

Legal terminology o A computer crime is a crime like any other crime, except that in this case the illegal act must involve a computer system either as an object of a crime, used to commit a crime, or a repository of evidence related to a crime. o Expanded de ni on o an illegal act that involves a computer system or computer related system like a telephone, microwave, satellite or other telecommunica ons system that connect one or more computers or computer-related systems For a variety of reasons computer crimes target computer resources:– Hardware, like computers, printers, scanners, servers, and communica on media.– Soware, that includes applica on and special programs, system backups, and diagnos c programs, and system programs such as opera ng systems and protocols.– Data in storage, transi on, or undergoing modi ca on– People that include users, system administrators, and hardware and soware manufacturers.– Documenta on, that includes user informa on for hardware and soware, administra ve procedures, and policy documents.– Supplies, that include paper and printer cartridges An a ack on any one of these resources is considered a computer or computer-related a ack. Most computer a acks on the resources above fall into the three categories:– Natural or involuntary a ack, which includes accidents origina ng from natural disasters such as re, oods, windstorms, lightning, and earthquakes, and which usually occur very quickly without warning and are beyond human capacity, o en causing serious damage to a ected cyberspace resources.– Human blunders, errors, and omissions, that are usually caused by unintentional human ac ons. Malfunc ons, though occurring more frequently than natural disasters, are as unpredictable as natural disasters.– Inten onal threats, that originate from humans caused by illegal or criminal acts from either insiders or outsiders, recrea onal hackers, and criminals. o Expanded de ni on o an illegal act that involves a computer system or computer related system like a telephone, microwave, satellite or other telecommunica ons system that connect one or more computers or computer-related systems Legal terminology o A computer crime is a crime like any other crime, except that in this case the illegal act must involve a computer system either as an object of a crime, used to commit a crime, or a repository of evidence related to a crime. Unintended human ac ons are usually due to design problems. Such a acks are called malfunc ons. Some of these resources .are more vulnerable than others