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FORENSIC METHODOLOGY

Crimes investigation

- is a specific activity, cognitive and organizational-tactical essence of which determined by the specific traits of evidentiary information and the procedures laid down by the law for its obtaining and using.



In the forensic technique, not only defined methods are developed and indicated for use in the investigation, but also provisions concerning:

forensic characteristics
corresponding category
of crimes

typical investigative
situations; typical lists of
circumstances
warrant determination

directions of interactions
the investigator with
other participants of
the examination

Forensic methodology (the final section of forensic science)

- is a system of integrated scientific regulations and formed methodological recommendations on their basis, which provides the optimal organization of investigation and prevention of certain types of crimes.



The principles of forensic methodology:

strict compliance with the law

the conditionality of its nature
and content with circumstances
that need to be established

scientific substantiation

step-by-step investigation,
which reflects the features of the
detection and collection of
evidence

the optimal organization and
tactics of carrying out necessary
investigative (search) actions
and secret investigators actions
that provide solving of problems
of criminal proceedings

integrated use of facilities and
facilities for a quick and
complete solution to the
problems in criminal
proceedings

The basis for forensic classification of crimes is:



a description of a certain type of crime, defined in the relevant sections of the special part of the Criminal Code of Ukraine



characteristic (classification) of the person of the offender, the victim



the nature of the primary information (typical investigative situation), which determines the algorithm of the first investigators (investigatory) actions and their features



peculiarities of display of criminal actions
(trace picture of an event)

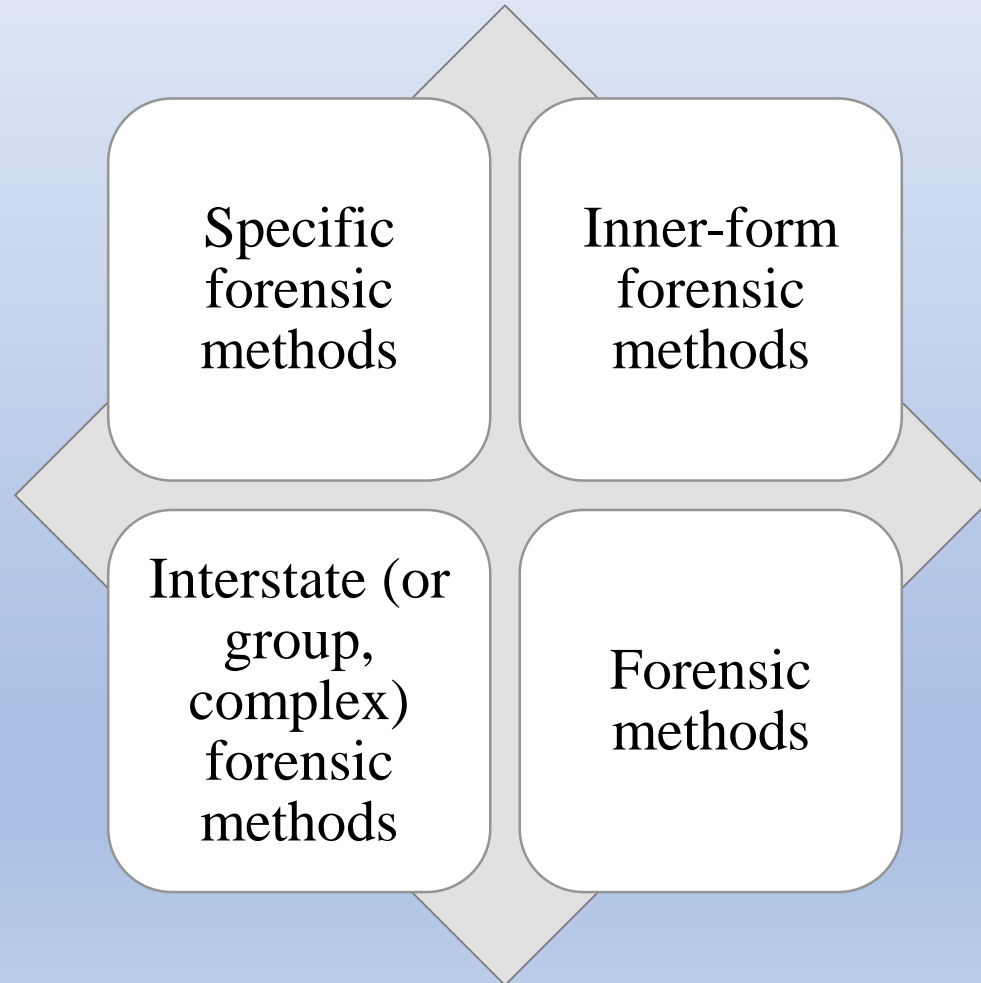


peculiarities of the typical way of committing
certain types (groups) of crimes, guns and
means of committing them

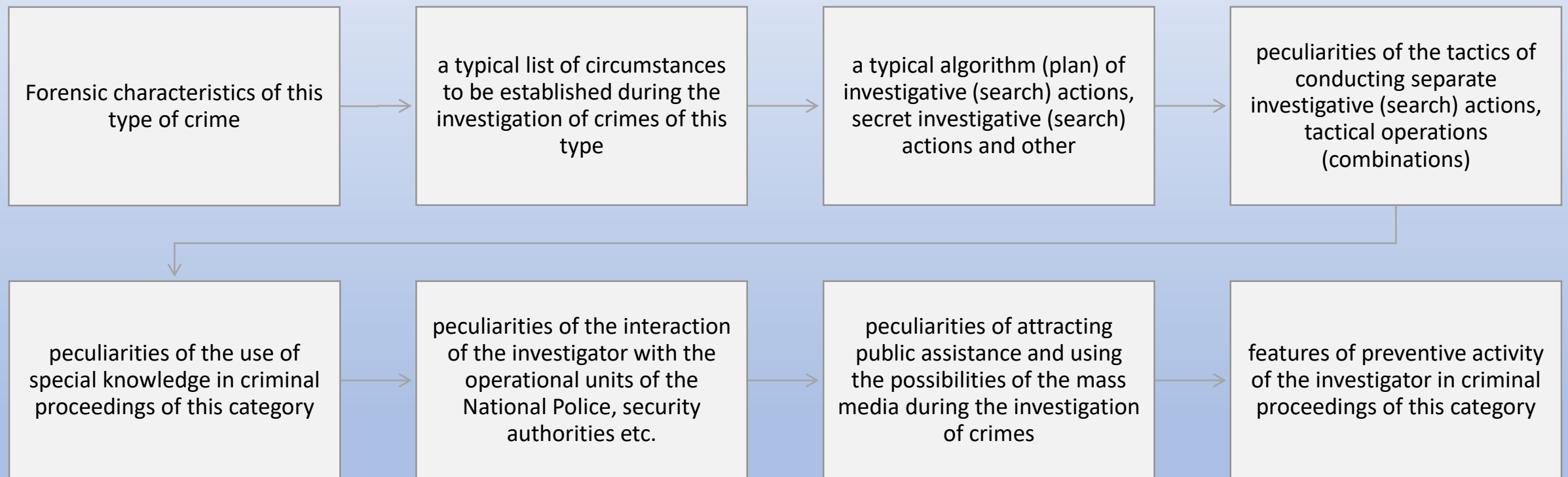


degree of concealment and masking the
crime, the presence of criminal experience,
etc.

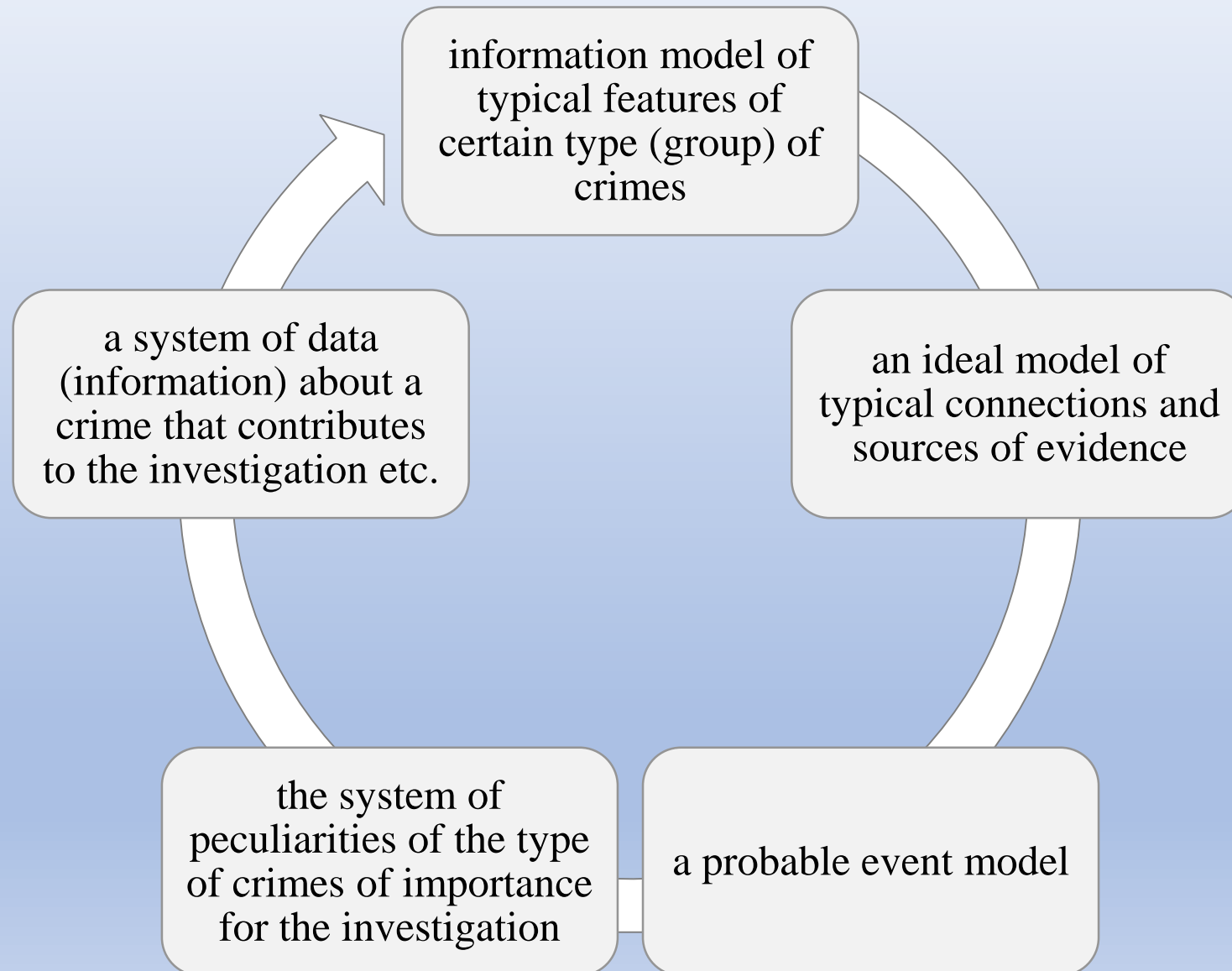
Four-level classification of forensic techniques, which distinguishes the following levels:



The typical structure of a separate forensic methodology, as a rule, consists of the following interrelated parts:



The forensic description of crimes has defined as:



Forensic description of crimes

is a system of generalized data on the most typical signs of a certain type (group of) crimes manifested in the method and mechanism of the act, the circumstances of its commission, the person of the subject of the crime, and other circumstances, the logical relationship of which serves as the basis of scientific and practical solving the investigation tasks.



The main elements of the forensic characterization of a certain type (group of) crimes should include:

1. Characteristic of the subject of criminal encroachment (things of the material world, which seek to seize criminals - money, values, property, etc.)



2. Typical ways of committing a crime (consisting of methods for preparing for committing criminal acts, direct committing a crime and ways of concealing (disguising) criminal acts)



3. Typical trace of the event (a set of material and psycho-physiological traces that are inherent in a certain type (group of) crimes and certain ways and stages of its commission)

4. Characteristics of the offender
(characterized by physical, socio-
demographic data, factors that
had an impact on the formation
and implementation of a criminal
goal, the creation of a criminal
group)

5. Characteristics of the victim
(demographic data, information
about lifestyle, features of
character, habits, relationships
and relationships, signs of victim
behavior, etc.)

6. The motive and purpose of
committing crimes



