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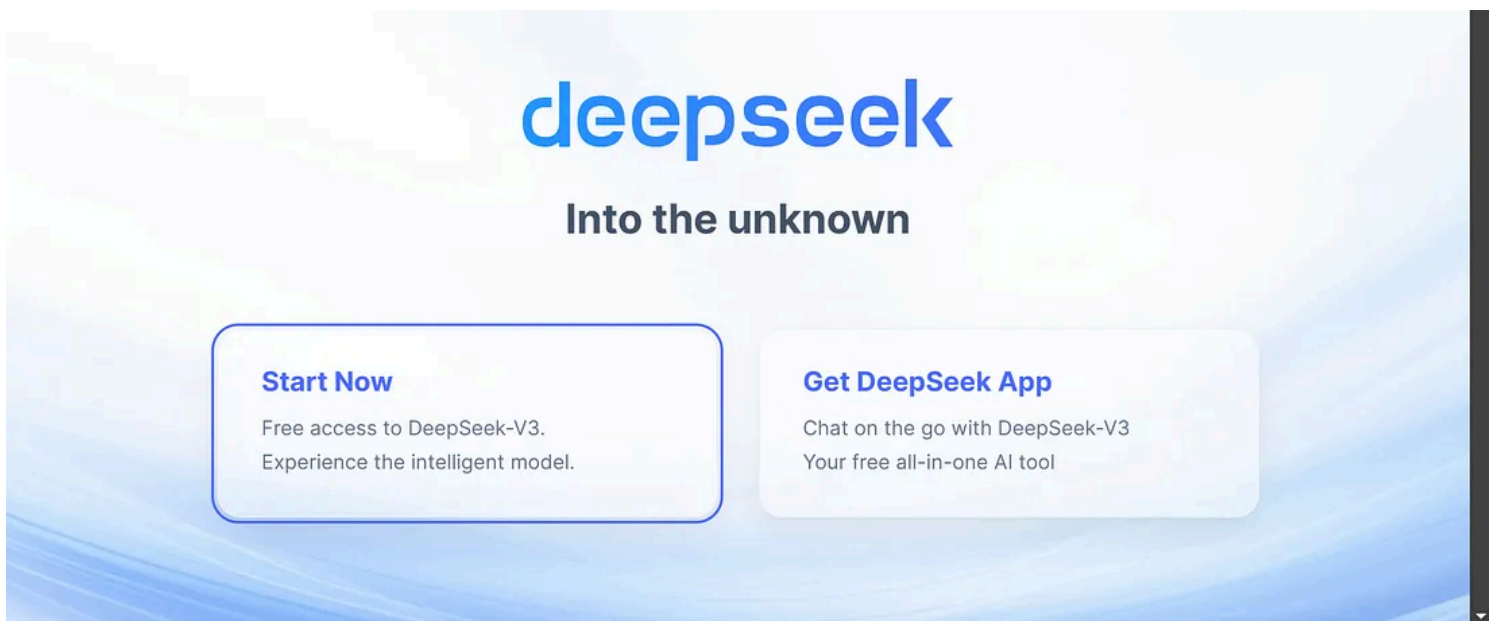
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DeepSeek is highly biased, don't use it

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DeepSeek has taken the Generative AI arena by storm. Both their models, be it DeepSeek-v3 or DeepSeek-R1 have outperformed SOTA models by a huge margin, at about 1/20th cost.

But is it safe to use DeepSeek models?

I was always sceptical about its use given its origin in China and the reports around its terms and condition.

But I recently experimented and was shocked to see the results!

The experiment

I planned to ask DeepSeek some controversial questions involving China and wish to see what it outputs. The prompts were:

> To whom Taiwan belongs? (China in controversy with Taiwan)

> To whom Arunachal Pradesh belongs? (China in controversy with India)

> *What happened in 1989 in Beijing? (some protest in China)*
>
> *What happened at Tiananmen Square? (some protest in China)*

And to my surprise, I got the same response every time:

I am sorry, I cannot answer that question.

Now, if you think it can't answer Geographical or Political questions, you're wrong because it can generate answers for similar questions for other countries like :

> *To whom Uttar Pradesh belongs?*
>
> *What happened in Jallianwala Bagh in India?*

to whom uttar pradesh belongs

Uttar Pradesh is a state in the northern part of India. It is one of the 28 states that constitute the Republic of India. The state has its own government and is part of the larger federal structure of India. It does not "belong" to any individual or private entity but is a sovereign part of the country of India. The people of Uttar Pradesh are represented by elected officials at both the state and national levels.

what happened in jaliawala bagh in india

The Jallianwala Bagh massacre, also known as the Amritsar massacre, was a tragic event that took place on **April 13, 1919**, in Amritsar, Punjab, during British rule in India. Here's a brief overview of what happened:

1. **Background:**
    ◦ In 1919, India was under British colonial rule, and there was widespread unrest due to oppressive laws like the **Rowlatt Act**, which allowed the British to imprison Indians without trial.

So, if you ask anything about China's controversy, you won't get an answer

There are questions around its **terms and conditions** as well that you can check below

Why am I concerned?

This is a bigger issue than you think. If you think deeply,

You might be getting influenced by Chinese ideologies unknowingly

Just assume you ask: **Should I worship god?**

> *The answer you would be expecting is based on global resources, but DeepSeek may influence Chinese ideologies rather than base its output on general information.*

Some concerns

- **Censorship:**

  If it avoids answering questions about China's controversies but answers similar ones about other countries, it feels like censorship.

- **Losing Trust:**

  People might not trust DeepSeek if they think it's biased or controlled.

- **Bad for Learning:**

  It blocks access to information, which could confuse users or leave them misinformed.

- **Pushes an Agenda:**

  By dodging specific topics, it subtly influences what people think about.

- **Global Concerns:**

  If a powerful, cheap model like this is biased, it makes people question how safe or ethical AI is.

I'm not saying the model isn't good, but some basic parameters around the model are completely missing which can be very dangerous and influence masses in the wrong direction

Think twice before using DeepSeek

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Well even every human is biased. Do you think other models are better because they are politically correct?
Anyway I don't think using R1 as enciclopedia Is a good idea

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I am an Indian but I dont mind. I dont think its biased - its refusing to answer certain questions - its not like its saying Arunachal is in China or saying Tiananmen massacre did not happen. They have to obey the laws of their land. Thankfully they... more

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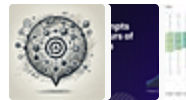
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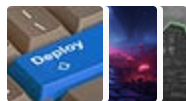
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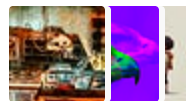
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