Origins of the *IEEE Code of Ethics* have been traced by some researchers to as early as 1906, and the AIEE adopted a code of conduct in 1912. The IEEE was founded in 1963 from the merger of the AIEE and IRE, and the current Code of Ethics was adopted in 1974.

**Assignment:**

1. Review the *IEEE Code of Ethics* (in the class presentation).

2. Study the following overview article from IEEE Spectrum. The topic is “Net Neutrality.”


3. Then read the following article, which is referenced by the article above, and is also from IEEE Spectrum:


4. In view of (1)-(3) above, write a report discussing net neutrality. The report should:

   a. Identify one or more tenets of the IEEE Code of Ethics that might be considered in view of net neutrality.

   b. Identify and explain the ethical dilemma(s). A *dilemma* implies multiple unfavorable choices (stuck between a rock and a hard place). Therefore, explain the two or more unsatisfactory choices, i.e. what are the choices, and why are they unsatisfactory?

   c. Propose possible solutions that solve the ethical dilemma. Solutions should consider the IEEE Code of Ethics.

   d. Discuss how socio-economic and political concerns may affect the proposed solution(s).

The “Ethics Grading Rubric”, posted on the course web page, indicates what will be considered in grading the reports.