

Safeguard your PC from getting hacked: check out how **ransomware attacks** operate

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Modus Operandi

- Ransomware is a type of malware that encrypts your files. A ransomware attack starts once the malicious software is secretly installed on your computer.
- It will encrypt your data files and block access to your data or the entire computer. They demand a ransom and promise to share the decryption key on payment to restore your access.
- This demand comes with a deadline, and if you don't pay it on time, your data will be gone forever.



Precautions

- Use only licensed operating systems and other software & keep them regularly patched.
- Install good antivirus software on your laptops/desktops.
- Keep your browser updated and use legitimate browser extensions downloaded from OEM websites only.
- Take data backups regularly and keep them offline (not connected with the computer).
- Never click on attachments or links in emails or SMSes from unknown senders.
- Keep yourself updated on cyber security threats, especially how to identify phishing emails, etc.