

Introduction

- **Cybertechnology**
 - wide range of computing and communication devices
 - stand-alone computers, networks, communication technologies
- **Cyberethics**
 - study of moral, legal and social issues involving cybertechnology

Example: Internet Stalking (1999)

- **victim: 20 year old woman**
- **murdered by a stalker**
- **stalking done with publicly available internet tools**
 - **where she lived**
 - **where she worked**
 - **type of vehicle**
- **two websites**
 - **personal info about victim, photo**
 - **detailed murder plans**

Internet Stalking: Ethical Issues

- Was victim's right to privacy violated?
 - by means of gathering personal info
 - by websites
- Is right to build websites protected by free speech?
- Are ISP's legally liable?
 - liable for murder because of death threat?
- Do readers have a moral responsibility to inform people who are threatened?