Title: **Jumping the Paywall**

Subtitle: How to freely share research without being arrested

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Short: *This presentation will identify and address two safety-critical problems permeating research today: lack of total free access to scholarship, and the looming threat of apprehension for trying to facilitate said free access. In other words, this presentation will explore how to procure access to all-too-often restricted content sequestered behind extortionate academic paywalls, and how to then safely freely disseminate said content without being apprehended.*

Long: We will hypothesize workable solutions to the stated problem sets by presenting actionable intelligence and investigating tactical modes of engagement in the on-going copyfight via the exploration of securing free access to scholarship (in the form of academic e-journal articles and e-books), and via developing avoidance strategies to forgo existent and emergent threats of apprehension resulting from participation in the practices of free access. Topics covered will include: –¿ Content access procurement (how to secure free access to knowledge from a variety of sources) –¿ Operational security during field deployment (how to stay safe when procuring content from physical sources such as libraries) –¿ Content Defanging (how to remove three problematic types of shackles from digital content: content protection, metadata, and watermarking identification and removal) –¿ Content distribution (how to distribute the now-defanged content safely)