
Subject: Re: Politics and AI

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It hasn't been politicized in as much as it was being developed in this country for financialized use. That is what the brouhaha concerns are about. The Chinese simply were able to make an AI app that is better and open source, free. At a fraction of the cost of development our big tech companies were investing in their potential cash cow.

Then the politization comes in with that it's a Chinese information gathering tool. From the Link:

Alarm bells immediately sounded in Washington. US officials claimed the app is a supposed "national security" threat — their favorite excuse to justify imposing restrictions on Silicon Valley's Chinese competitors.

The US Navy promptly banned DeepSeek, citing "potential security and ethical concerns".

Starting in Donald Trump's first term, and continuing through the Joe Biden administration, the US government has waged a brutal technology war and economic war against China.

Washington hit China with sanctions, tariffs, and semiconductor restrictions, seeking to block its principal geopolitical rival from getting access to top-of-the-line Nvidia chips that are needed for AI research — or at least that they thought were needed.

DeepSeek has shown that the most cutting edge chips are not necessary if you have clever researchers who are motivated to innovate.

This realization unleashed pandemonium in the US stock market.

In just one day, Nvidia shares fell 17%, losing \$600 billion in market cap. This was the largest one-day drop in the history of the US stock market.

It just shows how hypocritical our politics are and redundant our industry has become to the level of what the once third world has excelled in all aspects. Our exceptionalism is a joke.
