Useful.

Thriving in a cold and infinite universe where everything is done better, cheaper, and faster by robots

The Power to Originate

Ada Lovelace, one of the founding thinkers of modern computing, famously stated that analytical engines have no ability to "originate" anything. The power to create ideas, to make new connections, to generate desires and goals for the future, is—for now, at least—a distinctly human quality.

What do you originate?



BONUS:

The power to originate could also include our ability to create emotions in other people—to generate in them a moment of joy, laughter, or acceptance. What emotions do you generate in those around you? What emotions do you allow others to generate in you?





