Doxxing, misogyny & online harassment

CRIM20007: CYBERCRIME AND DIGITAL CRIMINOLOGY

01

What is a cryptomarket?

Silk Road: Whack-a-mole policing

The gentrification hypothesis

Harm reduction: Portugal model

02

Cryptocurrencies and justice in late capitalism

Leveraging resources: the GameStop case

Cryptocurrencies, environmental tolls and the hidden cost of digital goods

Last week

This week

01

What is doxxing?

Motivations for doxxing

Cyberbullying and doxxing harms

Another form of technology facilitated violence?

02

Misogyny and hate speech: Conversation with William Arpke-Wales

What is doxxing?

the non-consensual sharing of personal or identifying information in an online space

Go to menti.com and use the code 7355 984

03

Extortion doxxing

Silencing doxxing

Retributive doxxing

Motivations for doxxing

05

06

Controlling doxxing Reputation building Unintentional doxxing doxxing

Public interest doxxing

Anderson, B & Wood, M, 2021, 'Doxxing: a scoping review and typology' in Flynn, A. Bailey, J., Henry, N. (Eds.) Handbook of Technology- Facilitated Violence. Bingley, UK: Emerald

HOW DOES DOXXING HARM?

Deanonymisation

Alt accounts, pseudonyms, online personas: what is lost when anonymity is taken away?

Triggs, Møller & Neumayer (2021): context collapse as a protective mechanism for queer Internet users

Targeting

Loss of security: sharing home address, organised doxxing campaigns

Brianna Wu, Zoe Quinn and Gamergate: death threats, stalking, threats to family's safety

Delegitimising

Loss of credibility

Sharing information to 'shame' the victim: disclosing private medical information

Intersections with other cybercrimes: sharing intimate images without consent

Disadvantaging

Loss of competitive advantage, including corporate doxxing

A more obscure doxxing harm: do we consider organisations to have personal identifying information?

What is the prevalence of cyberbullying?

- US: 25% of female and 11% of male high school aged students reported cyberbullying (Beale and Hall, 2007)
- Cyberbullying victims are likely to be targeted with concurrent offline attacks - (Raskaukas and Stoltz, 2007; Smith et al, 2008)
- How have online/offline distinctions about bullying harms changed since 2007-08?

What distinguishes cyberbullying from ordinary bullying?

- Comparatively little context to online remarks
- The act of writing down a misogynistic message implies the commenter has given thought to their words (Biber et al, 2002)

Prevention and intervention

- Young people are unlikely to report online abuse unless they perceive it as serious (Hotfeld and Grabe, 2012)
- Victims often don't report abuse to the police as they don't believe they will take it seriously (Nobles et al, 2012)

Cyberbullying and doxxing

DOXXING+ TECHNOLOGY

— Δ Intimate partner violence (Harris & Woodlock, 2019) ()

Image based sexual abuse (Powell, Henry & Flynn, 2018)

Harassment and cyber-bullying (Eckert & Metzger-Riftkin, 2020)

Fraud & 'swatting' (Calabro, 2018)

Go to menti.com and use the code 7355 984

MISOGYNISTIC HATE SPEECH

William Arpke-Wales

References

- Anderson, B & Wood, M, 2021, 'Doxxing: a scoping review and typology' in Flynn, A. Bailey, J., Henry, N. (Eds.) Handbook of Technology- Facilitated Violence. Bingley, UK: Emerald
- Beale, A. V., & Hall, K. R. (2007). Cyberbullying: What school administrators (and parents) can do. The Clearing House: A Journal of Educational Strategies, Issues and Ideas, 81(1), 8-12.
- Biber, J. K., Doverspike, D., Baznik, D., Cober, A., & Ritter, B. A. (2002). Sexual harassment in online communications: Effects of gender and discourse medium. CyberPsychology & Behavior, 5(1), 33-42.
- Calabro, S. (2018). From the message board to the front door: Addressing the offline consequences of race-and gender-based doxxing and swatting. **Suffolk UL Rev., 51, 55.**
- Eckert, S., & Metzger-Riftkin, J. (2020). Doxxing. The International Encyclopedia of Gender, Media, and Communication, 1-5.
- Harris, B. A., & Woodlock, D. (2019). Digital coercive control: Insights from two landmark domestic violence studies. The British Journal of Criminology, 59(3), 530-550.
- Powell, A., Henry, N., & Flynn, A. (2018). Image-based sexual abuse. Routledge Handbook of Critical Criminology, 305-315.
- Raskauskas, J., & Stoltz, A. D. (2007). Involvement in traditional and electronic bullying among adolescents. Developmental psychology, 43(3), 564.
- Triggs, A. H., Møller, K., & Neumayer, C. (2021). Context collapse and anonymity among queer Reddit users. new media & society, 23(1), 5-21.

Any questions?