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 - Is it noncommercial or commercial?
 - Is your use transformative?
 - Type of material
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 - published vs. unpublished
 - Amount and substantiality
 - Less is more; use just what you need
 - Market impact
 - Is money lost by your use?
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- [Information Technology Responsible Use Policy](#)

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