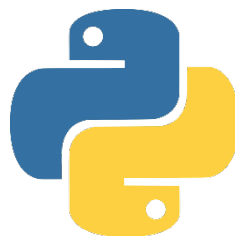# Introduction to #PythonMonday

Introduction

I think it's really important that everyone has some idea as to how computer programming works, because a lot of decisions are being made all over the world by computer programs, and it's important to know how they are doing that.

It's important to learn to program, because:

- Programming effects communities

- Programming effects medicine

- Programming effects justice

- Programming effects business

- Programming effects governments

- Programming is power

I personally think programming should be taught to everyone, it is a very useful skill, and more importantly understanding programming helps you evaluate so many news stories about phone hacking scandals and about cloud leaks of private photographs; about facial recognition systems tracking people and about SmartSpeakers listening to conversations; and about bots and trolls on social media.

So we are going to learn how to program, and the first thing we need to decide on when learning to program is which programming language to use. We are going to use the Python programming language because it's an easy language to learn, and it's also a very powerful programming language. Here's the python logo:

So this is the plan, we'll learn to program, one page at a time, and every Monday a new page will be posted, that will be the beginning of a programming journey that we'll be taking together.