

Wait, You Use a Mac?

Polaris administration from the other side

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What's this all about?

Or: Should I trade this talk for another one?

- For those interested in using a Mac to work on and with Polaris ILS
- Maybe you just prefer Cupertino to Redmond
- Whys and wherefores
- Getting Things Done
 - Specifically, my tools and software



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Hello I'm Dan and I'll be your Apple shill for the next hour or so.

- I like white text on dark backgrounds
- Useful Polaris SQL website and GitLab repo
- Almost 30 years working in and/or with libraries
 - Polaris beta tester
- Currently an ILS Administrator and SQL Hacker for LS&S
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A Note on Notes

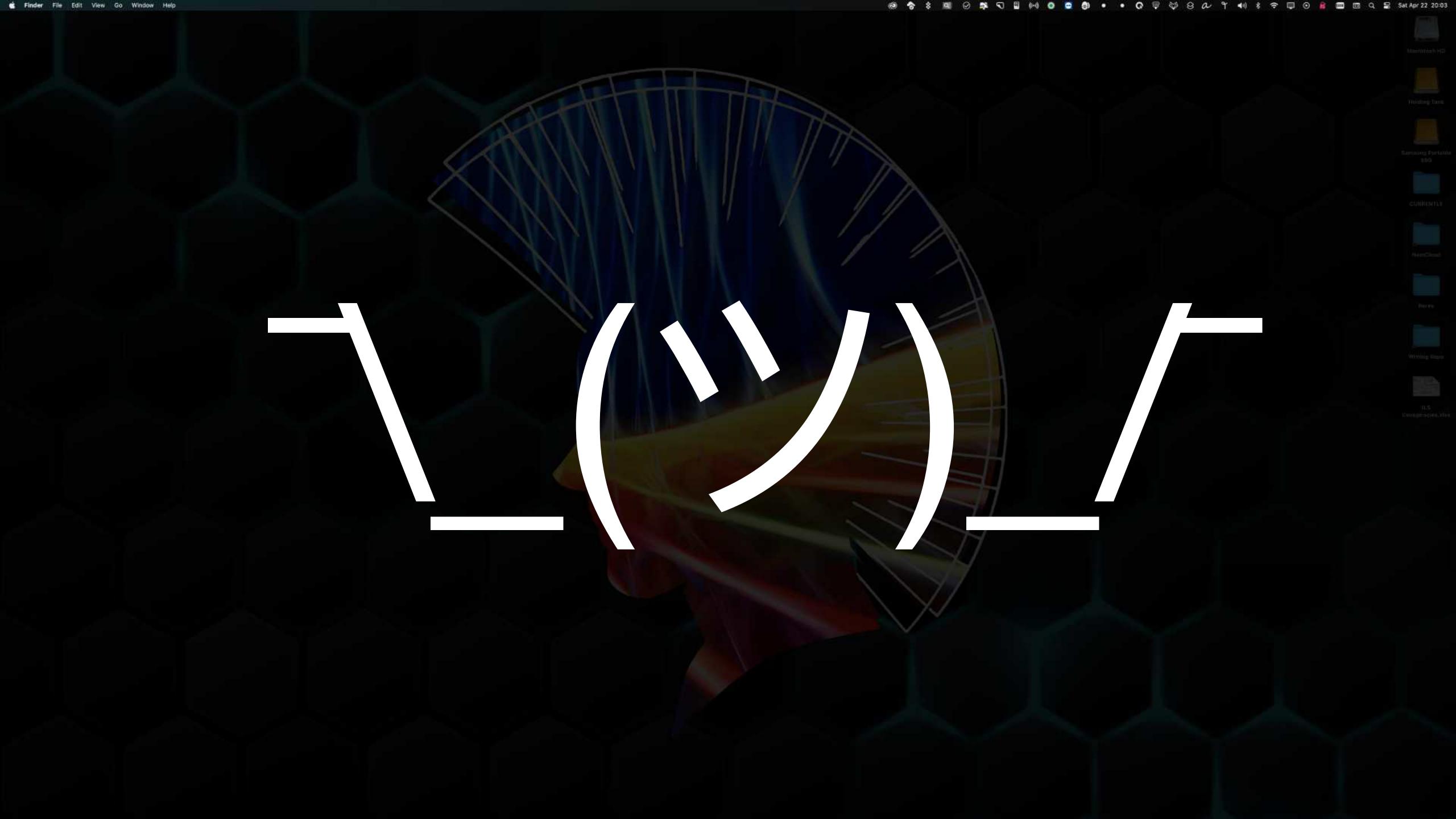
- Feel free to take notes but...
- I've collected everything on my website
 - Slide deck
 - Outline
 - More info
 - Recording (after editing)

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- Honestly, I prefer Linux
 - I my Linux server (more about that later)
 - Macs are easier to work with when it comes to interoperability
 - Macs are like Linux Lite

Further reasons But wait, there's more!

- Ecosystem
 - If it doesn't sync, it stinks
- Quality
 - Plastic laptops... aren't great
 - Hardware superiority
 - Longevity

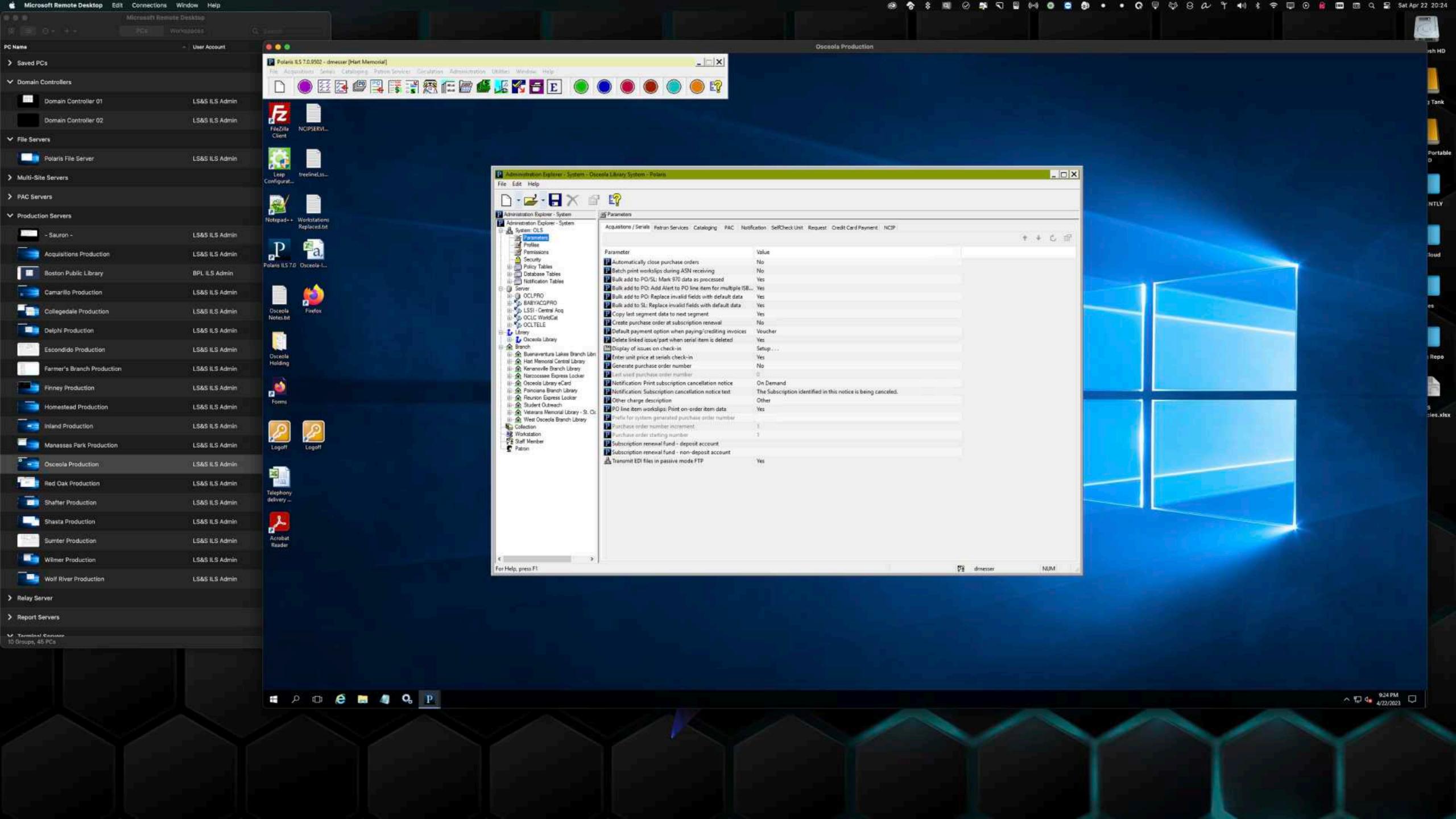
Oddly enough, Microsoft has your back A disclaimer

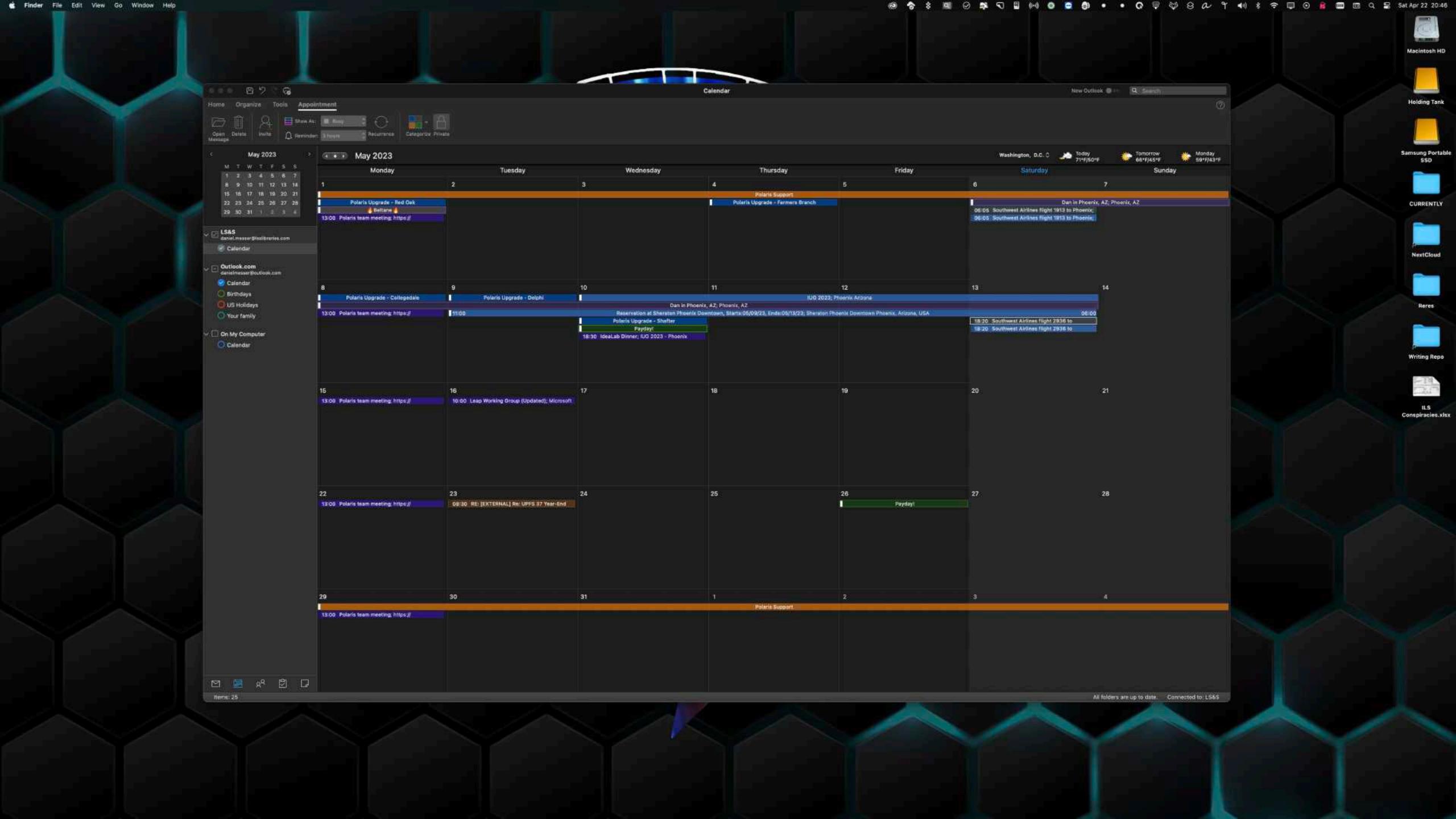
- I'm ditching Windows, not Microsoft
- Microsoft actually makes some really decent software... sometimes

WaaS - Windows as a Service You can't escape it, but you can control it.

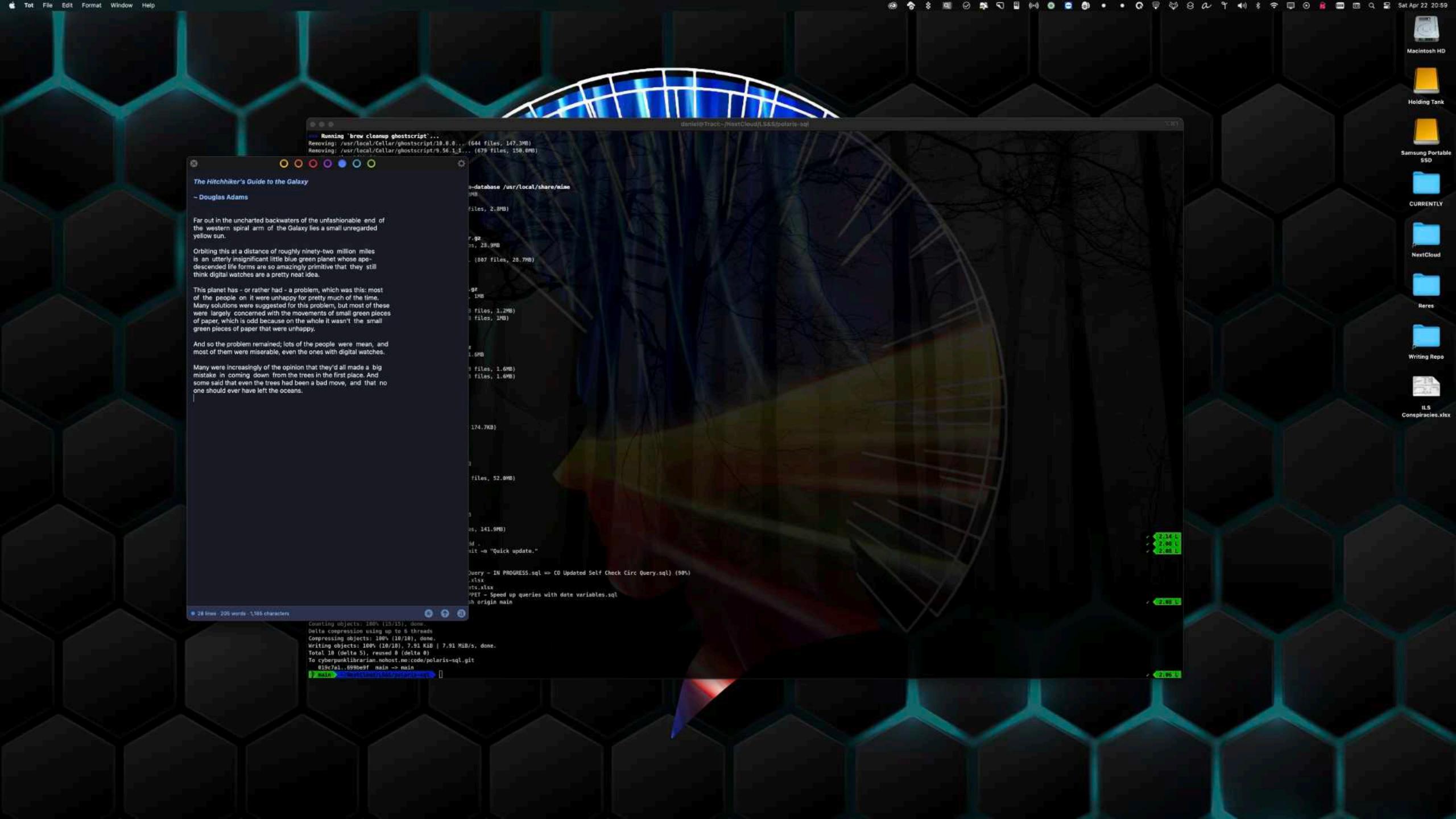
- Sometimes, you need Windows
- A couple of options
 - Screen Sharing (VNC) TightVNC Server on Windows (Free)
 - VirtualBox (Free)

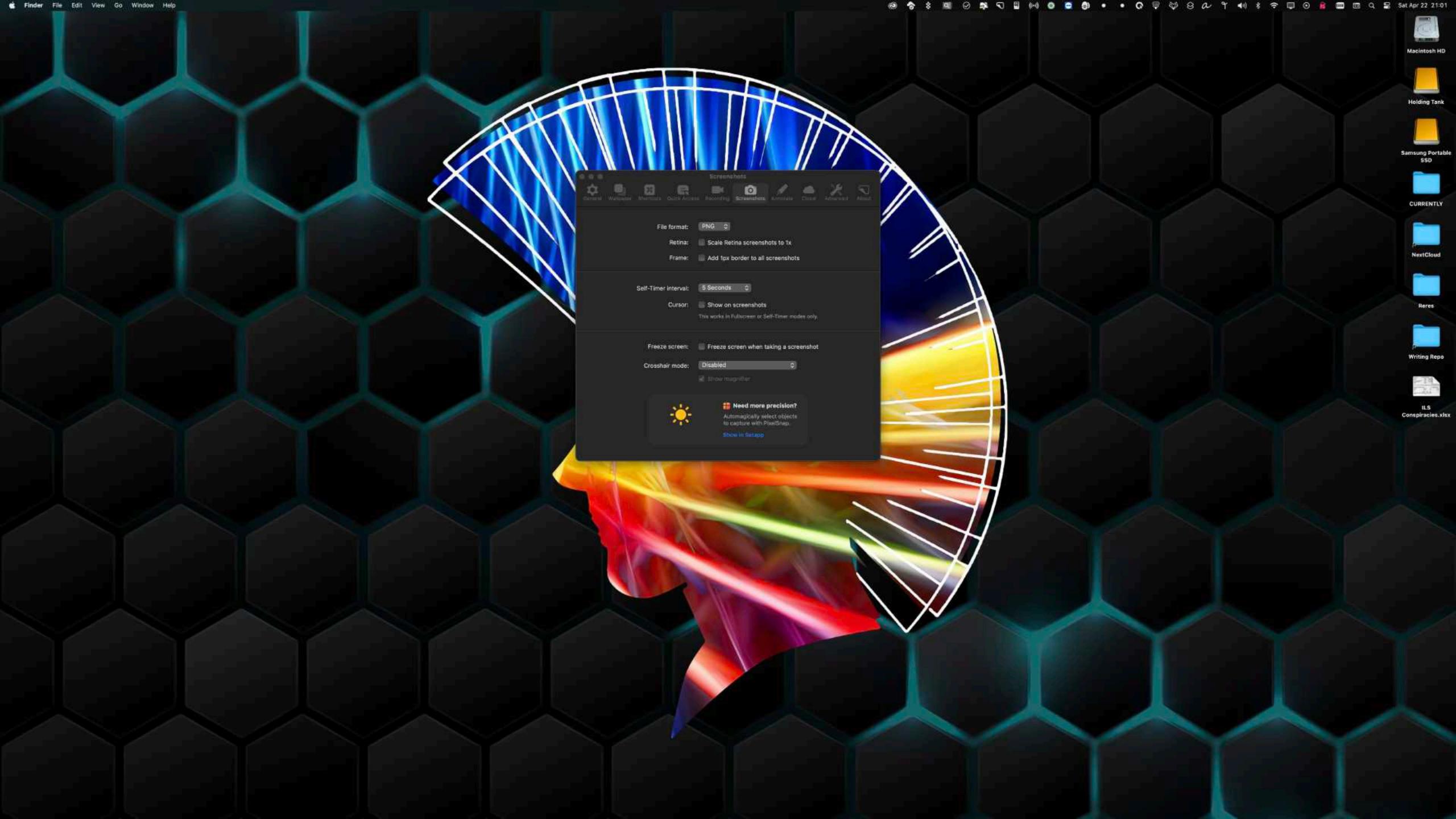












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How can I miss you if you won't go away?

- Did I mention that I my Linux Server?
 - VaultWarden (Free)
 - NextCloud (Free)
 - GitLab (Free)
- Firefox (Free)
 - My favourite operating system
- Mr The Coding Twins: Azure Data Studio & Visual Studio Code (Free and Free)

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And furthermore...

- Talk to me
 - Slack (Free)
 - Discord (Free)
 - Zoom (Kinda free?)
- Notion
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Thank You! Questions?

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Notes & Resources

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