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In my opinion, if an AI system creates a work from scratch, or uses scans of data to make a work, it isn't copyrightable, simply because a machine is not a person, and machines don't have rights granted by God or the state. This logic also applies to humans in their collaboration with AI. A person or team can patent an algorithm but not the results of that algorithm because those resulting works were made by machines, not people. Thus, any AI created works, in whole or in part, should have no copyright protection under the law.