

# Alex Parker's Personalized Newsletter

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## Highlights:

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- [Inside Google's Two-Year Frenzy to Catch Up With OpenAI](#) - Most customers aren't yet willing to pay for AI features directly, so the company may be looking to sell ads in the Gemini app. The entire industry, not just Google, struggles with the fact that generative AI systems h
- [DeepSeek: Everything you need to know about the AI chatbot app](#) - DeepSeek is backed by High-Flyer Capital Management, a Chinese quantitative hedge fund that uses AI to inform its trading decisions. The chatbot app rose to the top of the Apple App Store charts this week.
- [ChatGPT: Everything you need to know about the AI-powered chatbot](#) - ChatGPT, OpenAI's text-generating AI chatbot, has taken the world by storm since its launch in November 2022. What started as a tool to supercharge productivity through writing essays and code with short text prompts has evolved into a behemoth with 300 million
- [Meta spotted testing AI-generated comments on Instagram](#) - Users can now write comments on Instagram posts using Meta AI. The feature was spotted by Instagram user Jonah Manzano. In recent years, Meta has introduced many AI features and capabilities.
- [The Trump Administration Wants USAID on the Blockchain](#) - The U.S. Agency for International Development will be renamed the US International Humanitarian Assistance (IHA) A memo circulating among State Department staff says the agency will use blockchain technology. The memo does not make clear what specifically this means.
- [Synchron's Brain-Computer Interface Now Has Nvidia's AI](#) - Synchron is working with Nvidia to develop a BCI system that can perform a wide range of tasks. The

system will be able to make predictions in a real-world environment. It will be the next step in the development of cognitive AI.

- [The Download: the future of energy, and chatting about chatbots](#) - A French scientist was denied US entry over anti-Donald Trump messages. RFK Jr wants to let bird flu spread through poultry farms. Clearview AI tried to buy millions of mugshots for its databases.