This chapter examines the provisions of the Council of Europe’s Convention on Cybercrime to determine the major headings under which computer-related conduct might be prosecuted and to analyse the effectiveness of UK legislation in the field. The focus is on offences against the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of computer data and systems, which essentially refers to computer hacking and to attempts to impair the operation of computer systems through interception of communications, the promulgation of viruses, or the launching of denial of service attacks. The chapter discusses also the law on computer-related fraud and forgery.
10. Substantive criminal law provisions

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