



MAKE ENDPOINTS  
GREAT AGAIN



“I will build a firewall to protect the perimeter and I will make Cisco pay for it.”

CIO Trump

Hello!

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Manager

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 @bengross



...and Hello!

• I AM RIFF KHAN

Systems Administrator

✉ riff@berkeley.edu

🐦 @riffkhan



**#1 Public University**

#3 Global University

**7 Nobel Prizes**

77 Faculty Fulbright Scholars

**14,500 Employees**

55,000+ Students





Winter is Always Coming

“

“My job is not to protect the campus from the internet. It is to protect the internet from the campus.”

Security Analyst, UC Berkeley

# TEAM EEI BY THE NUMBERS

**14000+**  
**Endpoints**  
**in BigFix**

11K Windows  
3K Macs

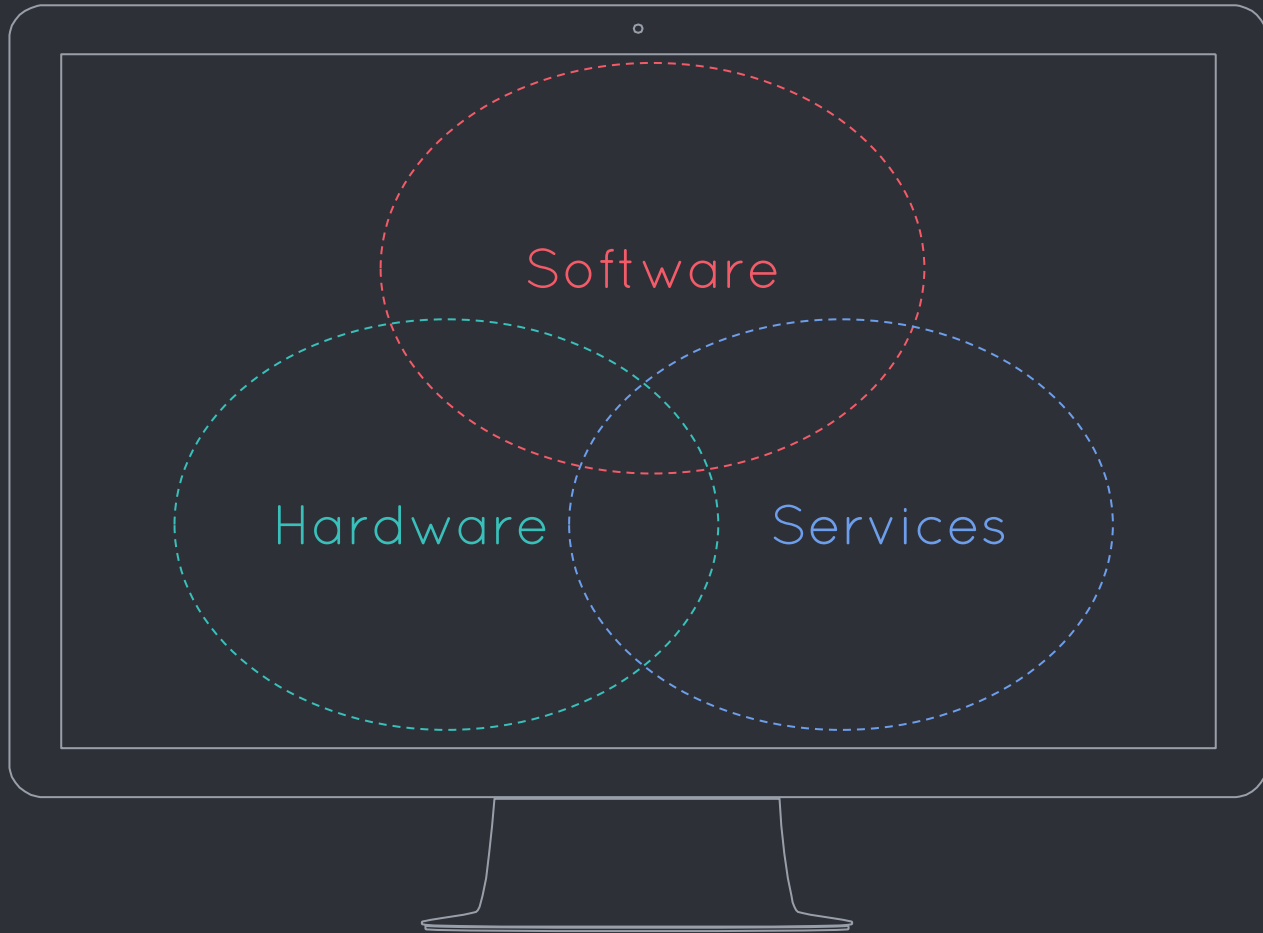
**8000+**  
**Users**

**175+**  
**Supported**  
**Business**  
**Units**

**10**  
**Team**  
**Members**

8 Technical  
1 PM  
1 Manager





BERKELEY DESKTOP ECOSYSTEM

Self Service

Security As A  
Service

User Access,  
Storage and  
Printers

Custom  
Configuration

## BERKELEY DESKTOP SERVICES

## BERKELEY DESKTOP PLATFORM

OS

Drivers  
+  
VM Tools

BigFix

Productivity  
Apps

Security Components  
Exploit Mitigation, AntiVirus, VPN &  
Firewall

Enterprise Dell Models

Virtual Machines

AUTO  
PATCHING

CONFIGURATION  
MANAGEMENT

MANAGED  
ANTIVIRUS

AUDIT  
COMPLIANCE

SECURITY AS A SERVICE



BIGFIX

# Patching as a Service

7 Operating Systems

15+ Custom Applications

25+ Total Applications

175+ Departments

10000+ Endpoints

1 FTE worth of time





A Modern SysAdmin has vSphere to run  
Puppet to manage Casper to manage MacOS”



“SAY DOCKER  
ONE MORE  
TIME!”

WHAT DO YOU MEAN  
REBOOT? I JUST  
REBOOTED LAST  
MONTH!!



“

“Security at the expense of usability comes at the expense of security.”

Avi Douglan, Security Architect and Developer





# Design Principles

to MAKE ENDPOINTS GREAT AGAIN



SET SECURE DEFAULTS

KEEP THE CORE TRANSPARENT

OFFER CONTROL AT THE EDGES

AUTOMATE ALL THE THINGS

MEASURE ALL THE THINGS

ITERATE ALL THE THINGS

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Set Secure Defaults

# MINIMIZE THE BLOAT



“I will make sure Java is removed from all endpoints. Java is horrible. We need to retake our endpoints.”

CIO Trump

# • PREVENT LATERAL ACCOUNT MOVEMENT

RENAME LOCAL  
ADMINISTRATOR



DISABLE LOCAL  
ADMINISTRATOR



CHANGE  
PASSWORD TO  
RANDOM  
STRING

“Make sure you spell check your passwords.  
Make passwords random again.”

CIO Trump



# MULTIPLE PATCHING SOURCES



VENDOR  
SOURCES

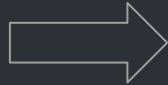


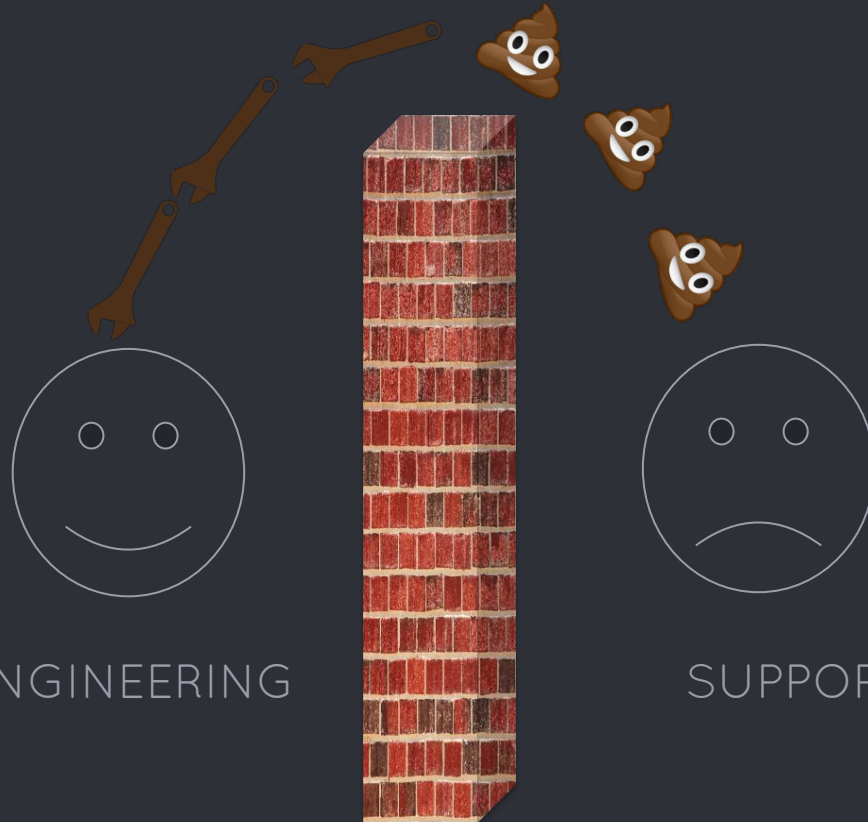
IMAGE  
DEPLOYMENT

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Keep the Core Transparent



# WALL OF CONFUSION



ENGINEERING

SUPPORT

# COMMUNICATIONS

**Announce all patch  
and configuration  
updates**

ACTION  
IMPACT  
REASON

**Release Notes  
Phone Call**

CIRCUIT BREAKER  
FEEDBACK LOOP

# TOOLS: BASELINE ACTIONS BY COMPUTER

Computer:

Baseline:

<EEI Master Baseline December 2015>: Windows OS + Applications

Generate Report

Actions taken on computer 3J3KB42. Click on row to see details

Baseline Action ID	State	Issuer	Time Issued	Status	Additional Info
166607	Expired		2015-12-11 11:37:38 -0800	Pending Restart	Waiting for restart to complete action.
168599	Expired		2015-12-30 16:03:32 -0800	Fixed	The action executed successfully.

## Statuses of Member Actions

Member Action ID	Fixlet	Status
168777	<EEI Software Updates>: Adobe Creative Cloud Remote Update Manager (Windows)	Fixed
168790	Flash Player 20.0.0.267 Available - Plugin-based	Not Relevant
168791	Flash Player 20.0.0.267 Available - Internet Explorer	Not Relevant
168792	Mozilla Firefox 43.0.3 Available	Fixed
168793	Adobe AIR 20.0.0.233 Available	Fixed

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Offer Control At the Edges

# BERKELEY DESKTOP SELF-SERVICE

Self-Service for End Users	Self-Service for IT Staff
Productivity Software: Microsoft Office 2016	Beta Software Testing: Dell Command Update
Developer Tools: Notepad++	Standard Software Opt-Out: Citrix Receiver
Service Opt-in: Endpoint Backup	Reset Configuration: Enable Windows Store
Delegated Access: 30 minute Administrator Access	Configuration Opt-Out: 30 minute from AV

36,000

Self-Service Actions

# PD PostDeploy

## Berkeley Desktop Status

Hardware

Image

BigFix

User

### Primary UserName Set!

UserName:

For shared computers, use "svc-sharedcomputer" and  
for unassigned computers, use "svc-unassignedcomp"

Next

### Active Directory Completed

EEI

SecureComputers

IST

EEI

Move Here

Move Here

### BigFix Tagging Completed!

Building Code:

Add to BigFix QA Set

Patching Opt-Out

Self-Service Opt-Out

Next

List of Building Codes

### Location is now set!

Finish

Reboot Machine

Completed: Added pvt-riff-ca to UCPrimaryCalnetID  
Completed: Moved computer to the desired OU in Active Directory!  
Completed: Added '1088' to UCBuilding  
Completed: Added 'QA' for Berkeley Desktop Patching Service  
Completed: Added 'earth' to UCLocation

Thank you for completing all the steps...!

# MORE SECURE OPT-IN

SECURE IDENTITY

SOFTWARE RESTRICTION POLICIES

BROWSER HARDENING

OPERATING SYSTEM HARDENING





WHAT  
DIFFERENCE  
DOES IT MAKE?!?

“

“This single project has saved UHS more computer admin time than any other project I’ve seen at the University in 20 years. You know it must be good if it makes a SysAdmin happy!”

Scott McCoy, University Health Services

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Automate All The Things

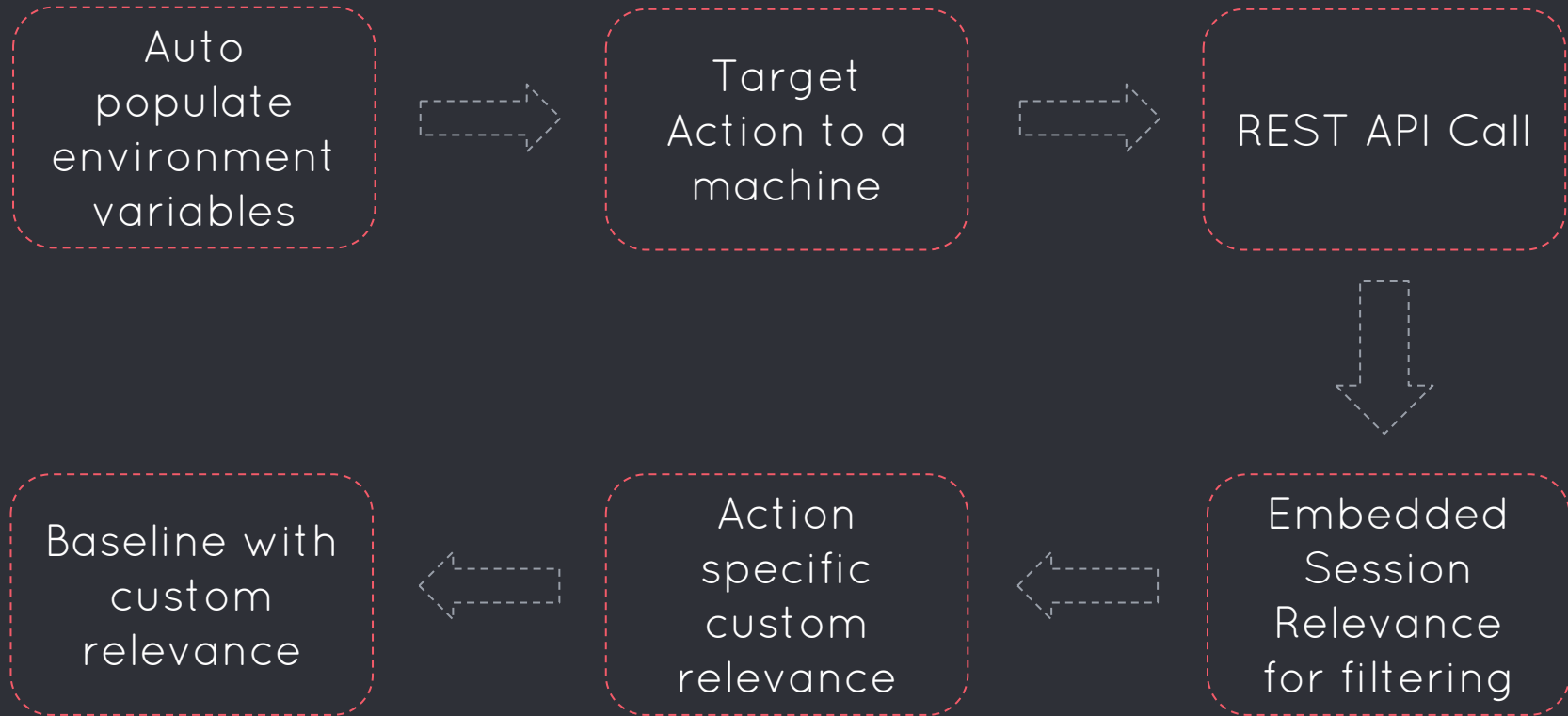


“Arbuckle’s law... The actual compliance of an organization is in direct proportion to the degree to which its policies are expressed as code”

@dromologue  
Justin Arbuckle

# RESTFUL AUTOMATION:

## Auto-generate Component Baselines



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Measure All The Things

# MEASURE: WHAT?

```
//Action Type
```

```
parameter "Type" = "Offer"
```

```
// Application Name
```

```
parameter "AppName" = "Office2016"
```

```
// Action Start Time for Reporting
```

```
regset "[registrylocation\{(parameter "AppName" & parameter "Type")}"  
"{parameter "Type" as string & "StartTime"}"="{now}"
```

## APPLICATION SPECIFIC SCRIPT

```
// Action Pushed
```

```
regset "[registrylocation\{(parameter "AppName" & parameter "Type")}" "value"="  
Yes"
```

```
// Action End Time for Reporting
```

```
regset "[registrylocation\{(parameter "AppName" & parameter "Type")}"  
"{parameter "Type" as string & "EndTime"}"="{now}"
```





## Accounts Clicking on Self-Service

**Total Clicks:** 19800

**Clicks with Logged Account Name:** 13150

**Non-Administrator Logon Clicks:** 8357

**Administrator Logon Clicks:** 4681

**Unique PVT Accounts:** 156

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## Current Self-Service Applications

Application Name	Number of Clicks
7Zip	1267
AdobeCC2015AcrobatProDC	398
AdobeCC2015AfterEffects	63
AdobeCC2015Audition	64
AdobeCC2015Bridge	79
AdobeCC2015Dreamweaver	131
AdobeCC2015EdgeAnimate	42
AdobeCC2015EdgeCode	38
AdobeCC2015EdgeReflow	38
AdobeCC2015ExtendScriptToolkit	37
AdobeCC2015ExtensionManager	43
AdobeCC2015FlashBuilderPremium	53
AdobeCC2015FlashProfessional	94
AdobeCC2015Illustrator	297
AdobeCC2015InCopy	54
AdobeCC2015InDesign	256
AdobeCC2015Lightroom	99
AdobeCC2015MediaEncoder	53
AdobeCC2015Muse	47
AdobeCC2015Photoshop	375



- TAG START TIME

```
regset "[registry Location\{current month as string}]" {"StartTime"}="{now}"
```

- BASELINE COMPONENTS

- TAG END TIME

```
regset "[registry Location\{current month as string}]" {"EndTime"}="{now}"
```



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Iterate All The Things

“

“Continuous Deployment is an aspiration not an architecture.”

David Woods, Professor Ohio State University

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# FAIL FAST

\*\*\*\*\*  
This app helps you do the following:

1. Tag the workstation you're running this on with the software code
  2. Add the code entered to the workstation's registry
  3. TEM will then auto-deploy and auto-install the latest version available in TEM for the respective software package
- \*\*\*\*\*

Please Enter Software Code for the software you want installed (for a list of available code use '?' and to Exit simply enter 'x'): ?

Visio 2013	= vo13
Project 2013	= pt13
Office 2013	= of13 (Coming Soon!)
Apple iTunes	= itun
Mozilla Firefox	= fefx
Apple QuickTime	= qkte
Java	= java (Coming Soon!)
Notepad++	= note
Adobe Photoshop	= poto
Hostexplorer	= host
RSAT	= rsat
Chocolatey	= choc



# RECAP

- Set Secure Defaults
- Keep the Core Transparent
- Offer Control at the Edges
- Automate All The Things
- Measure All The Things
- Iterate All The Things



Thanks!

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Questions...?



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