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Net neutrality should be protected. Bending to the will of cable providers works against the interests of the American public and in fact promotes something that our government should be preventing: creating an oligarchy. This is almost like the governments of the Gilded Age in their inability and unwillingness to conquer monopolies. The internet is a free and beautiful place, allowing for anyone to make a living, to strike out on an even playing field, to innovate and collaborate and cultivate new ideas, ventures, and ways of thinking. Allowing companies to buy in to faster speed tiers only hurts the little guy, and pretty much the whole of the American population other than those who run the cable/internet corporations. This is wrong, and as the internet becomes the new voice of democracy replacing newspapers and TV, and as a way for anyone to make a living at a trade in physical or technological products, it should not be hindered in its development. The internet should be a service to all, not to those who can pay for it. We pay high enough prices for terrible speeds (which we are lied to about anyway) and ridiculous customer service. These companies should be punished rather than given breaks. They have formed an oligarchy, bordering on a monopoly, and this is wrong. Preserve net neutrality and curb the corporations' efforts at control and to squeeze money from such a wonderful innovation that should be open to all.