Product Spam on YouTube: A Case Study



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- Q best baby jumpers
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- Q best baby jumpers **and bouncers**
- Q best baby jumpers uk
- Q best baby jumpers and activity centers
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Easy Money Affiliate Marketing Scheme:

- Content creator (affiliate) registers with affiliate partner (usually a seller or manufacturer).
- 2. Affiliate partner issues tagged product referral links.
- 3. Affiliate spams users with these affiliate links.
- Users click on links (and potentially buy products). 4.
- 5. Affiliate gets 🗽 📚 🤽



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Well, let's see! We...

□ ... crafted 7,392 product review queries using two public product taxonomies:¹

best <product category>,

□ ... queried Startpage (Google), Bing, and DuckDuckGo, and

□ ... extracted all YouTube URLs from the SERPs.

¹GS1 Global Product Classification (GPC), Google Product Taxonomy (GPT)

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More in our paper, all code and data publicly available:



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