Digital Piracy

What is Digital Piracy?

- Digital piracy is the act of downloading and sharing copyrighted items without permission. Examples like movies, songs, or software.
- Piracy is done several ways, It can be done by video recording a movie or downloading it through software. Or recording a song and downloading it through software.
- Often these pirated items are put on pirate websites for public widespread use to watch movies or even download games for free.

Technology's Contribution

- Although pirating content has always been a common practice technology has made it much easier
- As technology has improved so has Digital Piracy and its contributions to the tech world in general.
- Vpn can stop traces, there is no tracking when there is no seeding, and seeding is when pirates continue to share a completed file

Societal Impact

• It is common practice for people of all ages to download pirated content

- Sites like 123Movies make large sums of ad revenue from distributed pirated content
- Even mainstream apps that weren't made with the purpose of distributing pirated content such as Soundcloud often carry pirated content

Cybersecurity's role

- Digital piracy carries malware or Virus infection which could affect multiple systems
- Fraudulent cases have emerged in recent times so much so that digital piracy has also led hackers harming people financially
- Possible malware infections leave people vulnerable to having their credentials stolen or identity being leaked.

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