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A close-up photograph of a backgammon board. In the foreground, a wooden dice cup containing two red and one yellow die is visible. Several backgammon pieces are scattered across the board, including a stack of red pieces on the left side and a stack of blue pieces on the right side. The board itself is light-colored wood with dark, circular inlays.

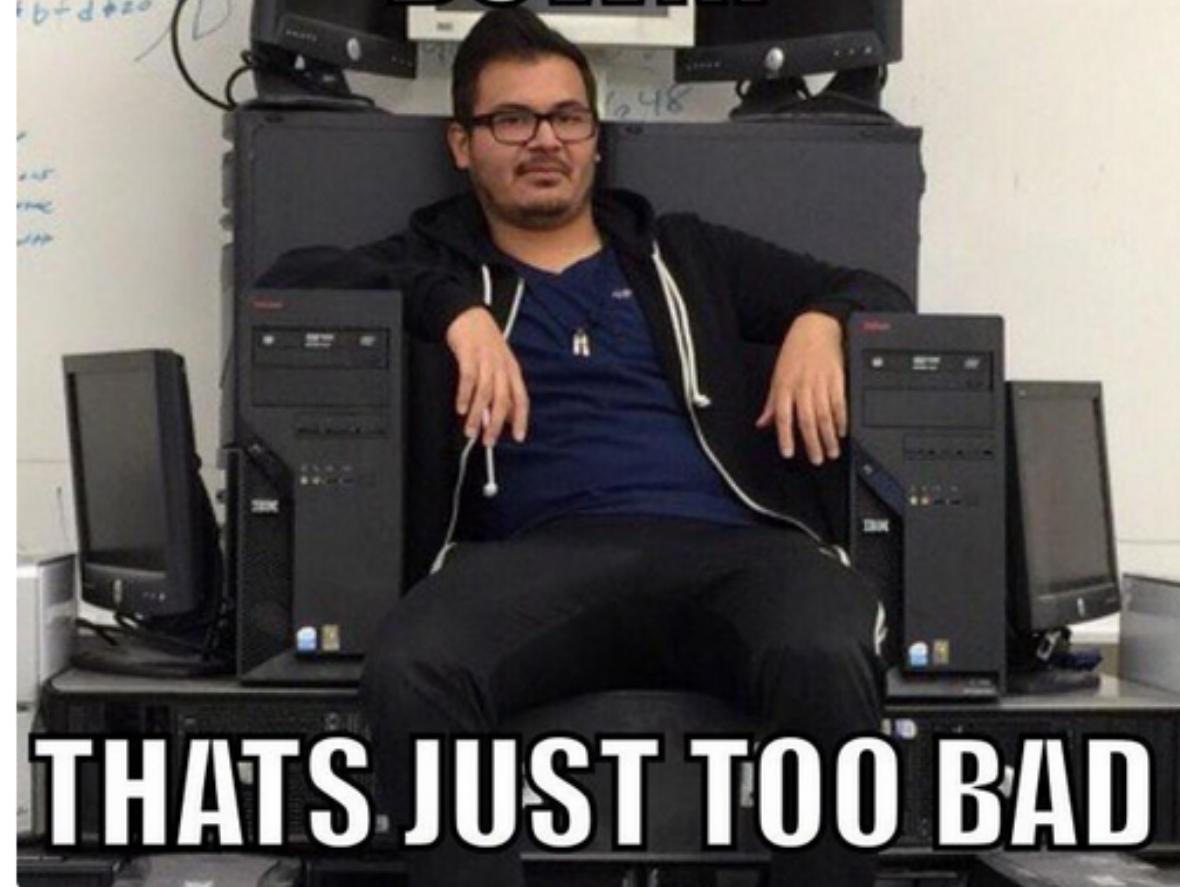
Stop Sharing "War Stories"

Config Management Camp.eu 2016, Ghent

Docker ✅ @docker · 29 Jul 2015

#SysAdminDay is Friday! Share your #SysAdmin war stories & we'll send you a @Docker shirt - blog.docker.com/2015/07/thank-...

**THE SERVERS ARE
DOWN?**



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Felix is a long-time Puppet user and contributor. He's been answering mailing list questions, bug reports and feature requests as well as StackExchangeTM questions. He wrote a Puppet quick start guidebook in 2014 (available from Packt Publishing). These days he mainly tries to help with module maintenance, dabbles in some modules of his own and keeps building patches for the Puppet core. A Berlin resident of many years, Felix has a job in the trenches of puppetized IT operations.



Schedule or People

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Oct 5- 9, 2015

Venues

Contributor Summit

Demos & Testing

IT Leadership Track

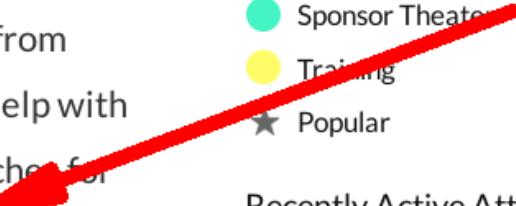
Keynotes

Social Activities

Sponsor Theater

Training

Popular



Recently Active Attendees





It makes you wonder
How is this so much of a thing?



Pop culture and tech Exhibit A

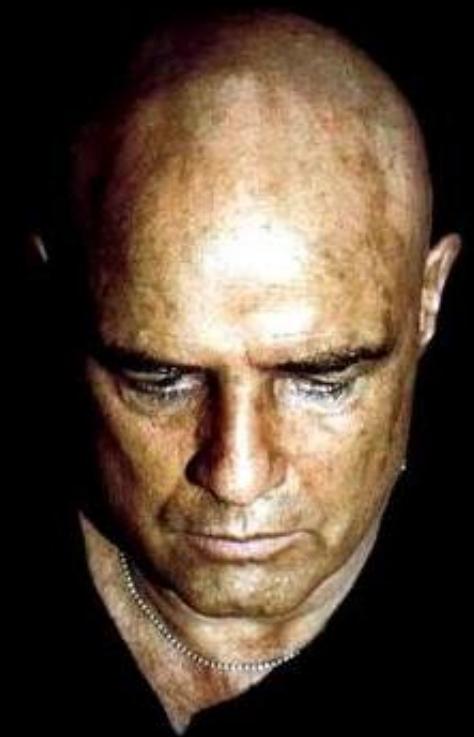
The reaction gif



HAVING NONE OF YOUR SHIT

War in pop culture Exhibit B





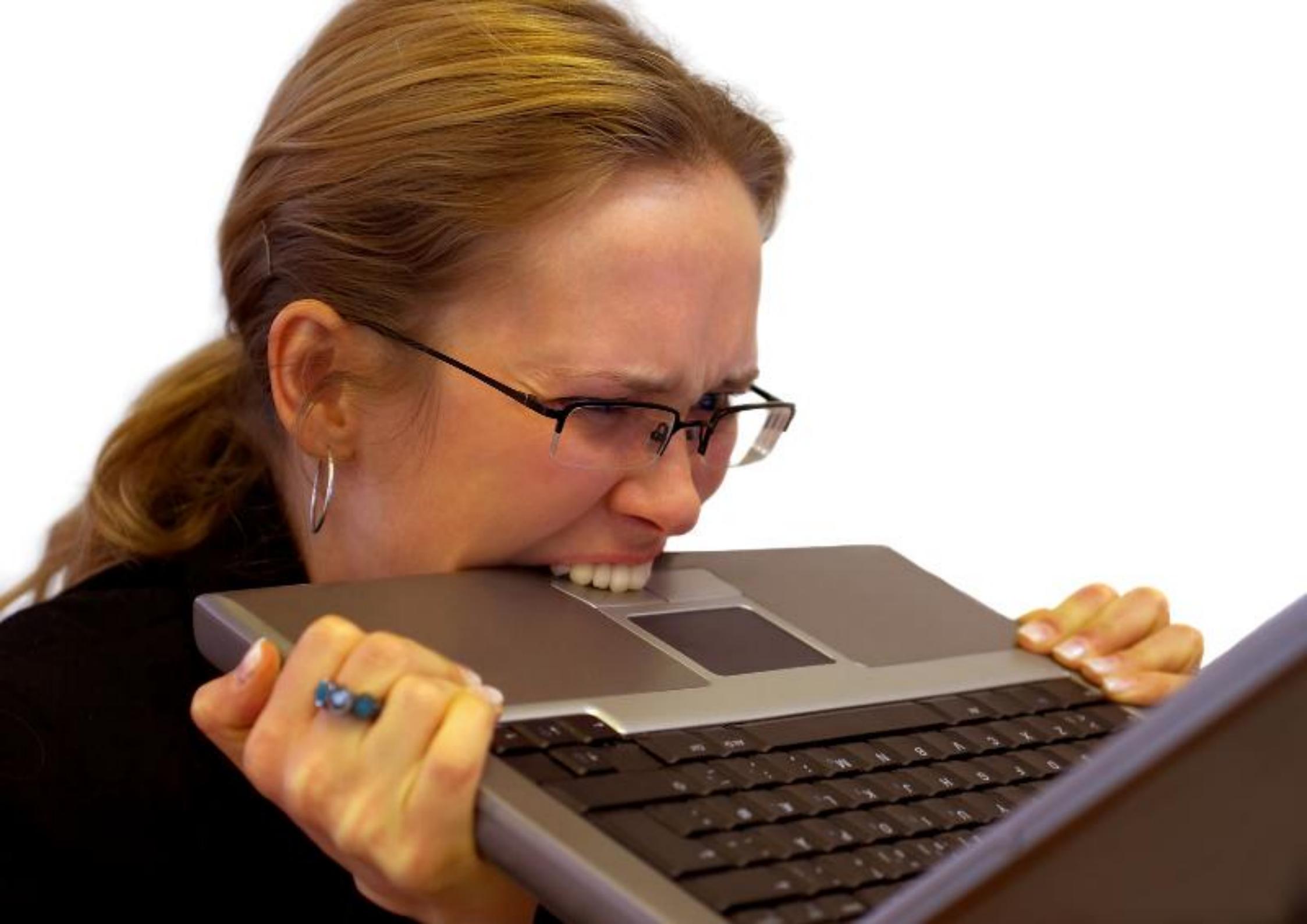
Even darker depictions
are oddly compelling

Mainstream media

A different story

All this metaphoric power
- for what do we use it?





A photograph of a man in a pink t-shirt and dark pants standing in a grassy field. He is surrounded by several men in military-style uniforms, some holding rifles. The scene appears to be a protest or a confrontation. The image is somewhat blurry and has a grainy texture.

We call this
War?

Why is this even a talk?



ISN'T IT OBVIOUS



It's about culture

A scene from the TV show "The Big Bang Theory" set in the apartment of Leonard Hofstadter. Leonard, wearing glasses and a tan jacket, sits on the left sofa. Howard, in a blue t-shirt, sits across from him at a low wooden coffee table. Raj, wearing a red plaid shirt, sits on the right sofa. The coffee table is completely covered with comic books. In the background, there's a bookshelf filled with books and a small Christmas tree on the left. A lamp and some other items are visible on the shelves.

Don't reinforce this fixation on pop culture.

A camel is standing in a parking lot next to a row of parked cars. The camel is facing left, and its front legs are positioned between the front of a blue car and the front of a dark-colored car. The parking lot is filled with various vehicles, including a white SUV and a silver car. In the background, there are some people standing near a building and a large bush with pink flowers. The scene suggests a mix of traditional and modern transportation.

Alternatives?

A photograph of a group of people gathered around a campfire at night. The scene is lit by the fire's glow, casting a warm light on the faces of the individuals. Some are looking towards the fire, while others are engaged in conversation. The background is dark, suggesting a forest or outdoor setting.

Anecdote?
Story?

Thanks!

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Food for actual thought:

Is the **tech** term
for **IT dev+ops**
the equivalent of
referring to the **USA**
as **America**?