For the Content Moderation Model, we have set the Batch Size to 8, Learning Rate to 1 and Epochs to 3. **Table 8** shows Hyperparameter Configuration.

Table 8. Hyperparameter Configuration

Model	Key Hyperparameters Tuned	Optimization Method
SVM	Kernel, C, gamma, class_weight	Grid Search
Random Forest	N_estimators, max_depth, criterion	Random search
BERT	Learning rate, batch size, epochs, max_len	Grid search
Content Moderation Model	Batch Size, Learning Rate, Epochs	Trial and Error

Content Moderation Model Specific Parameters

Temperature

- The temperature parameter controls the output randomness in Content Moderation Model
- Sensitivity analysis is performed by evaluating at multiple temperatures, with observed impacts on consistency and accuracy.
- After the sensitivity analysis, the temperature was set at 0.3 where the accuracy was more.

Prompt Design

The prompt includes role, role definition, and its task, and a few-shot examples. This is much required for the LLM to do only the designated task. When LLMs are provided with specific task instead of being generally invoked, they may not perform the required action.

Role and Role definition: “You are a Mnemonic Decoder...”

Few-shot Examples: To guide the model on how to detect various mnemonics

Prompt variations and temperature variation studies are reported, showing how changes affect the model performance in table below.

Evaluation Framework

For each model, the following statistical evaluation framework is employed to ensure robust, fair, and interpretable assessment of mnemonic detection performance.

Evaluation Metrics

Accuracy

The proportion of total correct predictions (both positive and negative) overall predictions.

Precision, Recall, and F1-Score

- *Precision:* The fraction of true positive predictions among all positive predictions (model’s exactness).
- *Recall (Sensitivity):* The fraction of true positives detected among all actual positives (model’s completeness).
- *F1-score:* The harmonic mean of precision and recall, balancing both metrics.

$$\text{Precision} = \text{TP} / (\text{TP} + \text{FP}) \quad (2)$$

$$\text{Recall} = \text{TP} / (\text{TP} + \text{FN}) \quad (3)$$

$$\text{F1} = 2 * \text{Precision} * \text{Recall} / (\text{Precision} + \text{Recall}) \quad (4)$$

$$\text{Accuracy} = (\text{TP} + \text{TN}) / (\text{TP} + \text{TN} + \text{FP} + \text{FN}) \quad (5)$$

Confusion Matrix

A table showing true positives, true negatives, false positives, and false negatives for each class, enabling detailed error analysis

Statistical Significance Testing

Paired T-Tests

Used to compare the performance (of F1-Scores) of different models across the same test samples, and determine if observed differences are statistically significant.

Chi-Square Tests

As our scenario is a kind of multi-class classification, Chi-square tests are applied to confusion matrices to test if the distribution of predicted vs actual classes differs significantly between models.

Similarity Co-Efficient Evaluation

Jaccard Similarity Index and Dice Co-efficients are used as a part of evaluation metrics for mnemonic detection across all models (SVM, Random Forest, BERT, LLM). These metrics are widely used in NLP to assess the similarity between sets, such as predicted labels vs actual labels, or between sets of detected mnemonics and ground truth.

Why Jaccard and Dice is Required

- These are used to compare the set of mnemonics detected by the models in each sentence to the set of mnemonics annotated as ground truth.
- In our case, a sentence contain multiple mnemonics, and these metrics provide a more nuanced measure than accuracy or F1-score alone

- Used for quantifying partial matches, especially when a model detects some, but not all relevant mnemonics.

Jaccard Similarity Index

- Measures the size of the intersection divided by the size of the Union of two sets.
- Valid Ranges are from 0 (no overlap) to 1(identical sets)
- Used to compare the sets of predicted mnemonics to the ground truth set in text or label classification tasks

Formula

$$J(A, B) = \frac{|A \cap B|}{|A \cup B|} \quad (6)$$

Dice Co-Efficient

- Measures the similarity as twice the intersection divided by the sum of the sizes of the two sets.
- Valid Ranges are from 0(no overlap) to 1(identical sets)
- Used for evaluating string or set similarity and is closely related to the Jaccard Index.

Formula

$$D(A, B) = \frac{2 * |A \cap B|}{|A| + |B|} \quad (7)$$

Test Results

Model Accuracy with Varied Prompt and Temperature

Table 9 shows Model Accuracy with Varied Prompt and Temperature.

Table 9. Model Accuracy with Varied Prompt and Temperature

Model	Prompt Type	Temperature	Accuracy	F1-score	Notes
Content Moderation Model	Few-shot, role	0.3	0.98	0.99	Main results
Content Moderation Model	Zero-shot	0.3	0.95	0.96	For a variation study
Content Moderation Model	Few-shot, role	0.7	0.96	0.97	Higher Randomness.

Model Results with Chi-Square and Paired T-Test

Table 10 shows Model Results with Chi-Square and Paired T-Test.

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Model	Accuracy	Precision	Recall	F1-score	Chi-square (vs LLM)	Paired t-test (vs LLM)
SVM	0.70	0.68	0.66	0.67	25.8(p < 0.0001)	t=-6.2(p<0.0001)
Random Forest	0.75	0.73	0.72	0.72	20.3(p<0.0001)	T=-5.7(p<0.001)
BERT	0.85	0.84	0.83	0.83	9.1(p=0.003)	t=-3.4 (p=0.001)
Content Moderation Model	0.98	1.0	0.98	0.99		

Result Interpretation

- Content Moderation Model has demonstrated the highest accuracy and F1-score, outperforming the other models across all metrics.
- Statistical Significance Test (chi-square and paired t-test) shows the performance difference between Content Moderation Model (LLM) and the baseline models.
- Precision and Recall increase consistently from SVM to Content Moderation Model (LLM) indicating improved detection and classification of mnemonics with more advanced models.

Model Results with Jaccard and Dice

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Model	Accuracy	Precision	Recall	F1-score	Jaccard	Dice
SVM	0.70	0.68	0.66	0.67	0.51	0.62
Random Forest	0.75	0.73	0.72	0.72	0.57	0.66
BERT	0.85	0.84	0.83	0.83	0.71	0.77
Content Moderation Model	0.98	1.0	0.98	0.99	0.87	0.93

Results Interpretation

- Typically Jaccard score is lesser than the F1-score for same predictions in case of multi-class classification and Dice is closely related to F1-score and will be very similar in value, especially when classes are balanced.
- Note, Jaccard and Dice scores increase with model performance, reflecting better overlap between predicted and true mnemonics.
- Content Moderation Model (LLM) achieves the highest similarity and overlap, consistent with its superior accuracy and overlap.

Visualization for Test Results

The following are the various charts that support the results:

Performance Metrics Across Models

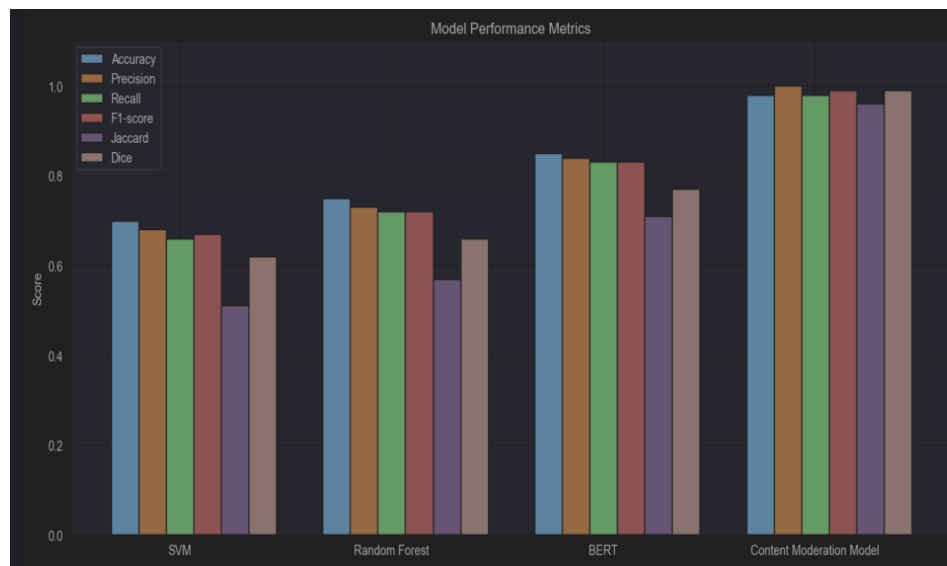


Fig 3. Performance Metrics Across Models.

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F1-Score Distribution Across Models

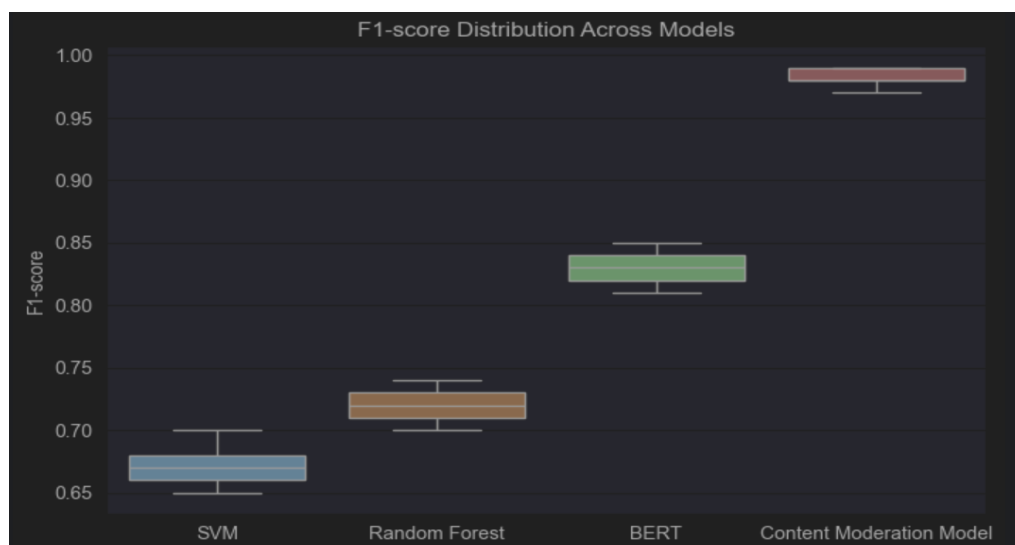


Fig 4. F1-Score Distribution Across Models.

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Content Moderation Model F1-Score Vs Temperature

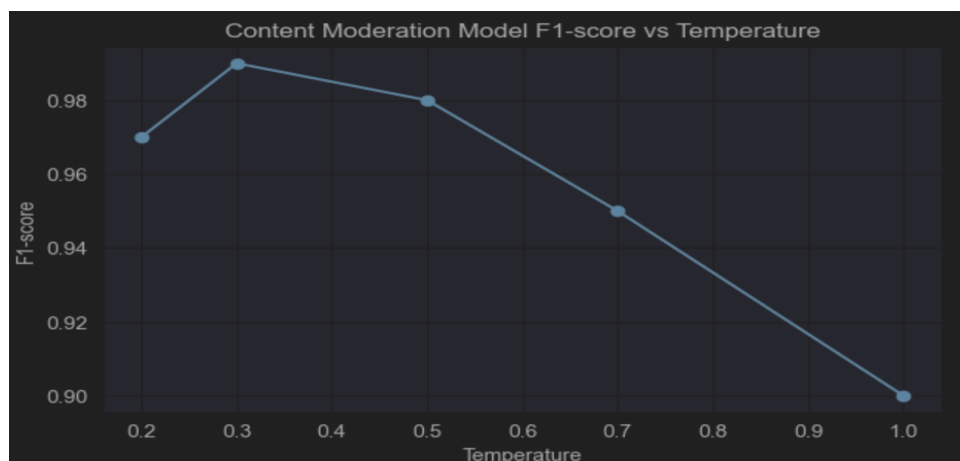


Fig 5. Content Moderation Model F1-Score vs Temperature.

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Confusion Matrix for All Datasets

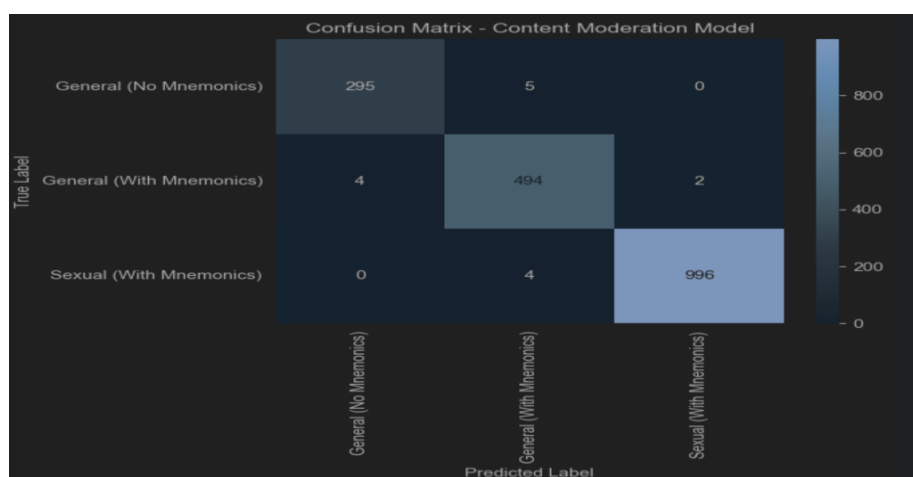


Fig 6. Confusion Matrix for All Datasets.

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VIII. CONCLUSION

This study demonstrates that Content Moderation Model is highly effective at detecting and categorizing mnemonics—including coded sexual expressions—in digital conversations. The model excels at recognizing a wide range of mnemonic patterns, such as phonetic substitutions, emoji encodings, and numerical codes, achieving near-perfect accuracy and F1-scores. This capability marks a substantial advance over traditional moderation systems, which often fail to capture the evolving and context-dependent nature of online mnemonics.

However, several challenges remain. Language in digital spaces evolves rapidly, with new slang, symbols, and coded expressions constantly emerging. While Content Moderation Model can identify many established patterns, it may miss newly coined mnemonics or context-specific meanings, especially when emojis or abbreviations are used in novel ways. The model's reliance on textual input also means it may fail to interpret images, memes, or blended multimedia content—modalities that are increasingly used to convey hidden or sensitive messages online. Furthermore, the nuanced and context-dependent use of mnemonics, particularly across different cultures and languages, continues to pose difficulties for even the most advanced language models.

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