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All eyes were on the parade of earnings reports from the technology behemoths this past week. But what grabbed the markets' attention were the implications of their massive capital investments in artificial intelligence on their balance sheets and cash-flow statements.