

Peer Surveillance in Online Communities

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Peer surveillance is the act of using observation to influence the behavior of friends, family, and colleagues.

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**Online
communities
enable peer
surveillance.**

Platform Features:

- Unique Pseudonyms
- Topic Segmentation
- Focused Searches
- Trust-based disclosures
- Reputation Systems

Unique Pseudonyms

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







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	Entertainment	711	893	
	Healthcare, Medical Advances & Studies	317	526	
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

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Trust-based Disclosures



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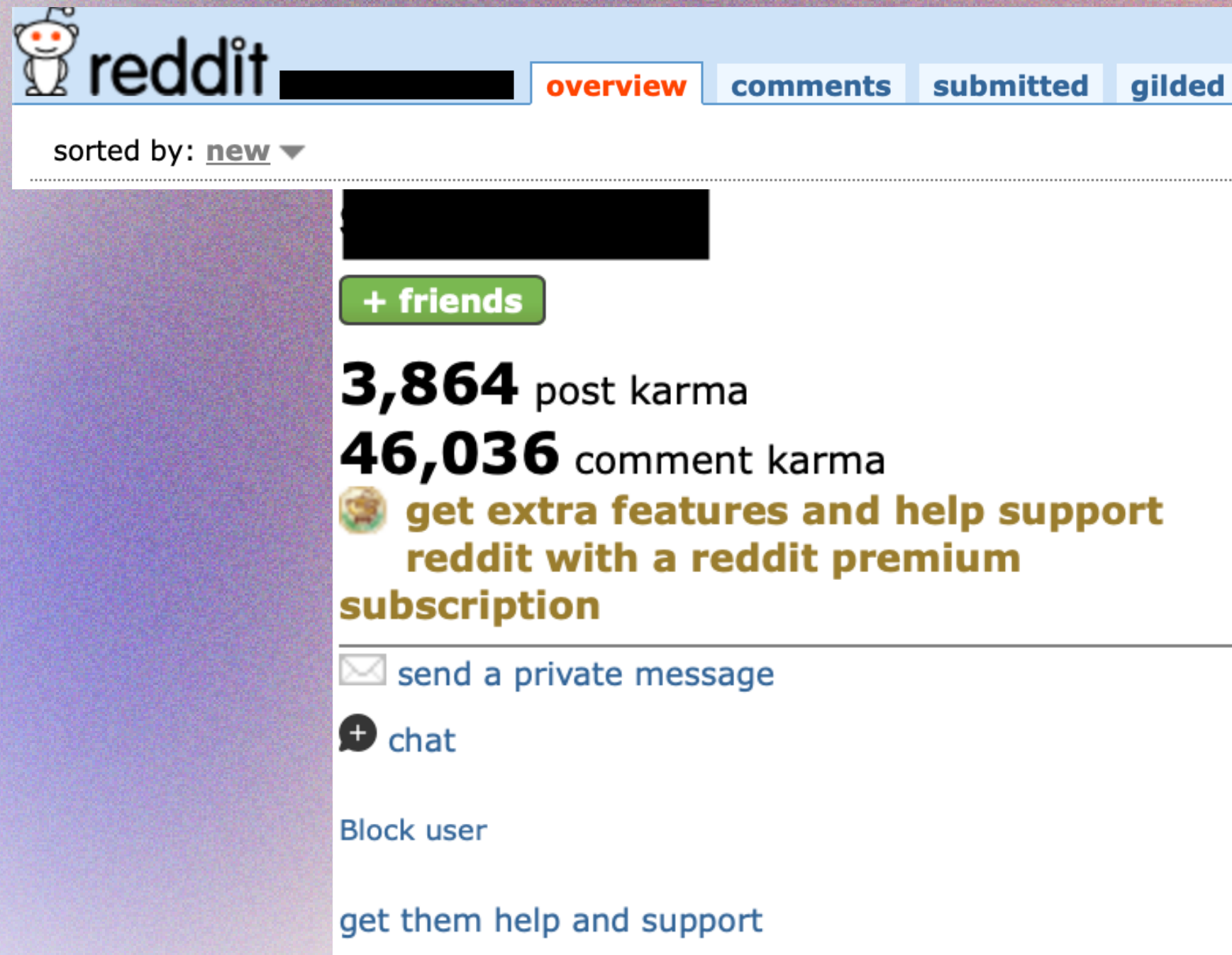
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I have no idea what I am at this point. I just know being female is not 100% my thing by any means. I had a hunch something was up since I was a child. I loved playing with the boys more than girls, not to say I didn't socialize with women, because I did, just I enjoyed the fun boys had than girls. I just understood them better. They didn't care about gossip and chattering but going out and causing havoc. To the point where I even said "I feel like I should've been a boy but something went wrong halfway through", I was maybe 8 at the time of saying this. I always played with male toys. I loved dinosaurs for as long as I can remember which later evolved into my love of dragons after discovering the Legend of Spyro series. I even recall picking up a snake at one point and scaring one of my friends with it. I loved getting my close in the boy's section because I believed they had better shirts for the most part and fit better. I remember my mom decided to get boxers because I had issues with my thighs chafing and women's boxers weren't in our store, at least at the time, so we got men's.

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Reputation Systems



The screenshot shows a user profile on Reddit. At the top, the Reddit logo and the word "reddit" are visible. Below this, there are navigation tabs: "overview" (highlighted in red), "comments", "submitted", and "gilded". A dropdown menu shows "sorted by: new" with a downward arrow. The user's profile picture is a black rectangle. Below the profile picture is a green button with a plus sign and the text "+ friends". The user's karma is displayed as "3,864 post karma" and "46,036 comment karma". Below the karma is a gold coin icon and the text "get extra features and help support reddit with a reddit premium subscription". A horizontal line separates this from a list of actions: "send a private message" (with an envelope icon), "chat" (with a plus sign and speech bubble icon), and "Block user". At the bottom, there is a link "get them help and support".

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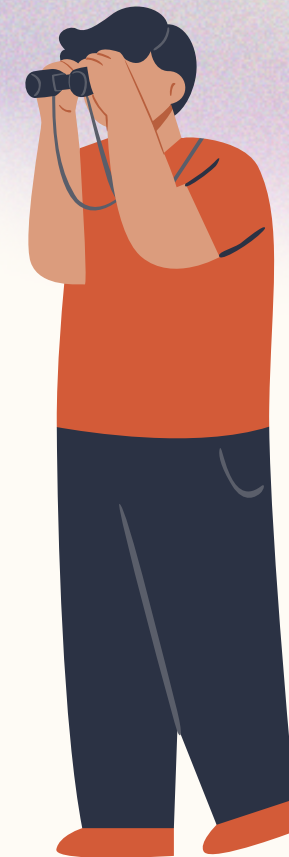
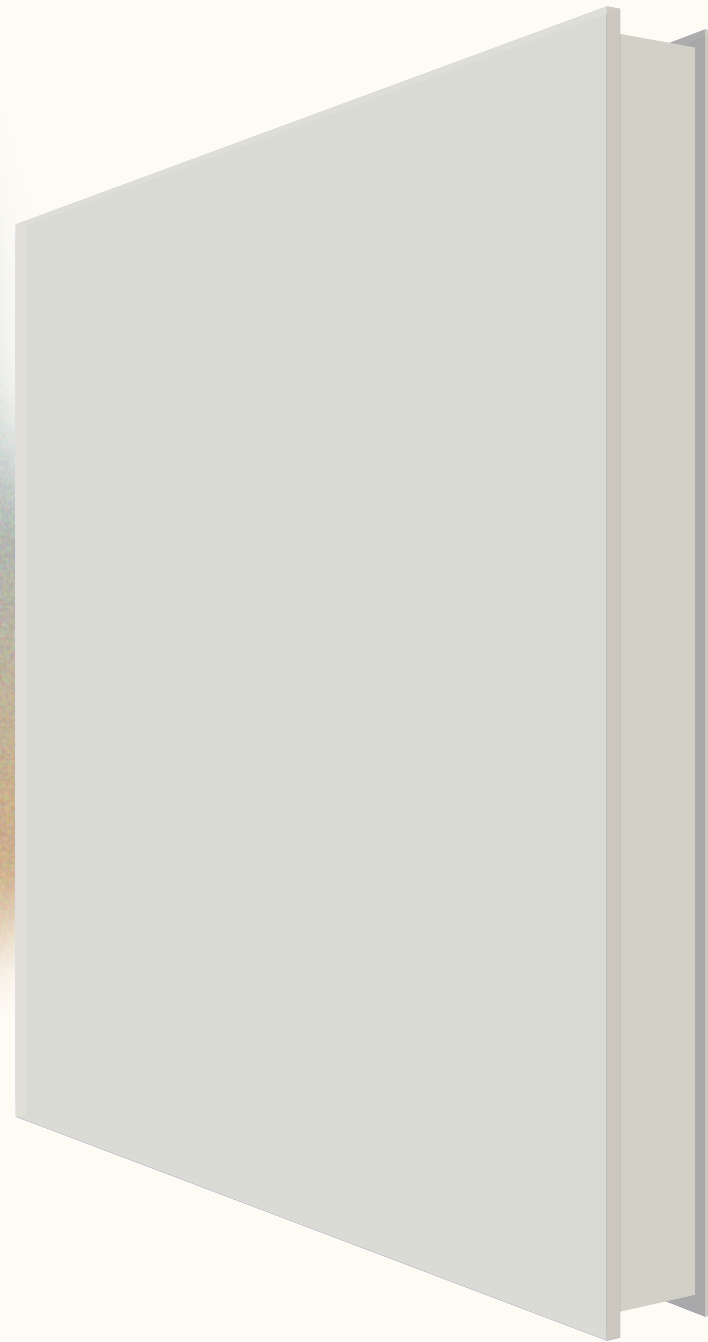
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Toward Peer-Surveillance Resistant Design



Contributions

- **A synthesis of 40 years of developments in Surveillance Studies**
- **A framework for analyzing the peer surveillance potential of online community platforms**
- **Guidance on devising peer-surveillance resistance systems**

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