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How can we ensure democratic control of violence and censorship on the Internet today?

Since the advent of mainstream Internet use in the 1990s, the web has been perceived as a tool for free speech. However, faced with the rise of disinformation and hate speech, new regulations are being implemented. States are enacting new laws to place limits on allowable online speech. The main digital companies are granted screening and blocking powers. Problems arise when the opacity of these operations turns moderation into censorship.

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