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User Data and System Configuration

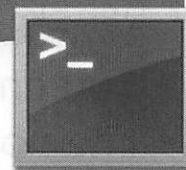
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User Data and System Configuration



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Zsh/Bash History [1]: ~/.zsh_history or ~/.bash_history



```
(bit:~ testuser$ ls -la
total 24
drwxr-xr-x+ 13 testuser  staff   442 Jan 20 19:07 .
drwxr-xr-x   7 root      admin  238 Jan  1 20:14 ..
-r-----   1 testuser  staff    7 Jan  1 20:16 .CFUserTextEncoding
-rw-----   1 testuser  staff  219 Jan 20 19:08 .bash_history
drwx-----+ 3 testuser  staff  102 Jan  1 20:14 Desktop
drwx-----+ 3 testuser  staff  102 Jan  1 20:14 Documents
102 Jan  1 20:14 Downloads
198 Jan  1 20:23 Library
102 Jan  1 20:14 Movies
102 Jan  1 20:14 Music
102 Jan  1 20:14 Pictures
170 Jan  1 20:14 Public
bit:~ testuser$ cat .bash_history
top
ls ~/Library/Application\ Support/
xattr -xl *
pwd
sudo iosnoop
ls -la
ls -la
ls -la
touch secrets.txt
nano secrets.txt
ls -la
```

The bash/zsh command history is located in the respective home directory for each user as a hidden file.

- /Users/<user>/.bash_history
- /Users/<user>/.zsh_history (10.15+)

This file is a plaintext file containing commands that were run in order of execution; however, not necessarily all in temporal order. This file will be created when the Terminal application has been used for the first time. If a user has never used the Terminal application, this file will not be created.

Zsh/Bash History [2]: ~/.zsh_history or ~/.bash_history

- 500 entries by default
- File not written until logout
- May not be written sequentially
- Live response tip:
 - Run the “history” command for the logged in user in all open terminals
 - Output to file

Command Usage

Privilege Escalation

File and Directory Access

Volumes

Networks

This file contains the command history from the Bash/Zsh shell. By default, the history file contains a maximum of 500 commands.

These commands can be useful in showing:

- What types of applications or programs the user was accessing;
- If privileges were escalated to perform administrative functions or possible suspicious actions;
- Files and directories accessed;
- Mounted volumes;
- Systems and networks that were accessed;
- Etc.

Each command is shown respective to other commands that were previously entered. It should be noted that each command has no date or time context associated in this file.

From an incident response perspective, the `.zsh_history/.bash_history` file is not updated until the user is logged out.

The history can be viewed on a live system by using the `history` command; this will show the history of the current user.

Bash Sessions [10.11-10.14]: ~/.bash_sessions/<GUID>.history

```
word:~ oompa$ pwd
/Users/oompa/.bash_sessions
word:~ oompa$ ls -lt
total 1784
-rw-r--r--  1 oompa  staff    0 Mar  8 16:10 3B801600-2F62-4BB7-BFB1-0C0778E98D97.historynew
-rw-r--r--  1 oompa  staff 16287 Mar  7 19:15 106C1813-7FE7-4530-BBB1-B8F5EE222FD0.history
-rw-r--r--  1 oompa  staff    0 Mar  7 19:15 106C1813-7FE7-4530-BBB1-B8F5EE222FD0.historynew
-rw-r--r--  1 oompa  staff   51 Mar  7 19:15 106C1813-7FE7-4530-BBB1-B8F5EE222FD0.session
-rw-r--r--  1 oompa  staff 16809 Mar  7 19:15 E49C5372-5D56-4A20-9A6E-FB2940FA7E08.history
-rw-r--r--  1 oompa  staff    0 Mar  7 19:15 E49C5372-5D56-4A20-9A6E-FB2940FA7E08.historynew
-rw-r--r--  1 oompa  staff   51 Mar  7 19:15 E49C5372-5D56-4A20-9A6E-FB2940FA7E08.session
-rw-r--r--  1 oompa  staff 17057 Mar  7 19:15 41FA962F-8614-4128-AF1F-1A121C775308.history
-rw-r--r--  1 oompa  staff    0 Mar  7 19:15 41FA962F-8614-4128-AF1F-1A121C775308.historynew
19:15 41FA962F-8614-4128-AF1F-1A121C775308.session
21:50 1111DC35-B5FE-4370-AAFE-781E4EB8D1F9.historynew
18:32 1DCE5210-2ADA-48FB-A310-541AC5AC7183.history
18:32 1DCE5210-2ADA-48FB-A310-541AC5AC7183.historynew
18:32 1DCE5210-2ADA-48FB-A310-541AC5AC7183.session
18:32 A1F3337D-7BCB-4228-9699-5F780D94D2B8.historynew
11:14 DB15993F-7755-4325-9CFB-0E943C740AFB.history
11:14 DB15993F-7755-4325-9CFB-0E943C740AFB.historynew
11:14 DB15993F-7755-4325-9CFB-0E943C740AFB.session
11:14 5DBC4C1C-AC75-42CE-A490-F1F66EAFE820.history
11:14 5DBC4C1C-AC75-42CE-A490-F1F66EAFE820.historynew

word:~ oompa$ exit
logout
Saving session...
...copying shared history...
...saving history...truncating history files...
...completed.
Deleting expired sessions...27 completed.

[Process completed]
```

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Introduced in 10.11 (and now gone in 10.15 with the introduction of zsh!), we now have session-based data (which includes file system timestamps!) for Terminal sessions.

Each <GUID>.history file contains the plaintext commands the user performed while in that terminal session. This does not appear to save session history for all time and is at some point removed; these files appear to get removed after about three weeks.

The *.history files appear to only get written once the terminal is closed/exited (“login” process exited).

Reference:

/etc/bashrc_Apple_Terminal

User and System Keychains

Store sensitive data

macOS

- User: ~/Library/Keychains
 - login.keychain-db [10.12 added "-db" extension]
 - iCloud: <Hardware UUID>/keychain-2.db
- System: /Library/Keychains
 - System.keychain

iOS (+/- iCloud Keychain)

- iOS backups
 - /Keychains: keychain-backup.plist
- Physical
 - /private/var/Keychains/keychain-2.db

The keychains on a system are used to store sensitive data such as usernames, passwords, and public and private keys. The `login.keychain[-db]` holds user-sensitive items, and the `System.keychain` holds sensitive system-wide information. Other keychains may exist on the system, including those that are user created.

Another type of keychain to be aware of is the iCloud keychain. If the user chooses to, they can sync their credentials across all of their devices, including laptops, desktops, and iDevices. If enabled, the iCloud keychain will be stored in another GUID-named (Hardware UUID) directory in the `keychain-2.db` SQLite database file.

On iOS devices, the keychains are stored in `/private/var/Keychains`. The user and/or iCloud keychain will be named `keychain-2.db` and is a SQLite database. On iOS backups this database is a plist file named `keychain-backup.plist`.

Keychain Contents

login.keychain-db

Time Machine Passwords

Application Passwords

Certificates

Internet Passwords

Public and Private Keys

Web Form Passwords

iCloud Keychain keychain-2.db

Access Point Passwords

Application Passwords

Internet Passwords

Web Form Passwords

System.keychain

Access Point Passwords

VPN Passwords

Time Machine Passwords

Application Passwords

Private and Public Keys

Certificates

The two most important keychains are the user's `login.keychain-db` and the `System.keychain`.

The `login.keychain` may contain the user's passwords for access points, Time Machine, applications, and websites. It also stores the user's certificates and public and private keys. Among all of this information, there may also be notes if the user chooses to create them here. The default `login.keychain` password is the user's account password.

The iCloud keychain stores information that may not only be used on OS X but on iDevices as well—an access point used on the suspect's iPhone may be synced to the iCloud keychain.

The `System.keychain` also contains passwords for VPNs, access points, Time Machine, and applications. It may also contain private and public keys and certificates.

The `metadata.keychain`, if you are curious, contains data related to the user's Spotlight metadata index.

Keychain Disk Layout: macOS

```
bit:Keychains oompa$ pwd
/Users/oompa/Library/Keychains
bit:Keychains oompa$ ls -lR
total 1328
drwx----- 11 oompa  staff    374 Dec 30 10:01 502A32AD-3CAF-5585-BC09-053E285901C8
-rw-r--r--@ 1 oompa  staff  650440 Jan 22 14:14 login.keychain-db
-rw----- 1 oompa  staff   27176 Dec 26 11:16 metadata.keychain-db

./502A32AD-3CAF-5585-BC09-053E285901C8:
total 8952
-rw----- 1 oompa  staff      0 Dec  7 09:57 caissuercache.sqlite3
-rw----- 1 oompa  staff    512 Dec 30 10:02 caissuercache.sqlite3-journal
-rw----- 1 oompa  staff  913408 Jan 22 14:25 keychain-2.db
-rw----- 1 oompa  staff  32768 Jan 20 09:00 keychain-2.db-shm
-rw----- 1 oompa  staff 2966432 Jan 22 14:26 keychain-2.db-wal
-rw----- 1 oompa  staff  114688 Jan 21 10:43 ocspcache.sqlite3
-rw----- 1 oompa  staff   32768 Jan 20 09:00 ocspcache.sqlite3-shm
-rw----- 1 oompa  staff  510912 Jan 22 14:34 ocspcache.sqlite3-wal
-rw----- 1 oompa  staff   1518 Dec 10 18:41 user.kb
bit:Keychains oompa$ ls -lR /Library/Keychains/
total 232
-rw-r--r-- 1 root  wheel  61476 Jan 13 12:26 System.keychain
-rw-r--r--@ 1 root  wheel  49864 Jan  1 20:16 apsd.keychain
```

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On macOS, the keychains are stored in the user's Library directory (`~/Library/Keychains/`) as `login.keychain[-db]` or `keychain-2.db`.

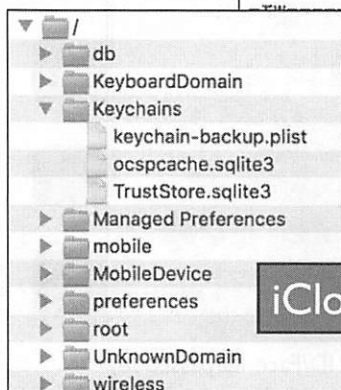
10.12 added a new file extension to the `login.keychain` file, “-db”. Other keychain-related security items also exist in these directories.

The iCloud keychain, if the user chooses to use it, will be stored under a GUID (the Hardware UUID of the system), in the `keychain-2.db` file (same file as on iOS physical devices). While the user may not be actively using the keychain, it still may exist on their system.

The `System.keychain` file is stored in the System Library (`/Library/Keychains/` directory).

Keychain Disk Layout: iOS (Physical and Backup)

```
iPhone:/private/var/Keychains root# ls -la
total 4972
drwxr-xr-x  4 _securityd wheel   442 Jan  8 18:15 .
drwxr-xr-x 34 root      wheel  1394 Jul 29 19:42 ..
drwxr-xr-x  2 _securityd wheel    68 Oct 26 2015 Assets
drwxr-xr-x  2 mobile    mobile   68 Oct 15 2015 Library
-rw-----  1 _securityd wheel  16384 Oct  3 2011 TrustStore.sqlite3
-rw-----  1 _securityd wheel    0 Oct 25 2015 caissuercache.sqlite3
-rw-r--r--  1 _securityd wheel   512 Jan  8 18:15 caissuercache.sqlite3-journal
-rw-r--r--  1 _securityd wheel 1601536 Jan 22 14:18 keychain-2.db
-rw-r--r--  1 _securityd wheel  32768 Jan 22 14:11 keychain-2.db-shm
-rw-r--r--  1 _securityd wheel 2472032 Jan 22 14:19 keychain-2.db-wal
-rw-r--r--  1 _securityd wheel  45056 Jan 22 14:10 ocspcache.sqlite3
-rw-r--r--  1 _securityd wheel  32768 Jan 22 14:13 ocspcache.sqlite3-shm
-rw-r--r--  1 _securityd wheel  881712 Jan 22 14:18 ocspcache.sqlite3-wal
```



iCloud keychain not backed up in local backups

The screenshots above show the layout for the keychains on iOS; the `keychain-2.db` will only be available on physical iOS device acquisitions—otherwise you will see a `keychain-backup.plist` file in backup acquisitions.

On iOS disks, the keychain files are located in `/private/var/Keychains`, and, just like macOS, there may be a few other keychain-related items in the directory; however, `keychain-2.db` contains most of the user-based sensitive items.

On iOS backups, the `keychain-backup.plist` file may be stored in a directory named “Keychains” or “KeychainDomain”, depending on the acquisition tool used. It is worth noting that iCloud keychain items are not specifically backed up in this plist file.

Keychain Access.app: Password Management Software



Keychain Access

Click to lock the login keychain.

Keychains

- login
- iCloud
- System
- System Roots

<key>
Kind: public key, RSA, 2048-bit
Usage: Encrypt, Derive, Verify

Enter a new password for the keychain "login."

Current Password:

New Password:

Verify:

Password Strength: Weak

Cancel OK

Category	Name	Kind	Date Modified	Expires	Keychain
All Items	<key>	public key	--	--	login
Passwords	<key>	private key	--	--	login
Secure Notes		certificate	--	May 30, 2020, 6:48:38 AM	login
My Certificates		application password	Sep 27, 2016, 7:09:53 PM	--	login
Keys		certificate	--	Oct 9, 2018, 4:26:30 PM	login
Certificates		certificate	--	Aug 30, 2027, 2:10:59 PM	login
		certificate	--	Jul 26, 2017, 3:16:09 PM	login
		public key	--	--	login
		private key	--	--	login
		application password	Oct 20, 2016, 9:14:35 AM	--	login

144 items

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The Keychain Access application can be used to interact with the keychains. This application works like any other password management system. Click on the keychain in the upper right, and the contents will be shown on the main screen. Be sure to choose "All Items" in the Category listing; otherwise, you may not see all the data stored.

Note: The default password for a user's login keychain is their login password; however, this can be changed to anything in the Keychain Access application menu, as shown in the inset screenshot.

Below is an example of when a password is selected for viewing. The analyst can select the "Show password" checkbox and input the user's keychain password (by default, the login password).

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Attributes Access Control

Name: FOR518

Kind: AirPort network password

Account: FOR518

Where: AirPort

Comments:

Show password:

Save Changes

Keychain Access wants to use the "Local Items" keychain.

Please enter the keychain password.

Password:

Cancel OK

Other Keychain Access

"strings *" keychain

- Identifiable Information not encrypted
 - "Jabber"
 - "iPhone Backup"
 - Applications: "Evernote", "OneDrive", "Chrome"
 - "Apple ID"
 - "Twitter"
 - Contact information/email addresses/addresses
- Certificates and passwords are encrypted

"security" command

- security list-keychains
- security dump-keychain -d login.keychain
 - Newer macOS: Many pop-ups asking for login password, select "Deny" if password is unknown.
 - May still get some credentials

The `strings` command can be used to identify interesting keywords in a keychain that are not encrypted. This can give you an idea of what might be stored in the keychain if you are unable to access it with the user's password (remember a user does not have to use their login password, but it is used by default).

Strings like the following may suggest certain items are saved in the keychain:

- "imagent": iChat
- "iCloud": iCloud account
- "com.apple.account.google": Google account
- "Jabber: user@gmail.com": Google Chat account
- "AIM: <userhandle>": AIM account
- "FaceTime: <acct>": FaceTime account
- "<system>._rfb._tcp.local": Screen Sharing

The `security` command can be used to list keychains and dump keychain contents (though not the encrypted contents) on a live system. You'll see many of the same strings with more context.

The `"security dump-keychain -d"` command can be particularly useful when used on a live system—it can sometimes dump plaintext passwords that have been unlocked. If the user is logged in but will not give up their password, you may be able to run this command and find it yourself! Look for fields labeled "data:".

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macOS

LaunchAgents

LaunchDaemons

StartupItems

LoginItems

XPC Services

iOS

LauchAgents

LaunchDaemons

NanoLaunchDaemons

XPC Services

macOS and iOS systems have a variety of locations that applications can auto start from; however, not nearly as many as Windows systems.

While these locations can be used legitimately, malware authors also tend to use them—especially on macOS.

Some tools you might want to look at to find autoruns and auditing information:

- Knockknock: github.com/synack/knockknock
- OSXAuditor: github.com/jipegit/OSXAuditor
- checkout4mac: code.google.com/p/checkout4mac/
- pac4mac: code.google.com/p/pac4mac/
- osxautoruns: <http://www.malicious-streams.com/Downloads/files/6bad73d5437c84b23fde9ebad97c7cff-6.html>

Reference:

Joel Yonts, *Mac OS X Malware Analysis*, Malicious Streams

http://www.malicious-streams.com//article/Mac_OSX_Malware_Analysis.pdf

Autoruns: Launch Agents & Daemons

Agents and Daemons

- Introduced in 10.4 (w/launchd)
- TN2083 “Daemons and Agents”
- Property list file
- Very popular with current Mac malware

Launch Agent

- Background User Process
- Can access user home directory
- May have GUI (limited, if at all)
- macOS
 - /System/Library/LaunchAgents/
 - /Library/LaunchAgents/
 - ~/Library/LaunchAgents/
- iOS
 - /Library/LaunchAgents/ (System partition)

Launch Daemon

- Background System Process
- macOS
 - /System/Library/LaunchDaemons
 - /Library/LaunchDaemons
- iOS
 - /System/Library/LaunchDaemons
 - /System/Library/NanoLaunchDaemons
 - /Library/LaunchDaemons (jailbroken with OpenSSH/Dropbear/Cydia)

The preferred method of creating persistence is by using Launch Agents and Daemons. These methods were introduced in Mac OS X 10.4 with the introduction of `launchd`, the system agent and daemon launch manager. The agents and daemons are implemented as information in a property list file. Most modern Mac malware use these methods to keep their malicious files persistent across system shutdowns and reboots.

Launch Agents are a background user process, while daemons are background system processes. These processes can access user home directories and have limited GUI interfaces, while daemons cannot. The typical location where Launch Agents are found is in the `LaunchAgents` directory, located in the System Library, Local Library, and User Library directories. Those agents launched from the `/System/Library` or `/Library/` directories are launched for all users, while those located in the `Users Library` directory are available only to that user. iOS devices may have them located in `/Library/LaunchAgents` on the System partition.

Launch Daemons are a background system process, while agents are background user processes. The typical location where Launch Daemons are found is in the `LaunchDaemons` directory, located in the System Library and Local Library directories. On iOS, Launch Daemons may provide insight into what processes are running—these areas are particularly interesting on jailbroken devices where various programs are launched from here, such as SSH servers (OpenSSH/Dropbear) and app stores like Cydia.

Reference:

Daemons and Agents, Tech Note 2083 (TN2083)

http://developer.apple.com/library/mac/#technotes/tn2083/_index.html

Autoruns: Launch Agent Examples [1]

```
com.apple.AOSNotificationOSX.plist
com.apple.AddressBook.SourceSync.plist
com.apple.AddressBook.abd.plist
com.apple.AirPortBaseStationAgent.plist
com.apple.AppStoreUpdateAgent.plist
com.apple.AppleGraphicsWarning.plist
com.apple.BezeLUI.plist
com.apple.CoreLocationAgent.plist
com.apple.DictionaryPanelHelper.plist
com.apple.DiskArbitrationAgent.plist
com.apple.Dock.plist
com.apple.FTCleanup.plist
com.apple.FileSyncAgent.PHD.plist
com.apple.FileSyncAgent.iDisk.plist
com.apple.Finder.plist
com.apple.FontRegistryUIAgent.plist
com.apple.FontValidator.plist
com.apple.FontValidatorConduit.plist
com.apple.FontWorker.plist
com.apple.KerberosHelper.LKDCHelper.plist
com.apple.LaunchServices.lsboxd.plist
com.apple.NetworkDiagnostics.plist
com.apple.PCIESlotCheck.plist
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com.apple.ReportPanic.plist
com.apple.ScreenReaderUIServer.plist
com.apple.ServiceManagement.LoginItems.plist
com.apple.SubmitDiagInfo.plist
com.apple.SystemUIServer.plist
com.apple.TMLaunchAgent.plist
com.apple.TrustEvaluationAgent.plist
com.apple.UserEventAgent-Aqua.plist
com.apple.UserEventAgent-LoginWindow.plist
com.apple.UserNotificationCenterAgent-LoginWindow.plist
com.apple.UserNotificationCenterAgent.plist
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com.apple.ZoomWindow.plist
com.apple.alf.useragent.plist
com.apple.aos.migrate.plist
com.apple.bluetoothUIServer.plist
com.apple.btsa.plist
com.apple.cfnetwork.AuthBrokerAgent.plist
com.apple.cookies.plist
com.apple.coredata.externalrecordswriter.plist
com.apple.coreservices.appleid.authentication.plist
com.apple.coreservices.uiagent.plist
com.apple.csuseragent.plist
com.apple.cvmsCompAgent_i386.plist
com.apple.cvmsCompAgent_x86_64.plist
com.apple.distnoted.xpc.agent.plist
com.apple.familycontrols.useragent.plist
com.apple.findmymacmessenger.plist
com.apple.fontd.useragent.plist
com.apple.gssd-agent.plist
com.apple.helpd.plist
com.apple.iCalPush.plist
com.apple.iChat.Theater.plist
com.apple.imagent.plist
com.apple.imklaunchagent.plist
com.apple.imtranscoderagent.plist
com.apple.imtransferagent.plist
```

The screenshot above shows a typical example of the LaunchAgents directory in /System/Library/.

Each launch agent property list is named in the reverse DNS format.

com.apple.AOSNotificationOSX.plist	com.apple.SystemUIServer.plist
com.apple.AddressBook.SourceSync.plist	com.apple.TMLaunchAgent.plist
com.apple.AddressBook.abd.plist	com.apple.TrustEvaluationAgent.plist
com.apple.AirPortBaseStationAgent.plist	com.apple.UserEventAgent-Aqua.plist
com.apple.AppStoreUpdateAgent.plist	com.apple.UserEventAgent-LoginWindow.plist
com.apple.AppleGraphicsWarning.plist	com.apple.UserNotificationCenterAgent-LoginWindow.plist
com.apple.BezeLUI.plist	com.apple.UserNotificationCenterAgent.plist
com.apple.CoreLocationAgent.plist	com.apple.VoiceOver.plist
com.apple.DictionaryPanelHelper.plist	com.apple.WebKit.PluginAgent.plist
com.apple.DiskArbitrationAgent.plist	com.apple.ZoomWindow.plist
com.apple.Dock.plist	com.apple.alf.useragent.plist
com.apple.FTCleanup.plist	com.apple.aos.migrate.plist
com.apple.FileSyncAgent.PHD.plist	com.apple.bluetoothUIServer.plist
com.apple.FileSyncAgent.iDisk.plist	com.apple.btsa.plist
com.apple.Finder.plist	com.apple.cfnetwork.AuthBrokerAgent.plist
com.apple.FontRegistryUIAgent.plist	com.apple.cookiec.plist
com.apple.FontValidator.plist	com.apple.coredata.externalrecordswriter.plist
com.apple.FontValidatorConduit.plist	com.apple.coreservices.appleid.authentication.plist
com.apple.FontWorker.plist	com.apple.coreservices.uiagent.plist
com.apple.KerberosHelper.LKDCHelper.plist	com.apple.csuseragent.plist
com.apple.LaunchServices.lsd.plist	com.apple.cvmsCompAgent_i386.plist
com.apple.NetworkDiagnostics.plist	com.apple.cvmsCompAgent_x86_64.plist
com.apple.PCIESlotCheck.plist	com.apple.distnoted.xpc.agent.plist
com.apple.PreferenceSyncAgent.plist	com.apple.familycontrols.useragent.plist
com.apple.PubSub.Agent.plist	com.apple.findmymacmessenger.plist
com.apple.ReclaimSpaceAgent.plist	com.apple.fondd.useragent.plist
com.apple.RemoteDesktop.plist	com.apple.gssd-agent.plist
com.apple.ReportCrash.Self.plist	com.apple.helpd.plist
com.apple.ReportCrash.plist	com.apple.iCalPush.plist
com.apple.ReportGPURestart.plist	com.apple.iChat.Theater.plist
com.apple.ReportPanic.plist	com.apple.imagent.plist
com.apple.ScreenReaderUIServer.plist	com.apple.imlaunchagent.plist
com.apple.ServiceManagement.LoginItems.plist	com.apple.imtranscoderagent.plist
com.apple.SubmitDiagInfo.plist	com.apple.imtransferagent.plist

Autoruns: Launch Agent Examples [2]

▼ Root	Dictionary	(4 items)
Label	String	com.openssh.ssh-agent
▼ ProgramArguments	Array	(2 items)
Item 0	String	/usr/bin/ssh-agent
Item 1	String	-l
▼ Sockets	Dictionary	(1 item)
▼ Listeners	Dictionary	(1 item)
SecureSocketWithKey	String	SSH_AUTH_SOCK
EnableTransactions	Boolean	YES

▼ Root	Dictionary	(6 items)
▼ MachServices	Dictionary	(1 item)
com.bjango.istatmenusagent	Boolean	YES
LimitLoadToSessionType	String	Aqua
Label	String	com.bjango.istatmenus.agent
▼ KeepAlive	Dictionary	(2 items)
Crashed	Boolean	YES
SuccessfulExit	Boolean	NO
Program	String	/Library/Application Support/iStat Menus 6/iStatMenusAgent.app/Contents/MacOS/iStatMenusAgent

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Examples of launch agents are shown above. Each launch agent contains two basic keys:

- **Program or ProgramArguments:** File path of the program to launch. This key can have multiple items; the first is always the program to execute, while the others are program arguments. This example runs the command `/usr/bin/ssh-agent` with the `-l` flag.
- **Label:** Reverse DNS name for the process. This string should be unique across launch agents.

Other keys may be used to customize the launch agent. Many of these keys are explained in the man page for `launchd.plist`.

The `KeepAlive` key contains the subkey “`SuccessfulExit`”. According to Tech Note 2083, this means to “run on demand as long as you exit successfully”.

Reference:

`launchd.plist` man Page

Autoruns: Launch Daemon Example

Sat Dec 9 09:46:22 EST 2017

Removing old temporary files:

Cleaning out old system announcements:

Removing stale files from /var/rwho:

Disk status:

Filesystem	Size	Used	Avail	Capacity	used	ifree	Miused	Mounted on
/dev/disk1s1	93201	85901	36901	62%	2178221	9223372836852685586	0%	/
/dev/disk1s4	93201	3.801	36901	1%	5	9223372836854775882	0%	/private/var/vm
/dev/disk2s2	99M1	55M1	40M1	58%	922	4294966357	0%	/Volumes/iExplorer

Network interface status:

Name	Mtu	Network	Address	Inkts	Ierrs	Opkts	Oerrs	Coll
lo0	16384	<link#1>		53436	0	53436	0	0
lo0	16384	127	localhost	53436	-	53436	-	-
lo0	16384	localhost	:::1	53436	-	53436	-	-
lo0	16384	fe80::13100	fe80::1:1	53436	-	53436	-	-
gif0*	1280	<link#2>		0	0	0	0	0
stf0*	1280	<link#3>		0	0	0	0	0
XHC0*	0	<link#4>		0	0	0	0	0
XHC20*	0	<link#5>		0	0	0	0	0
XHC1*	0	<link#6>		0	0	0	0	0
en0	1500	<link#8>	f4:0f:24:3b:a2:3b 19198042	0	49461933	0	0	0
en0	1500	fe80::1cde:	fe80::1cde:186c 19198042	-	49461933	-	-	-
en0	1500	10.11.22/24	saxohs-mbp.1at 19198042	-	49461933	-	-	-
p2p0	2304	<link#9>	06:0f:24:3b:a2:3b	0	0	0	0	0
awd10	1464	<link#10>	9e:7b:72:84:53:7d	91	0	93	0	0
awd10	1464	fe80::9c7b:	fe80::9c7b:72ff	91	-	93	-	-
en1	1500	<link#11>	ee:00:78:89:d1:01	0	0	0	0	0
en2	1500	<link#12>	ee:00:78:89:d1:00	0	0	0	0	0
en3	1500	<link#13>	ee:00:78:89:d1:05	0	0	0	0	0
en4	1500	<link#14>	ee:00:78:89:d1:04	0	0	0	0	0
bridg	1500	<link#15>	ee:00:78:89:d1:01	0	0	1	0	0
utun0	2000	<link#16>		0	0	2	0	0
utun0	2000	fe80::2010:	fe80::10:2810:a1b	0	-	2	-	-
utun1	1300	<link#17>		74	0	50	0	0
utun1	1300	fe80::60a5:	fe80::11:60a5:61b	74	-	50	-	-
utun2	1300	<link#18>		102	0	68	0	0
utun2	1300	fe80::db26:	fe80::12:db26:de5	102	-	68	-	-
en5	1500	<link#7>	ac:de:48:80:11:22	1634	0	1615	0	0
en5	1500	fe80::aeed:	fe80::7:aeed:48ff	1634	-	1615	-	-

Local system status:

9:46 up 2 days, 13:30, 1 user, load averages: 89.70 28.43 11.70

-- End of daily output --

▼ Root	Dictionary	(6 items)
Label	String	com.apple.periodic-daily
▼ ProgramArguments	Array	(2 items)
Item 0	String	/usr/libexec/periodic-wrapper
Item 1	String	daily
LowPriorityIO	Boolean	YES
Nice	Number	1
▼ LaunchEvents	Dictionary	(1 item)
▼ com.apple.xpc.activity	Dictionary	(1 item)
▼ com.apple.periodic-daily	Dictionary	(5 items)
Interval	Number	86,400
GracePeriod	Number	14,400
Priority	String	Maintenance
AllowBattery	Boolean	NO
Repeating	Boolean	YES
AbandonProcessGroup	Boolean	YES

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Good examples of launch daemons are the Unix periodic maintenance scripts: Daily, weekly, and monthly.

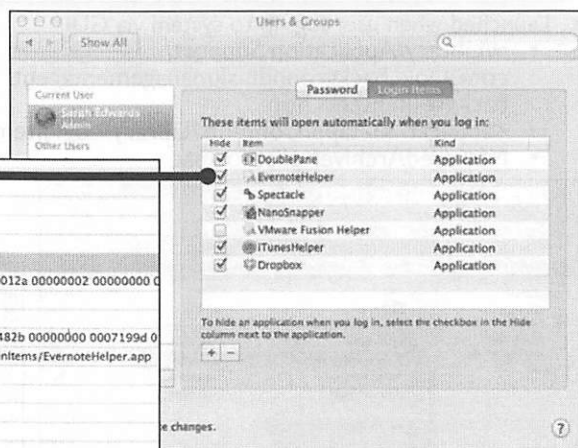
The screenshot shows the output from the daily script in the `daily.out` file. The coordinating Launch Daemon, `com.apple.periodic-daily.plist`, contains many of the same keys as the LaunchAgents. The `ProgramArguments` key contains the path to the daily script with the argument “daily”.

The property list also contains the key `LaunchEvents` keys. This shows how often to run the process; in this case, every day (86,400 seconds), with a grace period of four hours (14,400 seconds).

Autoruns: macOS Login Items – 10.12-

- Launched when user logs in to system via GUI
 - `~/Library/Preferences/com.apple.loginitems.plist`
 - `<application>.app/Contents/Library/LoginItems/`

Key	Type	Value
Root	Dictionary	(1 item)
SessionItems	Dictionary	(2 items)
CustomListItems	Array	(7 items)
Item 0	Dictionary	(4 items)
Item 1	Dictionary	(5 items)
Icon	Data	<496d6752 00001136 00000000 4642494c 0000012a 00000002 00000000 00000000>
CustomItemProperties	Dictionary	(3 items)
com.apple.loginitem.legacyprefs	Dictionary	(3 items)
AliasData	Data	<00000000 00f00003 00010000 cab93754 0000482b 00000000 0007199d 00000000>
Path	String	/Applications/Evernote.app/Contents/Library/LoginItems/EvernoteHelper.app
Hide	Boolean	YES
com.apple.loginitem.HideOnLaunch	Boolean	YES
com.apple.LSSharedFileList.ItemsHidden	Boolean	YES
Name	String	EvernoteHelper.app
Flags	Number	1
Alias	Data	<00000000 00f00003 00010000 cab93754 0000482b 00000000 0146e841 00000000>
Item 2	Dictionary	(4 items)
Item 3	Dictionary	(4 items)
Item 4	Dictionary	(4 items)
Item 5	Dictionary	(4 items)
Item 6	Dictionary	(4 items)
Controller	String	CustomListItems



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Each user may have a set of autoruns that get launched when a user logs in via the system GUI login. Each login item can be “hidden” on launch. This means the login item is hidden from view when it is starting up. LoginItems, while usually legitimate, may be used as a malware persistence mechanism.

The `com.apple.loginitems.plist` contains each login item. Each item has an associated icon, alias data blob, the path to the login item, and a binary value showing if the item was “hidden” on launch.

Locations:

```
~/Library/Preferences/com.apple.loginitems.plist
<application>.app/Contents/Library/LoginItems/
```

Login items are similar to the Microsoft registry key

`HKEY_CURRENT_USER\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run`. These are usually small programs or helper applications.

Each user has their own login items listed in the `com.apple.loginitems.plist` file located in their `/Library/Preferences/` directory. The login item application is usually found within an application bundle’s `Library` directory.

While rare, global login items may be listed in the `com.apple.loginwindow.plist` file in the `/Library/Preferences/` directory under the `AutoLaunchedApplicationDictionary` key.

Autoruns: XPC Services

Privilege Separation and Stability

Sandboxed Environment

Runs in User Context

Services a Single Application

Location:

- Application Bundle/Frameworks: /XPCServices/
- /System/Library/XPCServices/

XPC (Interprocess Communication) services are used to control the stability of a system. These services will only service one application. If the service crashes, only the application will crash, rather than the whole system. These services run in the user context and are located in various XPCServices directories.

Reference:

Creating XPC Services: Apple Developer Documentation

<http://developer.apple.com/library/mac/#documentation/MacOSX/Conceptual/BPSysTemStartup/Chapters/CreatingXPCServices.html>

Autoruns: XPC Service Example

Key	Type	Value
BuildMachineOSBuild	String	11D17a
Localization native development region	String	English
Executable file	String	com.apple.qtkitserver
Bundle identifier	String	com.apple.qtkitserver
InfoDictionary version	String	6.0
Bundle name	String	com.apple.qtkitserver
Bundle OS Type code	String	XPC!
Bundle versions string, short	String	1.0
Bundle creator OS Type code	String	????
Bundle version	String	1
DTCompiler	String	
DTPlatformBuild	String	11D17a
DTPlatformVersion	String	GM
DTSDKBuild	String	11D17a
DTSDKName	String	
DTXcode	String	0410
DTXcodeBuild	String	11D17a
Application is agent (UIElement)	Boolean	YES
▼ XPCService	Diction...	(2 items)
▼ EnvironmentVariables	Diction...	(1 item)
MallocCorruptionAbort	String	1
ServiceType	String	Application

The screenshot shows an example of an XPC service property list for the `qtkitserver` located in `/System/Library/XPCServices/com.apple.qtkitserver.xpc/Contents/Info.plist`. The property list contains the bundle type code of “XPC!” and a key labeled XPC service that will contain many of the same keys used in launch agents and daemons.

Key	Type	Value
BuildMachineOSBuild	String	11D17a
Localization native development region	String	English
Executable file	String	com.apple.qtkitserver
Bundle identifier	String	com.apple.qtkitserver
InfoDictionary version	String	6.0
Bundle name	String	com.apple.qtkitserver
Bundle OS Type code	String	XPCI
Bundle versions string, short	String	1.0
Bundle creator OS Type code	String	????
Bundle version	String	1
DTCompiler	String	
DTPlatformBuild	String	11D17a
DTPlatformVersion	String	GM
DTSDKBuild	String	11D17a
DTSDKName	String	
DTXcode	String	0410
DTXcodeBuild	String	11D17a
Application is agent (UIElement)	Boolean	YES
▽ XPCService	Diction...	(2 items)
▽ EnvironmentVariables	Diction...	(1 item)
MallocCorruptionAbort	String	1
ServiceType	String	Application

GUI Artifacts

macOS

- Finder

iOS

- SpringBoard

watchOS

- Carousel*

tvOS

- PineBoard*

*Not covered, but good bar trivia

The Graphical User Interface for each operating system is named something different, and each works a bit differently because of the type of interaction from the user. For instance, macOS is meant to be used with Trackpad/Mouse/Keyboard, tvOS with a remote, and iOS and watchOS with your fingers!

These interfaces can give us some detail into how a user uses their devices.

Reference:

<http://newosxbook.com/articles/TvOS.html>

iOS SpringBoard

Background Images

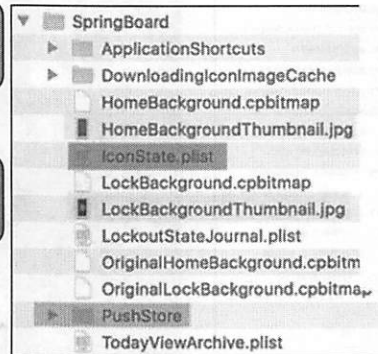
- HomeBackgroundThumbnail.jpg
- LockBackgroundThumbnail.jpg

Application Locations/Folders

- IconState.plist

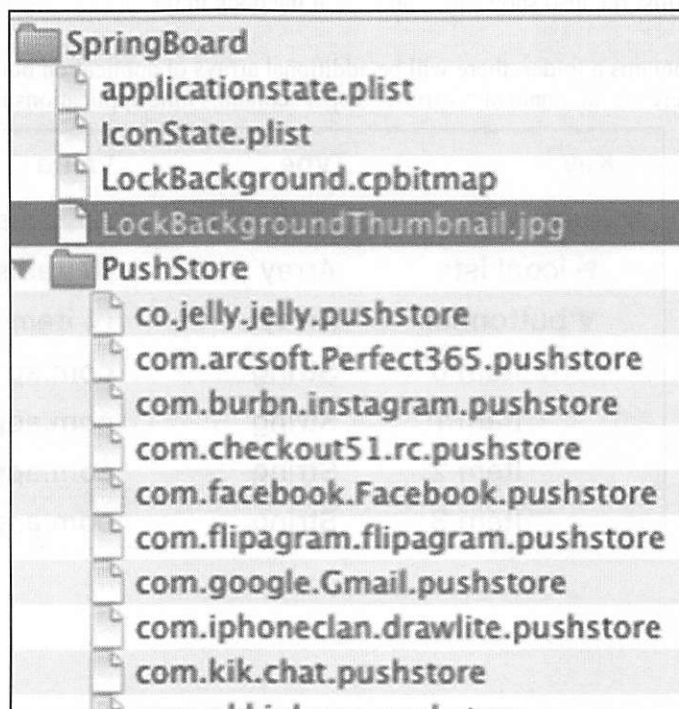
PushStore

- Application Notifications



Physical: iOS 6+: /private/var/mobile/Library/SpringBoard/
Backup/FS: iOS 6+: /mobile/Library/SpringBoard/

The interface on iOS devices is called SpringBoard (in macOS, it is called Finder). The SpringBoard directory will contain interface-specific items, such as Home/Lock background pictures and the icon/screen layout, as well as notifications for various applications.



iOS SpringBoard: IconState.plist

▼ iconLists	Array	(7 items)
▼ Item 0	Array	(24 items)
Item 0	String	com.apple.MobileSMS
Item 1	String	com.apple.mobilecal
Item 2	String	com.apple.mobileslideshow
Item 3	String	com.apple.camera
Item 4	String	com.apple.weather
Item 5	String	com.apple.reminders
Item 6	String	com.apple.mobiletimer
Item 7	String	com.apple.AppStore
Item 8	String	com.apple.Preferences
Item 9	String	com.apple.Maps
Item 10	String	com.tripit.tripitmobile.paid
Item 11	String	com.apple.Health
Item 12	String	com.apple.mobilenotes
Item 13	String	com.squarespace.metrics
Item 14	String	com.apple.Passbook
Item 15	String	com.apple.podcasts
Item 16	String	com.linkedin.LinkedIn
Item 17	String	com.facebook.Facebook
Item 18	String	com.glympse.iphone.glympse
Item 19	String	com.audible.iphone
Item 20	String	com.overdrive.adm
Item 21	String	com.tinspeck.chatlyio
Item 22	String	com.atebits.Tweetie2
Item 23	String	net.whatsapp.WhatsApp
▶ Item 1	Array	(24 items)
▶ Item 2	Array	(24 items)



▼ Item 11	Dictionary	(3 items)
▼ iconLists	Array	(2 items)
▼ Item 0	Array	(9 items)
Item 0	String	com.apple.Keynote
Item 1	String	com.apple.Pages
Item 2	String	com.apple.iMovie
Item 3	String	com.apple.mobilegarageband
Item 4	String	com.apple.itunesu
Item 5	String	com.apple.mobileme.fmf1
Item 6	String	com.apple.tips
Item 7	String	com.apple.Numbers
Item 8	String	com.apple.facetime
▼ Item 1	Array	(1 item)
Item 0	String	com.apple.MobileStore
listType	String	folder
displayName	String	Apple apps

Physical: iOS 6+: /private/var/mobile/Library/SpringBoard/
 Backup/FS: iOS 6+: /mobile/Library/SpringBoard/

SpringBoard controls how each icon and folder is laid out on each screen. The IconState.plist file contains an “Item” for each screen under “iconLists”. In the example above, “Item 0” is this device’s first home screen. This plist file also shows the contents of the dock in the “buttonBar” key, shown below.

If a screen contains a folder, there will be additional arrays of application bundle ids, as shown in the screenshot to the right, where a folder named “Apple apps” contains nine applications in a folder.

Key	Type	Value
▼ Root	Dictionary	(2 items)
▶ iconLists	Array	(6 items)
▼ buttonBar	Array	(4 items)
Item 0	String	com.apple.mobilephone
Item 1	String	com.apple.mobilemail
Item 2	String	com.apple.mobilesafari
Item 3	String	com.apple.Music

▼ iconLists	Array	(7 items)
▼ Item 0	Array	(24 items)
Item 0	String	com.apple.MobileSMS
Item 1	String	com.apple.mobllocal
Item 2	String	com.apple.mobilsideshow
Item 3	String	com.apple.camera
Item 4	String	com.apple.weather
Item 5	String	com.apple.reminders
Item 6	String	com.apple.mobletimer
Item 7	String	com.apple.AppStore
Item 8	String	com.apple.Preferences
Item 9	String	com.apple.Maps
Item 10	String	com.tripit.tripitmobile.paid
Item 11	String	com.apple.Health
Item 12	String	com.apple.mobilenotes
Item 13	String	com.squarespace.metrics
Item 14	String	com.apple.Passbook
Item 15	String	com.apple.podcasts
Item 16	String	com.linkedin.Linkedin
Item 17	String	com.facebook.Facebook
Item 18	String	com.glympse.iphone.glympse
Item 19	String	com.audible.iphone
Item 20	String	com.overdrive.odm
Item 21	String	com.tinyspeck.chatylo
Item 22	String	com.atebits.Tweetie2
Item 23	String	net.whatsapp.WhatsApp
▶ Item 1	Array	(24 items)
▶ Item 2	Array	

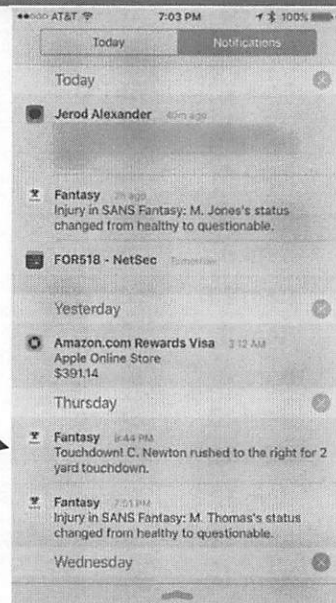
▼ Item 11	Dictionary	(3 items)
▼ iconLists	Array	(2 items)
▼ Item 0	Array	(9 items)
Item 0	String	com.apple.Keynote
Item 1	String	com.apple.Pages
Item 2	String	com.apple.Movie
Item 3	String	com.apple.moblegarageband
Item 4	String	com.apple.itunesu
Item 5	String	com.apple.moblieme.fm1
Item 6	String	com.apple.tips
Item 7	String	com.apple.Numbers
Item 8	String	com.apple.facetime
▼ Item 1	Array	(1 item)
Item 0	String	com.apple.MobileStore
listType	String	folder
displayName	String	Apple apps

iOS SpringBoard: PushStore—App Notifications

```

com.wunderground.weatherunderground.weatherwidget.pushstore
com.xe.XECurrency.XE-Currency-Widget.pushstore
com.yahoo.football2009.pushstore
com.yelp.yelpiphone.pushstore
com.yelp.yelpiphone.Yelp-Today-Widget.pushstore
com.zappos.ipad.pushstore
    
```

▼ Item 25	Dictionary	(2 items)
▼ NS.keys	Array	(0 items)
▼ NS.objects	Array	(0 items)
Item 26	String	AppNotificationType
Item 27	String	AppNotificationMessage
Item 28	String	AppNotificationCreationDate
Item 29	String	AppNotificationUserInfo
Item 30	String	AppNotificationRemote
Item 31	String	Touchdown! C. Newton rushed to the right for 2 yard touchdown.
▼ Item 32	Dictionary	(1 item)
NS.time	Number	495,078,279.595135
▼ Item 33	Dictionary	(2 items)
▼ NS.keys	Array	(0 items)
▼ NS.objects	Array	(0 items)



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Physical: iOS 6+: /private/var/mobile/Library/SpringBoard/
 Backup/FS: iOS 6+: /mobile/Library/SpringBoard/

In the PushStore directory, a list of files named <bundle_id>.pushstore are stored for each application. Each pushstore file contains a specific application's notifications. These plist files are using the NSKeyedArchiver plist format.

A review of the contents of these plists can provide an insight into user activity for a particular application. The example above shows the pushstore data for the Yahoo Fantasy Football application.

While not shown in the screenshot, this pushstore file contained historical data from the previous season's Fantasy Football application usage.

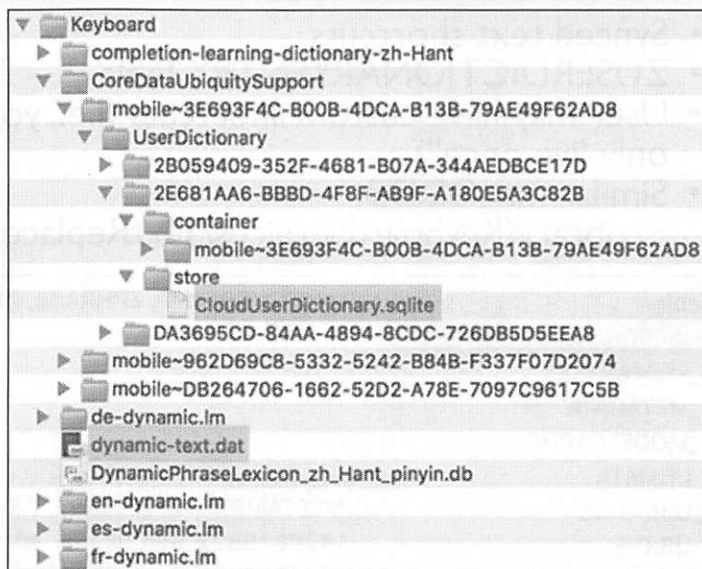
iOS Keyboard

Text Replacement/Shortcuts

- CloudUserDictionary.sqlite

Autocorrection and Predictive Text

- iOS 11+ dynamic-lexicon.dat
 - Not in backups
- dynamic-text.dat
 - In backups iOS 10-
- Other languages too!
 - ar-dynamic-text.dat
 - ru_RU-dynamic-text.dat



Physical: /private/var/mobile/Library/Keyboard/

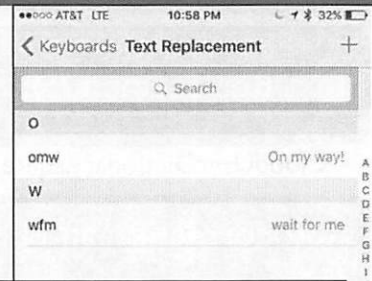
Backup/File System: /mobile/Library/Keyboard/ or /KeyboardDomain/Library/Keyboard/

By default, on English-based devices, you will likely see at least two keyboards: English and Emoji. Users do have the ability to install additional keyboards. They may help them type in other languages, such as Arabic, Chinese, or Cyrillic characters. When users are using these keyboards, over time, certain words are recorded to help with autocorrection and predictive text. These words are stored in the `dynamic-text.dat` files. Note the default (English) is stored in `dynamic-text.dat`. Additional languages may have their own files (i.e., `ar-dynamic-text.dat` for Arabic or `ru_RU-dynamic-text.dat` for Russian Cyrillic).

Users may also want to configure their own text shortcuts. These are stored in the `CloudUserDictionary.sqlite` database files.

Keyboard: Text Replacement/Shortcuts

- Synced text shortcuts
- ZUSERDICTIONARYENTRY Table
- User may have custom shortcuts (i.e., yolo = “You only live once”)
- Similar macOS DB:
~/Library/KeyboardServices/TextReplacements.db



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ZUSERDICTIONARYENTRY										
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Y_UBKVS										
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Physical: /private/var/mobile/Library/Keyboard/

Backup/File System: /mobile/Library/Keyboard/ or /KeyboardDomain/Library/Keyboard/

Users may also want to configure their own text shortcuts. These are stored in the CloudUserDictionary.sqlite database files. These shortcuts may provide some insight into what the user regularly types.

For instance, instead of writing “You only live once”, the user may just want to type “yolo” to make typing faster. When the user types “yolo”, the actual text gets replaced with “You only live once”.

Similar database on macOS: ~/Library/KeyboardServices/TextReplacements.db

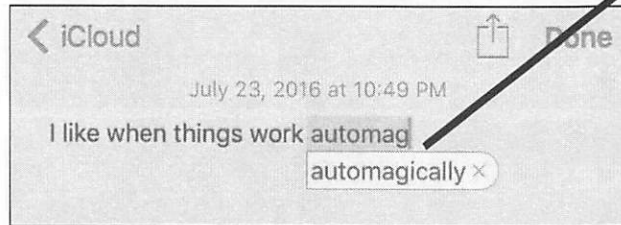
Keyboard: Dynamic Text (Autocorrect/Predictive)

“iOS Keylogger”

Alphabetical Strings

Unique Terms

No Context



auditorium... Aussies... Austin... Australia... a
utocorrects... autocorrect... automagically... aut
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ery... bake... balcony... ballers... ballet... ball..
bands... bank... barley... bars... bar... baseball
basement... bash... basic... bathroom... Bay... b
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having... behind... being... believe... belly... be
low... beltway... bench... bens... best... better...
between... bet... r... be... BH... bigger... big... Billy
bill... bio... birite... birthday... bits... bit
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Physical: /private/var/mobile/Library/Keyboard/

Backup/File System: /mobile/Library/Keyboard/ or /KeyboardDomain/Library/Keyboard/

These dynamic text files have been around for a long time; they are often known as the “iOS keylogger” files. They do not act as a true keylogger; however, a forensic analysis of these files may provide some insight into what the user likes to type. These strings may include names, nicknames, places, slang, etc.

In theory, these files should not contain anything sensitive such as usernames or passwords. Items typed into “secure” web forms or login areas do not get recorded in this file. This, however, does not stop the user from typing sensitive information in nonsecure areas, such as the Notes application.

macOS User GUI Preferences

Finder

Sidebar

Dock

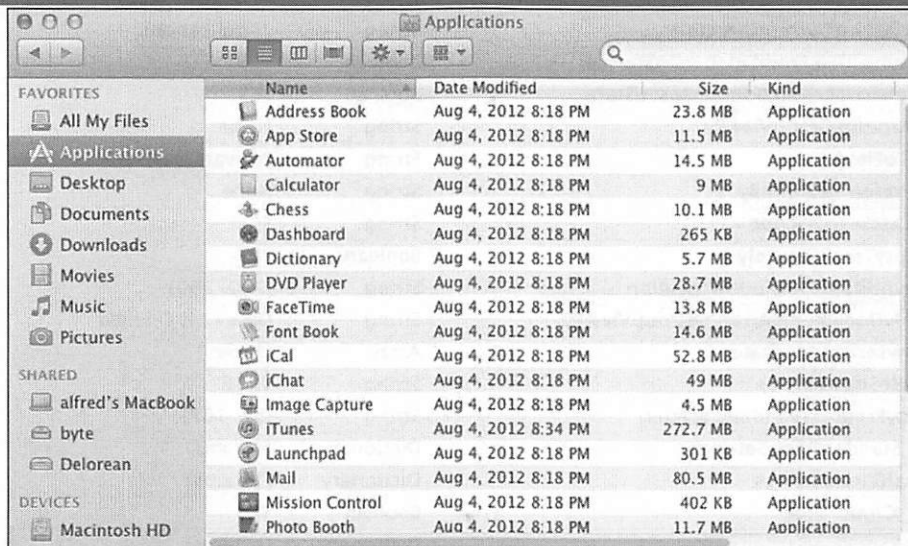
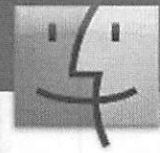
Desktop

Spaces

A user's workspace can say many things about a person: What applications are likely to be used more often, how organized the user is, or what directories are important to them. The OS X interface has many entities that can give you a peek into how a person uses their computer.

macOS Finder

~/Library/Preferences/com.apple.finder.plist



The Apple Finder is comparable to the Windows Explorer. It is the main application allowing access to applications, files, directories, networks, and other media.

On the left sidebar, the Finder categories are shown. These, of course, are configurable by the user.

- Favorites: By default, the user directories are shown, such as Documents, Pictures, Music, Downloads, etc.
- Shared: These are the other devices on the network than can be used for file storage, other computers that can be “screen shared”, etc.
- Devices: Contains the volumes the system has access to: The host volume (Macintosh HD), USB drives, CDs/DVDs, FireWire, Thunderbolt, mounted DMGs, etc.

Among the preference keys that will be covered, the `com.apple.finder.plist` contains a huge amount of user preference data. Almost every configurable item of the Finder can be found in this plist.

For example:

- Show Mounted Servers
- Show Mounted Hard Drives
- Column Preference
- Empty Trash Securely
- X and Y Coordinates of different GUI features

Note: Each version of OS X may have different property list keys, though the notable ones are the same. 10.6 does not have nearly as many configuration details as systems 10.7+ (see the next page).

Key	Type	Value
▼ Root	Dictionary	(56 items)
▶ NetworkViewSettings	Dictionary	(1 item)
FlowViewHeight	Number	255
FXPreferredViewStyle	String	Nlsv
NSNavLastCurrentDirectory	String	/Applications
RemoveDiskFromSidebarOnStartup	Boolean	YES
SidebarPlacesSectionDisclosedState	Boolean	YES
FXArrangeGroupViewBy	String	Name
GoToField	String	/private/var/log/
FXPreferredGroupBy	String	None
FXLastSearchScope	String	SCcf
EmptyTrashSecurely	Boolean	YES
MountProgressWindowLocation	String	{760, 290}
FXMyDocumentsArrangeGroupViewBy	String	Date Last Opened
▶ BrowserWindowState	Array	(1 item)
AppleShowAllFiles	String	TRUE
CopyProgressWindowLocation	String	{57, 167}
▶ FK_StandardViewSettings	Dictionary	(4 items)
▶ TrashViewSettings	Dictionary	(3 items)
FK iCloudMode	Boolean	YES
▶ PackageViewSettings	Dictionary	(3 items)
NSNavBrowserPreferredColumnContentWidth	Number	186
BackupProgressWindowLocation	String	{1130, 1041}
▶ NSToolbar Configuration Browser	Dictionary	(7 items)
FXConnectToBounds	String	{{717, 621}, {486, 231}}
▶ RecentSearches	Array	(3 items)
FXToolbarUpgradedToTenEight	Number	1
FXPreferredSearchViewStyleVersion	String	%00%00%00%01
FXConnectToLastURL	String	afp://somethingelse
▶ StandardViewSettings	Dictionary	(4 items)
▶ DesktopViewSettings	Dictionary	(2 items)
EmptyTrashProgressWindowLocation	String	{760, 260}
NewWindowTargetPath	String	file:///file/id=6562758.335740/
ShowRemovableMediaOnDesktop	Boolean	YES
NewWindowTarget	String	PfHm
NSNavLastRootDirectory	String	/Applications
PreferencesWindow.LastSelection	String	SDBR
SidebarDevicesSectionDisclosedState	Boolean	YES
SearchMyDocsLibraryBrowseWithCustomViewStyle	Boolean	NO
▶ FXDesktopVolumePositions	Dictionary	(18 items)
▶ FXInfoPanelsExpanded	Dictionary	(4 items)
LastTrashState	Boolean	YES
ShowHardDrivesOnDesktop	Boolean	YES
FK_LinenViewStyle	String	icnv
▶ ComputerViewSettings	Dictionary	(4 items)
DownloadsFolderListViewSettingsVersion	Number	1
FK_SidebarWidth	Number	192
SidebarSharedSectionDisclosedState	Boolean	YES
FXToolbarUpgradedToTenSeven	Number	1
ShowExternalHardDrivesOnDesktop	Boolean	YES
ShowMountedServersOnDesktop	Boolean	YES
▶ SearchViewSettings	Dictionary	(3 items)
FXPreferencesWindow.Location	String	{{479, 191}, {355, 559}}
▶ FXRecentFolders	Array	(7 items)
FXPreferredSearchViewStyle	String	Nlsv

macOS Finder: Desktop Volumes ~/Library/Preferences/com.apple.finder.plist

The screenshot shows the Finder preferences window for Desktop Volumes. On the left, a list of desktop volumes is visible, including RAWR, Dropbox Installer, and Google Chrome. On the right, a plist editor shows the `FXDesktopVolumePositions` key expanded, displaying a list of volume names and their corresponding dictionary keys. An arrow points from the `FXDesktopVolumePositions` key in the plist to the `RAWR` volume icon on the desktop.

Key	Type	Value
FXDesktopVolumePositions	Dictionary	(68 items)
▶ FAT32_WIN_-0x1.d27e44p+29	Dictionary	(4 items)
▶ MacQuisition	Dictionary	(4 items)
▶ PenTablet_0x1.5dd99bbp+28	Dictionary	(4 items)
▶ TextWrangler 4.0_0x1.517f6b7p	Dictionary	(4 items)
▼ HFS_APM_0x1.5aa61c9p+28	Dictionary	(4 items)
xRelative	Number	-166
ScreenID	Number	0
AnchorRelativeTo	Number	1
yRelative	Number	62
▶ Firefox_0x1.5423ffbp+28	Dictionary	(4 items)
▶ Useful Scripts_0x1.8b017bap+27	Dictionary	(4 items)
▶ Tiger_-0x1.7476c46p+29	Dictionary	(4 items)
▶ Microsoft Office	Dictionary	(4 items)
▶ MacResponse_0x1.561bebdp+28	Dictionary	(4 items)
▶ Untitled_0x1.55b30ddp+28	Dictionary	(4 items)
▶ TrueCrypt 7.1a_0x1.4e12977p+28	Dictionary	(4 items)
▶ BLACKBAG_-0x1.d27e44p+29	Dictionary	(4 items)
▶ HFS_GUID_0x1.5aa6206p+28	Dictionary	(4 items)
▶ Dropbox Installer_0x1.6978e77p	Dictionary	(4 items)
▶ STUFF_-0x1.d27e44p+29	Dictionary	(4 items)

The Finder application stores the mounted volumes in the `com.apple.finder.plist`. (Remember we already discussed how this plist also stores the `Recent Folders` in the `FXRecentFolders` key.)

The `FXDesktopVolumePositions` key mainly stores the X and Y coordinates of volumes when mounted on the Desktop. This key can be useful for forensic analysts because it stores all the volumes that were mounted by the user. It unfortunately does not store the date when it was last mounted, but we may be able to determine that with analysis of the logs. Knowing when a volume is mounted can help an investigator determine when it was in use.

Each volume is listed by its mounted volume name, and some entries have an appended number.* It is unknown what this number represents.

Note: If the user does not have the Finder preferences configured to show items on the desktop, this key will not exist.

* Darren Freestone has determined this number is a “hexadecimal floating point constant” value that stores the volume creation timestamp of HFS+ volumes but only a negative value for FAT/ExFAT volumes.

▼ FXDesktopVolumePositions	Dictionary	(68 items)
▶ FAT32_WIN_-0x1.d27e44p+29	Dictionary	(4 items)
▶ MacQuisition	Dictionary	(4 items)
▶ PenTablet_0x1.5dd99bbp+28	Dictionary	(4 items)
▶ TextWrangler 4.0_0x1.517f6b7p	Dictionary	(4 items)
▼ HFS_APM_0x1.5aa61c9p+28	Dictionary	(4 items)
xRelative	Number	-166
ScreenID	Number	0
AnchorRelativeTo	Number	1
yRelative	Number	62
▶ Firefox_0x1.5423ffbp+28	Dictionary	(4 items)
▶ Useful Scripts_0x1.8b017bap+27	Dictionary	(4 items)
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▶ TrueCrypt 7.1a_0x1.4e12977p+28	Dictionary	(4 items)
▶ BLACKBAG_-0x1.d27e44p+29	Dictionary	(4 items)
▶ HFS_GUID_0x1.5aa6206p+28	Dictionary	(4 items)
▶ Dropbox Installer_0x1.6978e77p	Dictionary	(4 items)
▶ STUFF_-0x1.d27e44p+29	Dictionary	(4 items)

macOS Finder Sidebar: Volumes List ~/Library/Preferences/ com.apple.sidebarlists.plist [10.12-]

Volume EntryType	
8	• Time Machine (APFS), AFP File Shares, OSXFUSE Volumes
16	• Network Hard Drive, iDisk, "Computer"
128	• "iDisk"
261	• Hard Drive, Boot Hard Drive
515	• USB Flash, Time Machine Backups, Disk Image (HFS, MBR), SD Card
517	• USB Hard Drive (FAT/ExFAT/HFS+), Thunderbolt HD
1024	• "Remote Disk"
1027	• Disk Image (Bzip, VAX COFF Executable), DVD
1029	• External HDD (NTFS)

VolumesList	Array	(73 items)
Item 0	Dictionary	(4 items)
Icon	Data	<496d6752 000000c2 00000000 4642494c 0000000b 00000000>
CustomItemProperties	Dictionary	(1 item)
Name	String	Dropbox
Alias	Data	<00000000 00a00003 00010000 cab93754 0000482b 00000000>
Item 1	Dictionary	(4 items)
Item 2	Dictionary	(5 items)
CustomItemProperties	Dictionary	(1 item)
Name	String	Macintosh HD
Alias	Data	<00000000 00800003 00010000 cab93754 0000482b 00000000>
Visibility	String	NeverVisible
Number	Number	261
EntryType	Dictionary	(4 items)
Item 3	Dictionary	(4 items)
Name	String	iDisk
SpecialID	Number	1,766,293,675
Visibility	String	NeverVisible
EntryType	Number	16
Item 4	Dictionary	(3 items)
Item 5	Dictionary	(3 items)
Item 6	Dictionary	(3 items)
Item 7	Dictionary	(3 items)
Item 8	Dictionary	(3 items)
Item 9	Dictionary	(3 items)
Item 10	Dictionary	(3 items)
Item 11	Dictionary	(3 items)
Item 12	Dictionary	(4 items)
Item 13	Dictionary	(3 items)
Alias	Data	<00000000 00780003 00010000 c72cf52f 0000482b 00000000>
Name	String	Stuff
EntryType	Number	517
Item 14	Dictionary	(3 items)
Item 15	Dictionary	(3 items)
Alias	Data	<00000000 00a00003 00010000 cb3e1361 0000482b 00000000>
Name	String	Google Chrome
EntryType	Number	1,027
Item 16	Dictionary	(3 items)
Item 17	Dictionary	(3 items)
Item 18	Dictionary	(3 items)
Item 19	Dictionary	(3 items)
Item 20	Dictionary	(4 items)
Item 21	Dictionary	(3 items)
Alias	Data	<00000000 03000003 00010000 e4ae657e 0000482b 61730000>
Name	String	Data
EntryType	Number	8
Item 22	Dictionary	(3 items)

As of 10.10+,
Somewhat Unreliable

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The `com.apple.sidebarlists.plist` contains the items found in the sidebar of the Finder. The `system` items or `favorites` key (version dependent) contains configurable items, such as:

- Show Removable Drives (USB, External HDDs)
- Show Hard Drives
- Show Ejectables (iDevices, CDs, DVDs)
- Show Servers

As of 10.10, the author has found this plist to be somewhat unreliable. It will show some volumes, but certainly not all volumes mounted on the system. The `VolumesList` keys contain the items found in the sidebar of the Finder. This key may contain a large history of items related to mounted volumes.

Each entry may have:

- Alias Data
- Name: Volume Name
- Icon Data: If the volume uses a particular icon.
- Visibility Setting: Whether configured to be viewable by the user or not.
- EntryType: Type of disk; some of the types are listed in the table above.

The `EntryType` keys may have different meanings, depending on the version of OS X you are analyzing. This plist does not appear to get created on 10.13 systems.

favorites	Dictionary	(7 items)
CustomListProperties	Dictionary	(2 items)
com.apple.LSSharedFileList.VolumesListMigrated	Boolean	YES
com.apple.LSSharedFileList.Restricted.upgraded	Boolean	YES
ShowRemovable	Boolean	YES
ShowHardDisks	Boolean	YES
ShowEjectables	Boolean	YES
VolumesList	Array	(73 items)
ShowServers	Boolean	YES
Controller	String	VolumesList

▼ VolumesList	Array	(73 items)
▼ Item 0	Dictionary	(4 items)
Icon	Data	<496d6752 000000c2 00000000 4642494c 000000b6 00000000
▶ CustomItemProperties	Dictionary	(1 item)
Name	String	Dropbox
Alias	Data	<00000000 00a00003 00010000 cab93754 0000482b 00000000
▶ Item 1	Dictionary	(4 items)
▼ Item 2	Dictionary	(5 items)
▶ CustomItemProperties	Dictionary	(1 item)
Name	String	Macintosh HD
Alias	Data	<00000000 00880003 00010000 cab93754 0000482b 00000000
Visibility	String	NeverVisible
EntryType	Number	261
▼ Item 3	Dictionary	(4 items)
Name	String	iDisk
SpecialID	Number	1,766,093,675
Visibility	String	NeverVisible
EntryType	Number	16
▶ Item 4	Dictionary	(5 items)
▶ Item 5	Dictionary	(3 items)
▶ Item 6	Dictionary	(4 items)
▶ Item 7	Dictionary	(4 items)
▶ Item 8	Dictionary	(4 items)
▶ Item 9	Dictionary	(4 items)
▶ Item 10	Dictionary	(4 items)
▶ Item 11	Dictionary	(4 items)
▶ Item 12	Dictionary	(4 items)
▼ Item 13	Dictionary	(3 items)
Alias	Data	<00000000 00780003 00010000 c72cf62f 0000482b 00000000
Name	String	Stuff
EntryType	Number	517
▶ Item 14	Dictionary	(3 items)
▼ Item 15	Dictionary	(3 items)
Alias	Data	<00000000 00a00003 00010000 cb3e1361 0000482b 00000000
Name	String	Google Chrome
EntryType	Number	1,027
▶ Item 16	Dictionary	(3 items)
▶ Item 17	Dictionary	(3 items)
▶ Item 18	Dictionary	(3 items)
▶ Item 19	Dictionary	(3 items)
▶ Item 20	Dictionary	(4 items)
▼ Item 21	Dictionary	(3 items)
Alias	Data	<00000000 03000003 00010000 caae657e 0000482b 61730000
Name	String	Data
EntryType	Number	8
▶ Item 22	Dictionary	(3 items)

Favorite Volumes (Native and Mounted Volumes): com.apple.LSSharedFileList.FavoriteVolumes.sfl2 [10.13+]

NSKeyedArchiver plist

Must manually parse or use
macMRU script!

Does not have the same Alias data

Item 51	String	Dropbox Installer
Item 52	Dictionary	(1 item)
NS.data	Data	<626f6fb6 7060000 00000410 30000000 00000000>
Item 53	String	48243DBC-F35B-4605-9066-299A5975F9B4
Item 54	Dictionary	(2 items)
NS.keys	Array	(0 items)
NS.objects	Array	(0 items)
Item 55	Dictionary	(2 items)
NS.keys	Array	(0 items)
NS.objects	Array	(0 items)
Item 56	String	Google Chrome
Item 57	Dictionary	(1 item)
NS.data	Data	<626f6fb6 ec060000 00000410 30000000 00000000>
Item 58	String	8336CD8F-245F-404B-BF3E-AC41057683FB
Item 59	Dictionary	(2 items)
NS.keys	Array	(0 items)
NS.objects	Array	(0 items)
Item 60	Dictionary	(2 items)
NS.keys	Array	(0 items)
NS.objects	Array	(0 items)
Item 61	String	VMware Fusion
Item 62	Dictionary	(1 item)
NS.data	Data	<626f6fb6 e0670000 00000410 30000000 00000000>
Item 63	String	7841F374-41DC-454A-8366-DB77D911C1FF
Item 64	Dictionary	(2 items)
NS.keys	Array	(0 items)
NS.objects	Array	(0 items)
Item 65	Dictionary	(2 items)
NS.keys	Array	(0 items)
NS.objects	Array	(0 items)
Item 66	String	Sublime Text
Item 67	Dictionary	(1 item)
NS.data	Data	<626f6fb6 fc060000 00000410 30000000 00000000>
Item 68	String	ECFAE340-77BF-4ADC-AE51-3731E5AD680B

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In 10.13, `com.apple.sidebarlists.plist` no longer exists. Instead, most of the volume information is found in the `com.apple.LSSharedFileList.FavoriteVolumes.sfl2` plist file in the `~/Library/Application Support/com.apple.sharedfilelist/` directory.

This is an NSKeyedArchiver plist file, which means manual parsing will likely need to be performed in order to understand the contents and context of this data. The example output below is the output from the `macMRU.py` script shown earlier in the Mac MRU module.

```
[Item Number: 4 | (UUID:'48243DBC-F35B-4605-9066-299A5975F9B4') | Visibility: 0] Name: 'Dropbox Installer'
CustomItemProperties:
  NSURLVolumeIsInternalKey: False
  NSURLVolumeIsEjectableKey: False
  com.apple.LSSharedFileList.VolumeGroup: 3
  NSURLVolumeIsRootFileSystemKey: False
  NSURLIsVolumeKey: True

[Item Number: 5 | (UUID:'8336CD8F-245F-404B-BF3E-AC41057683FB') | Visibility: 0] Name: 'Google Chrome'
CustomItemProperties:
  NSURLVolumeIsInternalKey: False
  NSURLVolumeIsEjectableKey: False
  com.apple.LSSharedFileList.VolumeGroup: 3
  NSURLVolumeIsRootFileSystemKey: False
  NSURLIsVolumeKey: True

[Item Number: 6 | (UUID:'7841F374-41DC-454A-8366-DB77D911C1FF') | Visibility: 0] Name: 'VMware Fusion'
CustomItemProperties:
  NSURLVolumeIsInternalKey: False
  NSURLVolumeIsEjectableKey: False
  com.apple.LSSharedFileList.VolumeGroup: 3
  NSURLVolumeIsRootFileSystemKey: False
  NSURLIsVolumeKey: True

[Item Number: 7 | (UUID:'ECFAE340-77BF-4ADC-AE51-3731E5AD680B') | Visibility: 0] Name: 'Sublime Text'
CustomItemProperties:
  NSURLVolumeIsInternalKey: False
  NSURLVolumeIsEjectableKey: False
  com.apple.LSSharedFileList.VolumeGroup: 3
  NSURLVolumeIsRootFileSystemKey: False
  NSURLIsVolumeKey: True
```

macOS Dock: ~/Library/Preferences/com.apple.dock.plist



▼ persistent-apps	Array	(14 items)
▼ Item 0	Dictionary	(3 items)
GUID	Number	1,203,577,786
tile-type	String	file-tile
▼ tile-data	Dictionary	(7 items)
dock-extra	Boolean	NO
parent-mod-date	Number	3,427,037,556
file-type	Number	169
▶ file-data	Dictionary	(3 items)
file-label	String	Launchpad
file-mod-date	Number	3,423,071,325
bundle-identifier	String	com.apple.launchpad.launcher
▶ Item 1	Dictionary	(3 items)
▶ Item 2	Dictionary	(3 items)

▼ persistent-others	Array	(1 item)
▼ Item 0	Dictionary	(3 items)
GUID	Number	1,203,577,800
tile-type	String	directory-tile
▼ tile-data	Dictionary	(9 items)
showas	Number	1
parent-mod-date	Number	3,427,038,223
file-type	Number	2
▶ file-data	Dictionary	(3 items)
displayas	Number	0
file-label	String	Downloads
file-mod-date	Number	3,427,038,198
arrangement	Number	2
preferreduitemsize	Number	-1

The dock can be used to determine what applications a user is more likely to use often.

The `com.apple.dock.plist` contains two main keys:

- `persistent-apps`: These are the applications on the left of the dock separator (not including Finder). These applications are listed in order from left to right (Item 0, Item 1, Item 2 ... Item N).
- `persistent-others`: These are folders that can be docked and viewed—the default folder in the dock is Download; however, many times you’ll also see the Document directory.

Each Item has data about the application or directory included:

- View Types
- File Data, including Alias data and file path
- Dock Label
- Modification Dates (File and Parent)

Other preference items may be found in this property list:

- Dock Auto Hide
- Full Trash
- Icon Sizes
- Dock Magnification

▼ persistent-apps	Array	(14 items)
▼ Item 0	Dictionary	(3 items)
GUID	Number	1,203,577,786
tile-type	String	file-tile
▼ tile-data	Dictionary	(7 items)
dock-extra	Boolean	NO
parent-mod-date	Number	3,427,037,556
file-type	Number	169
▶ file-data	Dictionary	(3 items)
file-label	String	Launchpad
file-mod-date	Number	3,423,071,325
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▶ Item 1	Dictionary	(3 items)
▶ Item 2	Dictionary	(3 items)

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GUID	Number	1,203,577,800
tile-type	String	directory-tile
▼ tile-data	Dictionary	(9 items)
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file-type	Number	2
▶ file-data	Dictionary	(3 items)
displayas	Number	0
file-label	String	Downloads
file-mod-date	Number	3,427,038,198
arrangement	Number	2
preferreditemsizes	Number	-1

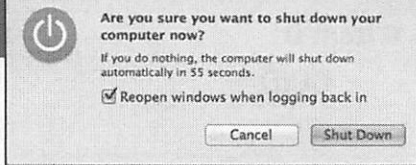
Saved Application State

Introduced in 10.7 as “resume” feature

- Launches applications and windows to the previous state, after a system reboot or an exited application.

Locations:

- macOS Legacy: `~/Library/Saved Application State/`
- macOS Sandbox:
`~/Library/Containers/<Bundle ID>/Data/Library/Application Support/<App Name>/Saved Application State`
- iOS: `<Application Directory>/Library/Saved Application State/<bundle_id>.savedState/`



```
nibble:Saved Application State sledwards pwd
/Users/sledwards/Library/Saved Application State
nibble:Saved Application State sledwards ls -lt
total 32
drwx----- 7 sledwards staff 238 Nov 17 16:03 com.apple.finder.savedState
drwx----- 5 sledwards staff 170 Nov 17 15:46 com.suavetech.0xED.savedState
drwx----- 6 sledwards staff 204 Nov 17 15:44 com.apple.iChat.savedState
drwx----- 6 sledwards staff 204 Nov 17 15:36 com.apple.dt.Xcode.savedState
drwx----- 5 sledwards staff 170 Nov 17 15:17 com.apple.systempreferences.savedState
drwx----- 6 sledwards staff 204 Nov 17 14:57 com.realmacsoftware.littlesnapper.savedState
drwx----- 8 sledwards staff 272 Nov 17 13:48 com.apple.Terminal.savedState
drwx----- 6 sledwards staff 204 Nov 17 11:08 com.microsoft.Powerpoint.savedState
drwx----- 6 sledwards staff 204 Nov 17 10:43 com.apple.appstore.savedState
drwx----- 5 sledwards staff 170 Nov 17 10:31 com.apple.installer.savedState
drwx----- 5 sledwards staff 170 Nov 17 09:53 com.microsoft.autoupdate2.savedState
drwx-----@ 5 sledwards staff 170 Nov 17 09:46 com.apple.Safari.savedState
drwx----- 5 sledwards staff 170 Nov 15 03:46 com.apple.iCal.savedState
drwx----- 4 sledwards staff 136 Nov 14 05:51 com.apple.iTunes.savedState
drwx----- 4 sledwards staff 136 Nov 14 05:51 com.apple.keychainaccess.savedState
drwx----- 4 sledwards staff 136 Nov 14 05:51 com.vmware.fusion.savedState
drwx----- 4 sledwards staff 136 Nov 14 05:51 net.sourceforge.sqlitebrowser.savedState
drwx-----@ 5 sledwards staff 170 Nov 14 05:48 com.google.Chrome.savedState
drwx----- 4 sledwards staff 136 Nov 14 05:45 com.apple.ActivityMonitor.savedState
drwx----- 4 sledwards staff 136 Nov 14 05:45 com.apple.Console.savedState
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drwx----- 5 sledwards staff 170 Nov 14 05:45 com.apple.Stickers.savedState
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```

The Saved Application State, introduced in 10.7, is used to return applications to their previous state after a reboot. When shutting down, a user is given a choice to “reopen windows when logging back in”.

The directory `~/Library/Saved Application State/` also contains links to the `.savedState` directories in the sandboxed application containers.

On iOS, this is used to return to a previous application “tab” within that application.

Each application has its own directory named `<Bundle ID>.savedState`. Notice the links to the application sandbox containers.

The existence of these directories means the user has used these applications.


```

nibble:Saved Application State sledwards$ pwd
/Users/sledwards/Library/Saved Application State
nibble:Saved Application State sledwards$ ls -lt
total 32
drwx----- 7 sledwards  staff  238 Nov 17 16:03 com.apple.finder.savedState
drwx----- 5 sledwards  staff  170 Nov 17 15:46 com.suavetech.0xED.savedState
drwx----- 6 sledwards  staff  204 Nov 17 15:44 com.apple.iChat.savedState
drwx----- 6 sledwards  staff  204 Nov 17 15:36 com.apple.dt.Xcode.savedState
drwx----- 5 sledwards  staff  170 Nov 17 15:17 com.apple.systempreferences.savedState
drwx----- 6 sledwards  staff  204 Nov 17 14:57 com.realmacsoftware.littlesnapper.savedState
drwx----- 8 sledwards  staff  272 Nov 17 13:40 com.apple.Terminal.savedState
drwx----- 6 sledwards  staff  204 Nov 17 11:08 com.microsoft.Powerpoint.savedState
drwx----- 6 sledwards  staff  204 Nov 17 10:43 com.apple.appstore.savedState
drwx----- 5 sledwards  staff  170 Nov 17 10:31 com.apple.installer.savedState
drwx----- 5 sledwards  staff  170 Nov 17 09:53 com.microsoft.autoupdate2.savedState
drwx-----@ 5 sledwards  staff  170 Nov 17 09:46 com.apple.Safari.savedState
drwx----- 5 sledwards  staff  170 Nov 15 03:46 com.apple.iCal.savedState
drwx----- 4 sledwards  staff  136 Nov 14 05:51 com.apple.iTunes.savedState
drwx----- 4 sledwards  staff  136 Nov 14 05:51 com.apple.keychainaccess.savedState
drwx----- 4 sledwards  staff  136 Nov 14 05:51 com.vmware.fusion.savedState
drwx----- 4 sledwards  staff  136 Nov 14 05:51 net.sourceforge.sqlitebrowser.savedState
drwx-----@ 5 sledwards  staff  170 Nov 14 05:48 com.google.Chrome.savedState
drwx----- 4 sledwards  staff  136 Nov 14 05:45 com.apple.ActivityMonitor.savedState
drwx----- 4 sledwards  staff  136 Nov 14 05:45 com.apple.Console.savedState
drwx----- 4 sledwards  staff  136 Nov 14 05:45 com.ridiculousfish.HexFiend.savedState
drwx----- 5 sledwards  staff  170 Nov 14 05:45 com.apple.Stickies.savedState
lrwxr-xr-x  1 sledwards  staff  113 Nov 10 09:37 com.apple.mail.savedState -> /Users/sledwards/L
ibrary/Containers/com.apple.mail/Data/Library/Saved Application State/com.apple.mail.savedState
lrwxr-xr-x  1 sledwards  staff  123 Nov 10 09:37 com.apple.reminders.savedState -> /Users/sledwa
rds/Library/Containers/com.apple.reminders/Data/Library/Saved Application State/com.apple.remind
ers.savedState
lrwxr-xr-x  1 sledwards  staff  115 Nov 10 09:37 com.apple.Notes.savedState -> /Users/sledwards/
Library/Containers/com.apple.Notes/Data/Library/Saved Application State/com.apple.Notes.savedSta
te

```

macOS Saved Application State: *.savedState Directories

windows.plist

- Required
- Property list file

data.data

- Required
- Data

window_#.data

- Optional
- Multiple files for each window
- Data

```
./com.apple.Terminal.savedState:
total 3712
-rw-r--r--  1 sledwards  staff   1478288 Nov 17 16:19 data.data
-rw-r--r--@ 1 sledwards  staff    5568 Nov 17 13:48 window_1.data
-rw-r--r--@ 1 sledwards  staff   148288 Nov 17 16:02 window_2.data
-rw-r--r--@ 1 sledwards  staff   110128 Nov 17 16:02 window_3.data
-rw-r--r--@ 1 sledwards  staff   144512 Nov 17 16:19 window_4.data
-rw-r--r--  1 sledwards  staff    2798 Nov 17 16:19 windows.plist

./com.apple.airport.airportutility.savedState:
total 16
-rw-r--r--  1 sledwards  staff    2720 Aug 24 17:16 data.data
-rw-r--r--  1 sledwards  staff    479 Aug 24 17:16 windows.plist

./com.apple.appstore.savedState:
total 376
-rw-r--r--  1 sledwards  staff    3472 Nov 17 11:08 data.data
-rw-r--r--@ 1 sledwards  staff    6592 Nov 17 11:25 window_1.data
-rw-r--r--@ 1 sledwards  staff   175424 Nov 17 11:35 window_2.data
-rw-r--r--  1 sledwards  staff    1474 Nov 17 11:08 windows.plist

./com.apple.dt.Xcode.savedState:
total 368
-rw-r--r--  1 sledwards  staff   42912 Nov 17 16:16 data.data
-rw-r--r--@ 1 sledwards  staff    7520 Nov 17 15:33 window_1.data
-rw-r--r--@ 1 sledwards  staff   124368 Nov 17 16:16 window_7.data
-rw-r--r--  1 sledwards  staff    1224 Nov 17 16:16 windows.plist

./com.apple.finder.savedState:
total 736
-rw-r--r--  1 sledwards  staff   83216 Nov 17 16:08 data.data
-rw-r--r--@ 1 sledwards  staff    5520 Nov 14 05:47 window_2.data
-rw-r--r--@ 1 sledwards  staff   47472 Nov 17 16:08 window_22.data
-rw-r--r--@ 1 sledwards  staff   225680 Nov 17 15:16 window_6.data
-rw-r--r--  1 sledwards  staff    2020 Nov 17 16:08 windows.plist

./com.apple.iCal.savedState:
total 48
-rw-r--r--  1 sledwards  staff   5232 Nov 15 03:46 data.data
-rw-r--r--@ 1 sledwards  staff    5568 Nov 15 03:48 window_2.data
-rw-r--r--  1 sledwards  staff    408 Nov 15 03:46 windows.plist

./com.apple.iChat.savedState:
total 328
-rw-r--r--  1 sledwards  staff   72496 Nov 17 15:54 data.data
-rw-r--r--@ 1 sledwards  staff    7424 Nov 14 05:48 window_1.data
-rw-r--r--@ 1 sledwards  staff   88320 Nov 17 15:54 window_2.data
-rw-r--r--  1 sledwards  staff    1746 Nov 17 15:54 windows.plist
```

Each .savedState directory contains at least two files:

- windows.plist
- data.data

Additional files named windows_1.data, windows_2.data, etc. may also be created.

On iOS, these files are named “restorationinfo.plist” and “data.data”. Depending on the acquisition and iOS version, the data.data may be unencrypted.

macOS Saved Application State: windows.plist Examples

Microsoft Excel
Filename

▼ Item 1 Dictionary (5 items)		
NSWindowNumber	Number	48,265
NSWindowID	Number	2
NSDataKey	Data	<ecb386f7 00097824 2b152ef8 7da3f630>
NSTitle	String	win7-32-nromanoff-timeline.xlsx
NSWindowFrame	String	0 4 1680 1024 0 0 1680 1028

Screen Sharing

▼ Item 1 Dictionary (12 items)		
NSWindowFrame	String	200 155 1280 822 0 0 1680 1028
NSTitle	String	alfred's MacBook
NSDataKey	Data	<fc1d7c74 d3e12d40 e07b3730 d05fcd09>
NSWindowMiniaturizeButtonFrame	String	{{27, 803}, {14, 16}}
NSUUID	String	_NS:167

Workspace ID

NSDragRegion	Data	<00000080 02000000 03000000 08000000 1
NSWindowLevel	Number	0
NSWindowWorkspaceID	String	353B0DB7-AB2D-4108-BD8D-A396B5E10BAE
NSWindowCloseButtonFrame	String	{{7, 1005}, {14, 16}}
NSWindowNumber	Number	119

Executable Inode Number

NSDataKey	Data	<2221c157 8046d29
NSWindowID	Number	4,294,967,295
NSExecutableInode	Number	8,915,489

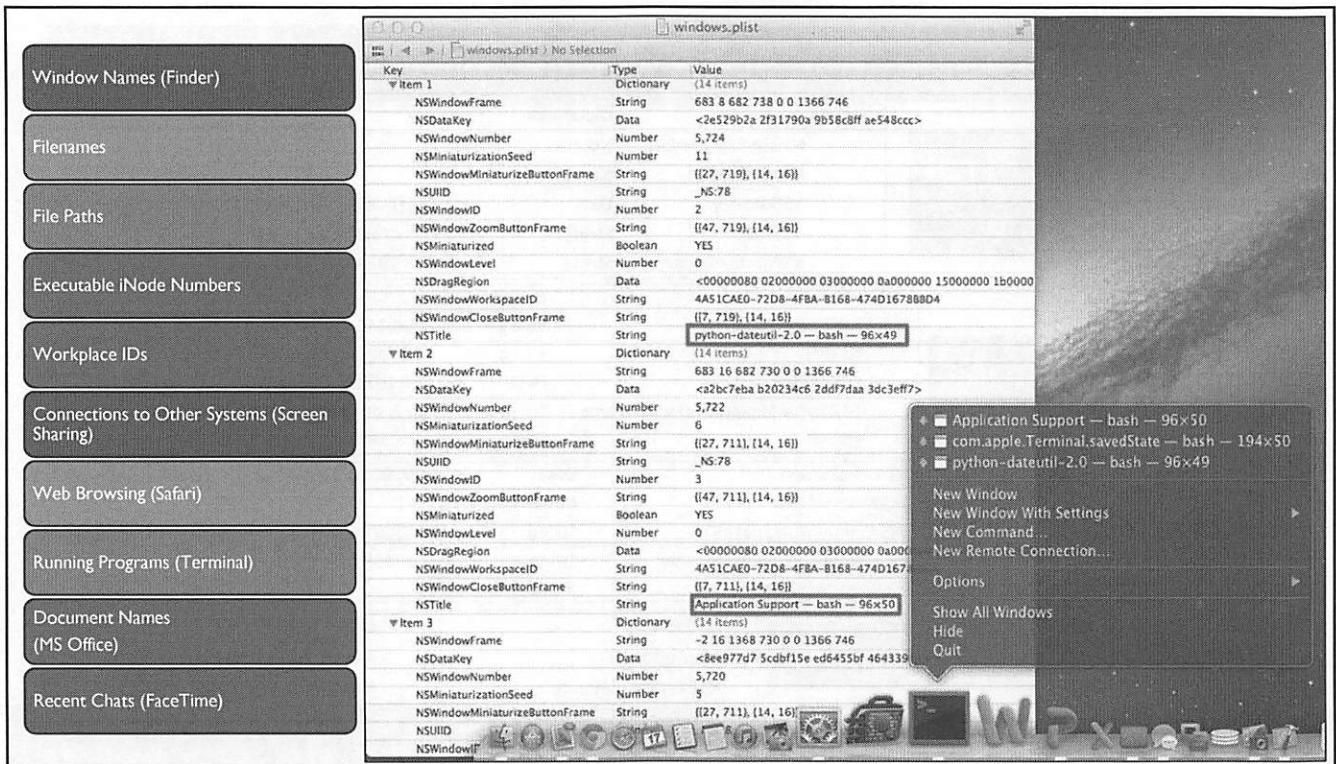
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The screenshots show examples of what can be found in Saved Application State `windows.plist` files.

From top to bottom:

- A filename used with Microsoft Excel
- A connected Screen Sharing System: `alfred's MacBook`
- A Workspace ID used in Spaces
- An `NSExecutableInode` number that can be tracked back to a specific application



The `windows.plist` file contains information about the application windows that should be “reopened”.

While there are some windows positioning data, the interesting part is the `NSTitle` for each Item. This contains the name of the application window. In the screenshot, the Terminal window names are shown in the right-click menu. This information may help a forensic analyst determine what was running or otherwise happening with that application.

Lots of good forensic tidbits can be found looking at the `windows.plist` file for an application.

- Finder holds the names of opened Windows.
- Filenames are often found, specifically with applications that open documents. Microsoft Office will have the names of opened files because they use the filename as the window name.
- Workplace IDs, used to keep track of Spaces, can be used to determine if an application is opened on a specific Space.
- Screen Sharing will save the names of connected systems.
- Browser programs like Safari save the webpage title as the window name.
- Programs running in Terminal can be seen in window names; look for things like `sudo`, `ssh`, etc.

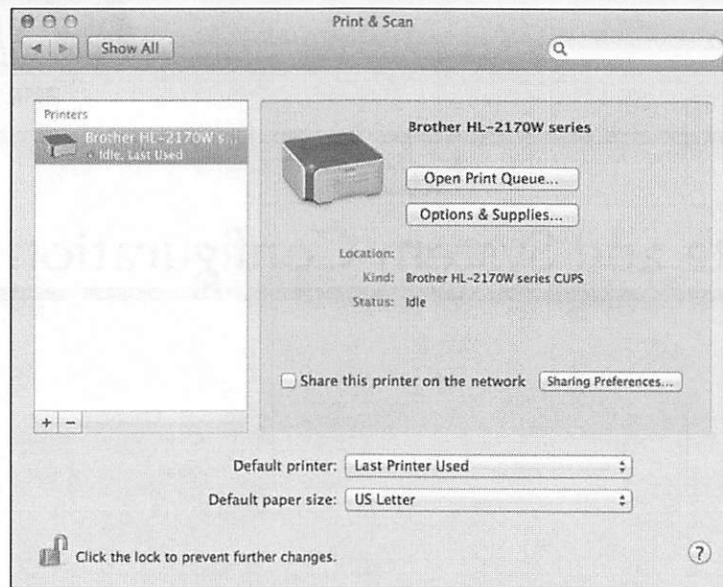
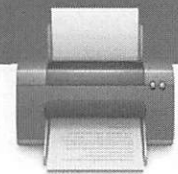
Many `window.plist` files have a key named `NSExecutableInode`. This is used to store the iNode number of the related application executable.

Lab 3.1

User Data and System Configuration – Part I

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macOS Printing: Preference Pane



The printing preference pane contains printer settings for the system. The screenshot shows one printer, a Brother HL-2170W, set up on the system.

macOS Printing: /Library/Preferences/org.cups.printers.plist

▼ Root	Array	(2 items)
▼ Item 0	Dictionary	(9 items)
printer-name	String	Brother_HL_2170W_series
printer-info	String	Brother HL-2170W series
printer-is-accepting-jobs	Boolean	YES
printer-location	String	
printer-make-and-model	String	Brother HL-2170W series CUPS
printer-state	Number	3
▶ printer-state-reasons	Array	(0 items)
printer-type	Number	8,433,732
device-uri	String	dnssd://Brother%20HL-2170W%20series._pdl-datastream._tcp.local./?bidi
▼ Item 1	Dictionary	(9 items)
printer-name	String	Brother_HL_5140_series
printer-info	String	Brother HL-5140 series
printer-is-accepting-jobs	Boolean	YES
printer-location	String	word
printer-make-and-model	String	Brother HL-5140 series CUPS
printer-state	Number	3
▶ printer-state-reasons	Array	(1 item)
printer-type	Number	45,124
device-uri	String	usb://Brother/HL-5140%20series?serial=J4J541146

The `org.cups.printers.plist` file located in `/Library/Preferences/` contains details about installed printers. Each printer will be under its own `Item` key.

The screenshot above shows two printers. The Brother HL-2170W was accessed via the network, while the Brother HL-5140 was accessed via a USB cable.

Another configuration file, the `printers.conf` file located in `/etc/cups/`, contains specific printer information for each printer installed on the system. The screenshot shows the Brother printer is shared among other system users (“Shared Yes”).

More printer configurations can be found in a printer-specific configuration file similar to `Brother_HL_2170W_series.ppd` located in the `/etc/cups/ppd/` directory. A PostScript Printer Description (PPD) file contains the printer’s specific capabilities, such as page size, resolution, color, and fonts.

The `StateTime` and `Attribute marker-change-time` timestamps are Unix epoch timestamps that show when the printer was configured on the system.

```
# Printer configuration file for CUPS v1.6.2
# Written by cupsd on 2013-05-24 08:22
# DO NOT EDIT THIS FILE WHEN CUPSD IS RUNNING
<Printer Brother_HL_2170W_series>
UUID urn:uuid:d0de313e-f1d1-3dc9-4e35-3453705570a1
Info Brother HL-2170W series
MakeModel Brother HL-2170W series CUPS
DeviceURI dnssd://Brother%20HL-2170W%20series._pdl-datastream._tcp.local./?bidi
State Idle
StateTime 1369355085
Type 8433732
Accepting Yes
Shared Yes
JobSheets none none
QuotaPeriod 0
PageLimit 0
KLimit 0
OpPolicy default
ErrorPolicy stop-printer
Attribute marker-colors \#000000
Attribute marker-levels -3
Attribute marker-names Black
Attribute marker-types toner
Attribute marker-change-time 1350222390
</Printer>
```

macOS Printer Control Files: /private/var/spool/cups

- Nine printer control jobs (c#####)
- Just use strings!

```
sh-3.2# pwd
/private/var/spool/cups
sh-3.2# ls -la
total 72
drwx--x--- 13 root  _lp    442 Jun 14 10:36 .
drwxr-xr-x  7 root  wheel  238 May  9 19:22 ..
-rw-----  1 root  _lp    1841 May 31 20:26 c00001
-rw-----  1 root  _lp    1883 May 31 20:27 c00002
-rw-----  1 root  _lp    1883 Jun  1 17:26 c00003
-rw-----  1 root  _lp    1883 Jun  1 17:31 c00004
-rw-----  1 root  _lp    1815 Jun  1 17:28 c00005
-rw-----  1 root  _lp    723 Jun  1 17:31 c00006
-rw-----  1 root  _lp    1883 Jun  1 17:33 c00007
-rw-----  1 root  _lp    1883 Jun  1 17:38 c00008
-rw-----  1 root  _lp    1873 Jun 14 10:36 c00009
drwxrwxr-x  8 root  _lp    272 Jun 14 10:46 cache
drwxrwx--T  2 root  _lp    68 Jun 19 2011 tmp
```

```
bash-3.2# strings c00004
attributes-charset
utf-8H
attributes-natural-language
en-us
printer-uri
4ipp://localhost:631/printers/Brother HL 2170W seriesB
job-originating-user-name
oompaB
job-name
27-Day Forecast for Latit...d Longitude 77.36&deg;WB
AP_ColorMatchingMode
AP_ApplicationColorMatchingB
AP_D_InputSlot
collate
ColorModel
GrayB
,com.apple.print.DocumentTicket.PMSpoolFormat
application/pdfB
)com.apple.print.JobInfo.PMApplicationName
ChromeB
!com.apple.print.JobInfo.PMJobName
27-Day Forecast for Latit...d Longitude 77.36&deg;WB
"com.apple.print.JobInfo.PMJobOwner
oompaB
```

Each print job has a printer control file located in the `/private/var/spool/cups/` directory. Each file labeled `c#####` correlates with the job ID found in the `page_log`. In the example shown above, the system has printed nine documents (`c00001-c00009`). Each control file contains print job metadata.

Each printer control file contains metadata about each print job, including which printer was used, originating user account, job name, and which application was used to print from. This information is stored in a proprietary format that is easily viewed using the `strings` command (although some binary characters could be mistaken for ASCII—watch out for this).

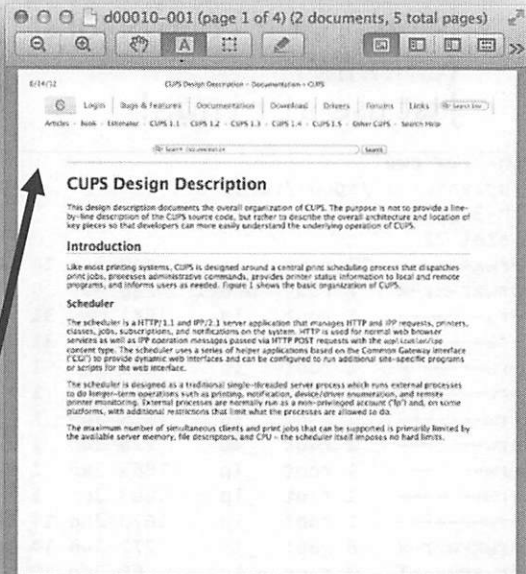
In the example above (Note: Some characters may be superfluous when using `strings` utility):

- The printer is located on the local network and is a Brother HL-2170W
- The originating user account is “oompa”
- The name of the job is “7-Day Forecast for Latit...d Longitude 77.36°W”
- The application used to print is the Chrome web browser

macOS Printer Data Files: /private/var/spool/cups

- Data files (d#####)
- Removed immediately after successful print
- PDF files

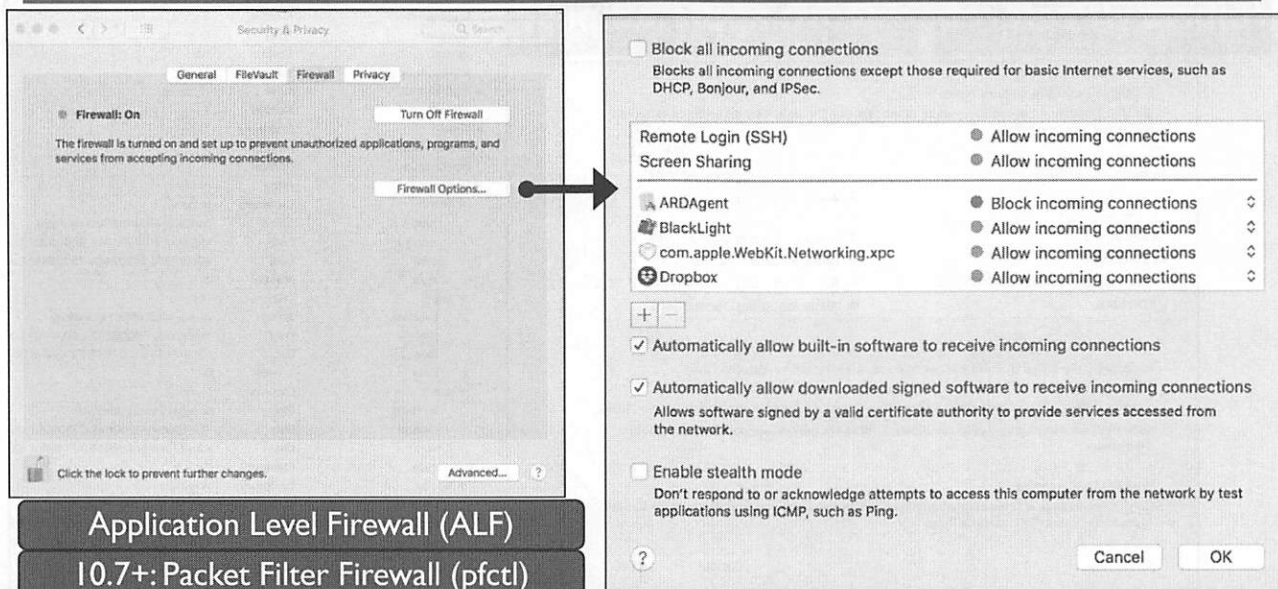
```
drwx--x--- 15 root _lp      510 Jun 14 12:36 .
drwxr-xr-x  7 root wheel    238 May  9 19:22 ..
-rw-----  1 root _lp      1841 May 31 20:26 c00001
-rw-----  1 root _lp      1883 May 31 20:27 c00002
-rw-----  1 root _lp      1883 Jun  1 17:26 c00003
-rw-----  1 root _lp      1883 Jun  1 17:31 c00004
-rw-----  1 root _lp      1815 Jun  1 17:28 c00005
-rw-----  1 root _lp        723 Jun  1 17:31 c00006
-rw-----  1 root _lp      1883 Jun  1 17:33 c00007
-rw-----  1 root _lp      1883 Jun  1 17:38 c00008
-rw-----  1 root _lp      1873 Jun 14 10:36 c00009
-rw-----  1 root _lp      1878 Jun 14 12:36 c00010
drwxrwxr-x  8 root _lp        272 Jun 14 12:36 cache
-rw-r----- 1 root _lp    608373 Jun 14 12:35 d00010-001
drwxrwx--T  2 root _lp         68 Jun 19 2011 tmp
```



Each printer control file has a matching printer data file; while the printer control files are persistent, the printer data files are not. These are created at the time of printing and are PDF files. Each is named in line with the printer control jobs (i.e., Printer control file c00010 would have the data file d00010-001).

These files should be removed immediately after a print job has successfully printed. The files may be recoverable by carving out PDF files from the disk. If the print job has been canceled or otherwise produced an error, the files may persist for a while longer.

Application Level Firewall: Preference Pane and Configuration



Application Level Firewall (ALF)

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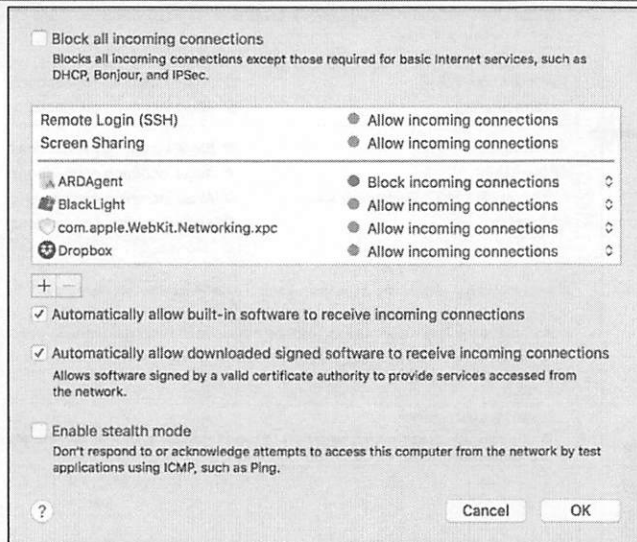
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The default firewall program on macOS is the application level firewall (ALF), which can be configured in the `Security & Privacy` preferences panel under System Preferences. The firewall is not turned on by default on a newly installed system.

The screenshot on the left shows the `Firewall` tab on the `Security & Privacy` preferences pane. The screenshot on the right shows the `Firewall Options`, which show the remote access options and specific application configurations.

macOS systems come with two firewalls: An application level firewall (host-based application firewall) and an IP/Packet Filtering firewall. A non-savvy user may use the application level firewall via the GUI, while a more technical user may use the IP firewall via the `pfctl` command. If used, the Packet Filtering firewall configuration can be found in `/etc/pf.conf`.

Application Level Firewall: Configuration /Library/Preferences/com.apple.alf.plist



Key	Type	Value
Root	Dictionary	(12 items)
loggingenabled	Number	1
exceptions	Array	(9 items)
version	String	1.6
allowsignedenabled	Number	1
explicitauths	Array	(7 items)
globalstate	Number	1
firewall	Dictionary	(9 items)
stealthenabled	Number	0
loggingoption	Number	0
applications	Array	(4 items)
Item 0	Dictionary	(4 items)
bundleid	String	com.apple.RemoteDesktopAgent
reqdata	Data	<fade0c00 00000038 00000001 00
alias	Data	<3c3f786d 6c207665 7273696f 6e
state	Number	2
Item 1	Dictionary	(4 items)
bundleid	String	com.apple.WebKit.Networking
reqdata	Data	<fade0c00 00000038 00000001 00
alias	Data	<3c3f786d 6c207665 7273696f 6e
state	Number	0
Item 2	Dictionary	(4 items)
bundleid	String	com.getdropbox.dropbox
reqdata	Data	<fade0c00 000000a4 00000001 00
alias	Data	<3c3f786d 6c207665 7273696f 6e
state	Number	0
Item 3	Dictionary	(4 items)
bundleid	String	com.blackbagtech.BlackLight
reqdata	Data	<fade0c00 000000a8 00000001 00
alias	Data	<3c3f786d 6c207665 7273696f 6e
state	Number	0
firewallunload	Number	0
allowdownloadsignedenabled	Number	1

The `com.apple.alf.plist` property file in the `/Library/Preferences` directory contains the configuration for the application level firewall.

The `globalstate` key determines if the firewall is enabled.

- 1 = Firewall Enabled
- 0 = Firewall Disabled

In the screenshot of the application firewall, there are two checkboxes the users can configure. The following keys hold this configuration:

- The `allowsignedenabled` key determines if the checkbox to allow signed software to receive incoming connections is checked (1 = checked).
- The `allowdownloadsignedenabled` key determines if the checkbox to allow downloaded signed software to receive incoming connections is checked (1 = checked).
- The `stealthenabled` key determines if the stealth enabled checkbox was checked (1 = checked). Enabling stealth mode ignores acknowledgement from network utilities like ping.

The `applications` key lists the applications configured in the firewall, as shown in the screenshot on the previous slide. Each application item contains the applications bundle ID, alias data, and the state. A state of "0" allows incoming connections, while a state of "2" blocks incoming connections to the application.

The remote access options can be found in the `Sharing` preferences pane.

▼ Root	Dictionary	(12 items)
loggingenabled	Number	1
▶ exceptions	Array	(9 items)
version	String	1.6
allowsignedenabled	Number	1
▶ explicitauths	Array	(7 items)
globalstate	Number	1
▶ firewall	Dictionary	(9 items)
stealthenabled	Number	0
loggingoption	Number	0
▼ applications	Array	(4 items)
▼ Item 0	Dictionary	(4 items)
bundleid	String	com.apple.RemoteDesktopAgent
reqdata	Data	<fade0c00 00000038 00000001 00
alias	Data	<3c3f786d 6c207665 7273696f 6e3
state	Number	2
▼ Item 1	Dictionary	(4 items)
bundleid	String	com.apple.WebKit.Networking
reqdata	Data	<fade0c00 00000038 00000001 00
alias	Data	<3c3f786d 6c207665 7273696f 6e3
state	Number	0
▼ Item 2	Dictionary	(4 items)
bundleid	String	com.getdropbox.dropbox
reqdata	Data	<fade0c00 000000a4 00000001 00
alias	Data	<3c3f786d 6c207665 7273696f 6e3
state	Number	0
▼ Item 3	Dictionary	(4 items)
bundleid	String	com.blackbagtech.BlackLight
reqdata	Data	<fade0c00 000000a8 00000001 00
alias	Data	<3c3f786d 6c207665 7273696f 6e3
state	Number	0
firewallunload	Number	0
allowdownloadsingedenabled	Number	1

macOS Sharing Preferences:

`/private/var/db/com.apple.xpc.launchd/disabled.plist [10.10+]`

The screenshot shows two windows. The left window is the 'Sharing' system preference pane for 'Sarah's MacBook Pro'. It lists services like Screen Sharing, File Sharing, Printer Sharing, Remote Login, Remote Management, Remote Apple Events, Internet Sharing, Bluetooth Sharing, and Content Caching. 'Screen Sharing' is checked. The 'Screen Sharing: On' section is expanded, showing 'Other users can access your computer's screen at vnc://sarahs-mbp.stationx.co/ or by looking for "Sarah's MacBook Pro" in the Finder sidebar.' Under 'Allow access for:', 'Only these users:' is selected, and 'Administrators' is listed in the text field below. The right window is a Finder view of the file `disabled.plist`. It displays a table of configuration keys:

Key	Type	Value
▼ Root	Dictionary	(6 items)
<code>com.apple.screensharing</code>	Boolean	NO
<code>com.apple.ftpd</code>	Boolean	YES
<code>com.apple.mdmclient.daemon.runatboot</code>	Boolean	YES
<code>at.obdev.littlesnitchd</code>	Boolean	NO
<code>com.openssh.sshd</code>	Boolean	NO
<code>com.bjango.istatmenus.daemon</code>	Boolean	NO

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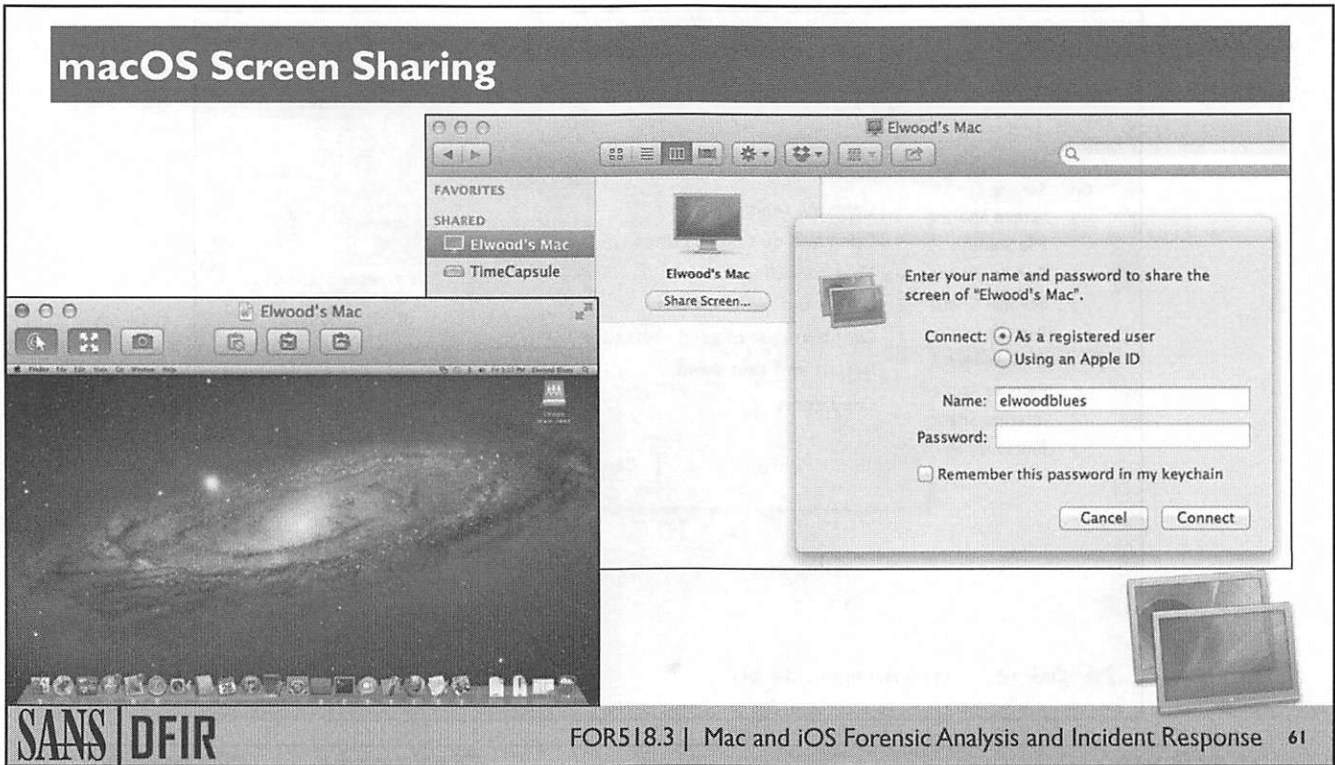
The Sharing preferences pane shown in the screenshot above contains the items that can be shared from the system. By default, none of these are enabled.

The `overrides.plist/disabled.plist` file contains many configuration keys for various sharing settings. The `com.apple.screensharing` key can contain a Yes (1) or No (0). If Screen Sharing is enabled, the key will show “No” or 0, meaning it is NOT disabled—therefore enabled.

Remote Login allows a user to remotely log in to the system via the SSH (Secure Shell) protocol.

If the bundle ID for the service does not appear in this list at all, it was likely not checked ever in the past and therefore never enabled.

```
com.openssh.sshd = Remote Login
com.apple.screensharing = Screen Sharing
```



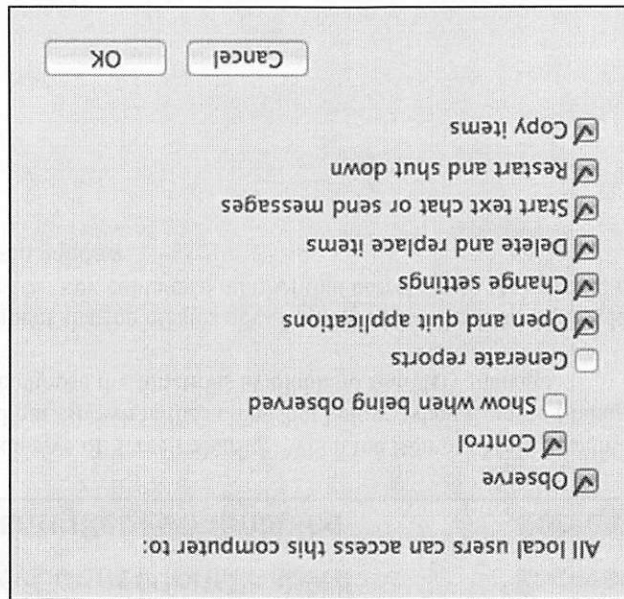
The Screen Sharing application, located in `/System/Library/CoreServices/` rather than `/Applications`, is used to connect to other systems using the VNC protocol.

The `com.apple.RemoteManagement.plist` is created in the `/Library/Preferences/` directory when the Screen Sharing or Remote Management options are selected in the Sharing preferences pane.

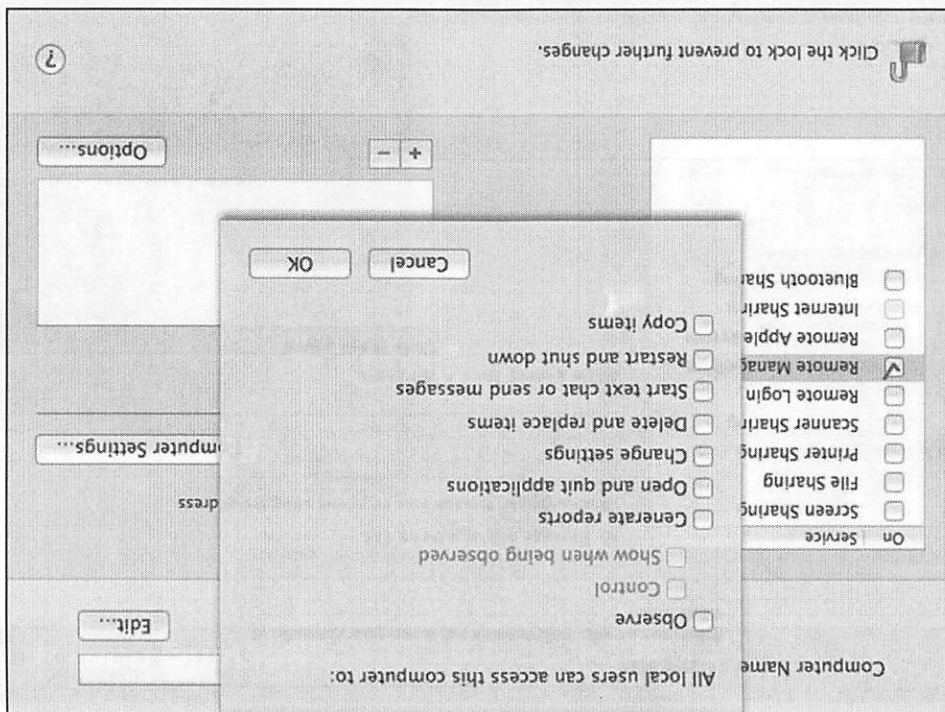
▼ Root	Dictionary	(2 items)
VNCLegacyConnectionsEnabled	Boolean	YES
ScreenSharingReqPermEnabled	Boolean	NO

Remote Management is inclusive of Screen Sharing. When the Remote Management box is checked, the Screen Sharing box will be grayed out. Shown in the screenshot below, when Remote Management is checked, a box will pop up allowing the user to choose the functions available to remotely manage.

Selecting Remote Management sharing creates new Apple Remote Desktop (ARD) keys. The `ARD_AllLocalUserPrivs` key contains a number that correlates to the specific options selected in the Remote Management Options pop-up window.



Dictionary (5 items)	ARD_AlllocalUsersPrivs	Number	239
	VNCLegacyConnectionsEnabled	Boolean	YES
	LoadRemoteManagementMenuExtra	Boolean	NO
	ARD_AlllocalUsers	Boolean	YES
	ScreensharingReqPermEnabled	Boolean	NO



Sharing Preferences: Screen Sharing /Library/Preferences/com.apple.VNCSettings.txt



```
nibble:Preferences sledwards$ sudo cat com.apple.VNCSettings.txt  
6755221DBA9AF6E2FF1C39567390ADCA
```

```
nibble:Preferences sledwards$ sudo cat com.apple.VNCSettings.txt | perl -wne 'BEGIN { @k = unpa  
ck "C*", pack "H*", "1734516E8BA8C5E2FF1C39567390ADCA"}; chomp; @p = unpack "C*", pack "H*", $_  
; foreach (@k) { printf "%c", $_ ^ (shift @p || 0) }; print "\n"  
pass123
```

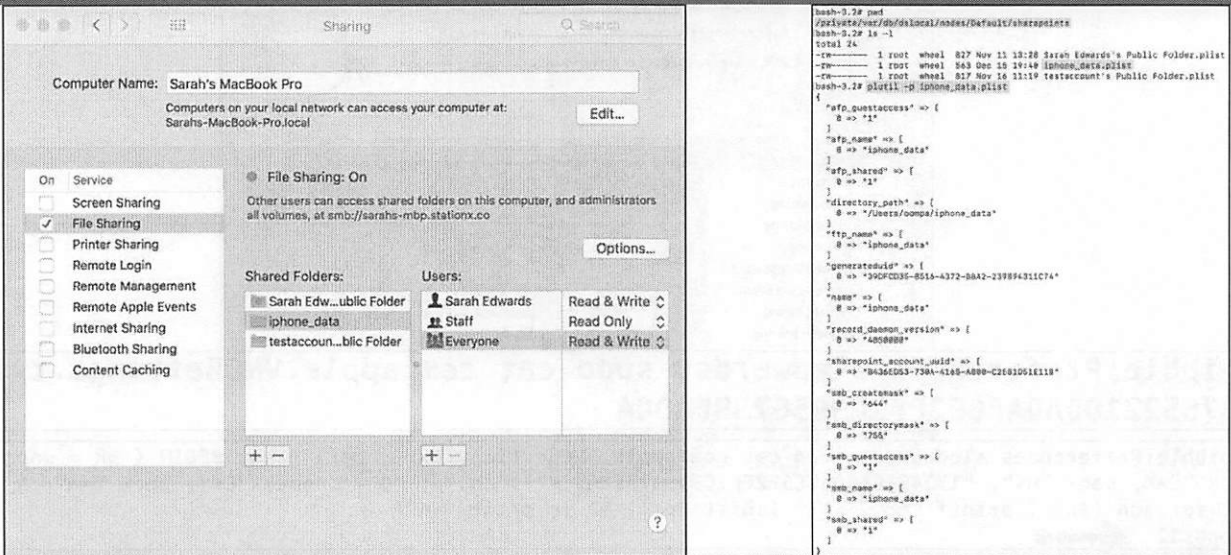
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The `com.apple.VNCSettings.txt` text file contains the XOR'ed "encrypted" password to access the system via a VNC viewer client. We can use the Perl script created by Ben Low to "decrypt" the VNC password using the XOR key "1734516E8BA8C5E2FF1C39567390ADCA".

```
cat com.apple.VNCSettings.txt | perl -wne 'BEGIN { @k = unpack "C*", pack  
"H*", "1734516E8BA8C5E2FF1C39567390ADCA"}; chomp; @p = unpack "C*", pack  
"H*", $_; foreach (@k) { printf "%c", $_ ^ (shift @p || 0) }; print "\n"
```

macOS Sharing Preferences: File Sharing /private/var/db/dslocal/nodes/Default/sharepoints/



The screenshot shows the macOS Sharing Preferences window for 'Sarah's MacBook Pro'. The 'File Sharing' service is turned on. Under 'Shared Folders', three folders are listed: 'Sarah Edwards' (Read & Write), 'iphone_data' (Read Only), and 'testaccount's Public Folder' (Read & Write). The 'Users' section shows 'Sarah Edwards' (Read & Write), 'Staff' (Read Only), and 'Everyone' (Read & Write).

To the right, a terminal window shows the contents of the plist file located at `/private/var/db/dslocal/nodes/Default/sharepoints/iphone_data.plist`. The plist contains metadata for the 'iphone_data' sharepoint, including its name, directory path, permissions, and account information.

```
bash-3.2# pwd
/private/var/db/dslocal/nodes/Default/sharepoints
bash-3.2# ls -l
Total 24
-rw-r--r--  1 root  wheel  827 Nov 11 10:28 Sarah Edwards's Public Folder.plist
-rw-r--r--  1 root  wheel  263 Dec 10 19:48 iphone_data.plist
-rw-r--r--  1 root  wheel  817 Nov 16 11:19 testaccount's Public Folder.plist
bash-3.2# plutil -p iphone_data.plist
{
  "afp_guestaccess" => {
    0 => "1"
  }
  "afp_name" => {
    0 => "iphone_data"
  }
  "afp_shares" => {
    0 => "1"
  }
  "directory_path" => {
    0 => "/Users/oompa/iphone_data"
  }
  "ftp_name" => {
    0 => "iphone_data"
  }
  "generatedid" => {
    0 => "39CFCD35-8516-4372-8A42-239894311C74"
  }
  "name" => {
    0 => "iphone_data"
  }
  "record_daemon_version" => {
    0 => "1000000"
  }
  "sharepoint_account_uid" => {
    0 => "5b36CD33-738A-4198-AB9B-C2E01D01E118"
  }
  "smb_creatermask" => {
    0 => "044"
  }
  "smb_directorymask" => {
    0 => "755"
  }
  "smb_guestaccess" => {
    0 => "1"
  }
  "smb_name" => {
    0 => "iphone_data"
  }
  "smb_shares" => {
    0 => "1"
  }
}
```

File Sharing allows users to share files on the network or with other users on the system. These shared folders and their metadata can be viewed as plist files in the `/private/var/db/dslocal/nodes/Default/sharepoints/` directory. The example above shows that the folder `iphone_data` was shared along with the related permissions and directory path.

Look for `com.apple.smbd` and/or `com.apple.AppleFileServer` as the bundle ids for these in `overrides.plist` or `disabled.plist` files.

```

[bash-3.2# pwd
/private/var/db/dslocal/nodes/Default/sharepoints
[bash-3.2# ls -l
total 24
-rw-----  1 root  wheel  827 Nov 11 13:28 Sarah Edwards's Public Folder.plist
-rw-----  1 root  wheel  563 Dec 15 19:40 iphone_data.plist
-rw-----  1 root  wheel  817 Nov 16 11:19 testaccount's Public Folder.plist
[bash-3.2# plutil -p iphone_data.plist
{
  "afp_guestaccess" => [
    0 => "1"
  ]
  "afp_name" => [
    0 => "iphone_data"
  ]
  "afp_shared" => [
    0 => "1"
  ]
  "directory_path" => [
    0 => "/Users/oompa/iphone_data"
  ]
  "ftp_name" => [
    0 => "iphone_data"
  ]
  "generateduid" => [
    0 => "39DFCD35-8516-4372-B8A2-239894311C74"
  ]
  "name" => [
    0 => "iphone_data"
  ]
  "record_daemon_version" => [
    0 => "4850000"
  ]
  "sharepoint_account_uuid" => [
    0 => "B436ED53-730A-4165-A800-C2E81D51E11B"
  ]
  "smb_createmask" => [
    0 => "644"
  ]
  "smb_directorymask" => [
    0 => "755"
  ]
  "smb_guestaccess" => [
    0 => "1"
  ]
  "smb_name" => [
    0 => "iphone_data"
  ]
  "smb_shared" => [
    0 => "1"
  ]
}

```

macOS SSH Known Hosts: ~/.ssh/known_hosts

Hostname

IP Address

Public Key

```
Elwoods-Mac:~$ pwd
/Users/elwoodblues/
Elwoods-Mac:~$ cat ~/.ssh/known_hosts
nibble,192.168.1.134 ssh-rsa AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAAADAQABAAQCuWst0zLTBceB8WmRLxkdNwOnkQ
Z0B+3oYdtl8y3SER5AX9Y0PY2GR3IzfrJGUKqujxIK5K2DrGheyNbe1HYdxLtMu52TQ+4U3FFeYgHcLYhqHriD
9Av/0JllgXe/X3HkCW+56CrdNmvIMP+yqSz0DXv0Pe1ckIKNF lpcygCsCavwJFZV3dqXJVGKrdY4SwxcnGm5V0
nwy9cz4Yq4pt0c90z2oj+1E4UpssqNZtQV/jKZLBwj49x1G0m2Aemi/gSff8B6kdPCUzm09HQfQv2/db0u0+G
eoVmLvZHxpGSpDGzF7UnPr775d6udxTzE5NU1Wv lP/YD8i//j6MPnJvS/
```

If a user is more computer savvy, they may use SSH to connect to other systems. The SSH `known_hosts` file contains a hostname and/or IP address and a public key. This file is not a definitive way to show all systems that a user connected to, but will contain those that have a saved public key.

By default, the hostnames and IP address should be human readable. If the user has configured their `/etc/ssh/ssh_config` file to set `HashKnownHosts` to `yes`, this data will be hashed.

iOS Bluetooth Devices

Location:

- Look for directories/files named:
 - `*MobileBluetooth*`
 - `*com.apple.Bluetooth*`
 - `*Bluetooth*`

Paired Devices

- Cars
- iDevices
- Computers
- Speakers/Headphones
- Etc.

Item	Type	Value
Root	Dictionary	(8 items)
90:03:B7:1D:F4:AC	Dictionary	(22 items)
DeviceIdProduct	Number	57,345
DefaultName	String	Handsfree
ServiceA2DP	String	Supported
PhonebookSyncSettings	Number	15
ServiceRemote	String	Supported
ServiceBraille	String	Supported
LastSeenTime	Number	1,472,848,863
Name	String	VW PHONE
ServiceSensor	String	Unsupported
ServiceWiAP	String	Unsupported
DeviceClass	Data	<08043400>
ServiceWirelessCarPlay	String	Unsupported
ServicePhoneBook	String	Supported
LastAVRCPVersion	Data	<0401>
PhonebookSyncGroup	Number	-1
DeviceIdVersion	Number	324
DeviceIdVendor	Number	67
DeviceIdVendorSource	Number	1
ServiceHandsfree	String	Supported
ServiceMAP	String	Unknown
ServiceHID	String	Unsupported
ServiceGaming	String	Supported
44:5E:F3:B4:A4:BE	Dictionary	(15 items)
FC:58:FA:14:93:DF	Dictionary	(15 items)
0C:A8:94:B7:DB:F4	Dictionary	(18 items)

Bluetooth information can be used to determine if this device has been connected to anything of investigative interest, such as another computer, device, or a vehicle.

The data is stored in various places, as noted in the slide, but contains generally the same information. Data found in the `com.apple.MobileBluetooth.ledevices.plist` or `com.apple.MobileBluetooth.ledevices.paired.db` contains information for paired Bluetooth devices, while data found in the `com.apple.MobileBluetooth.device.plist` and `com.apple.MobileBluetooth.ledevice.other.db` contain information about devices that are just near this device.

In the screenshot above is an example of where this device connected to a VW car. The Volkswagen cars tend to use the generic "VW PHONE" as their device name.

▼ Root	Dictionary	(8 items)
▲ 90:03:B7:1D:F4:AC	Dictionary	(22 items)
DeviceIdProduct	Number	57,345
DefaultName	String	Handfree
ServiceA2DP	String	Supported
PhonebookSyncSettings	Number	15
ServiceRemote	String	Supported
ServiceBraille	String	Supported
LastSeenTime	Number	1,472,848,863
Name	String	VW PHONE
ServiceSensor	String	Unsupported
ServiceWiAP	String	Unsupported
DeviceClass	Data	<08043400>
ServiceWirelessCarPlay	String	Unsupported
ServicePhoneBook	String	Supported
LastAVRCPVersion	Data	<0401>
PhonebookSyncGroup	Number	-1
DeviceIdVersion	Number	324
DeviceIdVendor	Number	67
DeviceIdVendorSource	Number	1
ServiceHandfree	String	Supported
ServiceMAP	String	Unknown
ServiceHID	String	Unsupported
ServiceGaming	String	Supported
▲ 44:5E:F3:B4:A4:BE	Dictionary	(15 items)
▲ FC:58:FA:14:93:DF	Dictionary	(15 items)
▲ 0C:A6:94:B7:DB:F4	Dictionary	(18 items)

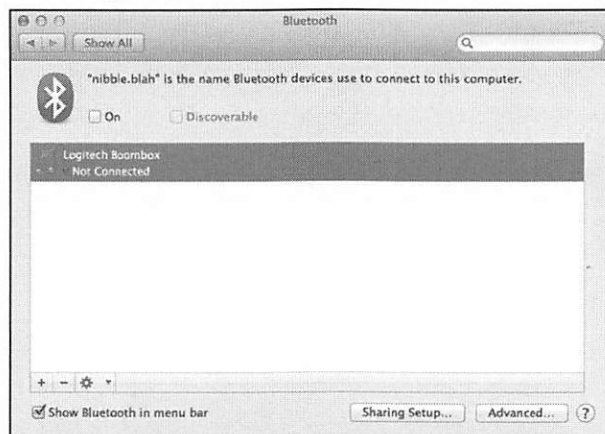
macOS Bluetooth: /Library/Preferences/com.apple.Bluetooth.plist

▼ DeviceCache	Dictionary	(5 items)
▼ 60-6b-bd-0e-57-c8	Dictionary	(4 items)
EIRData	Data	<0d094454 56426c75 65746
ClassOfDevice	Number	525,372
Name	String	DTVBluetooth
LastNameUpdate	Date	Oct 26, 2014, 1:55:55 PM
▼ 70-3e-ac-16-05-bc	Dictionary	(3 items)
displayName	String	miPhone6
Name	String	iPhone
LastNameUpdate	Date	Nov 5, 2014, 11:24:42 AM
▼ 7c-d1-c3-df-64-68	Dictionary	(1 item)
displayName	String	Sarah's MacBook Air
▼ cc-6d-a0-2c-96-2e	Dictionary	(4 items)
EIRData	Data	<0c09526f 6b752050 6c6179
ClassOfDevice	Number	1,060
Name	String	Roku Player
LastNameUpdate	Date	Oct 26, 2014, 1:49:30 PM

Configured Bluetooth devices may be shown and configured in the window presented in the Bluetooth preference pane (shown below). The `com.apple.bluetooth.plist` property list located in the `/Library/Preferences/` directory contains the Bluetooth device cache in the `DeviceCache` key and the paired devices in the `PairedDevices` key. This `DeviceCache` key contains a history of the Bluetooth devices connected to the system and the `ClassOfDevice` associated with it. The device class (`ClassOfDevice` key) is the type of device that was paired, such as headphones or a mouse. The device class can be reversed using the Bluetooth header files located in the `/System/Library/Frameworks/IOBluetooth.framework/Headers/` directory.

- `Bluetooth.h`
- `BluetoothAssignedNumbers.h`.

10.8 introduces more information in the `com.apple.Bluetooth.plist`. Each Bluetooth MAC address under the `DeviceCache` key may contain detailed information about the device, such as the device time and last communication timestamps. This is a good place to look for other devices a user may have had near them.



Apple Watch Unlock macOS [10.12+]

The screenshot shows the macOS Security & Privacy window with the 'Privacy' tab selected. The 'Allow your Apple Watch to unlock your Mac' checkbox is checked. A notification on the right says 'Mac Unlocked "bit" unlocked by this Apple Watch'. Below the window, a table shows the 'UnlockEnabled' key is set to 'YES'.

DeviceCache		
▶ b8-e8-56		
▶ 34-12-98		
▶ b8-53-ac		
▶ e8-06-88		
▶ 60-6b-bd		
▶ 04-52-c7		
▶ c8-69-cd		
▶ 54-e4-3a		
▶ f4-7b-5e		
▶ 70-cd-60		
▼ ec-ad-b8	Dictionary	(16 items)
	Dictionary	(3 items)
displayName	String	miWatch
Name	String	miWatch
LastNameUpdate	Date	Dec 13, 2016, 8:40:13 AM
UnlockEnabled	Boolean	YES

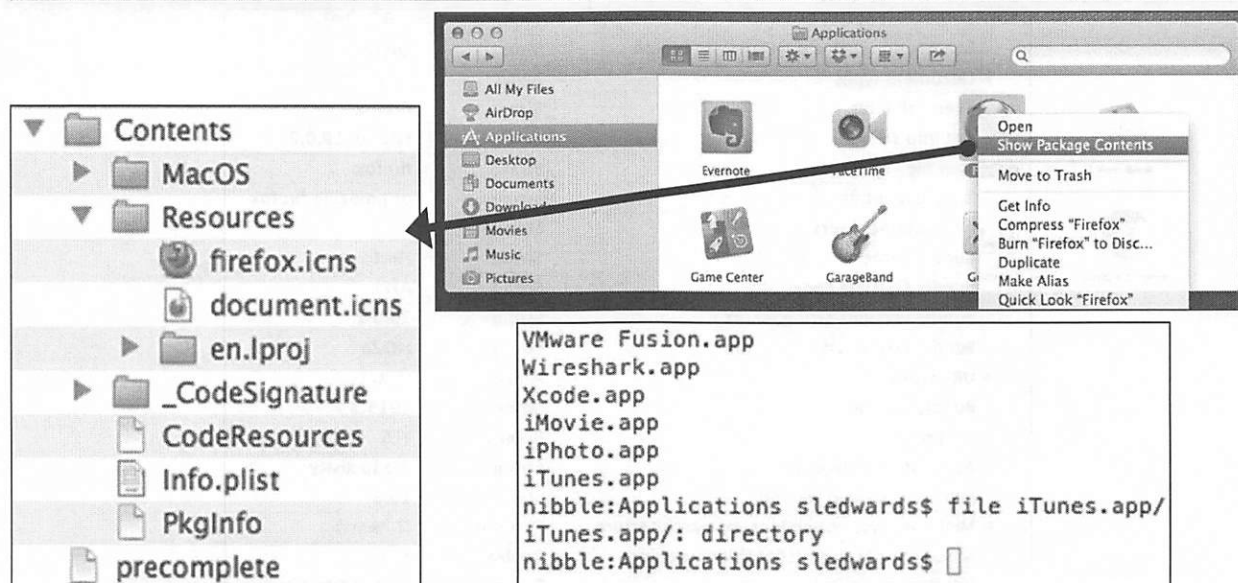
In 10.12, a new unlock capability was introduced to allow Mac computers to be unlocked using the user's Apple Watch. This can be seen in the Bluetooth settings on the macOS settings in the `com.apple.Bluetooth.plist` file. If the key "UnlockEnabled" is set to yes, it is enabled.

To unlock the Mac, Bluetooth and Wi-Fi needs to be on and two-factor authentication enabled for the Apple ID used.

Reference:

<https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT206995>

Application Bundles: Package Contents



Applications on OS X systems come in a packaged format that appears as one file to the user in the Finder window. The top screenshot shows some of the applications available in the `/Applications` directory, each being accessible by double-clicking the application icon. Each one of these icons is actually the application bundle. It is worth noting that applications are not required to be run from the `Applications` directory. The lower screenshot shows what these applications look like in the Terminal window. Each application has the `.app` file extension and is a directory containing other files.

Application bundles are directories that contain everything an application needs to execute, such as:

- Executable Code
- Resource Files
- Support Files

These files can be accessed via the Finder application by “right-clicking” (Control+clicking) the “Show Package Contents”, as shown in the screenshot above. Each application bundle contains the same basic directory and file structure contained in the “Contents” directory.

- `Info.plist` File: Information Property List
- `MacOS` Directory: Contains executable code
- `Resources` Directory: Contains resource files

References:

Bundle Programming Guide: Apple Developer Documentation

<http://developer.apple.com/library/mac/#documentation/CoreFoundation/Conceptual/CFBundles/AboutBundles/AboutBundles.html>

Application Bundles: Apple Developer Documentation

http://developer.apple.com/library/mac/#documentation/CoreFoundation/Conceptual/CFBundles/BundleTypes/BundleTypes.html#//apple_ref/doc/uid/10000123i-CH101-SW13

Application Bundles: Information Property List—Info.plist

▼ Information Property List	Dictionary	(19 items)
Localization native development region	String	English
▶ Document types	Array	(7 items)
Executable file	String	firefox
Get Info string	String	Firefox 19.0.2
Icon file	String	firefox
Bundle identifier	String	org.mozilla.firefox
InfoDictionary version	String	6.0
Bundle name	String	Firefox
Bundle OS Type code	String	APPL
Bundle versions string, short	String	19.0.2
Bundle creator OS Type code	String	MOZB
▶ URL types	Array	(4 items)
Bundle version	String	1913.3.7
Scriptable	Boolean	YES
Application Category	String	Productivity
Minimum system version	String	10.6
▶ Minimum system versions, per-architecture	Dictionary	(2 items)
NSSupportsAutomaticGraphicsSwitching	Boolean	YES
Principal class	String	GeckoNSApplication

The Information Property List (`Info.plist`) contains XML formatted data that describes the application.

- Bundle Name
- Bundle Version
- Bundle Identifier (Reverse DNS format)
- Executable Filename

The example shows an `Info.plist` file for the Firefox application, version 19.0.2. Other items in the file may be optional but still useful to an investigator to determine the purpose of a specific application. The “Application Category” is how the developer determines what type of application it is, while the “Document types” and “URL types” determine what files or URLs this program supports. The application may also state what versions of OS X it will run on, listing minimum and system versions and architecture types.

MacOS/iOS CPU Architecture

PowerPC

- 1994–2006
- 2011: Support discontinued with 10.6
- Open Firmware

Intel x86

- 2006: Hardware Transition
- 2009: Software (Intel-only) with 10.6
- Extensible Firmware Interface (EFI)

iOS has always been on ARM

After the introduction of Unix core components to the operating system, Apple Computer made the transition from PowerPC to Intel x86 architecture.

PowerPC (Performance Optimization With Enhanced RISC – Performance Computing) was used from 1994 to 2006. PowerPC was no longer supported with OS X Snow Leopard (10.6). This architecture used the Open Firmware interface, similar to a PC's BIOS. The last version of OS X that was PowerPC-only was OS X Panther (10.3). This interface was accessible using the CMD+Option+O+F.

The Intel x86 transition started in 2006. OS X Tiger (10.4) was the first available OS X version that one could use on x86 architecture. Intel-based Macs use the Extensible Firmware Interface (EFI), also similar to a PC's BIOS.

Open Firmware and EFI communicate between the hardware and the operating system to provide drivers and a pre-OS environment. EFI has additional advantages, such as the ability to boot from USB and larger disks.

While macOS has changed over time, iOS was always on ARM architecture, either 32- or 64-bit, depending on the age of the device.

Mach-O Executables

```
nibble:MacOS sledwards$ pwd
/Applications/Firefox.app/Contents/MacOS
nibble:MacOS sledwards$ file firefox
firefox: Mach-O universal binary with 2 architectures
firefox (for architecture x86_64):      Mach-O 64-bit executable x86_64
firefox (for architecture i386):       Mach-O executable i386
```

00000	CA	FE	BA	BE	00	00	00	02
00053	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
00106	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
00159	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
00212	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
00265	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
00318	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
00371	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00

Mach-O (Mach Object) executable files are the main type of binary used for Mac applications. Mach-O binaries can support multiple architectures. The top screenshot shows the file command used on the Firefox executable. These are called universal binaries, or “fat” binaries.

- x86_64 executables can be used on Macs with the 64-bit Intel processor.
 - It is worth noting that some 64-bit executables can run on 32-bit kernels—visit the [AppleInsider.com](#) article listed in the References section for more information.
- i386 executables can be used on Macs with the 32- and 64-bit Intel processors.
- iOS devices may run 32-bit or 64-bit ARM executables, as shown here for Mobile Safari.

```
[bit:temp oompa$ file MobileSafari
MobileSafari: Mach-O 64-bit executable arm64
```

Fat binaries include multiple architectures, such as PowerPC and Intel (these are sometimes called Universal binaries), or Intel 32-bit and 64-bit, as shown in the screenshot above.

The Mach-O binary uses many signatures depending on the architecture:

- 0xCAFEBABE: Fat binary
- 0xFEEDFACE: 32-bit
- 0xFEEDFACF: 64-bit
- 0xCEFAEDFE: 32-bit, little endian
- 0xCFFAEDFE : 64-bit, little endian

References:

OS X Mach-O File Format Reference: Apple Developer Documentation

<https://developer.apple.com/library/content/documentation/DeveloperTools/Conceptual/MachOTopics/0-Introduction/introduction.html>

http://appleinsider.com/articles/08/10/28/road_to_mac_os_x_snow_leopard_64_bit_to_the_kernel.html

Kernel Extensions: /System/Library/Extensions/*.kext

- Dynamically loaded executable code in kernel space
 - /private/var/db/loadedkextmt.plist
 - “kextstat” Command – Live Response (example below)
 - Low-Level Device Drivers, Network Filters, File Systems...
Keyloggers? ... Malware?
- 10.13 – Introduced User-Approved Extension Loading

159	0	0xffffffff7f845f7000	0x5000	0x5000	com.apple.Dont_Steal_Mac_OS_X (7.0.0) E8A46A07-5CA9-3449-AB3C-194D7EDBDEC6 <14 9 8 5 3 1>
160	1	0xffffffff7f845fc000	0x5000	0x5000	com.objective-see.lulu (1.1.2) 55DEA886-7E59-3F37-A64E-0CE009C5A851 <8 6 5 3 1>
161	0	0xffffffff7f84601000	0x18000	0x18000	com.apple.fileutil (18.306.12) C5EF45E1-831A-3DC9-827C-5057DAAADDE6 <6 5 3 2 1>
162	0	0xffffffff7f84619000	0x12000	0x12000	com.apple.driver.pnptelemetry (1) 90FED9E0-C0C8-36C4-8231-99FF16846CB0 <8 7 6 5 3>
163	0	0xffffffff7f8462b000	0xa000	0xa000	com.apple.iokit.IOBluetoothSerialManager (6.0.9f2) 6D248369-38DB-3948-B7B6-C62D339B55A7 <85 8 6 5 3 1>
164	0	0xffffffff7f84635000	0xb000	0xb000	com.apple.driver.AppleSSE (1.0) 820E89F2-2F5E-3673-AF12-FAB3726810D2 <29 28 27 8 6 5 3 1>
165	0	0xffffffff7f84640000	0x6000	0x6000	com.apple.iokit.IOUserEthernet (1.0.1) 67F54A08-494C-357F-B4FF-6A291C66C4DA <23 7 6 5 3 1>
166	0	0xffffffff7f84646000	0x9000	0x9000	com.apple.driver.AppleHV (1) 70BE21E9-ED1C-3847-841B-F3692643F387 <8 7 6 5 3 1>
167	0	0xffffffff7f8464f000	0x17f000	0x17f000	at.obdev.nke.LittleSnitch (5210) 0BEBCAD5-9FC2-35B4-A87D-08B140CB15F5 <8 6 5 3 1>
168	2	0xffffffff7f816f8000	0x7000	0x7000	com.apple.iokit.IOEthernetAVBController (1.1.0) 43E4FF0D-16A8-32EB-AA08-73ADB153914E <23 6 5 3 1>
169	1	0xffffffff7f847ce000	0x9b000	0x9b000	com.apple.plugin.IQTPPlugin (700.7) F27998C4-8FEA-392F-B132-F6A67CB48C1B <168 44 24 23 11 7 6 5 3 1>
170	0	0xffffffff7f84869000	0xf000	0xf000	com.apple.iokit.IQAVBFamily (710.1) 282C886C-C656-3782-998D-79172349C318 <169 168 24 23 7 6 5 3 1>
171	0	0xffffffff7f84878000	0x3000	0x3000	com.apple.AGDCPluginDisplayMetrics (3.28.4) 80FF8D30-0F1F-3EAD-8C06-126254E42C02 <122 8 7 6 5 3 1>
172	1	0xffffffff7f8487b000	0x3000	0x3000	com.apple.driver.AppleGraphicsControl (3.28.4) 200F1816-A734-3977-B7AE-7A6B2363059F <8 6 5 3 1>
173	0	0xffffffff7f8487e000	0x12000	0x12000	com.apple.driver.AppleGraphicsDevicePolicy (3.28.4) B966AFB2-2D6A-3A5C-9895-C9A1CC39AB88 <172 122 110 13 12 8 7 6 5 3 1>
174	0	0xffffffff7f84890000	0x65000	0x65000	com.apple.filesystems.smbfs (3.3.1) E8602198-6395-35AA-9DBD-35AD93251D37 <108 9 8 7 6 5 3 1>
175	0	0xffffffff7f848f5000	0x6000	0x6000	com.getdropbox.dropbox.kext (1.9.1) C83721F1-2B15-3E67-B7C2-D580ABA4B08C <8 6 5 2 1>
198	0	0xffffffff7f84359000	0x19000	0x19000	com.github.osxfuse.filesystems.osxfuse (3.8.2) 7AA38E46-2C0C-39C5-0798-6451370874DA <8 6 5 3 1>

Kernel extensions are similar to loadable kernel modules on Linux systems. They are often used as device drivers, network filters, or support for various file systems. They can also be used maliciously as keyloggers, as shown in the `kextstat` output in the screenshot above. The `com.fsb.kext.logKext` is the Kernel Extension for the open-source keylogger LogKext.

You can use the `kextstat` command on a live system to view the status of the kernel extensions. To see what was loaded on a dead system check out `/private/var/db/loadedkextmt.plist`.

An older example with an open-source keylogger installed on a system (LogKext):

76	0	0xffffffff7f81340000	0xa000	0xa000	com.apple.driver.AppleMCCSControl (1.0.24) <55 9 7 5 4 3 1>
77	0	0xffffffff7f81214000	0x5000	0x5000	com.apple.driver.AppleUpstreamUserClient (3.5.9) <55 9 8 7 5 4 3 1>
78	1	0xffffffff7f813e5000	0xa4000	0xa4000	com.apple.driver.DspFuncLib (2.1.1f12) <67 66 5 4 3 1>
79	0	0xffffffff7f81489000	0xaf000	0xaf000	com.apple.driver.AppleHDA (2.1.1f12) <78 67 65 64 57 55 6 5 4 3 1>
81	1	0xffffffff7f80f67000	0x5000	0x5000	com.apple.kext.triggers (1.0) <7 6 5 4 3 1>
82	0	0xffffffff7f80f6c000	0x9000	0x9000	com.apple.filesystems.autofs (3.0) <81 7 6 5 4 3 1>
83	0	0xffffffff7f81631000	0x5000	0x5000	com.vmware.kext.vmmemctl (0068.29.96) <7 5 4 3 1>
85	0	0xffffffff7f81637000	0xa000	0xa000	com.vmware.kext.vmhgfs (0068.29.96) <5 4 3 1>
88	0	0xffffffff7f80802000	0x4000	0x4000	com.fsb.kext.logKext (2.3) <25 4 3>

Reference:

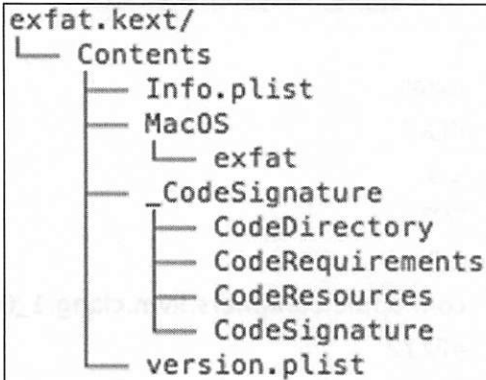
User-Approved Extensions:

https://developer.apple.com/library/archive/technotes/tn2459/_index.html

159	0	0xffffffff7f845f7000	0x5000	0x5000	com.apple.Dont_Steal_Mac_OS_X (7.0.0) E8A46A07-5CA9-3449-AB3C-194D7EDBDEC6 <14 9 8 5 3 1>
160	1	0xffffffff7f845fc000	0x5000	0x5000	com.objective-see.lulu (1.1.2) 55DEA886-7E59-3F37-A64E-0CE0D0C5A851 <8 6 5 3 1>
161	0	0xffffffff7f84601000	0x18000	0x18000	com.apple.fileutil (18.306.12) C5EF45E1-B31A-3DC0-827C-5057DAAADDE6 <6 5 3 2 1>
162	0	0xffffffff7f84619000	0x12000	0x12000	com.apple.driver.pmtelemetry (1) 90FED9E0-C0C8-36C4-8231-99FF16B46CB0 <8 7 6 5 3>
163	0	0xffffffff7f8462b000	0xa000	0xa000	com.apple.iokit.IOBluetoothSerialManager (6.0.9f2) 6D248369-38DB-3948-B7B6-C62D339B55A7 <85 8 6 5 3 1>
164	0	0xffffffff7f84635000	0xb000	0xb000	com.apple.driver.AppleSSE (1.0) 820E89F2-2F5E-3673-AF12-FAB3726810D2 <29 28 27 8 6 5 3 1>
165	0	0xffffffff7f84640000	0x6000	0x6000	com.apple.iokit.IOUserEthernet (1.0.1) 67F54A00-494C-357F-B4FF-6A291C66C4DA <23 7 6 5 3 1>
166	0	0xffffffff7f84646000	0x9000	0x9000	com.apple.driver.AppleHV (1) 708E21E9-ED1C-3847-841B-F3692643F387 <8 7 6 5 3 1>
167	0	0xffffffff7f8464f000	0x17f000	0x17f000	at.obdev.nke.LittleSnitch (5210) 08EBCAD5-9FC2-35B4-A87D-08B148CB15F5 <8 6 5 3 1>
168	2	0xffffffff7f816f8000	0x7000	0x7000	com.apple.iokit.IOEthernetAVBController (1.1.0) 43E4FF0D-16A8-32EB-AAC0-73ADB153914E <23 6 5 3 1>
169	1	0xffffffff7f847ce000	0x9b000	0x9b000	com.apple.plugin.IOGPTPlugin (700.7) F27998C4-8FEA-392F-B132-F6A67C848C1B <168 44 24 23 11 7 6 5 3 1>
170	0	0xffffffff7f84869000	0xf000	0xf000	com.apple.iokit.IOAVBFamily (710.1) 2B2C886C-C656-3782-998D-79172349C318 <169 168 24 23 7 6 5 3 1>
171	0	0xffffffff7f84878000	0x3000	0x3000	com.apple.AGDCPluginDisplayMetrics (3.28.4) 80FF8D30-0F1F-3EAD-8C06-126254E42C02 <122 8 7 6 5 3 1>
172	1	0xffffffff7f8487b000	0x3000	0x3000	com.apple.driver.AppleGraphicsControl (3.28.4) 200F1816-A734-3977-B7AE-7A6B2363059F <8 6 5 3 1>
173	0	0xffffffff7f8487e000	0x12000	0x12000	com.apple.driver.AppleGraphicsDevicePolicy (3.28.4) B966AFB2-2D6A-3A5C-9895-C9A1CC39AB88 <172 122 110 13 12 8 7 6 5 3 1>
174	0	0xffffffff7f84890000	0x65000	0x65000	com.apple.filesystems.smbfs (3.3.1) E8502198-6395-35AA-9D8D-35AD93251D37 <108 9 8 7 6 5 3 1>
175	0	0xffffffff7f848f5000	0x6000	0x6000	com.getdrophox.dropbox.kext (1.9.1) C83721F1-2815-3E67-B7C2-D580ABA4B08C <8 6 5 2 1>
176	0	0xffffffff7f84359000	0x19000	0x19000	com.github.osxfuse.filesystems.osxfuse (3.8.2) 7AA38E46-2C0C-39C5-B790-6451370874DA <8 6 5 3 1>

Kernel Extensions: Bundle /System/Library/Extensions/*.kext

Bundle File



Property Name	Type	Value
Information Property List	Dictionary	(22 items)
BuildMachineOSBuild	String	12A251
Localization native development region	String	English
Bundle display name	String	
Executable file	String	exfat
Get Info string	String	1.3, Copyright Apple Inc. 2009–2012
Bundle identifier	String	com.apple.filesystems.exfat
InfoDictionary version	String	6.0
Bundle name	String	exfat
Bundle OS Type code	String	KEXT
Bundle versions string, short	String	1.3
Bundle creator OS Type code	String	????
Bundle version	String	1.3
DTCompiler	String	com.apple.compilers.lvm.clang_1_0
DTPlatformBuild	String	4F212
DTPlatformVersion	String	GM
DTSDKBuild	String	12A251
DTSDKName	String	
DTXcode	String	0440
DTXcodeBuild	String	4F212
IOKitPersonalities	Dictionary	(0 items)
OSBundleAllowUserLoad	Boolean	YES
OSBundleLibraries	Dictionary	(4 items)

Each kernel extension is a bundle file, meaning they appear as a single file in the Finder application.

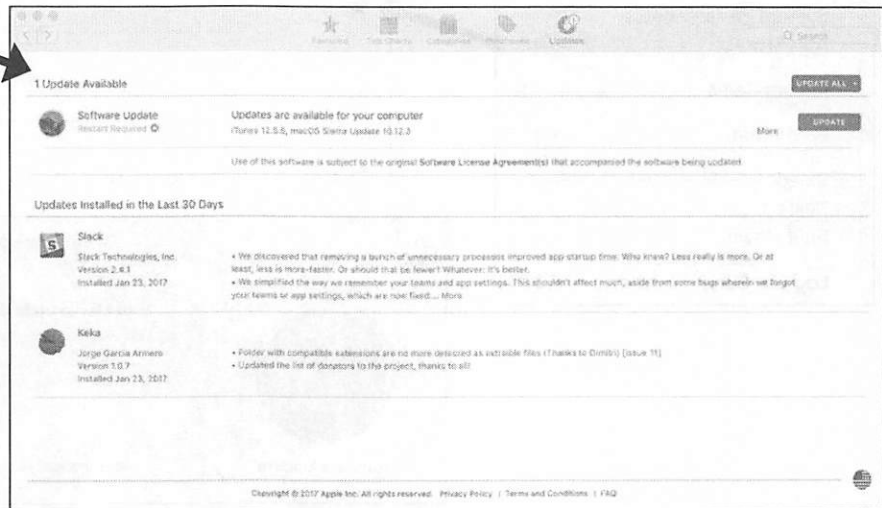
The screenshot on the left shows the file structure of the `exfat` file system kernel extension. Each will contain a `Contents` directory with an `Info.plist` file, as shown on the right. The `Info.plist` file contains the identifying information of the kernel extension, including the version number, executable filename, and build information.

Reference:

<https://developer.apple.com/library/content/documentation/Darwin/Conceptual/KernelProgramming/Extend/Extend.html>

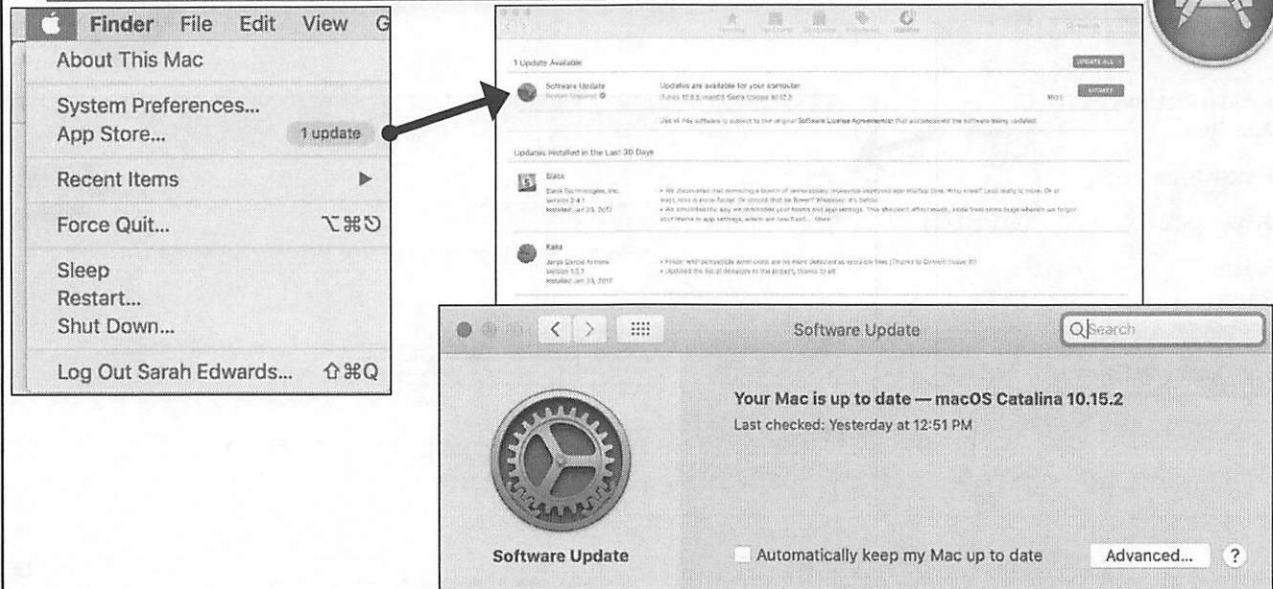
▼ Information Property List	Dictionary	(22 items)
BuildMachineOSBuild	String	12A251
Localization native development reg	String	English
Bundle display name	String	
Executable file	String	exfat
Get Info string	String	1.3, Copyright Apple Inc. 2009-2012
Bundle identifier	String	com.apple.filesystems.exfat
InfoDictionary version	String	6.0
Bundle name	String	exfat
Bundle OS Type code	String	KEXT
Bundle versions string, short	String	1.3
Bundle creator OS Type code	String	????
Bundle version	String	1.3
DTCompiler	String	com.apple.compilers.livm.clang.1_0
DTPlatformBuild	String	4F212
DTPlatformVersion	String	GM
DTSDKBuild	String	12A251
DTSDKName	String	
DTXcode	String	0440
DTXcodeBuild	String	4F212
▶ IOKitPersonalities	Dictionary	(0 items)
OSBundleAllowUserLoad	Boolean	YES
▶ OSBundleLibraries	Dictionary	(4 items)

macOS Software Update and Installation (10.8+)



The Apple menu contains the item “Software Update...”. When selected, it opens the Mac App Store on the “Updates” tab, as shown in the screenshot above. This window shows the updates that are available, and both the Apple system updates and any applications that had been downloaded and installed via the Mac App Store.

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On 10.14+, the Software Update process has been integrated into System Preferences as shown in the lower right screenshot.

macOS Software Update (10.8+): System Updates: /Library/Preferences/com.apple.SoftwareUpdate.plist 3rd Party 10.14: ~/Library/Caches/com.apple.appstoreagent/updates.plist

LastResultCode	Number	0
LastAttemptSystemVersion	String	10.14.4 (18E226)
SkipLocalCDN	Boolean	NO
LastUpdatesAvailable	Number	2
LastRecommendedUpdatesAvailable	Number	2
LastAttemptBuildVersion	String	10.14.4 (18E226)
▼ RecommendedUpdates	Array	(2 items)
▼ Item 0	Dictionary	(4 items)
Identifier	String	macOS 10.14.5 Update
Product Key	String	041-57074
Display Name	String	macOS 10.14.5 Update
Display Version	String	
▶ Item 1	Dictionary	(4 items)
LastFullSuccessfulDate	Date	Jun 23, 2019 at 8:54:28 PM
▶ PrimaryLanguages	Array	(2 items)
LastSessionSuccessful	Boolean	YES
LastBackgroundSuccessfulDate	Date	Jun 23, 2019 at 8:58:13 PM
LastSuccessfulDate	Date	Jun 23, 2019 at 8:54:28 PM

▼ availableUpdates	Array	(0 items)
▼ completedUpdates	Array	(2 items)
▶ Item 0	Dictionary	(21 items)
▼ Item 1	Dictionary	(21 items)
title	String	OneDrive
▶ store-offers	Dictionary	(1 item)
uri	String	https://apps.apple.com/us/app/onedrive/id823766827?mt=12
▶ version-external-identifiers	Array	(52 items)
current-version	String	19.070.2410
bundle-id	String	com.microsoft.OneDrive-mac
release-notes	String	Thank you for using OneDrive. We are always looking to update
installDate	Date	Jun 23, 2019 at 7:43:46 PM
item-id	Number	823,766,827
version	String	19.070.2410
type	String	link
preflight	String	https://osxapps.itunes.apple.com/itunes-assets/Purple123/v4/
version-external-identifier	Number	831,647,417
updateState	Number	1
▶ artwork-urls	Array	(3 items)
url-page-type	String	software-update
link-type	String	software-update
artist-name	String	Microsoft Corporation
▶ rating	Dictionary	(5 items)
release-date	Date	Jun 13, 2019 at 5:14:01 PM
description	String	Keep your files protected and accessible on all your devices wi

The `com.appleSoftwareUpdate.plist` property list for 10.8+ systems contains additional data. 10.14 introduced a separate plist for 3rd party updates, `updates.plist` in the User preferences.

This property list contains data such as when updates were last checked for (including in the background, non-user initiated), how many updates are available, and specific recommended updates.

The key `LastBackgroundSuccessfulDate` contains the timestamp of the last time updates were checked for and/or installed in the background.

LastResultCode	Number	0
LastAttemptSystemVersion	String	10.14.4 (18E226)
SkipLocalCDN	Boolean	NO
LastUpdatesAvailable	Number	2
LastRecommendedUpdatesAvailable	Number	2
LastAttemptBuildVersion	String	10.14.4 (18E226)
▼ RecommendedUpdates	Array	(2 items)
▼ Item 0	Dictionary	(4 items)
Identifier	String	macOS 10.14.5 Update
Product Key	String	041-57074
Display Name	String	macOS 10.14.5 Update
Display Version	String	
▶ Item 1	Dictionary	(4 items)
LastFullSuccessfulDate	Date	Jun 23, 2019 at 8:54:28 PM
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LastSessionSuccessful	Boolean	YES
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LastSuccessfulDate	Date	Jun 23, 2019 at 8:54:28 PM

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title	String	OneDrive
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url	String	https://apps.apple.com/us/app/onedrive/id823766827?mt=12
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installDate	Date	Jun 23, 2019 at 7:43:46 PM
item-id	Number	823,766,827
version	String	19.070.2410
type	String	link
preflight	String	https://osxapps.itunes.apple.com/itunes-assets/Purple123/v4/
version-external-identifier	Number	831,647,417
updateState	Number	1
▶ artwork-urls	Array	(3 items)
url-page-type	String	software-update
link-type	String	software-update
artist-name	String	Microsoft Corporation
▶ rating	Dictionary	(5 items)
release-date	Date	Jun 13, 2019 at 5:14:01 PM
description	String	Keep your files protected and accessible on all your devices with

macOS Install History: /Library/Receipts/InstallHistory.plist

▼ Item 19 Dictionary (5 items)		
date	Date	Nov 11, 2017 at 3:56:49 PM
displayName	String	macOS 10.13.1 Update
displayVersion	String	10.13.1
▼ packageIdentifiers Array (3 items)		
Item 0	String	com.apple.pkg.update.os.10.13.1Auto.17B48
Item 1	String	com.apple.update.fullbundleupdate.17B48
Item 2	String	com.apple.pkg.EmbeddedOSFirmware
processName	String	macOS Installer

▼ Item 1 Dictionary (6 items)		
contentType	String	config-data
date	Date	Nov 11, 2017 at 1:55:46 PM
displayName	String	XProtectPlistConfigData
displayVersion	String	2096
▼ packageIdentifiers Array (1 item)		
Item 0	String	com.apple.pkg.XProtectPlistConfigData.16U4022
processName	String	softwareupdated

▼ Item 6 Dictionary (5 items)		
date	Date	Nov 11, 2017 at 2:31:38 PM
displayName	String	Synalyze It! Pro
displayVersion	String	1.20
▼ packageIdentifiers Array (1 item)		
Item 0	String	com.synalyze-it.SynalyzeItPro
processName	String	storedownload

▼ Item 29 Dictionary (5 items)		
date	Date	Nov 16, 2017 at 5:13:34 PM
displayName	String	FUSE for macOS
displayVersion	String	
▼ packageIdentifiers Array (2 items)		
Item 0	String	com.github.osxfuse.pkg.Core
Item 1	String	com.github.osxfuse.pkg.PrefPane
processName	String	Installer

The `InstallHistory.plist` property list located in `/Library/Receipts/` contains a software install history that includes the timestamp, software package name, and what process was used to install the software.

macOS Installer = System OS Installer/Updater
 softwareupdated or "Software Update" = System/Security Updates
 storedownload = App Store Installs
 Installer = External Installers

macOS Receipt Files: /var/db/receipts/

```
-rw-r--r--  1 root  wheel  35290 May 27 15:46 org.wireshark.ChmodBPF.pkg.bom
-rw-r--r--  1 root  wheel    260 May 27 15:46 org.wireshark.ChmodBPF.pkg.plist
-rw-r--r--  1 root  wheel  62594 May 27 15:46 org.wireshark.Wireshark.pkg.bom
-rw-r--r--  1 root  wheel   256 May 27 15:46 org.wireshark.Wireshark.pkg.plist
-rw-r--r--  1 root  wheel  35138 May 27 15:46 org.wireshark.cli.pkg.bom
-rw-r--r--  1 root  wheel   255 May 27 15:46 org.wireshark.cli.pkg.plist
```

Key	Type	Value
PackageVersion	String	0.0.0.0
PackageIdentifier	String	org.wireshark.Wireshark.pkg
InstallPrefixPath	String	Applications
InstallDate	Date	May 27, 2012 3:46:56 PM
PackageFileName	String	wireshark.pkg
InstallProcessName	String	Installer

The same information can be found in a slightly different format in the `/var/db/receipts` directory. Each software package install has a `.bom` and a `.plist` file. The property list file also contains the software install timestamp, package name, and the installer process.

The `.bom` file is the Mac OS X Bill of Materials (BOM) file that contains a list of files and metadata for the installed application. These can be viewed with the command `lsbom`, as shown on the next slide.

macOS Receipt Files: BOM Files (lsbom) /var/db/receipts/*.bom

```
nibble:receipts sledwardss$ lsbom com.adobe.pkg.FlashPlayer.bom
.
 40755  502/20
./Library 41775  0/80
./Library/Application Support 40775  0/80
./Library/Application Support/Adobe 40775  0/80
./Library/Application Support/Adobe/Flash Player Install Manager 40755  0/80
./Library/Application Support/Adobe/Flash Player Install Manager/fpsaud 100744 0/80 59248 3932184723
./Library/Internet Plug-Ins 40775  0/80
./Library/Internet Plug-Ins/Flash Player.plugin.lzma 100664 0/80 17110174 752483422
./Library/Internet Plug-Ins/flashplayer.xpt 100664 0/80 856 1969355171
./Library/LaunchDaemons 40755  0/0
./Library/LaunchDaemons/com.adobe.fpsaud.plist 100644 0/0 462 1274181950
./Library/PreferencePanes 40755  0/0
./Library/PreferencePanes/Flash Player.prefPane 40775  0/0
./Library/PreferencePanes/Flash Player.prefPane/Contents 40775  0/0
./Library/PreferencePanes/Flash Player.prefPane/Contents/Info.plist 100664 0/0 827 894812453
./Library/PreferencePanes/Flash Player.prefPane/Contents/MacOS 40775  0/0
./Library/PreferencePanes/Flash Player.prefPane/Contents/MacOS/Flash Player 100775 0/0 1212576 1112384951
./Library/PreferencePanes/Flash Player.prefPane/Contents/Resources 40775  0/0
./Library/PreferencePanes/Flash Player.prefPane/Contents/Resources/FlashPlayerPreferences.nib 100664 0/0 95850 2846781901
./Library/PreferencePanes/Flash Player.prefPane/Contents/Resources/FlashPlayerPreferences.png 100664 0/0 1144 1473368544
./Library/PreferencePanes/Flash Player.prefPane/Contents/Resources/FlashPlayerPreferences.searchTerms 100664 0/0 1466 2994979473
./Library/PreferencePanes/Flash Player.prefPane/Contents/Resources/InfoPList.strings 100664 0/0 244 169668188
./Library/PreferencePanes/Flash Player.prefPane/Contents/Resources/minusSign.png 100664 0/0 160 2182779873
./Library/PreferencePanes/Flash Player.prefPane/Contents/Resources/pencilIcon.png 100664 0/0 380 2776592378
./Library/PreferencePanes/Flash Player.prefPane/Contents/Resources/plusSign.png 100664 0/0 278 162556927
./Library/PreferencePanes/Flash Player.prefPane/Contents/Resources/version.plist 100664 0/0 185 4240636033
```

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The screenshot above shows an example of the output from the command `lsbom`. This shows the various files associated with the BOM file `com.adobe.pkg.FlashPlayer.bom`.

Default output contains:

- File path
- Mode (octal)
- UID/GID

Each type of file will contain different information in the BOM file.

- If the file is a plain file, the UID/GID is followed by the file size and CRC checksum.
- If the file is a symbolic link, the UID/GID is followed by the size and CRC checksum of the link path and the link path.
- If the file is a device file, the UID/GID is followed by device number.

Reference:

Man Page for `lsbom`

```

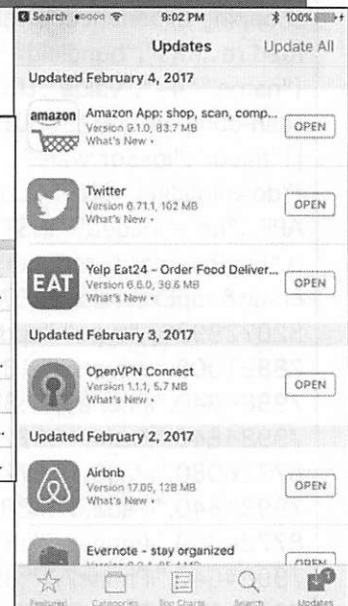
nibble:receipts sledwards$ lsbom com.adobe.pkg.FlashPlayer.bom
.          40755  502/20
./Library  41775  0/80
./Library/Application Support  40775  0/80
./Library/Application Support/Adobe  40775  0/80
./Library/Application Support/Adobe/Flash Player Install Manager  40755  0/80
./Library/Application Support/Adobe/Flash Player Install Manager/fpsaud 100744 0/80  59248  3932184723
./Library/Internet Plug-Ins  40775  0/80
./Library/Internet Plug-Ins/Flash Player.plugin.lzma  100664 0/80  17110174  752483422
./Library/Internet Plug-Ins/flashplayer.xpt  100664 0/80  856  1969355171
./Library/LaunchDaemons  40755  0/0
./Library/LaunchDaemons/com.adobe.fpsaud.plist  100644 0/0  462  1274181950
./Library/PreferencePanes  40755  0/0
./Library/PreferencePanes/Flash Player.prefPane  40775  0/0
./Library/PreferencePanes/Flash Player.prefPane/Contents  40775  0/0
./Library/PreferencePanes/Flash Player.prefPane/Contents/Info.plist  100664 0/0  827  894812453
./Library/PreferencePanes/Flash Player.prefPane/Contents/MacOS  40775  0/0
./Library/PreferencePanes/Flash Player.prefPane/Contents/MacOS/Flash Player  100775 0/0  1212576  1112384951
./Library/PreferencePanes/Flash Player.prefPane/Contents/Resources  40775  0/0
./Library/PreferencePanes/Flash Player.prefPane/Contents/Resources/FlashPlayerPreferences.nib  100664 0/0  95850  2846781901
./Library/PreferencePanes/Flash Player.prefPane/Contents/Resources/FlashPlayerPreferences.png  100664 0/0  1144  1473368544
./Library/PreferencePanes/Flash Player.prefPane/Contents/Resources/FlashPlayerPreferences.searchTerms  100664 0/0  1466  2994979473
./Library/PreferencePanes/Flash Player.prefPane/Contents/Resources/InfoPlist.strings  100664 0/0  244  169668188
./Library/PreferencePanes/Flash Player.prefPane/Contents/Resources/minusSign.png  100664 0/0  160  2182779873
./Library/PreferencePanes/Flash Player.prefPane/Contents/Resources/pencilIcon.png  100664 0/0  380  2776592378
./Library/PreferencePanes/Flash Player.prefPane/Contents/Resources/plusSign.png  100664 0/0  278  162556927
./Library/PreferencePanes/Flash Player.prefPane/Contents/Resources/version.plist  100664 0/0  185  4240636033

```


iOS Software Install: updates.sqlitedb (Physical Only)

```
1 select bundle_id,
2 datetime(install_date+978307200,'UNIXEPOCH','localtime') as install_date,
3 datetime(timestamp,'UNIXEPOCH','localtime') as first_install_date,
4 store_item_data
5 from software_update
6 order by install_date desc
```

	bundle_id	install_date	first_install_date	store_item_data
1	com.amazon.Amazon	2017-02-04 17:39:49	2016-09-18 05:16:45	{"id":"297606951","name":"Amazon App: sho...
2	com.atebits.Tweetie2	2017-02-04 17:39:18	2016-09-18 19:30:55	{"id":"333903271","name":"Twitter","whatsN...
3	com.eat24.eat24App	2017-02-04 13:27:25	2016-09-18 19:30:55	{"id":"517729226","name":"Yelp Eat24 - Orde...
4	net.openvpn.connect.app	2017-02-03 09:26:52	2017-02-03 09:26:46	{"id":"590379981","name":"OpenVPN Conne...
5	com.airbnb.app	2017-02-02 14:45:28	2016-10-28 17:43:42	{"id":"401626263","name":"Airbnb","whatsNe...
6	com.evernote.iPhone.Evernote	2017-02-02 14:43:13	2016-09-18 19:30:55	{"id":"281796108","name":"Evernote - stay or...



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The closest database to this information is the `updates.sqlitedb` SQLite database located in `/private/var/containers/Data/System/<GUID for com.apple.appstored>/Documents/updates.sqlitedb` and is only available on physical acquisitions. This database does not appear to store all install app timestamps; however it will show apps that have updated and what appears to be their original install time. If an app has been installed but not updated, it will not show up in this database.

There is also `/private/var/mobile/Library/com.apple.itunesstored/updates.sqlitedb` that is available in physical and backups; however, I have found this database to be unreliable and misleading.

```
select
bundle_id,
datetime(install_date+978307200,'UNIXEPOCH','localtime') as install_date,
datetime(timestamp,'UNIXEPOCH','localtime') as first_install_date,
store_item_data
from software_update
order by install_date desc
```

This query extracts the bundle identifier for the app, along with the install date for the update (`install_date`) and what appears to be the original app install date (`first_install_date` as compared with `mobile_installation logs`). The `store_item_data` column contains App Store details about the application, as shown in the screenshot on the next page.

```
{ "id": "297606951", "name": "Amazon App: shop, scan, compare, and read reviews", "whatsNew": "Enjoy our latest update where we have fixed some bugs and improved our app to provide you a seamless shopping experience.", "releaseDate": "Feb 3, 2017", "nameRaw": "Amazon App: shop, scan, compare, and read reviews", "bundleId": "com.amazon.Amazon", "contentRatingsBySystem": { "appsApple": { "name": "4+", "value": 100, "rank": 1 } }, "url": "https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/amazon-app-shop-scan-compare/id297606951?mt=8", "minimumOSVersion": "8.0", "offers": [ { "assets": [ { "flavor": "iosSoftware", "size": 138618880 } ], "actionText": { "downloading": "INSTALLING", "medium": "Download", "short": "DOWNLOAD", "long": "DOWNLOAD APP", "downloaded": "INSTALLED" }, "priceFormatted": "$0.00", "price": 0, "buyParams": "productType=C&price=0&salableAdamId=297606951&pricingParameters=SWUPD&pg=default&appExtVrsId=820729939", "version": { "display": "9.1.0", "externalId": 820729939 }, "type": "update" }, { "kind": "iosSoftware", "fileSizeByDevice": { "iPad2,5": 78891008, "universal": 138618880, "iPhone8,2": 89896960, "iPad4,5": 87726080, "iPad3,2": 79984640, "iPhone9,1": 87726080, "iPad5,2": 87726080, "iPad2,4": 78891008, "iPhone5,2": 79984640, "iPad4,4": 87726080, "iPhone6,1": 87726080, "iPad3,1": 79984640, "iPad6,4": 87726080, "iPad5,1": 87726080, "iPad4,9": 87726080, "iPhone9,2": 89896960, "iPad3,6": 79984640, "iPad2,3": 78891008, "iPad4,3": 87726080, "iPhone5,3": 79984640, "iPad6,3": 87726080, "iPhone6,2": 87726080, "iPhone8,4": 87726080, "iPad4,8": 87726080, "iPad3,5": 79984640, "iPhone7,1": 89896960, "iPhone9,3": 87726080, "iPad6,8": 87726080, "iPad2,2": 78891008, "iPad4,2": 87726080, "iPad2,7": 78891008, "iPhone5,4": 79984640, "iPad4,7": 87726080, "iPhone4,1": 79984640, "iPad3,4": 79984640, "iPad6,7": 87726080, "iPad2,1": 78891008, "iPad5,4": 87726080, "iPhone7,2": 87726080, "iPhone9,4": 89896960, "iPad4,1": 87726080, "iPhone8,1": 87726080, "iPad2,6": 78891008, "iPad4,6": 87726080, "iPad3,3": 79984640, "iPod5,1": 79984640, "iPad5,3": 87726080, "iPod7,1": 87726080, "iPhone5,1": 79984640 }, "artwork": { "height": 1024, "textColor3": "333333", "textColor4": "3a5d74", "textColor2": "093551", "supportsLayeredImage": false, "width": 1024, "textColor1": "000000", "bgColor": "ffffff", "url": "http://is1.mzstatic.com/image/thumb/Purple122/v4/38/e4/2e/38e42e78-c917-3653-2a22-33aa462d8f1d/source/{w}x{h}bb.{f}", "artistName": "AMZN Mobile LLC" } ] }
```

iOS Mobile Installation Log: Physical Only

/<Different per iOS Version>/Library/Logs/MobileInstallation/

mobile_installation.log.#: Physical Only

Search "Installing"

Carrier and App Installations

```
Thu Feb 2 14:45:04 2017 [ : Installing <MIInstallableParallelPlaceholder ID=com.airbnb.app; Version=1128, ShortVersion=(null)>
Thu Feb 2 14:45:04 2017 [ : InstallationWithError:]: Installing parallel placeholder
Thu Feb 2 14:45:06 2017 [ : Installing <MIInstallableBundlePatch ID=com.airbnb.app; Version=1128, ShortVersion=17.05>
Fri Feb 3 09:26:50 2017 [ : Installing <MIInstallableParallelPlaceholder ID=net.openvpn.connect.app; Version=1.1.04, ShortVersion=(null)>
Fri Feb 3 09:26:51 2017 [ : InstallationWithError:]: Installing parallel placeholder
Fri Feb 3 09:26:52 2017 [ : Installing <MIInstallableBundle ID=net.openvpn.OpenVPN-Connect.vpnplugin; Version=1.1.0, ShortVersion=(null)>
Fri Feb 3 09:26:52 2017 [ : Installing <MIInstallableBundle ID=net.openvpn.connect.app; Version=1.1.04, ShortVersion=1.1.1>
Sat Feb 4 13:27:16 2017 [ : Installing <MIInstallableParallelPlaceholder ID=com.eat24.eat24App; Version=204, ShortVersion=(null)>
Sat Feb 4 13:27:17 2017 [ : InstallationWithError:]: Installing parallel placeholder
Sat Feb 4 13:27:20 2017 [ : Installing <MIInstallableBundlePatch ID=com.eat24.eat24App; Version=204, ShortVersion=6.6.0>
Sat Feb 4 17:38:41 2017 [ : Installing <MIInstallableParallelPlaceholder ID=com.atebits.Tweetie2; Version=6.71.1, ShortVersion=(null)>
Sat Feb 4 17:38:41 2017 [ : InstallationWithError:]: Installing parallel placeholder
Sat Feb 4 17:38:47 2017 [ : Installing <MIInstallableBundlePatch ID=com.atebits.Tweetie2; Version=6.71.1, ShortVersion=6.71.1>
Sat Feb 4 17:39:36 2017 [ : Installing <MIInstallableParallelPlaceholder ID=com.amazon.Amazon; Version=19521.8, ShortVersion=(null)>
Sat Feb 4 17:39:36 2017 [ : InstallationWithError:]: Installing parallel placeholder
Sat Feb 4 17:39:41 2017 [ : Installing <MIInstallableBundle ID=com.amazon.Amazon; Version=19521.8, ShortVersion=9.1.0>
Sat Feb 4 19:35:47 2017 [ : Installing <MIInstallableBundle ID=com.google.Gmail; Version=5.0.10.569350, ShortVersion=(null)>
Sat Feb 4 19:36:40 2017 [ : Installing <MIInstallableBundle ID=com.google.Gmail; Version=5.0.10.569350, ShortVersion=5.0.10>
```

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Directory Paths (Physical Device):

iOS 6: /mobile/Library/Logs/MobileInstallation/

iOS 7-9: /private/var/mobile/Library/Logs/MobileInstallation/

iOS 10: /private/var/installd/Library/Logs/MobileInstallation/

The `mobile_installation.log.#` log files located in the `/MobileInstallation/` directory contains a historical view of when apps were installed and carrier bundles were installed. How long these entries are kept depends on the version of iOS being used. The older the iOS version, the longer these entries are kept. On iOS 10, it appears to be kept for around one month.

When an app is installed, it is recorded in this log using the application bundle identifier (reverse DNS format name). For example, Google Gmail (`com.google.Gmail`) was installed on February 4, 2017, at 19:36:40 (local device time). It will also show the application version information in the message.

From the entries highlighted in the screenshot above, an analyst can tell if it is an app update or a new app by looking at the message after the "Installing" keyword.

MIInstallableBundlePatch: App Update

MIInstallerBundle: New App Install

```

Thu Feb 2 14:45:04 2017 [ : Installing <MIInstallableParallelPlaceholder ID=com.airbnb.app; Version=1128, ShortVersion=(null)>
Thu Feb 2 14:45:04 2017 [ : InstallationWithError:]: Installing parallel placeholder
Thu Feb 2 14:45:06 2017 [ : Installing <MIInstallableBundlePatch ID=com.airbnb.app; Version=1128, ShortVersion=17.05>
Fri Feb 3 09:26:50 2017 [ ]: Installing <MIInstallableParallelPlaceholder ID=net.openvpn.connect.app; Version=1.1.04, ShortVersion=(null)>
Fri Feb 3 09:26:51 2017 [ : InstallationWithError:]: Installing parallel placeholder
Fri Feb 3 09:26:52 2017 [ ]: Installing <MIInstallableBundle ID=net.openvpn.OpenVPN-Connect.vpnplugin; Version=1.1.0, ShortVersion=(null)>
Fri Feb 3 09:26:52 2017 [ ]: Installing <MIInstallableBundle ID=net.openvpn.connect.app; Version=1.1.04, ShortVersion=1.1.1>
Sat Feb 4 13:27:16 2017 [ : Installing <MIInstallableParallelPlaceholder ID=com.eat24.eat24App; Version=204, ShortVersion=(null)>
Sat Feb 4 13:27:17 2017 [ : InstallationWithError:]: Installing parallel placeholder
Sat Feb 4 13:27:20 2017 [ ]: Installing <MIInstallableBundlePatch ID=com.eat24.eat24App; Version=204, ShortVersion=6.6.0>
Sat Feb 4 17:38:41 2017 [ ]: Installing <MIInstallableParallelPlaceholder ID=com.atebits.Tweetie2; Version=6.71.1, ShortVersion=(null)>
Sat Feb 4 17:38:41 2017 [ : InstallationWithError:]: Installing parallel placeholder
Sat Feb 4 17:38:47 2017 [ ]: Installing <MIInstallableBundlePatch ID=com.atebits.Tweetie2; Version=6.71.1, ShortVersion=6.71.1>
Sat Feb 4 17:39:36 2017 [ ]: Installing <MIInstallableParallelPlaceholder ID=com.amazon.Amazon; Version=19521.8, ShortVersion=(null)>
Sat Feb 4 17:39:36 2017 [ : InstallationWithError:]: Installing parallel placeholder
Sat Feb 4 17:39:41 2017 [ ]: Installing <MIInstallableBundle ID=com.amazon.Amazon; Version=19521.8, ShortVersion=9.1.0>
Sat Feb 4 19:35:47 2017 [ ]: Installing <MIInstallableBundle ID=com.google.Gmail; Version=5.0.10.569350, ShortVersion=(null)>
Sat Feb 4 19:36:40 2017 [ ]: Installing <MIInstallableBundle ID=com.google.Gmail; Version=5.0.10.569350, ShortVersion=5.0.10>

```

iOS Mobile Installation Log: App Install / Uninstall

Look for App Bundle Identifier

App Install: "Make container live"

App Uninstall: "Destroying container"



```

Sat Feb 4 19:35:47 2017 [52] - r: Installing <MInstallableBundle ID=com.google.Gmail; Version=5.0.10.569350, ShortVersion=(null)>
Sat Feb 4 19:35:49 2017 [52] - ingContainer.reason.withError: Made container live for com.google.Gmail at /private/var/mobile/Containers/Data/Application/DF3E143A-43D8-48FF-9B59-41D369DE3815
Sat Feb 4 19:35:49 2017 [52] - r: Installing <MInstallableBundle ID=com.google.Gmail; Version=5.0.10.569350, ShortVersion=5.0.10>
Sat Feb 4 19:36:40 2017 [52] - nContainer.withError: Data container for com.google.Gmail is now at /private/var/mobile/Containers/Data/Application/801FC59D-3E47-4BB4-8F0F-21E7DD28CB0F
Sat Feb 4 19:36:45 2017 [52] - ngContainer.reason.withError: Made container live for com.google.Gmail.ShareExtension at /private/var/mobile/Containers/Data/PluginKitPlugin/8DBC82B1-3598-4AEA-9DC1-88F51136AD75
Sat Feb 4 19:36:45 2017 [52] - r: Installing <MInstallableBundle ID=com.google.Gmail; Version=5.0.10.569350, ShortVersion=5.0.10>
Sat Feb 4 19:54:38 2017 [52] - s.withOptions.completion: Uninstall requested by SpringBoard (pid 60) for identifier com.google.Gmail with options: {
Sat Feb 4 19:54:38 2017 [52] - nContainer.withError: Uninstalling identifier com.google.Gmail
Sat Feb 4 19:54:38 2017 [52] - hCompletionBlock: Destroying container with identifier com.google.Gmail at /private/var/mobile/Containers/Bundle/Application/FAEA7481-8B2F-44C0-9410-827EEEC6D5ED
Sat Feb 4 19:54:38 2017 [52] - .withCompletionBlock: Destroying container with identifier com.google.Gmail at /private/var/mobile/Containers/Data/Application/801FC59D-3E47-4BB4-8F0F-21E7DD28CB0F
Sat Feb 4 19:54:38 2017 [52] - .withCompletionBlock: Destroying container with identifier com.google.Gmail.ShareExtension at /private/var/mobile/Containers/Data/PluginKitPlugin/8DBC82B1-3598-4AEA-9DC1-88F51136AD75
    
```

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While application installs can be observed in the Mobile Installation logs, uninstalls can also be seen. The example screenshot above is the same Google Gmail application being installed, then later uninstalled.

In the entries highlighted in green (at the top), the Gmail app is being installed on February 4 at 19:36. The various entries show the different containers and directory paths being created to store the various pieces of the app data.

Upon uninstall, the entries highlighted in red show the same containers being "destroyed". This particular app uninstall was performed by selecting the Gmail app via SpringBoard until it "wiggles" and selecting the "X" to remove the app.


```

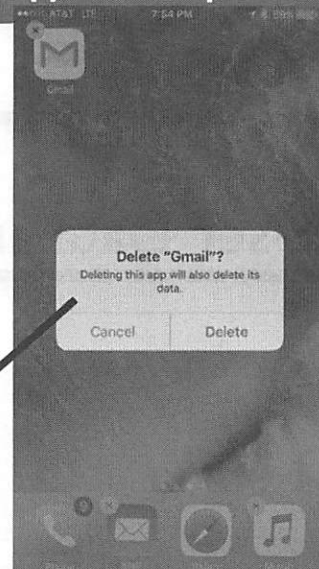
Sat Feb 4 19:35:47 2017 [52] < r: Installing <M|InstallableBundle ID=com.google.Gmail; Version=5.0.10.569350, ShortVersion=(null)>
Sat Feb 4 19:35:49 2017 [52] < dingContainer:reason:withError:]: Made container live for com.google.Gmail at /private/var/mobile/Containers/Data/Application/DF3E143A-43D8-48FF-9B59-41D369DE3815
Sat Feb 4 19:35:49 2017 [52] < acingContainer:reason:withError:]: Made container live for com.google.Gmail at /private/var/mobile/Containers/Bundle/Application/73FBD5C0-9F34-45F1-91A8-6577953708CA
Sat Feb 4 19:36:40 2017 [52] < r: Installing <M|InstallableBundle ID=com.google.Gmail; Version=5.0.10.569350, ShortVersion=5.0.10>
Sat Feb 4 19:36:45 2017 [52] < ntainer:withError:]: Data container for com.google.Gmail is now at /private/var/mobile/Containers/Data/Application/801FC59D-3E47-4BB4-8F0F-21E7DD28CB0F
Sat Feb 4 19:36:45 2017 [52] < ngContainer:reason:withError:]: Made container live for com.google.Gmail.ShareExtension at /private/var/mobile/Containers/Data/PluginKitPlugin/8DBC82B1-3598-4AEA-9DC1-88F51136AD75
Sat Feb 4 19:36:45 2017 [52] < dingContainer:reason:withError:]: Made container live for com.google.Gmail at /private/var/mobile/Containers/Bundle/Application/FAEA7481-8B2F-44C0-9410-827EEEC6D5ED
Sat Feb 4 19:54:38 2017 [52] < s:withOptions:completion:]: Uninstall requested by SpringBoard (pid 60) for identifier com.google.Gmail with options: {}
Sat Feb 4 19:54:38 2017 [52] < ntifier:error:]: Uninstalling identifier com.google.Gmail
Sat Feb 4 19:54:38 2017 [52] < hCompletionBlock:]: Destroying container with identifier com.google.Gmail at /private/var/mobile/Containers/Bundle/Application/FAEA7481-8B2F-44C0-9410-827EEEC6D5ED
Sat Feb 4 19:54:38 2017 [52] < ,ithCompletionBlock:]: Destroying container with identifier com.google.Gmail at /private/var/mobile/Containers/Data/Application/801FC59D-3E47-4BB4-8F0F-21E7DD28CB0F
Sat Feb 4 19:54:38 2017 [52] < ,ithCompletionBlock:]: Destroying container with identifier com.google.Gmail.ShareExtension at /private/var/mobile/Containers/Data/PluginKitPlugin/8DBC82B1-3598-4AEA-9DC1-88F51136AD75

```

iOS App Uninstall (Physical Only)

/private/var/installd/Library/MobileInstallation/UninstalledApplications.plist

Bundle Identifier	Date	Time
RunKeeperPro	Date	Sep 18, 2016, 10:06:10 PM
com.H443NM7F8H.CBSNews	Date	Sep 17, 2016, 12:43:19 AM
com.HBO.HBO	Date	Sep 23, 2016, 10:26:52 PM
com.aetn.aetv.ios.watch	Date	Sep 17, 2016, 12:44:33 AM
com.aol.aim	Date	Sep 18, 2016, 10:03:17 PM
com.bakodo.BakodoScanner	Date	Sep 18, 2016, 10:02:23 PM
com.brickoapps.CALC-	Date	Sep 18, 2016, 10:03:31 PM
com.cbsvideo.app	Date	Sep 17, 2016, 12:43:15 AM
com.chrisballinger.ChatSecure	Date	Sep 18, 2016, 10:02:21 PM
com.clickgamer.AngryBirdsLite	Date	Sep 23, 2016, 10:29:24 PM
com.fox.now	Date	Sep 17, 2016, 12:43:13 AM
com.fxnetworks.ios.FXNOW	Date	Sep 17, 2016, 12:43:28 AM
com.google.Gmail	Date	Feb 4, 2017, 7:54:38 PM
com.ihandysoft.barcode.qr.free	Date	Sep 18, 2016, 10:02:25 PM
com.natgeo.tv	Date	Sep 17, 2016, 12:43:09 AM
com.nbcuni.nbc.portal	Date	Sep 17, 2016, 12:43:54 AM



File Paths (Physical Device):

iOS 7-9:

/private/var/mobile/Library/MobileInstallation/UninstalledApplications.plist

iOS 10:

/private/var/installd/Library/MobileInstallation/UninstalledApplications.plist

Another file that can be viewed to get a quick overview of uninstalled applications is the `UninstalledApplications.plist` file. This file keeps track of uninstalled applications by bundle identifier and the date of uninstall.

Once an application has been deleted, the application's data is no longer available for forensic analysis.



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Log Parsing and Analysis

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Log Parsing and Analysis

Log Basics

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BSM Audit Logs

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Log Normalization

Correlate data in a single system or across multiple systems

Must know “originating” time zone for system

Timestamp Storage

- Apple System Log = UTC
- Most other logs (/var/log, ~/Library/Logs/) = local system time

Timestamp Output

- ASL Logs: `praudit` may output to local system time
- Use `export TZ=UTC` command
- Temporarily change time zone of terminal window

```
[Sarahs-MacBook-Pro-6:~ oompa$ date
Fri May  4 15:07:23 EDT 2018
[Sarahs-MacBook-Pro-6:~ oompa$ export TZ="UTC"
[Sarahs-MacBook-Pro-6:~ oompa$ date
Fri May  4 19:07:35 UTC 2018
```

Analysts often have to correlate information across multiple systems across different time zones. To combine and understand what each system was doing at the same time, the analyst will need to normalize the log.

Each log type may store its timestamp in various formats, while some output tools will export this timestamp in a different time zone or using local system time.

One example of this is the `praudit` tool to read BSM audit logs. This tool outputs XML output with a timestamp in local system time. The analyst must know the original time zone of the system to correctly normalize the `praudit` output.

An investigator can temporarily change the time zone of the Terminal window by using the `export TZ="UTC"` command with the correct time zone (found in `/usr/share/zoneinfo/`). This time zone change will be removed once you exit out of that Terminal (login) session.

```
[Sarahs-MacBook-Pro-6:~ oompa$ date
Fri May  4 15:07:23 EDT 2018
[Sarahs-MacBook-Pro-6:~ oompa$ export TZ="UTC"
[Sarahs-MacBook-Pro-6:~ oompa$ date
Fri May  4 19:07:35 UTC 2018
```

General macOS Log Location



System Logs

- /private/var/log
- /Library/Logs
- /var/db/diagnostics

User Logs

- ~/Library/Logs

Application Specific

- /Library/Application Support/<app>
- /Applications/
- /Library/Logs

There are three primary locations in OS X where logs are found.

System logs – those that have to do with the operating system – can be found in /private/var/log, /Library/Logs, and /var/db/diagnostics.

User-specific logs are found in each user account in their Library directory, ~/Library/Logs.

Application logs may be found in /Library/Application Support/ or /Applications/ directory under the particular application.

Unix Log Basics

- Tends to use Standard Unix Log Format
 - MMM DD HH:MM:SS Host Service: Message
- Most are in plaintext
- bzip2 or gzip compression used for archival after log turnover

```
Apr 18 22:44:02 byte Firewalll[89]: Stealth Mode col appfirewall.log
Apr 18 22:44:02 byte Firewalll[89]: Stealth Mode col appfirewall.log.0.bz2
Apr 18 22:44:04 byte Firewalll[89]: Stealth Mode col appfirewall.log.1.bz2
Apr 18 22:44:04 byte Firewalll[89]: Stealth Mode col appfirewall.log.2.bz2
Apr 18 22:44:10 byte Firewalll[89]: Stealth Mode col appfirewall.log.3.bz2
Apr 18 22:44:10 byte Firewalll[89]: Stealth Mode col appfirewall.log.4.bz2
Apr 18 22:44:22 byte Firewalll[89]: Stealth Mode col appfirewall.log.5.bz2
Apr 18 22:44:22 byte Firewalll[89]: Stealth Mode col appfirewall.log.5.bz2
Apr 18 22:44:22 byte Firewalll[89]: Stealth Mode col appfirewall.log.5.bz2
Apr 18 22:44:46 byte Firewalll[89]: Stealth Mode connection attempt
Apr 18 22:44:46 byte Firewalll[89]: Stealth Mode connection attempt
Apr 18 23:01:12 byte Firewalll[89]: Stealth Mode connection attempt
```

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Most of the logs found in OS X tend to use the standard Unix Log Format. This format uses a date format that does not include a year or a time zone to put context to the log data.

Most of the logs are available in plaintext format, meaning they can be read without further processing or parsing. Normal Unix operating systems will archive (rotate) log files after they grow to a certain size or are old enough (look in their associated `.conf` files in `/etc`).

Generally speaking, on 10.8 and prior systems, bzip2 compression is used to archive its log data, while on 10.9 systems, gzip is used.

Bzip2 or Gzip Decompression

- Use `bzcat` or `gzcat` on macOS
 - (oldest -> newest)
 - **Bzip2:** `system.log.7.bz2` -> `system.log.0.bz2`
 - **Gzip:** `system.log.7.gz` -> `system.log.0.gz`

```
1. bzcat system.log.{7..0}.bz2 >
   system_all.log
2. cat system.log >> system_all.log
```

If required, the archived logs can be decompressed using the command `bzcat`. To create a comprehensive log file with the entries in the correct temporal context (oldest to newest), the `bzcat` command can be used to “concatenate” the contents of the archive files. The larger the number (i.e., `system.log.7.bz2`), the older the log archive.

- 0 = newest
- 7 = oldest

The first command concatenates the contents of the archive files from oldest to newest into a file named `system_all.log`. The second command concatenates the current log file `system.log` to the `system_all.log` file to create a complete `system.log` file for the system.

Apple System Log

- Location: `/private/var/log/asl/` (>10.5.6)
- syslog “replacement” (still uses syslog backend)
- View using Console.app or `syslog` command
- Binary format: “ASL DB” signature
- Log turnover: Seven days, ~one year (utmp)

```
4153 4c20 4442 0000 0000 0000 0000 0002 ASL DB.....
0000 0000 0000 00f6 0000 0000 51a2 054b .....Q..K
0000 0100 0000 0000 0003 6c3a 0000 0000 .....l:....
0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 .....
0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 .....
0001 0000 007b 6861 6e64 6c65 5f77 696c .....{handle_wil
6c5f 736c 6565 705f 6175 7468 5f61 6e64 l_sleep_auth_and
5f73 6869 656c 645f 7769 6e64 6f77 733a _shield_windows:
2072 656c 6561 7369 6e67 2061 7574 6877 releasing authw
2030 7837 6662 3562 6663 3034 3932 3028 0x7fb5bfc04920(
3230 3030 292c 2073 6869 656c 6420 3078 2000), shield 0x
3766 6235 6262 6365 6362 3130 2832 3030 7fb5bbcecb10(200
3129 2c20 6c6f 636b 2073 7461 7465 2033 1), lock state 3
```

The Apple System Log is Apple’s version of the Unix SYSLOG. After 10.5.6, the ASL data is located in the `/var/log/asl` directory in a proprietary binary format (rather than plaintext). These messages can be viewed using the `Console.app` or the `syslog` command-line utility.

The screenshot shows the signature for an ASL log, “ASL DB”, which will be found in the first six bytes of each log file.

The default time-to-live (TTL) for SYSLOG messages is seven days, while the default TTL for `utmp`, `wtmp`, and `lastlog` messages (i.e., `logon/logoff/boot/shutdown/restart`) is one year (366 days or 31622400 seconds as per `man asl.conf`).

Reference:
[asl.conf Man Page](#)

Apple System Log: Filenames

- Filename Format:
YYYY.MM.DD.[UID].[GID].asl
- BB: Best Before
- AUX: Auxiliary

```
nibble:AUX.2013.05.28 sledwards$ pwd
/var/log/asl/AUX.2013.05.28
nibble:AUX.2013.05.28 sledwards$ ls
281501 281597 281692 281790 281884
281503 281599 281698 281792 281886
281505 281604 281700 281794 281892
281511 281606 281702 281801 281894
281513 281608 281708 281803 281896
281515 281614 281710 281805 281902
281521 281616 281712 281810 281904
281523 281618 281718 281812 281906
281525 281624 281721 281814 281912
281531 281626 281723 281820 281914
```

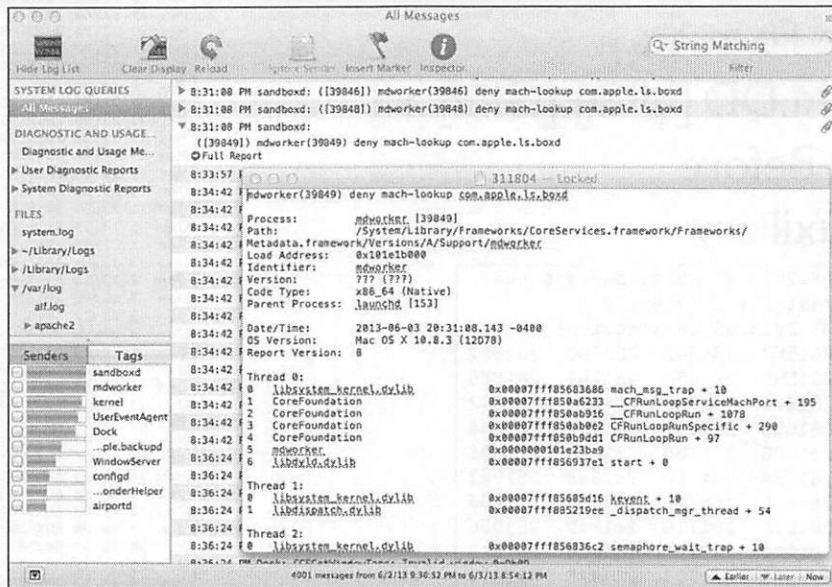
```
May 28 23:57 2013.05.28.G80.asl
May 28 23:59 2013.05.28.U0.G80.asl
May 28 23:49 2013.05.28.U0.asl
May 28 22:15 2013.05.28.U501.asl
May 29 23:58 2013.05.29.G80.asl
May 29 23:58 2013.05.29.U0.G80.asl
May 29 22:45 2013.05.29.U0.asl
May 29 23:21 2013.05.29.U501.asl
May 30 23:57 2013.05.30.G80.asl
May 30 23:57 2013.05.30.U0.G80.asl
May 30 23:49 2013.05.30.U0.asl
May 30 22:41 2013.05.30.U501.asl
May 31 23:59 2013.05.31.U0.G80.asl
May 31 23:59 2013.05.31.U0.G80.asl
May 31 22:52 2013.05.31.U0.asl
May 31 23:08 2013.05.31.U501.asl
Jun 1 23:59 2013.06.01.G80.asl
Jun 1 23:59 2013.06.01.U0.G80.asl
Jun 1 23:17 2013.06.01.U0.asl
Jun 1 21:45 2013.06.01.U501.asl
Jun 2 23:58 2013.06.02.G80.asl
Jun 2 23:58 2013.06.02.U0.G80.asl
Jun 2 23:06 2013.06.02.U0.asl
Jun 2 21:22 2013.06.02.U501.asl
Jun 3 20:08 2013.06.03.G80.asl
Jun 3 20:08 2013.06.03.U0.G80.asl
Jun 3 19:21 2013.06.03.U0.asl
Jun 3 10:57 2013.06.03.U200.asl
Jun 3 19:55 2013.06.03.U501.asl
May 28 23:56 AUX.2013.05.28
May 29 23:57 AUX.2013.05.29
May 30 23:56 AUX.2013.05.30
May 31 23:59 AUX.2013.05.31
Jun 1 23:58 AUX.2013.06.01
Jun 2 23:58 AUX.2013.06.02
Jun 3 20:08 AUX.2013.06.03
Mar 30 09:59 BB.2014.03.31.G80.asl
Apr 25 17:35 BB.2014.04.30.G80.asl
May 29 20:52 BB.2014.05.31.G80.asl
```

The ASL filename format is standardized to match the month, day, and year the data was recorded. The files are also separated by user and group IDs. These logs will usually be seen for only the past seven days, after the `utmp`, `wtmp`, and `lastlog` messages get rolled into the ASL log files beginning with “BB”, or “Best Before”.

The “Best Before” log files contain the login records for the month listed in the filename. These records will be kept around for one year.

The directories starting with `AUX` or “Auxiliary” are used on 10.8+ systems. These directories contain text files comprised of additional data that is referenced by the `syslog` files for the past week. In my experience, these files show information pertaining to the `sandboxd` process or Apple Sandboxing.

Apple System Logs: Auxiliary Files



The screenshot above shows how the auxiliary files interface with the `syslog` files. In the Console application, the messages with the paper-clip “attachment” icon contain additional information. The “Full Report” links to the additional data in the auxiliary directory.

All Messages

String Matching

Hide Log List Clear Display Reload Ignore Sender Insert Marker Inspector Filter

SYSTEM LOG QUERIES

All Messages

DIAGNOSTIC AND USAGE...

Diagnostic and Usage Me...

User Diagnostic Reports

System Diagnostic Reports

FILES

- system.log
- ~/Library/Logs
- /Library/Logs
- /var/log
 - alf.log
 - apache2

Senders

Tags

- | Senders | Tags |
|--------------------------|----------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | sandboxd |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | mdworker |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | kernel |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | UserEventAgent |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Dock |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | ...ple.backupd |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | WindowServer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | configd |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | ...onderHelper |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | airportd |

8:31:08 PM sandboxd: ([39846]) mdworker(39846) deny mach-lookup com.apple.ls.boxd

8:31:08 PM sandboxd: ([39848]) mdworker(39848) deny mach-lookup com.apple.ls.boxd

8:31:08 PM sandboxd:
 ([39849]) mdworker(39849) deny mach-lookup com.apple.ls.boxd
 Full Report

311804 — Locked

8:34:42 F mdworker(39849) deny mach-lookup com.apple.ls.boxd

8:34:42 F Process: mdworker [39849]
 Path: /System/Library/Frameworks/CoreServices.framework/Frameworks/
 Metadata.framework/Versions/A/Support/mdworker
 Load Address: 0x101e1b000
 Identifier: mdworker
 Version: ??? (???)
 Code Type: x86_64 (Native)
 Parent Process: launchd [153]

8:34:42 F Date/Time: 2013-06-03 20:31:08.143 -0400
 OS Version: Mac OS X 10.8.3 (12D78)
 Report Version: 8

8:34:42 F Thread 0:
 0 libsystem_kernel.dylib 0x00007fff85683686 mach_msg_trap + 10
 1 CoreFoundation 0x00007fff850a6233 __CFRunLoopServiceMachPort + 195
 2 CoreFoundation 0x00007fff850ab916 __CFRunLoopRun + 1078
 3 CoreFoundation 0x00007fff850ab0e2 CFRunLoopRunSpecific + 290
 4 CoreFoundation 0x00007fff850b9dd1 CFRunLoopRun + 97
 5 mdworker 0x0000000101e23ba9
 6 libdyld.dylib 0x00007fff856937e1 start + 0

8:36:24 F Thread 1:
 0 libsystem_kernel.dylib 0x00007fff85685d16 keyent + 10
 1 libdispatch.dylib 0x00007fff885219ee _dispatch_mgr_thread + 54

8:36:24 F Thread 2:
 0 libsystem_kernel.dylib 0x00007fff856836c2 semaphore_wait_trap + 10

4001 messages from 6/2/13 9:36:52 PM to 6/3/13 8:54:12 PM

Earlier Later Now

Apple System Log: Record Format

5/7/13 9:27:03 PM login: DEAD_PROCESS: 97280 ttys002	
5/7/13 9:27:03 PM login: DEAD_PROCESS: 97313 ttys004	
5/7/13 10:03:36 PM login: USER_PROCESS: 98679 ttys002	
5/9/13 7:04:01 PM login: USER_PROCESS: 4500 ttys004	
5/9/13 7:04:01 PM login: DEAD_PROCESS: 4500 ttys004	
5/9/13 9:13:38 PM login: USER_PROCESS: 4969 ttys004	
5/10/13 6:18:21 PM login: DEAD_PROCESS: 4969 ttys004	
5/10/13 9:00:19 PM login: USER_PROCESS: 7960 ttys004	
5/10/13 9:10:51 PM login: DEAD_PROCESS: 7960 ttys004	
5/16/13 10:29:47 PM login: USER_PROCESS: 25177 ttys004	
5/16/13 10:29:59 PM login: DEAD_PROCESS: 76584 ttys003	
5/16/13 10:36:26 PM login: USER_PROCESS: 37534 ttys003	
5/18/13 10:23:22 PM login: DEAD_PROCESS: 76647 ttys000	
5/18/13 10:23:22 PM login: DEAD_PROCESS: 91613 ttys001	
5/18/13 10:23:22 PM login: DEAD_PROCESS: 25177 ttys004	
5/18/13 10:23:22 PM login: DEAD_PROCESS: 98679 ttys002	
5/18/13 10:23:22 PM login: DEAD_PROCESS: 37534 ttys003	
5/18/13 10:23:26 PM loginwindow: DEAD_PROCESS: 55 console	
5/18/13 10:25:07 PM loginwindow: USER_PROCESS: 59 console	
5/18/13 10:25:08 PM login: USER_PROCESS: 236 ttys000	
5/18/13 10:25:09 PM login: USER_PROCESS: 246 ttys001	
5/18/13 10:25:09 PM login: USER_PROCESS: 254 ttys002	
5/18/13 10:25:09 PM login: USER_PROCESS: 259 ttys003	
	Message Inspector
	Key Value
	ASLExpireTime 1399856419
	ASLMessageID 220267
	Facility com.apple.system.lastlog
	GID 20
	Host nibble.blah
	Level 5
	PID 7960
	ReadGID 80
	Sender login
	Time 1360234019
	TimeNanoSec 920375000
	UID 0
	ut_id s004
	ut_line ttys004
	ut_pid 7960
	ut_tv.tv_sec 1360234019
	ut_tv.tv_usec 918722
	ut_type 7
	ut_user sledwards
	Message USER_PROCESS: 7960 ttys004

Each log message contains certain Apple System Log keys. Not all of these keys will be in each message.

- **ASLExpireTime:** Message Expire Timestamp, when the message is explicitly set to expire
- **ASLMessageID:** Message ID Number
- **Time:** Timestamp of the record
- **TimeNanoSec:** Nanoseconds recorded
- **Host:** Hostname of the system the message was recorded on
- **Sender:** Default process name or identification string
- **Facility:** Default is “user”, otherwise noted in reverse DNS format
- **PID:** Process ID
- **UID:** User ID
- **GID:** Group ID
- **Level:** Message priority level
- **Message:** Log Message
- **ReadUID:** Read access for user
- **ReadGID:** Read access for group
- **Session:** Session by launchd
- **RefPID:** Reference Process ID (launchd)
- **RefProc:** Reference Process Name (launchd)
- **ASLAuxTitle:** Title (usually “Full Report”)
- **ASLAuxUTI:** ASL auxiliary uniform type identifier
- **ASLAuxURL:** URL to auxiliary file

References:

syslog Man Page

ASL Man Page

Asl.h – <http://www.opensource.apple.com/source/Libc/Libc-583/include/asl.h>

syslog Command

Output Format (-F)

bsd

std

raw

xml

Time Format (-T)

sec

local

utc

File or Directory

-f

-d

```
sh-3.2# syslog -d asl/ | more
Mar 12 17:15:01 byte login[63585] <Notice>: USER_PROCESS: 63585 ttys003
Mar 15 01:41:32 byte login[48848] <Notice>: USER_PROCESS: 48848 ttys004
Mar 15 01:44:22 byte login[48905] <Notice>: USER_PROCESS: 48905 ttys005
Mar 15 01:52:19 byte login[48848] <Notice>: DEAD_PROCESS: 48848 ttys004
Mar 15 01:52:19 byte login[48905] <Notice>: DEAD_PROCESS: 48905 ttys005
Mar 15 01:52:21 byte login[48960] <Notice>: USER_PROCESS: 48960 ttys004
Mar 15 01:53:16 byte login[48960] <Notice>: DEAD_PROCESS: 48960 ttys004
Mar 15 01:53:18 byte login[50861] <Notice>: USER_PROCESS: 50861 ttys004
Mar 15 01:53:52 byte login[50861] <Notice>: DEAD_PROCESS: 50861 ttys004
Mar 15 01:53:53 byte login[52753] <Notice>: USER_PROCESS: 52753 ttys004
Mar 15 01:54:19 byte login[53625] <Notice>: USER_PROCESS: 53625 ttys005
```

A single ASL file or a directory containing multiple ASL files can be used as input into the `syslog` command.

The `syslog` command can be used to output the data in a variety of formats:

- `bsd`: Similar to other system logs such as `system.log`
- `std`: Same as `bsd`, and includes message priority level (default)
- `raw`: Message fields are in square brackets, in key/value format
- `xml`: XML property list

The time output can also be formatted:

- `sec`: Number of seconds since epoch
- `local`: Local time zone (default)
- `utc`: UTC format

In the example shown above, the `syslog` command is taking in the default directory of ASL files and outputting the data in the default standard format.

syslog -T utc -F raw -d /asl

- [ASLMessageID 3555356]
- [Time 2012.05.28 19:39:32 UTC]
- [TimeNanoSec 887175000]
- [Level 5]
- [PID 908]
- [UID 0]
- [GID 20]
- [ReadGID 80]
- [Host byte]
- [Sender login]
- [Facility com.apple.system.utmpx]
- [Message DEAD_PROCESS: 908 ttys002]
- [ut_user oompa]
- [ut_id s002]
- [ut_line ttys002]
- [ut_pid 908]
- [ut_type 8]
- [ut_tv.tv_sec 1338233972]
- [ut_tv.tv_usec 886961]
- [ASLExpireTime 1369856372]

```
[ASLMessageID 23869] [Time 2013-03-17 20:12:49Z] [TimeNanoSec 649773000] [Level 5] [PID 21931] [UID 0] [GID 20] [ReadGID 80] [Host nibble.blah] [Sender login] [Facility com.apple.system.utmpx] [Message DEAD_PROCESS: 21931 ttys003] [ut_user sledwards] [ut_id s003] [ut_line ttys003] [ut_pid 21931] [ut_type 8] [ut_tv.tv_sec 1363551169] [ut_tv.tv_usec 647288] [ASLExpireTime 1395173569] [ASLMessageID 28599] [Time 2013-03-23 00:10:53Z] [TimeNanoSec 859756000] [Level 5] [PID 28503] [UID 0] [GID 20] [ReadGID 80] [Host nibble.blah] [Sender login] [Facility com.apple.system.lastlog] [Message USER_PROCESS: 28503 ttys003] [ut_user sledwards] [ut_id s003] [ut_line ttys003] [ut_pid 28503] [ut_type 7] [ut_tv.tv_sec 1363997453] [ut_tv.tv_usec 859054] [ASLExpireTime 1395619853]
```

The raw output for `syslog` labels each key/value pair in square brackets, as shown above. All dates are stored in Unix epoch time. The fields starting with “ut_” are a throwback to the `utmp` login data that has been deprecated in OS X since 10.5.

[ASLMessageID 23869] [Time 2013-03-17 20:12:49Z] [TimeNanoSec 649773000] [Level 5] [PID 21931] [UID 0] [GID 20] [ReadGID 80] [Host nibble.blah] [Sender login] [Facility com.apple.system.utmpx] [Message DEAD_PROCESS: 21931 ttys003] [ut_user sledwards] [ut_id s003] [ut_line ttys003] [ut_pid 21931] [ut_type 8] [ut_tv.tv_sec 1363551169] [ut_tv.tv_usec 647288] [ASLExpireTime 1395173569]
[ASLMessageID 28599] [Time 2013-03-23 00:10:53Z] [TimeNanoSec 859756000] [Level 5] [PID 28503] [UID 0] [GID 20] [ReadGID 80] [Host nibble.blah] [Sender login] [Facility com.apple.system.lastlog] [Message USER_PROCESS: 28503 ttys003] [ut_user sledwards] [ut_id s003] [ut_line ttys003] [ut_pid 28503] [ut_type 7] [ut_tv.tv_sec 1363997453] [ut_tv.tv_usec 859054] [ASLExpireTime 1395619853]

Major Log Changes in 10.12 and iOS 10: Unified Logging

Unified Logging: macOS 10.12, iOS 10.0, tvOS 10.0, watchOS 3.0

Supersedes Apple System Logs (ASL) and Syslog

macOS and iOS (Physical) Locations:

- /var/db/diagnostics/
- Referenced Data in: /var/db/uidtext/

Binary Files: *.tracev3

```

iSarahs-MacBook-Pro:diagnostics oompa$ sw_vers
ProductName:   Mac OS X
ProductVersion: 10.13.1
BuildVersion: 17B1003
iSarahs-MacBook-Pro:diagnostics oompa$ pwd
/var/db/diagnostics
iSarahs-MacBook-Pro:diagnostics oompa$ ls -la
total 2848
drwxr-x---  10 root  admin   320 Dec 15 21:30 .
drwxr-xr-x  85 root  wheel  2720 Dec 16 03:46 ..
drwxr-xr-x   2 root  admin    64 Nov 11 13:17 HighVolume
drwxr-xr-x  55 root  admin  1760 Dec 16 13:19 Persist
drwxr-xr-x 407 root  admin 13024 Dec 16 17:09 Special
-rw-r--r--   1 root  admin 265220 Dec 16 17:11 logdata.statistics.0.txt
-rw-r--r--   1 root  admin 1049501 Dec 12 19:58 logdata.statistics.1.txt
-rw-r--r--   1 root  admin 125296 Dec 15 13:23 shutdown.log
drwxr-xr-x   3 root  wheel    96 Nov 11 13:19 timesync
-rw-r--r--   1 root  admin   484 Dec 15 21:30 version.plist
iSarahs-MacBook-Pro:diagnostics oompa$ ls -l Persist/
total 1058088
-rw-r--r--@ 1 root  admin 10489040 Dec  4 19:25 0000000000000095.tracev3
-rw-r--r--@ 1 root  admin 10483632 Dec  4 19:46 0000000000000096.tracev3
-rw-r--r--@ 1 root  admin 10483608 Dec  4 20:08 0000000000000097.tracev3
-rw-r--r--@ 1 root  admin 10487128 Dec  4 20:33 0000000000000098.tracev3
-rw-r--r--@ 1 root  admin 10482456 Dec  4 20:56 0000000000000099.tracev3
-rw-r--r--@ 1 root  admin 10490336 Dec  4 21:17 000000000000009a.tracev3
-rw-r--r--@ 1 root  admin 10484864 Dec  4 21:40 000000000000009b.tracev3
-rw-r--r--@ 1 root  admin 10482976 Dec  4 22:02 000000000000009c.tracev3

```

Introduced with macOS 10.12 and iOS 10 is unified logging, which is supposed to be uniform across devices and operating systems. This directory has changed over many point versions since it was released in 10.12. The screenshot above is from a 10.13.1 system, while it used to appear like the screenshot below in 10.12.

These log files are stored in the /private/var/db/diagnostics/ directory and reference other data in the /private/var/db/uidtext/ directory. The Unified Logs are supposed to supersede ASL files, however ASL files still exist on the system and may still be worth investigating for certain items.

The main log files are stored in a binary format.

References:

Man Page for log Command

<https://developer.apple.com/documentation/os/logging>

<https://developer.apple.com/videos/play/wwdc2016/721/>

```

bash-3.2# pwd
/private/var/db/diagnostics
bash-3.2# ls -l
total 206272
drwxr-xr-x  2 root  wheel    68 Sep 27 19:03 Events
drwxr-xr-x 30 root  wheel  1020 Oct 22 21:52 FaultsAndErrors
drwxr-xr-x  2 root  wheel    68 Sep 27 19:03 Oversize
drwxr-xr-x  2 root  wheel    68 Sep 27 19:03 SpecialHandling
drwxr-xr-x  2 root  wheel    68 Sep 27 19:03 StateDumps
drwxr-xr-x 14 root  wheel   476 Oct 22 22:03 TTL
-rw-r----- 1 root  wheel  3428016 Oct 14 20:27 logdata.Persistent.20161014T005422.tracev3
-rw-r----- 1 root  wheel  9167544 Oct 15 13:11 logdata.Persistent.20161015T002740.tracev3
-rw-r----- 1 root  wheel 10491576 Oct 15 21:18 logdata.Persistent.20161015T171217.tracev3
-rw-r----- 1 root  wheel  3818584 Oct 17 19:22 logdata.Persistent.20161016T012225.tracev3
-rw-r----- 1 root  wheel  5675360 Oct 17 20:38 logdata.Persistent.20161017T232211.tracev3
-rw-r----- 1 root  wheel  6160968 Oct 18 20:20 logdata.Persistent.20161018T004411.tracev3
-rw-r----- 1 root  wheel  8171240 Oct 19 21:02 logdata.Persistent.20161019T004805.tracev3
-rw-r----- 1 root  wheel  9050872 Oct 21 19:38 logdata.Persistent.20161020T010211.tracev3
-rw-r----- 1 root  wheel 10497776 Oct 22 15:05 logdata.Persistent.20161022T000721.tracev3
-rw-r----- 1 root  wheel  5583528 Oct 22 21:52 logdata.Persistent.20161022T190750.tracev3
-rw-r----- 1 root  wheel 10537456 Oct 23 12:08 logdata.Persistent.20161023T015231.tracev3
-rw-r----- 1 root  wheel 10493240 Oct 23 13:21 logdata.Persistent.20161023T161202.tracev3
-rw-r----- 1 root  wheel 10567792 Oct 23 16:41 logdata.Persistent.20161023T172230.tracev3
-rw-r----- 1 root  wheel  903232 Oct 23 17:19 logdata.Persistent.20161023T204633.tracev3
-rw-r----- 1 root  wheel  718216 Oct 23 16:46 logdata.statistics.0.txt
-rw-r----- 1 root  wheel  304313 Oct 15 13:11 shutdown.log

```

Parse Unified Log Files: log Command—Live Acquisition [1]

`log collect`: “Collect” Records; filter by time, size

`log collect` command will output `system_logs.logarchive` bundle folder to current directory

- Contains bundled *.tracev3 files and referenced data from /var/db/uuidtext/

Can only run log as root

Dead image? Create your own log archive!

- `cp -R /private/var/db/uuidtext/ /private/var/db/diagnostics/ logs.logarchive`

Import into newer Console.app (10.12+)

One way to acquire these files on a macOS is using the live method of collection using the “`log collect`” command. This command will bundle the files up into a bundle archive for later viewing in the Console.app application.

This command can only be run with root privileges.

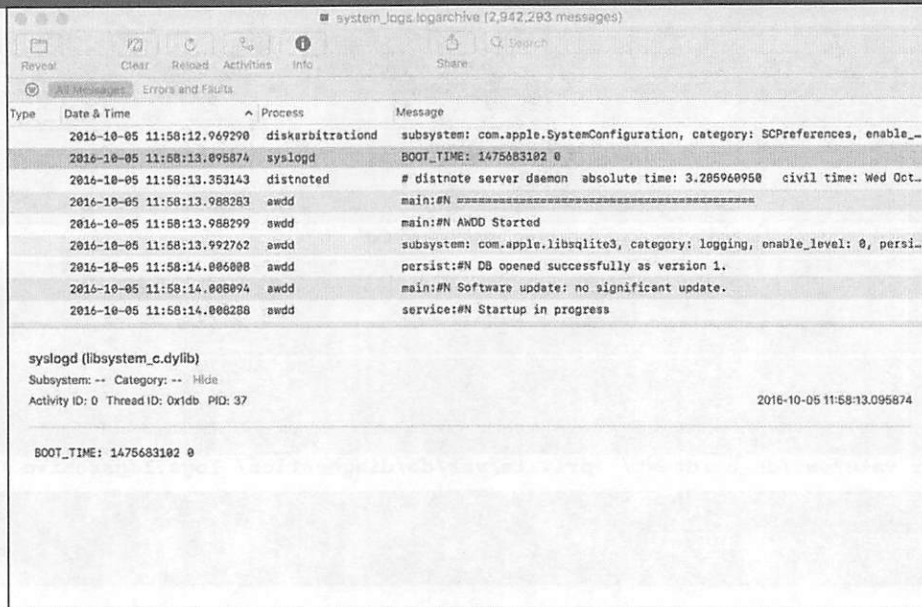
References:

Man Page for `log` Command

<https://developer.apple.com/documentation/os/logging>

<https://developer.apple.com/videos/play/wwdc2016/721/>

Parse Unified Log Files: log Command—Live Acquisition [2]



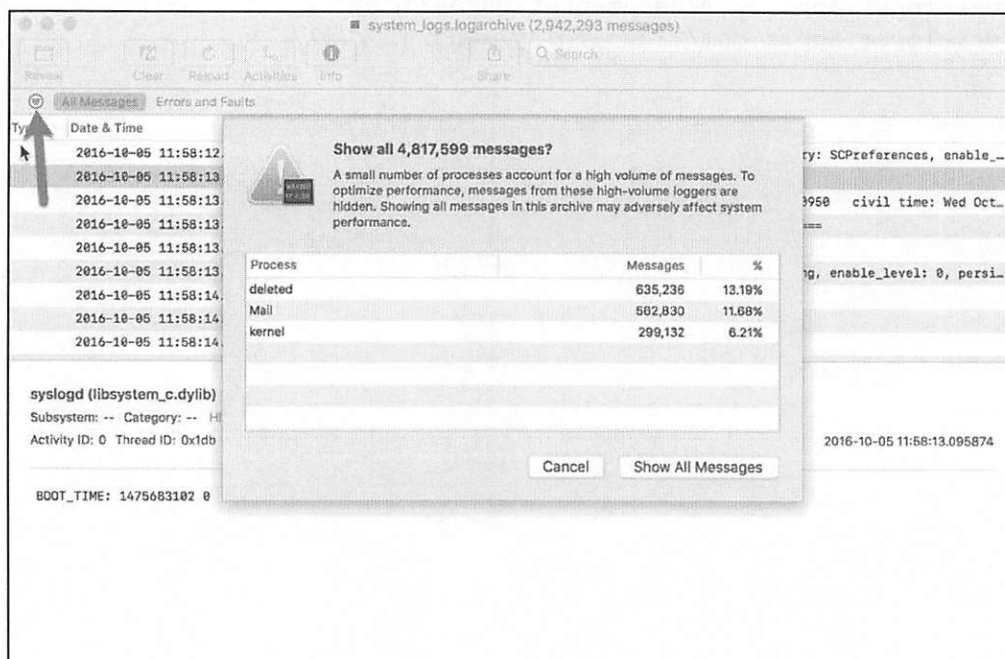
The new Console.app is shown above. The analyst can import the bundled log archive and review its contents. It is worth noting that not all messages are shown by default. Click the small button by “All Messages”, as shown below, to view all messages.

References:

Man Page for log Command

<https://developer.apple.com/documentation/os/logging>

<https://developer.apple.com/videos/play/wwdc2016/721/>



Parse Unified Log Files: log Command—Dead Image

log show: “Show” Records

- Filter on predicates, time frame, etc.
- log show: On live system, output system logs to standard out, already in temporal order

Perform on *.logarchive, *.tracev3 (file or directory) extracted from image

- By File: *.tracev3: Must be within log archive.
- By Log Archive: *.logarchive: In temporal order

By default, disregards Info and Debug messages

- Use --info and/or --debug for all log messages

Standard Output to Terminal

- --style = (JSON or Syslog Outputs)

For the analyst working with a dead image, they can use the “log show” command to compile the *.tracev3 files (or a log archive as needed). By default, this command will not include Info or Debug messages—additional arguments to the command will need to be used to acquire these messages.

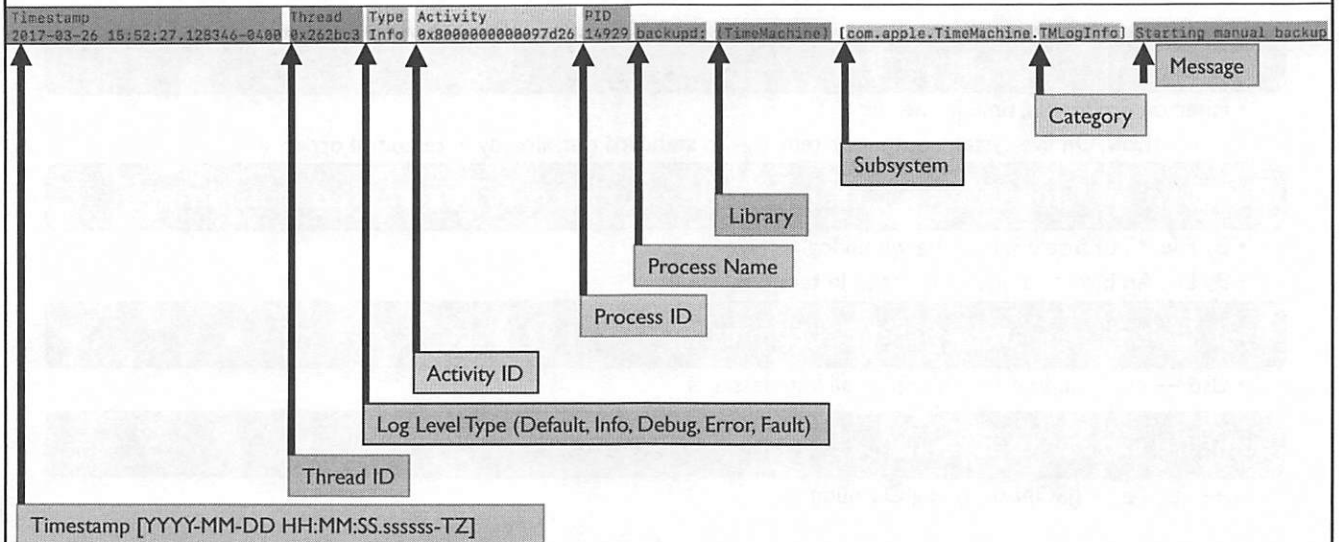
References:

Man Page for log Command

<https://developer.apple.com/documentation/os/logging>

<https://developer.apple.com/videos/play/wwdc2016/721/>

Unified Log Format: Default “log Command” Output



The default unified log format is shown above. Each piece of the log message can be used to filter and search upon, as shown in future slides.

References:

Man Page for log Command

<https://developer.apple.com/documentation/os/logging>

<https://developer.apple.com/videos/play/wwdc2016/721/>

Unified Logs: Predicate Filtering “--predicate”

- Filter log events using logical statements (AND/OR/NOT/</>/=/CONTAINS/BEGINSWITH/TRUE/FALSE, etc.)
 - **eventType**: Filters on Event Types (Log, Trace, Activity)
 - **eventMessage**: Filters on message text or Activity Name (if log/trace event)
 - **messageType**: Filters on Log Level (Default, Info, Debug, Error, Fault)
 - **processImagePath**: Filters on the process name of the event originator
 - **senderImagePath**: Filters on sender name of the event originator (Library, framework, kext, mach-o binary)
 - **subsystem**: Filters on subsystem (reverse DNS ID)
 - **category**: Filters on subsystem category

[cd] = ignore case/diacritics

```
bit:LogsUnite oompa5 log show system_logs.logarchive/ --info --predicate 'processImagePath contains[cd] "backupd" and category contains[cd] "TMLogInfo" and eventMessage contains "Starting" --start "2017-03-25 15:00:00"
=====
/Users/oompa/Dropbox (Personal)/LogsUnite/system_logs.logarchive
=====
Skipping debug messages, pass --debug to include.
Filtering the log data using "processImagePath CONTAINS[cd] "backupd" AND category CONTAINS[cd] "TMLogInfo" AND eventMessage CONTAINS "Starting"
Timestamp      Thread          Type           Activity      PID
2017-03-25 15:09:52.159122-0400 0xbb011        Info          0x0           9802  backupd: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine.TMLogInfo] Starting automatic backup
2017-03-25 15:12:37.464005-0400 0xbb011        Info          0x0           9802  backupd: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine.TMLogInfo] Starting post-backup thinning
2017-03-25 16:21:36.193812-0400 0x187e14       Info          0x0           12334  backupd: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine.TMLogInfo] Starting automatic backup
2017-03-25 16:26:59.910274-0400 0x187e14       Info          0x0           12334  backupd: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine.TMLogInfo] Starting post-backup thinning
2017-03-25 17:21:32.309421-0400 0x21ab5c       Info          0x0           12566  backupd: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine.TMLogInfo] Starting automatic backup
2017-03-25 17:26:55.642558-0400 0x21ab5c       Info          0x0           12566  backupd: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine.TMLogInfo] Starting post-backup thinning
Log           - Default:      0, Info:        6, Debug:       0, Error:        0, Fault:        0
Activity - Create:      0, Transition:  0, Actions:      0
```



The “--predicate” argument allows an analyst to filter on certain pieces of a log message.

References:

Man Page for log Command

<https://developer.apple.com/documentation/os/logging>

<https://developer.apple.com/videos/play/wwdc2016/721/>

Unified Logs: Potential for Memory Analysis of Logs

- Look in the “diagnosticd” process

```
bit:unzip mem oompa$ strings mem | grep "Received UDP DNS Response"
-- Received UDP DNS Response (flags 8180) RCODE: NoErr (0) RD RA ID: 64943 100 bytesXTUM
-- Received UDP DNS Response (flags 8180) RCODE: NoErr (0) RD RA ID: 50357 253 bytes from 2601:0141:0302:1F30:0200:89FF:FE34:1C00:53 to 2601:0141:0302:1F30:0000:0000:0000:1788:54424 --
-- Received UDP DNS Response (flags 8183) RCODE: NXDomain (3) RD RA ID: 49294 119 bytes from 2601:0141:0302:1F30:0200:89FF:FE34:1C00:53 to 2601:0141:0302:1F30:0000:0000:0000:1788:50683 --
-- Received UDP DNS Response (flags 8180) RCODE: NoErr (0) RD RA ID: 54956 188 bytes from 2601:0141:0302:1F30:0200:89FF:FE34:1C00:53 to 2601:0141:0302:1F30:0000:0000:0000:1788:59591 --
-- Received UDP DNS Response (flags 8180) RCODE: NoErr (0) RD RA ID: 35998 216 bytes from 2601:0141:0302:1F30:0200:89FF:FE34:1C00:53 to 2601:0141:0302:1F30:042C:7360:EB74:D3E5:57952 -qA
Received UDP DNS Response (flags 8180) RCODE: NoErr (0) A ID: 35998 91 bytes from 2601:0141:0302:1F30:0200:89FF:FE34:1C00:53 to 2601:0141:0302:1F30:042C:7360:EB74:D3E5:57952 --qA
Received UDP DNS Response (flags 8180) RCODE: NoErr (0) RD RA ID: 41363 121 bytes from 2601:0141:0302:1F30:0200:89FF:FE34:1C00:53 to 2601:0141:0302:1F30:042C:7360:EB74:D3E5:60173 -qA
Received UDP DNS Response (flags 8180) RCODE: NoErr (0) A ID: 37510 183 bytes from 2601:0141:0302:1F30:0200:89FF:FE34:1C00:53 to 2601:0141:0302:1F30:042C:7360:EB74:D3E5:69938 -qA
Received UDP DNS Response (flags 8183) RCODE: NXDomain (3) RD RA ID: 43978 138 bytes from 2601:0141:0302:1F30:0200:89FF:FE34:1C00:53 to 2601:0141:0302:1F30:042C:7360:EB74:D3E5:61959 -qA
-- Received UDP DNS Response (flags 8180) RCODE: NoErr (0) RD RA ID: 29870 141 bytes from 2A
-- Received UDP DNS Response (flags 8180) RCODE: NoErr (0) RD RA ID: 52261 138 bytes from 10.11.12.254:53 to 10.11.12.214:51175 --
-- Received UDP DNS Response (flags 8180) RCODE: NoErr (0) RD RA ID: 1141 124 bytes from 2601:0141:0302:1F30:0200:89FF:FE34:1C00:53 to 2601:0141:0302:1F30:0000:0000:0000:1788:63995 --
```

Message	Volatile	Subsystem
-- Received UDP DNS Response (flags 8180) RCODE: NoErr (0) RD RA ID: 11920 69 bytes from 2601:0141:...	1	com.apple.mDNS...
1 Questions	1	com.apple.mDNS...
0 d.dropbox.com. Addr	1	com.apple.mDNS...
3 Answers	1	com.apple.mDNS...
0 TTL 76 17 d.dropbox.com. CNAME d.v.dropbox.com.	1	com.apple.mDNS...
1 TTL 39 4 d.v.dropbox.com. Addr 108.160.172.193	1	com.apple.mDNS...
2 TTL 39 4 d.v.dropbox.com. Addr 108.160.172.225	1	com.apple.mDNS...

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With Unified Logs, some messages are only stored in memory. The example above shows a “Volatile” column in the Console.app application, where the message is marked volatile or not (1 = Volatile, 0 = Non-volatile). Looking for the same messages on a “dead” system may not show you all the messages you are expecting, because they were stored in memory.

The Unified Logs uses the “diagnosticd” process. As shown above, this is the process space where the volatile messages could be found.

References:

Man Page for log Command

<https://developer.apple.com/documentation/os/logging>

<https://developer.apple.com/videos/play/wwdc2016/721/>

Unified Logs Example: Network Usage – ‘configd’

```
log show --info --predicate 'senderImagePath contains[cd]
"IPConfiguration" and (eventMessage contains[cd] "SSID" or
eventMessage contains[cd] "Lease" or eventMessage contains[cd]
"network changed") '
```

```
configd: (IPConfiguration) [com.apple.IPConfiguration.Server] Removing Stale Lease 172.19.131.157 Router 172.19.131.2
configd: (IPConfiguration) [com.apple.IPConfiguration.Server] en0: no SSID
configd: (IPConfiguration) [com.apple.IPConfiguration.Server] DHCP en0: status = 'network changed'
configd: (IPConfiguration) [com.apple.IPConfiguration.Server] DHCP bridge0: status = 'network changed'
configd: (IPConfiguration) [com.apple.IPConfiguration.Server] en0: SSID honors BSSID 0:23:ea:7f:4d:91
configd: (IPConfiguration) [com.apple.IPConfiguration.Server] DHCP en0: status = 'network changed'
configd: (IPConfiguration) [com.apple.IPConfiguration.Server] en0: SSID is now honors (was United_Ni-Fi)
configd: (IPConfiguration) [com.apple.IPConfiguration.Server] en0: No lease for honors
configd: (IPConfiguration) [com.apple.IPConfiguration.Server] AUTOMATIC-V6 en0: status = 'network changed'
configd: (IPConfiguration) [com.apple.IPConfiguration.Server] en0: SSID honors BSSID 0:23:ea:7f:4d:91
configd: (IPConfiguration) [com.apple.IPConfiguration.Server] en0: SSID honors BSSID 0:23:ea:7f:4d:91
configd: (IPConfiguration) [com.apple.IPConfiguration.Server] en0: SSID honors BSSID 0:23:ea:7f:4d:91
configd: (IPConfiguration) [com.apple.IPConfiguration.Server] ignoring lease with SSID stationx
configd: (IPConfiguration) [com.apple.IPConfiguration.Server] DHCP en0: ARP router: No leases to query for
configd: (IPConfiguration) [com.apple.IPConfiguration.Server] ignoring lease with SSID stationx
configd: (IPConfiguration) [com.apple.IPConfiguration.Server] DHCP en0: ARP router: No leases to query for
configd: (IPConfiguration) [com.apple.IPConfiguration.Server] ignoring lease with SSID stationx
configd: (IPConfiguration) [com.apple.IPConfiguration.Server] DHCP en0: ARP router: No leases to query for
configd: (IPConfiguration) [com.apple.IPConfiguration.Server] ignoring lease with SSID stationx
configd: (IPConfiguration) [com.apple.IPConfiguration.Server] DHCP en0: ARP router: No leases to query for
configd: (IPConfiguration) [com.apple.IPConfiguration.Server] ignoring lease with SSID stationx
configd: (IPConfiguration) [com.apple.IPConfiguration.Server] DHCP en0: ARP router: No leases to query for
configd: (IPConfiguration) [com.apple.IPConfiguration.Server] DHCP en0: INIT lease = { start 0x1e8efa9a, t1 0x1e8f01a2, t2 0x1e8f06e0, expiration 0x1e8f08aa }
configd: (IPConfiguration) [com.apple.IPConfiguration.Server] DHCP en0: SELECT lease = { start 0x1e8efa9c, t1 0x1e8f01a4, t2 0x1e8f06ea, expiration 0x1e8f08ac }
configd: (IPConfiguration) [com.apple.IPConfiguration.Server] Saved lease for 107.16.207.185
```

Using the predicate-based query language, we can find the network usage of this system by finding all messages that contain the sender “IPConfiguration” and whose log message contains “Lease” or “network changed”.

References:

Man Page for log Command

<https://developer.apple.com/documentation/os/logging>

<https://developer.apple.com/videos/play/wwdc2016/721/>

Unified Logs Example: User Logins via Apple Watch Device Information

```
log show --info system_logs.logarchive/ --predicate  
"subsystem = "com.apple.sharing" and category =  
"AutoUnlock" and eventMessage contains[cd] "Found Peer"
```

```
bit:LogsUnite oompa$ log show --info system_logs.logarchive/ --predicate 'subsystem = "com.apple.sharing" and category = "AutoUnlock" and eventMessage contains[cd] "Found Peer"'  
=====  
/Users/oompa/Dropbox (Personal)/LogsUnite/system_logs.logarchive  
=====  
Skipping debug messages, pass --debug to include.  
Filtering the log data using "subsystem == "com.apple.sharing" AND category == "AutoUnlock" AND eventMessage CONTAINS[cd] "Found Peer"  
Timestamp      Thread      Type      Activity      PID      sharingd: [com.apple.sharing.AutoUnlock] Found peer callback  
2017-03-23 21:15:58.940782-0400 0x5e716   Default      0x0        406      sharingd: [com.apple.sharing.AutoUnlock] Found Peer:  
2017-03-23 21:15:58.940935-0400 0x5e716   Default      0x0        406      sharingd: [com.apple.sharing.AutoUnlock] Found Peer:  
Device <name:iPhone7, uniqueID:F9B85FFC-2B06-4E80-93DA-67508472C8F8, bluetooth ID:F768D25B-1EC8-476B-B4A3-D757898CD2E8, modelIdentifier:iPhone9,3>  
Peer <SFBLEDevice ID f768d25b-1ec8-476b-b4a3-d757898cd2e8, AdvData '0a40', RSSI -47, 0, [-47], Name '?', Paired no>.  
Unlock Enabled: NO,  
Proxy Unlock Enabled: YES,  
Locked on Wrist: NO  
2017-03-23 21:16:00.086856-0400 0x5e716   Default      0x0        406      sharingd: [com.apple.sharing.AutoUnlock] Found peer callback  
2017-03-23 21:16:00.087012-0400 0x5e716   Default      0x0        406      sharingd: [com.apple.sharing.AutoUnlock] Found Peer:  
Device <name:miWatch, uniqueID:47B476E2-6876-4D3D-B078-A24305AF1A21, bluetooth ID:C905A733-BEA0-4680-A41F-4DCDF577A099, modelIdentifier:Watch2,3>  
Peer <SFBLEDevice ID c905a733-bea0-4680-a41f-4dcd577a099, AdvData '0180', RSSI -38, 0, [-38], Name '?', Paired no>.  
Unlock Enabled: YES,  
Proxy Unlock Enabled: NO,  
Locked on Wrist: NO
```

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This example shows the query that will produce logins that were performed with the Apple Watch. This one was performed on a `system_logs.logarchive` bundle.

This query is looking for a the “com.apple.sharing” subsystem, with the “AutoUnlock” category with the keywords “Found Peer” in the log message.

References:

Man Page for log Command

<https://developer.apple.com/documentation/os/logging>

<https://developer.apple.com/videos/play/wwdc2016/721/>

macOS Audit Logs: /private/var/audit/*

- Basic Security Module
- (BSM) Audit Logs
- Binary Format

```
sh-3.2# xxd 20130307232230.20130308000749
0000000: 1400 0000 7d0b af67 0000 5139 2136 0000 ....}.g..Q9!6..
0000010: 02ed 7101 0000 0000 0000 0000 0007 7366 ..q.....sf
0000020: 6c61 6773 002d 0200 0000 0000 0b61 6d5f lags.-.....am_
0000030: 7375 6363 6573 7300 2d03 0000 0000 000b success.-.....
0000040: 616d 5f66 6169 6c75 7265 0024 ffff ffff am_failure.$....
0000050: 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 .....
0000060: 0000 0000 0001 8703 0000 0000 0000 0000 .....
0000070: 2700 0000 0000 13b1 0500 0000 7d14 0000 '.....}...
0000080: 007d 0baf 6800 0051 392b d400 0003 e771 }.h..Q9+.....q
0000090: 0100 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0773 666c 6167 .....sflag
00000a0: 7300 2d02 0000 0000 000b 616d 5f73 7563 s.-.....am_suc
00000b0: 6365 7373 002d 0300 0000 0000 0b61 6d5f cess.-.....am_
00000c0: 6661 696c 7572 6500 24ff ffff ff00 0000 failure.$.....
00000d0: 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 .....
00000e0: 0000 0187 0300 0000 0000 0000 0027 0000 .....'.
00000f0: 0000 0013 b105 0000 007d 1400 0000 7d0b .....}.....}.
0000100: af65 0000 5139 2bd5 0000 0000 7101 0000 .e..Q9+.....q...
0000110: 0000 0000 0000 0007 7366 6c61 6773 002d .....sflags.-
0000120: 0200 0000 0000 0b61 6d5f 7375 6363 6573 .....am_succe
0000130: 7300 2d03 0000 0000 000b 616d 5f66 6169 s.-.....am_fai
0000140: 6c75 7265 0024 ffff ffff 0000 0000 0000 lure.$.....
0000150: 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0001 .....
0000160: 8705 0000 0000 0000 0000 2700 0000 0000 .....'.
0000170: 13b1 0500 0000 7d .....}
```

The audit logs are one of the few logs not located in the main log directories. These logs are located in the /var/audit/ directory.

The audit logs use the Basic Security Module from OpenBSM (McAfee Research) based on the definitions created by Sun Microsystems. It has now been taken over by the TrustedBSD project.

The log data is stored in a binary format that can be viewed using tools native to OS X.

More information about BSM Audit logs can be found in Hal Pomeranz's article "Solaris Basic Security Mode (BSM) Auditing": www.deer-run.com/~hal/sysadmin/SolarisBSMAuditing.html.

```

sh-3.2# xxd 20130307232230.20130308000749
0000000: 1400 0000 7d0b af67 0000 5139 2136 0000  ....}..g..Q9!6..
0000010: 02ed 7101 0000 0000 0000 0000 0007 7366  ..q.....sf
0000020: 6c61 6773 002d 0200 0000 0000 0b61 6d5f  lags.-.....am_
0000030: 7375 6363 6573 7300 2d03 0000 0000 000b  success.-.....
0000040: 616d 5f66 6169 6c75 7265 0024 ffff ffff  am_failure.$....
0000050: 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000  .....
0000060: 0000 0000 0001 8703 0000 0000 0000 0000  .....
0000070: 2700 0000 0000 13b1 0500 0000 7d14 0000  '.....}...
0000080: 007d 0baf 6800 0051 392b d400 0003 e771  .}..h..Q9+.....q
0000090: 0100 0000 0000 0000 0000 0773 666c 6167  .....sflag
00000a0: 7300 2d02 0000 0000 000b 616d 5f73 7563  s.-.....am_suc
00000b0: 6365 7373 002d 0300 0000 0000 0b61 6d5f  cess.-.....am_
00000c0: 6661 696c 7572 6500 24ff ffff ff00 0000  failure.$.....
00000d0: 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000  .....
00000e0: 0000 0187 0300 0000 0000 0000 0027 0000  .....'.
00000f0: 0000 0013 b105 0000 007d 1400 0000 7d0b  .....}....}.
0000100: af65 0000 5139 2bd5 0000 0000 7101 0000  .e..Q9+.....q...
0000110: 0000 0000 0000 0007 7366 6c61 6773 002d  .....sflags.-
0000120: 0200 0000 0000 0b61 6d5f 7375 6363 6573  .....am_succe
0000130: 7300 2d03 0000 0000 000b 616d 5f66 6169  s.-.....am_fai
0000140: 6c75 7265 0024 ffff ffff 0000 0000 0000  lure.$.....
0000150: 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0001  .....
0000160: 8705 0000 0000 0000 0000 2700 0000 0000  .....'.
0000170: 13b1 0500 0000 7d  .....}

```

macOS Audit Logs: Audit Trail Files

- StartTime.EndTime
- YYYYMMDDHHMMSS.YYYYMMDDHHMMSS
- Other Filenames:
 - “current”
 - *.not_terminated
 - *.crash_recovery

```
drwx-----  8 root  wheel   272 May 28 15:22 .
drwxr-xr-x  29 root  wheel   986 May  9 21:39 ..
-r--r-----  1 root  wheel  48987 May 10 00:46 20120509232853.20120510044637
-r--r-----  1 root  wheel  57158 May 12 11:31 20120510204054.20120512153135
-r--r-----  1 root  wheel  92166 May 27 20:02 20120512153220.20120528000216
-r--r-----  1 root  wheel  20805 May 28 15:20 20120528000250.20120528192006
-r--r-----  1 root  wheel   4619 May 28 21:07 20120528192235.not_terminated
lrwxr-xr-x   1 root  wheel    40 May 28 15:22 current -> /var/audit/20120528192235.not_terminated
```

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The log directory should contain many log files, each with a standard naming scheme (StartTime.EndTime) in the format YYYYMMDDHHMMSS. In the screenshot, the first log file (20120509232853.20120510044637) would contain data for the time period in between 05/09/2012 23:28:53 to 05/10/2012 04:64:37. Other filenames may also be used to show incompleteness or system error.

The “current” audit trail file will be a symbolic link to the active audit trail file, as shown in the screenshot above.

Those files ending with “not_terminated” are trail files that were not terminated properly due to a system error, or the file was otherwise inaccessible. The current audit trail that is in use will always have the “not_terminated” file extensions.

Audit trail files ending in “crash_recovery” are those files that were not terminated properly due to system or audit crash. The next audit trail file will have an “audit crash recovery” as the first record”.

macOS Audit Logs: Configuration Files— /etc/security/*

audit_class

- Auditable events (login/logouts, authorization)

audit_control

- Auditing parameters (file size, expiration, directory)

audit_user

- User-specific auditing configuration

audit_event

- Audit event descriptions

audit_class:

The `audit_class` file contains the auditable event class designations. Each of these will be used to determine which events are audited for the system or for a specific user.

audit_control:

The `audit_control` file contains the configuration data for the audit process.

This file contains different parameters.

- **dir:** Directory where audit trail files are stored.
- **flags:** Specifies audit event classes for a user (see `audit_class` file). `lo` = login/logout events, `aa` = audit administrative events.
- **minfree:** Minimum space (percentage) required on volume where audit logs are contained.
- **naflags:** Specifies audit event classes that are not attributable to a user (see `audit_class` file). “naflags” = non-attributable flags.
- **policy:** Global audit policy flags.
- **filesz:** Maximum audit trail file size (2 megabytes).
- **expire-after:** Expire audit trail files after a certain amount of time or size (expire after 10 megabytes of audit trail files).

audit_user:

Each user can have specific audit functions recorded. The default configuration only includes one user—root.

The format for each line is `username:alwaysaudit:neveraudit`, where the first parameter is the username, the second are those classes that should be audited, and the third are those classes that should not be audited.

audit_event:

The `audit_event` file contains auditable event types that are classified into various event classes. The entries in this file follow the format `eventnum:eventname:description:eventclass`.

- **eventnum:** Unique number for the event
- **eventname:** Event Name
- **description:** Event Description
- **eventclass:** Event class (see `audit_class`)

References:

`audit_class` Man Page
`audit_control` Man Page
`audit_user` Man Page
`audit_event` Man Page

`praudit -xn /var/audit/* - su` Example:

```
<record version="11" event="user authentication" modifier="0" time="Mon
May 28 21:12:51 2012" msec=" + 41 msec" >
<subject audit-uid="501" uid="0" gid="20" ruid="501" rgid="20" pid="552"
sid="100004" tid="552 0.0.0.0" />
<text>Verify password for record type Users &apos;root&apos; node
&apos;/Local/Default&apos;</text>
<return errval="success" retval="0" />
</record>

<record version="11" event="user authentication" modifier="0" time="Mon
May 28 21:12:55 2012" msec=" + 449 msec" >
<subject audit-uid="501" uid="0" gid="20" ruid="501" rgid="20" pid="554"
sid="100004" tid="554 0.0.0.0" />
<text>Verify password for record type Users &apos;root&apos; node
&apos;/Local/Default&apos;</text>
<return errval="failure: Unknown error: 255" retval="5000" />
</record>
```

The `praudit` (i.e., print audit) command can be used to view the audit log files. This command is native to OS X.

The `praudit` command shown above uses the `-xn` options to print the audit records in XML format (`-x`) and does not convert the user and group IDs (`-n`).

Shown above are two separate records. The first record contains the data consistent with a successful `su` logon, while the second contains a failed `su` logon.

The event identifier “`user authentication`” can be used to determine logon activities of users.

In the first record, the highlighted “`ruid`” key contains the UID for user 501 (usually the first user account created on the system). This user is attempting to use the “`su`” command to get root privileges, as shown in the “`text`” key. The “`return`” key shows that it was successful.

In the second record, the same event occurred but returned with a “`failure:Unknown error: 255`” error. This error type is returned at a failed “`su`” login.

Audit Log Records

- Each record is made up of “tokens”

Header

```
<record version="11" event="user authentication"
modifier="0" time="Mon May 28 21:12:51 2012" msec=" +
41 msec" >
```

Subject

```
<subject audit-uid="501" uid="0" gid="20" ruid="501"
rgid="20" pid="552" sid="100004" tid="552 0.0.0.0" />
```

Text

```
<text>Verify password for record type Users
&apos;root&apos; node
&apos;/Local/Default&apos;</text>
```

Return

```
<return errval="success" retval="0" />
```

Trailer

```
</record>
```

As shown previously, each audit record is made up of various components, or “tokens”.

The example above contains five of the basic tokens needed for each record. Each record may contain different tokens, depending on the contents of the data.

- **Header:** Required token. This is used to mark the start of a record. It contains data such as the record version, event type/modifier, timestamp, and record length. The length is not shown above due to how the record was printed.
- **Subject:** This token contains data associated with the “subject” making the operation. This record will have the audit user ID, effective user ID, effective group ID, real user ID, real group ID, process ID, session ID, and terminal ID. The real user IDs are generally the user executing the process (UID 501), while the effective user ID is the user the process is running under (i.e., root: UID 0).
- **Text:** The Text token contains a string with a description of the event.
- **Return:** The Return token contains a return value that may be used by the system.
- **Trailer:** Required token. This contains the record termination and may also contain a magic number or byte count, depending on how the record is printed.

Audit Log Record: Tokens

Variable number of tokens

Subject Token

The ``subject'' token contains information on the subject performing the operation described by an audit record, and includes similar information to that found in the ``process'' and ``expanded process'' tokens. However, those tokens are used where the process being described is the target of the operation, not the authorizing party. A ``subject'' token can be created using `au_to_subject32(3)` and `au_to_subject64(3)`.

Field	Bytes	Description
Token ID	1 byte	Token ID
Audit ID	4 bytes	Audit user ID
Effective User ID	4 bytes	Effective user ID
Effective Group ID	4 bytes	Effective group ID
Real User ID	4 bytes	Real user ID
Real Group ID	4 bytes	Real group ID
Process ID	4 bytes	Process ID
Session ID	4 bytes	Audit session ID
Terminal Port ID	4/8 bytes	Terminal port ID (32/64-bits)
Terminal Machine Address	4 bytes	IP address of machine

More information about each token can be found on the `audit.log` man page.

Example from the man page for the subject token.

Reference:
[audit.log Man Page](#)

auditreduce Command

Filter audit records given:

- Before or after a date/time
- A specific user
- A specific subject token
- An audit event (shown below)

```
bash-3.2# auditreduce -m AUE_lw_login 20140716023538.20140725213130 | praudit -xn
<?xml version='1.0' encoding='UTF-8'?>
<audit>
<record version="11" event="loginwindow login" modifier="0" time="Tue Jul 15 22:47:21 2014" msec=" + 473 msec" >
<subject audit-uid="501" uid="0" gid="0" ruid="501" rgid="20" pid="73" sid="100004" tid="503316500.0.0.0" />
<return errval="success" retval="0" />
</record>
```

BSM audit records can be filtered using the `auditreduce` command.

The screenshot shows a filter for a specific audit event to find login window logins (`AUE_lw_login`). The `auditreduce` command can be piped to the `praudit` command for easier viewing.

The audit events can be found in `/etc/security/audit_event`.

Reference:
[auditreduce Man Page](#)



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Volume Analysis

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Mounted Volumes

Volume History

Volume analysis can provide us with information about other items connected to the system or accessed via the system.

Search “/Volumes/”: Unix Maintenance Log—daily.out

```
Sat Mar 3 11:10:50 EST 2018

Removing old temporary files:
/tmp/powerlog

Cleaning out old system announcements:

Removing stale files from /var/rwho:

Disk status:
Filesystem      Size      Used Avail Capacity iused      ifree Miused      Mounted on
/dev/disk3s1    380Gi    156Gi  5.4Gi    74% 602741 9223372036854173066  0% /
/dev/disk5s1    7.2Gi    42Mi   7.1Gi    1%    89 9223372036854775718  0% /Volumes/SEKRET

Network interface status:
Name Mtu Network Address          Ipkts Ierrs  Opkts Oerrs  Coll
lo0  16384 <link#1>          31270  0    31270  0    0
lo0  16384 127             localhost        31270  -    31270  -    -
lo0  16384 localhost:        31270  -    31270  -    -
lo0  16384 fe80::          31270  -    31270  -    -
gif0* 1280 <link#2>          627728 0    4294339551 0% /Volumes/TimeMachine
stf0* 1280 <link#3>          640056 0    4294327223 0% /Volumes/TimeMachine
XHC20 0 <link#4>
en0  1500 <link#5>          618580 0    4294348699 0% /Volumes/TimeMachine
en0  1500 dvids:           7.2Gi    42Mi   7.1Gi    1%    89 9223372036854775718  0% /Volumes/SEKRET
en0  1500 fd82:58f6:b   567345  -    569950  -    -
en1  1500 <link#6>          0 0 0 0 0
en2  1500 <link#7>          0 0 0 0 0
p2p0 2304 <link#8>          0 0 0 0 0
awdl0 1484 <link#9>          18592 0 4410 0 0
awdl0 1484 dvids-mach fe80:9:3801:5dff 18592 0 4410 0 0
bridg 1500 <link#10>         0 0 1 0 0
utun0 2000 <link#11>         0 0 2 0 0
utun0 2000 fe80::4c42: fe80:b::4c42:51e1 0 - 2 - -

Local system status:
11:11 up 5 days, 17:47, 4 users, load averages: 3.97 1.92 1.59
-- End of daily output --
```



Volume analysis may be important to an investigation to see what USB drives were mounted on the system, what software might have been installed, or what the historical usage of a certain volume is.

The term “/Volumes/” can be searched for in Unix periodic daily script output `daily.out` files. The `/Volumes/` directory is the default mount point for any volume that is mounted on the system.

The `daily.out` file shows what volumes were mounted on the system when the daily maintenance script was run. This log shows the device file the volume is using, the size of the volume, storage utilization, and the volume name and mount point.

There are three maintenance scripts that are run periodically. These scripts are located in `/etc/periodic` and are named `daily`, `weekly`, and `monthly`, after how often they are run. These scripts are started as launch daemons found in the `/System/Library/LaunchDaemons` directory.

- `com.apple.periodic-daily.plist`
- `com.apple.periodic-weekly.plist`
- `com.apple.periodic-monthly.plist`

Each script produces a log file located in `/var/log/` named similar to the script that created it:

- **daily.out**: Contains output from temporary file removal, disk, network, and system status.
- **weekly.out**: Contains output from rebuilding the `what_is` database. This database contains a description of system commands.
- **monthly.out**: Contains output from rotating the fax logs and login accounting.

In older versions of OS X, these files may be named `daily.log`, `weekly.log`, and `monthly.log`.

References:
[periodic Man Page](#)
[periodic.conf Man Page](#)

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Removing old temporary files:
/tmp/powerlog

Cleaning out old system announcements:

Removing stale files from /var/rwho:

Disk status:

Filesystem	Size	Used	Avail	Capacity	iused	ifree	%iused	Mounted on
/dev/disk3s1	30Gi	15Gi	5.4Gi	74%	602741	9223372036854173066	0%	/
/dev/disk5s1	7.2Gi	42Mi	7.1Gi	1%	89	9223372036854775718	0%	/Volumes/SEKRET

Network interface status:

Name	Mtu	Network	Address	Ipkts	Ierrs	Opkts	Oerrs	Coll
lo0	16384	<Link#1>		31270	0	31270	0	0
lo0	16384	127	localhost	31270	-	31270	-	-
lo0	16384	localhost	::1	31270	-	31270	-	-
lo0	16384	fe80::1%lo0	fe80:1::1	31270	-	31270	-	-
gif0*	1280	<Link#2>		0	0	0	0	0
stf0*	1280	<Link#3>		0	0	0	0	0
XHC20	0	<Link#4>		0	0	0	0	0
en0	1500	<Link#5>	b8:e8:56:37:ec:06	567345	0	569950	0	0
en0	1500	davids-macb	fe80:5::10a9:5f32	567345	-	569950	-	-
en0	1500	192.168.101	davids-mbp.lan	567345	-	569950	-	-
en0	1500	fd82:58f6:b	fd82:58f6:b61b::2	567345	-	569950	-	-
en0	1500	fd82:58f6:b	fd82:58f6:b61b::f	567345	-	569950	-	-
en1	1500	<Link#6>	72:00:00:b0:3b:60	0	0	0	0	0
en2	1500	<Link#7>	72:00:00:b0:3b:61	0	0	0	0	0
p2p0	2304	<Link#8>	0a:e8:56:37:ec:06	0	0	0	0	0
awdl0	1484	<Link#9>	3a:01:5d:65:e7:36	10592	0	4410	0	0
awdl0	1484	davids-macb	fe80:9::3801:5dff	10592	-	4410	-	-
bridg	1500	<Link#10>	72:00:00:b0:3b:60	0	0	1	0	0
utun0	2000	<Link#11>		0	0	2	0	0
utun0	2000	fe80::4c42:	fe80:b::4c42:51e1	0	-	2	-	-

Local system status:

11:11 up 5 days, 17:47, 4 users, load averages: 3.97 1.92 1.59

-- End of daily output --

Search “/Volumes/”: system.log and Unified Logs

```
Sarahs-MBP:FOR518 ompa$ log show galaga.logarchive/ --info --predicate 'eventMessage contains "/Volumes"'
=====
/Users/ompa/FOR518/galaga.logarchive
=====
log: warning: The log archive contains partial or missing metadata
Filtering the log data using "eventMessage CONTAINS "/Volumes""
Skipping debug messages, pass --debug to include.
Timestamp      Thread      Type      Activity      PID      TTL
2018-02-25 20:34:45.913471-0500 0x172c8   Error        0x0      1045    14   backupd: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogError] Failed to unmount disk mounted at
"/Volumes/com.apple.TimeMachine.localsnapshots/Backups.backupdb/David's MacBook Pro/2018-02-25-202849/Galaga", error: {
  Action = Unmount;
  Target = "file:///Volumes/com.apple.TimeMachine.localsnapshots/Backups.backupdb/David's MacBook20Pro/2018-02-25-202849/Galaga";
}
2018-02-25 20:37:48.379769-0500 0x2265   Default     0x0      47      0   fsevents: log dir: /Volumes/blah/.fsevents getting new uuid: E9C7FAEB-919C-4D1C-9A07-ACEDD
9910F5E
2018-02-25 20:37:48.478662-0500 0x2265   Default     0x0      47      0   fsevents: log dir: /Volumes/hawt/.fsevents getting new uuid: 3B4ED4D9-387F-4C8C-B254-1E7DC
4EC3C12
2018-02-25 20:37:48.873398-0500 0x2265   Default     0x0      47      0   fsevents: event logs in /Volumes/meow/.fsevents out of sync with volume. destroying old l
ogs. (365 @ 906@1833)
2018-02-25 20:37:48.886110-0500 0x2265   Default     0x0      47      0   fsevents: log dir: /Volumes/meow/.fsevents getting new uuid: DA8098CD-F96E-AF1B-9E42-D9F25
3AE500A
2018-02-25 20:37:49.138530-0500 0x2265   Default     0x0      47      0   fsevents: log dir: /Volumes/yoyo/.fsevents getting new uuid: D7642857-734F-4DEF-8180-2965F
2702363
2018-02-25 20:46:29.180781-0500 0x17566   Default     0xda3b   414    0   deleted: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/yoyo"
2018-02-25 20:46:29.213184-0500 0x1900e   Default     0xda3c   414    0   deleted: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/hawt"
2018-02-25 20:46:29.236261-0500 0x19019   Default     0xda3d   414    0   deleted: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/meow"
2018-02-25 20:46:29.247883-0500 0x19019   Default     0xda3e   414    0   deleted: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/blah"
2018-02-25 20:46:29.384719-0500 0x19015   Default     0xda3f   414    0   deleted: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/hawt"
2018-02-25 20:46:29.462341-0500 0x19015   Default     0xe8c0   414    0   deleted: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/yoyo"
2018-02-25 20:46:29.488510-0500 0x19019   Default     0xe8c1   414    0   deleted: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/blah"
2018-02-25 20:46:29.541578-0500 0x19019   Default     0xe8c2   414    0   deleted: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/meow"
2018-02-25 20:46:29.541578-0500 0x19019   Default     0xe8c2   414    0   deleted: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/meow"
2018-02-25 20:46:30.152362-0500 0x19015   Default     0xe8c4   414    0   deleted: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/hawt"
2018-02-25 20:46:30.269368-0500 0x19015   Default     0xe8c5   414    0   deleted: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/yoyo"
2018-02-25 20:46:30.294643-0500 0x19015   Default     0xe8c6   414    0   deleted: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/blah"
2018-02-25 20:46:30.347207-0500 0x19019   Default     0xe8c7   414    0   deleted: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/meow"
2018-02-25 20:49:04.518324-0500 0x2265   Default     0x0      47      0   fsevents: could not open <<"/Volumes/SEKRET/.fsevents/fsevents-uid"> (No such file or dir
actory)
2018-02-25 20:49:04.518334-0500 0x2265   Default     0x0      47      0   fsevents: Failed to load UUID. Removing all old log files in /Volumes/SEKRET/.fsevents
2018-02-25 20:49:04.518433-0500 0x2265   Default     0x0      47      0   fsevents: log dir: /Volumes/SEKRET/.fsevents getting new uuid: 72FEB7BC-BF24-43DE-9D71-548
56CECD33E
2018-02-25 20:49:04.668388-0500 0x1900e   Default     0xe8c8   414    0   deleted: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/SEKRET"
2018-02-25 20:49:04.722366-0500 0x2167   Default     0x0      47      0   fsevents: Events arrived for /Volumes/SEKRET after an unmount request! Re-initializing.
2018-02-25 20:49:04.722376-0500 0x2167   Default     0x0      47      0   fsevents: creating a dls for /Volumes/SEKRET but it already has one...
```



The term “/Volumes/” can be searched for in the system.log and unified logs.

These log files may show when the volume was automatically mounted and the UUID attached to that volume (fsevents). It is important to point out that the same USB drive will have a different UUID every time it is mounted on the system.

Other processes may show other volume access, such as the “backup” process for Time Machine shown above.

```

Sarahs-MBP:FOR518 oompa$ log show galaga.logarchive/ --info --predicate 'eventMessage contains "/Volumes"'
=====
/Users/oompa/FOR518/galaga.logarchive
=====
log: warning: The log archive contains partial or missing metadata
Filtering the log data using "eventMessage CONTAINS "/Volumes""
Skipping debug messages, pass --debug to include.
Timestamp          Thread           Type           Activity          PID    TTL
2018-02-25 20:34:46.313471-0500 0x172c0      Error           0x0             1045   14   backupd: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogError] Failed to unmount disk mounted at
'/Volumes/com.apple.TimeMachine.localsnapshots/Backups.backupdb/David's MacBook Pro/2018-02-25-202849/Galaga', error: {
  Action = Unmount;
  Target = "file:///Volumes/com.apple.TimeMachine.localsnapshots/Backups.backupdb/David%E2%80%99s%20MacBook%20Pro/2018-02-25-202849/Galaga";
}
2018-02-25 20:37:48.379769-0500 0x265      Default         0x0             47    0   fseventsd: log dir: /Volumes/blah/.fseventsd getting new uuid: E9C7FAEB-919C-4D1C-9407-ACEDD
9910F5E
2018-02-25 20:37:48.478562-0500 0x265      Default         0x0             47    0   fseventsd: log dir: /Volumes/hawt/.fseventsd getting new uuid: 384ED4D9-307F-4C8C-8254-1E7CC
4EC3C12
2018-02-25 20:37:48.873398-0500 0x265      Default         0x0             47    0   fseventsd: event logs in /Volumes/meow/.fseventsd out of sync with volume. destroying old l
ogs. (365 0 98601833)
2018-02-25 20:37:48.886110-0500 0x265      Default         0x0             47    0   fseventsd: log dir: /Volumes/meow/.fseventsd getting new uuid: DA809BCD-F96E-4F1B-9E42-D9F25
34E50DA
2018-02-25 20:37:49.138530-0500 0x265      Default         0x0             47    0   fseventsd: log dir: /Volumes/yoyo/.fseventsd getting new uuid: D7642B57-734F-4DEF-8180-2965F
27CE363
2018-02-25 20:46:29.180781-0500 0x17566    Default         0xda3b          414   0   deleted: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/yoyo"
2018-02-25 20:46:29.213184-0500 0x1900e    Default         0xda3c          414   0   deleted: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/hawt"
2018-02-25 20:46:29.236261-0500 0x19019    Default         0xda3d          414   0   deleted: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/meow"
2018-02-25 20:46:29.247803-0500 0x19019    Default         0xda3e          414   0   deleted: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/blah"
2018-02-25 20:46:29.354710-0500 0x19015    Default         0xda3f          414   0   deleted: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/hawt"
2018-02-25 20:46:29.462841-0500 0x19015    Default         0xe8c0          414   0   deleted: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/yoyo"
2018-02-25 20:46:29.488510-0500 0x19019    Default         0xe8c1          414   0   deleted: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/blah"
2018-02-25 20:46:29.541578-0500 0x19019    Default         0xe8c2          414   0   deleted: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/meow"
2018-02-25 20:46:29.541578-0500 0x19019    Default         0xe8c2          414   0   deleted: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/meow"
2018-02-25 20:46:30.152362-0500 0x19015    Default         0xe8c4          414   0   deleted: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/hawt"
2018-02-25 20:46:30.269380-0500 0x19015    Default         0xe8c5          414   0   deleted: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/yoyo"
2018-02-25 20:46:30.294643-0500 0x19015    Default         0xe8c6          414   0   deleted: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/blah"
2018-02-25 20:46:30.347207-0500 0x19019    Default         0xe8c7          414   0   deleted: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/meow"
2018-02-25 20:49:04.518324-0500 0x265      Default         0x0             47    0   fseventsd: could not open <</Volumes/SEKRET/.fseventsd/fseventsd-uuid>> (No such file or dir
ectory)
2018-02-25 20:49:04.518334-0500 0x265      Default         0x0             47    0   fseventsd: Failed to load UUID. Removing all old log files in /Volumes/SEKRET/.fseventsd
2018-02-25 20:49:04.518433-0500 0x265      Default         0x0             47    0   fseventsd: log dir: /Volumes/SEKRET/.fseventsd getting new uuid: 72FEB78C-8F24-43DE-9D71-540
56CEB33E
2018-02-25 20:49:04.668388-0500 0x1900e    Default         0xe8c8          414   0   deleted: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/SEKRET"
2018-02-25 20:49:04.722366-0500 0x267      Default         0x0             47    0   fseventsd: Events arrived for /Volumes/SEKRET after an unmount request! Re-initializing.
2018-02-25 20:49:04.722376-0500 0x267      Default         0x0             47    0   fseventsd: creating a dls for /Volumes/SEKRET but it already has one...

```

Mounted Volumes: system.log/Unified – Search “hfs:” or “mounted”

```

2018-02-25 17:24:52.081319-0500 0x65 Default 0x0 0 0 kernel: (apfs) apfs_vfsop_mount:1368: mounted volume: Galaga
2018-02-25 17:24:52.773300-0500 0x1bd Default 0x0 0 0 kernel: (apfs) apfs_vfsop_mount:1368: mounted volume: VM
2018-02-25 17:25:17.891896-0500 0x7ed Default 0x0 0 0 kernel: (apfs) apfs_vfsop_mount:1368: mounted volume: Recovery
2018-02-25 17:27:09.427486-0500 0x12c5 Error 0x2824 212 14 backupd: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogError] Failed
to unmount disk mounted at '/Volumes/com.apple.TimeMachine.localsnapshots/Backups.backupdb/David's MacBook Pro/2018-02-25-172619/Galaga', error: {
  Action = Unmount;
  Target = "file:///Volumes/com.apple.TimeMachine.localsnapshots/Backups.backupdb/David%E2%80%99s%20MacBook%20Pro/2018-02-25-172619/Galaga";
}
2018-02-25 17:45:50.518167-0500 0x235 Default 0x0 55 0 powerd: [powerd:assertions] Process powerd.55 Summary ExternalMed
ia "com.apple.powermanagement.externalmediamounted" age:00:20:44 id:34359771136 [System: No Assertions]
2018-02-25 17:54:44.785096-0500 0x55fb Default 0x0 0 0 kernel: (apfs) apfs_vfsop_mount:1368: mounted volume: keyloggers
2018-02-25 17:55:59.519699-0500 0x5957 Default 0x0 0 0 kernel: (apfs) apfs_vfsop_mount:1368: mounted volume: keyloggers
2018-02-25 18:22:39.646477-0500 0x235 Default 0x0 55 0 powerd: [powerd:assertions] Process powerd.55 Summary ExternalMed
ia "com.apple.powermanagement.externalmediamounted" age:00:57:35 id:34359771136 [System: No Assertions]
2018-02-25 18:28:31.385625-0500 0xa4f7 Error 0x0 778 14 backupd: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogError] Failed
to unmount disk mounted at '/Volumes/com.apple.TimeMachine.localsnapshots/Backups.backupdb/David's MacBook Pro/2018-02-25-182552/Galaga', error: {
  Action = Unmount;
  Target = "file:///Volumes/com.apple.TimeMachine.localsnapshots/Backups.backupdb/David%E2%80%99s%20MacBook%20Pro/2018-02-25-182552/Galaga";
}
2018-02-25 18:35:42.718336-0500 0xa487 Default 0x0 0 0 kernel: (apfs) apfs_vfsop_mount:1368: mounted volume: keyloggers
2018-02-25 18:35:55.477137-0500 0xb119 Default 0x0 0 0 kernel: (apfs) apfs_vfsop_mount:1368: mounted volume: keyloggers
2018-02-25 19:32:53.718453-0500 0xf7d3b Error 0x0 864 14 backupd: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogError] Failed
to unmount disk mounted at '/Volumes/com.apple.TimeMachine.localsnapshots/Backups.backupdb/David's MacBook Pro/2018-02-25-192821/Galaga', error: {
  Action = Unmount;
  Target = "file:///Volumes/com.apple.TimeMachine.localsnapshots/Backups.backupdb/David%E2%80%99s%20MacBook%20Pro/2018-02-25-192821/Galaga";
}
2018-02-25 19:44:46.573786-0500 0x235 Default 0x0 55 0 powerd: [powerd:assertions] Process powerd.55 Summary ExternalMed
ia "com.apple.powermanagement.externalmediamounted" age:02:19:41 id:34359771136 [System: No Assertions]
2018-02-25 20:34:45.313471-0500 0x172c0 Error 0x0 1045 14 backupd: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogError] Failed
to unmount disk mounted at '/Volumes/com.apple.TimeMachine.localsnapshots/Backups.backupdb/David's MacBook Pro/2018-02-25-202849/Galaga', error: {
  Action = Unmount;
  Target = "file:///Volumes/com.apple.TimeMachine.localsnapshots/Backups.backupdb/David%E2%80%99s%20MacBook%20Pro/2018-02-25-202849/Galaga";
}
2018-02-25 20:37:47.374339-0500 0x1786e Default 0x0 0 0 kernel: (HFS) hfs: mounted burn on device disk4s9
2018-02-25 20:37:48.815532-0500 0x17927 Default 0x0 0 0 kernel: (HFS) hfs: mounted meow on device disk4s3
2018-02-25 20:49:04.466414-0500 0x1956b Default 0x0 0 0 kernel: (HFS) hfs: mounted SEKRET on device disk4s2
2018-02-25 20:49:09.741614-0500 0x196c0 Default 0x0 0 0 kernel: (apfs) apfs_vfsop_mount:1368: mounted volume: SEKRET

```

Older versions of this search will show when volumes were mounted and unmounted (shown below). Newer logs (above) do not specifically show when a volume was unmounted.

These records can be found in the system.log or the Unified logs by searching for “hfs:”, “mounted”, or “unmounted”. Just because the keyword being used to search is “hfs:” does not mean that this limits the search to only HFS volumes—all mounted volumes will be shown.

```

Aug 2 09:00:28 nibble kernel[0]: hfs: mounted Recovery HD on device disk0s3
Aug 2 09:00:29 nibble kernel[0]: hfs: unmount initiated on Recovery HD on device disk0s3
Aug 2 09:00:51 nibble kernel[0]: hfs: mounted Recovery HD on device disk0s3
Aug 2 09:00:52 nibble kernel[0]: hfs: unmount initiated on Recovery HD on device disk0s3
Aug 2 09:30:13 nibble kernel[0]: hfs: mounted ExifTool-9.69 on device disk2
Aug 2 13:10:11 nibble kernel[0]: hfs: mounted Thunderbolt on device disk3s3
Aug 2 13:11:09 nibble kernel[0]: hfs: unmount initiated on Thunderbolt on device disk3s3
Aug 2 14:55:30 nibble kernel[0]: hfs: mounted Recovery HD on device disk0s3
Aug 2 14:55:30 nibble kernel[0]: hfs: unmount initiated on Recovery HD on device disk0s3
Aug 2 15:29:53 nibble kernel[0]: hfs: mounted Thunderbolt on device disk3s3
Aug 2 15:31:29 nibble kernel[0]: hfs: unmount initiated on Thunderbolt on device disk3s3
Aug 2 15:33:09 nibble kernel[0]: hfs: mounted Thunderbolt on device disk3s3
Aug 2 15:33:13 nibble kernel[0]: hfs: unmount initiated on Thunderbolt on device disk3s3
Aug 2 15:35:21 nibble kernel[0]: hfs: mounted Thunderbolt on device disk3s3
Aug 2 15:35:49 nibble kernel[0]: hfs: unmount initiated on Thunderbolt on device disk3s3
Aug 2 15:35:59 nibble kernel[0]: hfs: mounted Thunderbolt on device disk3s3
Aug 2 15:36:18 nibble kernel[0]: hfs: unmount initiated on Thunderbolt_External_Drive on device disk3s3
Aug 2 15:36:31 nibble kernel[0]: hfs: mounted Thunderbolt_External_Drive on device disk3s3
Aug 2 15:37:43 nibble kernel[0]: hfs: unmount initiated on Thunderbolt_External_Drive on device disk3s3
Aug 2 15:37:58 nibble kernel[0]: hfs: mounted Thunderbolt_External_Drive on device disk3s3
Aug 2 15:38:31 nibble kernel[0]: hfs: unmount initiated on Thunderbolt_External_Drive on device disk3s3

```



```

2018-02-25 17:24:52.081319-0500 0x65      Default    0x0      0      0      kernel: (apfs) apfs_vfsop_mount:1368: mounted volume: Galaga
2018-02-25 17:24:52.773300-0500 0x1bd      Default    0x0      0      0      kernel: (apfs) apfs_vfsop_mount:1368: mounted volume: VM
2018-02-25 17:25:17.891896-0500 0x7ed      Default    0x0      0      0      kernel: (apfs) apfs_vfsop_mount:1368: mounted volume: Recovery
2018-02-25 17:27:09.427486-0500 0x12c5     Error     0x2824   212    14     backupd: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogError] Failed
to unmount disk mounted at '/Volumes/com.apple.TimeMachine.localsnapshots/Backups.backupdb/David's MacBook Pro/2018-02-25-172619/Galaga', error: {
  Action = Unmount;
  Target = "file:///Volumes/com.apple.TimeMachine.localsnapshots/Backups.backupdb/David%E2%80%99s%20MacBook%20Pro/2018-02-25-172619/Galaga";
}
2018-02-25 17:45:50.518167-0500 0x235      Default    0x0      55     0      powerd: [powerd:assertions] Process powerd.55 Summary ExternalMed
ia "com.apple.powermanagement.externalmediamounted" age:00:20:44 id:34359771136 [System: No Assertions]
2018-02-25 17:54:44.785096-0500 0x55fb     Default    0x0      0      0      kernel: (apfs) apfs_vfsop_mount:1368: mounted volume: keyloggers
2018-02-25 17:55:59.519699-0500 0x5957     Default    0x0      0      0      kernel: (apfs) apfs_vfsop_mount:1368: mounted volume: keyloggers
2018-02-25 18:22:39.646477-0500 0x235      Default    0x0      55     0      powerd: [powerd:assertions] Process powerd.55 Summary ExternalMed
ia "com.apple.powermanagement.externalmediamounted" age:00:57:35 id:34359771136 [System: No Assertions]
2018-02-25 18:28:31.385625-0500 0xa4f7     Error     0x0      778    14     backupd: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogError] Failed
to unmount disk mounted at '/Volumes/com.apple.TimeMachine.localsnapshots/Backups.backupdb/David's MacBook Pro/2018-02-25-182552/Galaga', error: {
  Action = Unmount;
  Target = "file:///Volumes/com.apple.TimeMachine.localsnapshots/Backups.backupdb/David%E2%80%99s%20MacBook%20Pro/2018-02-25-182552/Galaga";
}
2018-02-25 18:35:42.710336-0500 0xaf87     Default    0x0      0      0      kernel: (apfs) apfs_vfsop_mount:1368: mounted volume: keyloggers
2018-02-25 18:35:55.477137-0500 0xb119     Default    0x0      0      0      kernel: (apfs) apfs_vfsop_mount:1368: mounted volume: keyloggers
2018-02-25 19:32:53.718453-0500 0xfd3b     Error     0x0      864    14     backupd: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogError] Failed
to unmount disk mounted at '/Volumes/com.apple.TimeMachine.localsnapshots/Backups.backupdb/David's MacBook Pro/2018-02-25-192821/Galaga', error: {
  Action = Unmount;
  Target = "file:///Volumes/com.apple.TimeMachine.localsnapshots/Backups.backupdb/David%E2%80%99s%20MacBook%20Pro/2018-02-25-192821/Galaga";
}
2018-02-25 19:44:46.573786-0500 0x235      Default    0x0      55     0      powerd: [powerd:assertions] Process powerd.55 Summary ExternalMed
ia "com.apple.powermanagement.externalmediamounted" age:02:19:41 id:34359771136 [System: No Assertions]
2018-02-25 20:34:45.313471-0500 0x172c0    Error     0x0      1045   14     backupd: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogError] Failed
to unmount disk mounted at '/Volumes/com.apple.TimeMachine.localsnapshots/Backups.backupdb/David's MacBook Pro/2018-02-25-202849/Galaga', error: {
  Action = Unmount;
  Target = "file:///Volumes/com.apple.TimeMachine.localsnapshots/Backups.backupdb/David%E2%80%99s%20MacBook%20Pro/2018-02-25-202849/Galaga";
}
2018-02-25 20:37:47.374339-0500 0x1786e    Default    0x0      0      0      kernel: (HFS) hfs: mounted burp on device disk4s9
2018-02-25 20:37:48.815532-0500 0x17927    Default    0x0      0      0      kernel: (HFS) hfs: mounted meow on device disk4s3
2018-02-25 20:49:04.466414-0500 0x1956b    Default    0x0      0      0      kernel: (HFS) hfs: mounted SEKRET on device disk4s2
2018-02-25 20:49:09.741614-0500 0x196c0    Default    0x0      0      0      kernel: (apfs) apfs_vfsop_mount:1368: mounted volume: SEKRET

```

Mounted Volumes: system.log/Unified: Search by Volume Name

```
Sarahs-MBP:FOR518 ompa$ log show galaga.logarchive/ --info --predicate 'eventMessage contains "SEKRET"' --style syslog
-----
/Users/ompa/FOR518/galaga.logarchive
-----
log: warning: The log archive contains partial or missing metadata
Filtering the log data using "eventMessage CONTAINS "SEKRET""
Skipping debug messages, pass --debug to include.
Timestamp                               (process)(PID)
2018-02-25 20:40:53.712365-0500          localhost diskmanagementd[1257]: diskmanagement: execve(2) pid=1257 /System/Library/Filesystems/hfs.fs/Contents/Resources/newfs_hfs -3 --
SEKRET /dev/disk4s2
2018-02-25 20:49:04.464414-0500          localhost kernel[0]: (HFS) hfs: mounted SEKRET on device disk4s2
2018-02-25 20:49:04.518324-0500          localhost fsevents[47]: could not open <</Volumes/SEKRET/.fsevents/fsevents-uuid>> (No such file or directory)
2018-02-25 20:49:04.518334-0500          localhost fsevents[47]: Failed to load UUID. Removing all old log files in /Volumes/SEKRET/.fsevents
2018-02-25 20:49:04.518433-0500          localhost fsevents[47]: log dir: /Volumes/SEKRET/.fsevents getting new uuid: 72FEB7BC-BF24-43DE-9D71-54056CECB33E
2018-02-25 20:49:04.668388-0500          localhost deleted[414]: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/SEKRET"
2018-02-25 20:49:04.722366-0500          localhost fsevents[47]: Events arrived for /Volumes/SEKRET after an unmount request! Re-initializing.
2018-02-25 20:49:04.722376-0500          localhost fsevents[47]: creating a dis for /Volumes/SEKRET but it already has one...
2018-02-25 20:49:06.473878-0500          localhost kernel[0]: (HFS) hfs: umount initiated on SEKRET on device disk4s2
2018-02-25 20:49:06.602182-0500          localhost fsevents[47]: disk logger: failed to open output file /Volumes/SEKRET/.fsevents/00000000027b06e (No such file or directory).
mount point /Volumes/SEKRET/.fsevents
2018-02-25 20:49:06.602361-0500          localhost fsevents[47]: disk logger: failed to open output file /Volumes/SEKRET/.fsevents/00000000027b06e (No such file or directory).
mount point /Volumes/SEKRET/.fsevents
2018-02-25 20:49:06.719840-0500          localhost diskmanagementd[1276]: diskmanagement: execve(2) pid=1276 /System/Library/Filesystems/apfs.fs/Contents/Resources/newfs_apfs -A
-i -E -S frogger13 -v SEKRET disks .
2018-02-25 20:49:09.741614-0500          localhost kernel[0]: (apfs) apfs_vfsop_mount:136B: mounted volume: SEKRET
2018-02-25 20:49:09.794588-0500          localhost fsevents[47]: could not open <</Volumes/SEKRET/.fsevents/fsevents-uuid>> (No such file or directory)
2018-02-25 20:49:09.794596-0500          localhost fsevents[47]: Failed to load UUID. Removing all old log files in /Volumes/SEKRET/.fsevents
2018-02-25 20:49:09.794711-0500          localhost fsevents[47]: log dir: /Volumes/SEKRET/.fsevents getting new uuid: AD65C453-6EDE-4FCB-9B21-D9BA10C3C6A9
2018-02-25 20:49:09.798644-0500          localhost deleted[414]: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/SEKRET"
2018-02-25 20:49:09.816415-0500          localhost storagekitd[1220]: Erase Complete, Mount Point: /Volumes/SEKRET
2018-02-25 20:49:09.830160-0500          localhost deleted[414]: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/SEKRET"
2018-02-25 20:49:09.830839-0500          localhost storagekitd[1220]: Recache Complete, Mount Point: /Volumes/SEKRET
2018-02-25 20:49:09.832672-0500          localhost deleted[414]: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/SEKRET"
2018-02-27 18:20:25.719892-0500          localhost kernel[0]: (apfs) apfs_vfsop_mount:136B: mounted volume: SEKRET
2018-02-27 18:20:25.828215-0500          localhost deleted[414]: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/SEKRET"
2018-02-27 18:22:33.848939-0500          localhost deleted[414]: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/SEKRET"
2018-02-28 18:58:39.652188-0500          localhost kernel[0]: (apfs) apfs_vfsop_mount:136B: mounted volume: SEKRET
2018-02-28 18:58:39.784029-0500          localhost deleted[414]: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/SEKRET"
```

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Once the name of a volume of interest has been identified, all logs can be searched for related activity to that volume.

The screenshot above shows the activity for a volume named “SEKRET”. Some of the items you may find in addition to mounting activity and volume use is volume formatting—note the highlighted entries. These are the artifacts created of an encrypted APFS (from an HFS+ volume) volume named “SEKRET”. On 10.13 and 10.13.1 systems, you may find the password to unlock the volume. In the example above, it is “frogger13”.

```

Sarahs-MBP:FOR518 oompa$ log show galaga.logarchive/ --info --predicate 'eventMessage contains "SEKRET"' --style syslog
=====
/Users/oompa/FOR518/galaga.logarchive
=====
log: warning: The log archive contains partial or missing metadata
Filtering the log data using "eventMessage CONTAINS "SEKRET""
Skipping debug messages, pass --debug to include.
Timestamp (process)[PID]
2018-02-25 20:48:58.712365-0500 localhost diskmanagementd[1257]: diskmanagement: execve(2) pid=1257 /System/Library/Filesystems/hfs.fs/Contents/Resources/newfs_hfs -J -v
SEKRET /dev/rdisk4s2 .
2018-02-25 20:49:04.466414-0500 localhost kernel[0]: (HFS) hfs: mounted SEKRET on device disk4s2
2018-02-25 20:49:04.518324-0500 localhost fsevents[47]: could not open <</Volumes/SEKRET/.fsevents/fsevents-uuid>> (No such file or directory)
2018-02-25 20:49:04.518334-0500 localhost fsevents[47]: Failed to load UUID. Removing all old log files in /Volumes/SEKRET/.fsevents
2018-02-25 20:49:04.518433-0500 localhost fsevents[47]: log dir: /Volumes/SEKRET/.fsevents getting new uuid: 72FEB7BC-BF24-43DE-9D71-54056CECB33E
2018-02-25 20:49:04.668388-0500 localhost deleted[414]: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/SEKRET"
2018-02-25 20:49:04.722366-0500 localhost fsevents[47]: Events arrived for /Volumes/SEKRET after an unmount request! Re-initializing.
2018-02-25 20:49:04.722376-0500 localhost fsevents[47]: creating a dls for /Volumes/SEKRET but it already has one...
2018-02-25 20:49:06.473878-0500 localhost kernel[0]: (HFS) hfs: unmount initiated on SEKRET on device disk4s2
2018-02-25 20:49:06.602182-0500 localhost fsevents[47]: disk logger: failed to open output file /Volumes/SEKRET/.fsevents/00000000027b06e (No such file or directory).
mount point /Volumes/SEKRET/.fsevents
2018-02-25 20:49:06.602361-0500 localhost fsevents[47]: disk logger: failed to open output file /Volumes/SEKRET/.fsevents/00000000027b06e (No such file or directory).
mount point /Volumes/SEKRET/.fsevents
2018-02-25 20:49:08.719840-0500 localhost diskmanagementd[1276]: diskmanagement: execve(2) pid=1276 /System/Library/Filesystems/apfs.fs/Contents/Resources/newfs_apfs -A
-i -E -S frogger13 -v SEKRET disk5 .
2018-02-25 20:49:09.741614-0500 localhost kernel[0]: (apfs) apfs_vfsop_mount:1368: mounted volume: SEKRET
2018-02-25 20:49:09.794588-0500 localhost fsevents[47]: could not open <</Volumes/SEKRET/.fsevents/fsevents-uuid>> (No such file or directory)
2018-02-25 20:49:09.794596-0500 localhost fsevents[47]: Failed to load UUID. Removing all old log files in /Volumes/SEKRET/.fsevents
2018-02-25 20:49:09.794711-0500 localhost fsevents[47]: log dir: /Volumes/SEKRET/.fsevents getting new uuid: AD6ECA53-6EDE-4FC8-9B21-D9BA10C3C6A9
2018-02-25 20:49:09.798644-0500 localhost deleted[414]: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/SEKRET"
2018-02-25 20:49:09.816415-0500 localhost storagekitd[1220]: Erase Complete, Mount Point: /Volumes/SEKRET
2018-02-25 20:49:09.830160-0500 localhost deleted[414]: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/SEKRET"
2018-02-25 20:49:09.858839-0500 localhost storagekitd[1220]: Recache Complete, Mount Point: /Volumes/SEKRET
2018-02-25 20:49:58.326722-0500 localhost deleted[414]: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/SEKRET"
2018-02-27 18:20:25.719892-0500 localhost kernel[0]: (apfs) apfs_vfsop_mount:1368: mounted volume: SEKRET
2018-02-27 18:20:25.828215-0500 localhost deleted[414]: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/SEKRET"
2018-02-27 18:22:13.848939-0500 localhost deleted[414]: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/SEKRET"
2018-02-28 18:58:39.652188-0500 localhost kernel[0]: (apfs) apfs_vfsop_mount:1368: mounted volume: SEKRET
2018-02-28 18:58:39.784829-0500 localhost deleted[414]: [com.apple.cache_delete:daemon] Purgeable Result: 0 bytes on: "/Volumes/SEKRET"

```

USB Drives: Search “USBMSC”—system.log and Unified

Serial Number, Vendor ID, Product ID, Version

- 10.12+: Unified Logs
- 10.8–10.11: system.log
- **USBMSC Identifier (non-unique): FBF1011220504638
0x90c 0x1000 0x1100**

```
Sarahs-MBP:FOR518 ompa$ log show galaga.logarchive/ --info --predicate 'eventMessage contains "USBMSC"'
=====
/Users/ompa/FOR518/galaga.logarchive
=====
log: warning: The log archive contains partial or missing metadata
Filtering the log data using *eventMessage CONTAINS "USBMSC*"
Skipping debug messages, pass --debug to include.
Timestamp      Thread      Type      Activity      PID  TTL
2018-02-07 03:49:58.586839-0500 0xbe      Default      0x0  0
2018-02-07 03:49:58.815848-0500 0xbe      Default      0x0  0
2018-02-07 04:39:37.971787-0500 0x46c3    Default      0x0  0
2018-02-07 05:23:44.248661-0500 0x7e2a    Default      0x0  0
2018-02-07 06:14:59.238835-0500 0xeb1d    Default      0x0  0
2018-02-07 06:57:38.434931-0500 0xe0e0    Default      0x0  0
2018-02-07 08:05:12.588833-0500 0x15ae9   Default      0x0  0
2018-02-07 09:28:47.568759-0500 0x16795   Default      0x0  0
2018-02-07 14:37:08.136479+0800 0x18413   Default      0x0  0
2018-02-07 15:47:27.818209+0800 0x1e785   Default      0x0  0
2018-02-07 16:32:08.817979+0800 0x22185   Default      0x0  0
2018-02-18 08:48:45.586492+0800 0x15a     Default      0x0  0
2018-02-18 08:48:45.789848+0800 0x7a     Default      0x0  0
kernel: (IOUSBFamily) USBMSC Identifier (non-unique): AA011824121553893678 0x781 0x5588 0x10, 3
kernel: (IOUSBFamily) USBMSC Identifier (non-unique): 00000000820 0x5ac 0xB406 0x820, 3
kernel: (IOUSBFamily) USBMSC Identifier (non-unique): 00000000820 0x5ac 0xB406 0x820, 3
kernel: (IOUSBFamily) USBMSC Identifier (non-unique): 00000000820 0x5ac 0xB406 0x820, 3
kernel: (IOUSBFamily) USBMSC Identifier (non-unique): 00000000820 0x5ac 0xB406 0x820, 3
kernel: (IOUSBFamily) USBMSC Identifier (non-unique): 00000000820 0x5ac 0xB406 0x820, 3
kernel: (IOUSBFamily) USBMSC Identifier (non-unique): 00000000820 0x5ac 0xB406 0x820, 3
kernel: (IOUSBFamily) USBMSC Identifier (non-unique): 00000000820 0x5ac 0xB406 0x820, 3
kernel: (IOUSBFamily) USBMSC Identifier (non-unique): 00000000820 0x5ac 0xB406 0x820, 3
kernel: (IOUSBFamily) USBMSC Identifier (non-unique): AA011824121553893678 0x781 0x5588 0x10, 3
kernel: (IOUSBFamily) USBMSC Identifier (non-unique): 00000000820 0x5ac 0xB406 0x820, 3
```

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The USB Mass Storage Device Class (USBMSC) Identifier, usually the serial number of the device, can be found by doing a search for “USBMSC” in the systems using 10.8–10.11 in the `system.log`. In 10.12+ systems, it can be found in the Unified logs.

While the serial number may, in fact, be the one found on the suspect USB drive, it may not necessarily be unique, as the USBMSC message reminded us. An example of one such device is one that uses the letters A–F and numbers 0–9 as its identifier. The additional numbers are the vendor ID, Product ID, and version.

```
Jun  3 11:11:53 bit kernel[0]: USBMSC Identifier (non-unique):
FBF1011220504638 0x90c 0x1000 0x1100
```

The example USBMSC record shown above contains a USB device that is identified by the serial number FBF1011220504638. The additional data (using the System Information application) shows vendor/product data.

- Vendor ID: 0x090c (Silicon Motion, Inc).
- Product ID: 0x1000
- Version: 11.00

The website <http://usb-ids.gowdy.us/read/UD/> lists vendors by ID and products by ID. It may also link to a forum discussing the physical properties of the device.

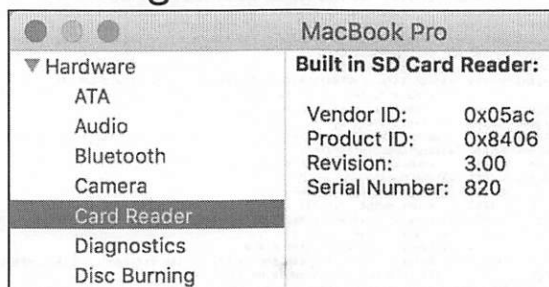
```

[Sarahs-MBP:FOR518 ompa$ log show galaga.logarchive/ --info --predicate 'eventMessage contains "USBMSC"']
=====
/Users/ompa/FOR518/galaga.logarchive
=====
log: warning: The log archive contains partial or missing metadata
Filtering the log data using "eventMessage CONTAINS "USBMSC""
Skipping debug messages, pass --debug to include.
Timestamp      Thread      Type      Activity      PID      TTL      kernel: (IOUSBFamily) USBMSC Identifier (non-unique): AA011024121553093678 0x781 0x5580 0x10, 3
2018-02-07 03:49:50.586839-0500 0xbe      Default      0x0      0      kernel: (IOUSBFamily) USBMSC Identifier (non-unique): 00000000820 0x5ac 0x8406 0x820, 3
2018-02-07 03:49:50.816848-0500 0xbe      Default      0x0      0      kernel: (IOUSBFamily) USBMSC Identifier (non-unique): 00000000820 0x5ac 0x8406 0x820, 3
2018-02-07 04:39:37.971787-0500 0x46c3    Default      0x0      0      kernel: (IOUSBFamily) USBMSC Identifier (non-unique): 00000000820 0x5ac 0x8406 0x820, 3
2018-02-07 05:23:44.240661-0500 0x702a    Default      0x0      0      kernel: (IOUSBFamily) USBMSC Identifier (non-unique): 00000000820 0x5ac 0x8406 0x820, 3
2018-02-07 06:14:59.238835-0500 0xab1d    Default      0x0      0      kernel: (IOUSBFamily) USBMSC Identifier (non-unique): 00000000820 0x5ac 0x8406 0x820, 3
2018-02-07 06:57:30.434931-0500 0xe060    Default      0x0      0      kernel: (IOUSBFamily) USBMSC Identifier (non-unique): 00000000820 0x5ac 0x8406 0x820, 3
2018-02-07 08:05:12.588033-0500 0x15ae9   Default      0x0      0      kernel: (IOUSBFamily) USBMSC Identifier (non-unique): 00000000820 0x5ac 0x8406 0x820, 3
2018-02-07 09:20:47.558759-0500 0x16705   Default      0x0      0      kernel: (IOUSBFamily) USBMSC Identifier (non-unique): 00000000820 0x5ac 0x8406 0x820, 3
2018-02-07 14:37:00.136479+0000 0x18413   Default      0x0      0      kernel: (IOUSBFamily) USBMSC Identifier (non-unique): 00000000820 0x5ac 0x8406 0x820, 3
2018-02-07 15:47:27.810209+0000 0x10785   Default      0x0      0      kernel: (IOUSBFamily) USBMSC Identifier (non-unique): 00000000820 0x5ac 0x8406 0x820, 3
2018-02-07 16:32:00.017978+0000 0x22185   Default      0x0      0      kernel: (IOUSBFamily) USBMSC Identifier (non-unique): 00000000820 0x5ac 0x8406 0x820, 3
2018-02-10 08:40:45.585492+0000 0x15a     Default      0x0      0      kernel: (IOUSBFamily) USBMSC Identifier (non-unique): AA011024121553093678 0x781 0x5580 0x10, 3
2018-02-10 08:40:45.709848+0000 0x7a      Default      0x0      0      kernel: (IOUSBFamily) USBMSC Identifier (non-unique): 00000000820 0x5ac 0x8406 0x820, 3

```


USBMSC Caveat: SD Card Reader

- Dec 31 22:02:42 word kernel[0]: USBMSC Identifier (non-unique): 000000000820 0x5ac 0x8406 0x820, 3
- Appears upon system 'wake'
 - Unintentional: Lid Open/System Maintenance/Other "wake reason"
- Intentional: Outside of system "wake" timestamps or the "HFS: mounted" message follows



If you are reviewing a Mac that has a built-in SD Card reader, you will notice that you get a large amount of "USBMSC" entries that appear like the example above. This is a powerful and misleading example of intentional and non-intentional log entries.

Some log entries are user initiated, such as plugging in a thumb drive to the system; while others, like this one, are just the operating system doing its normal logging. Experience and testing will show the analyst how to differentiate between these entries.

Network Share Connections

The screenshot displays a window titled "Network Share Connections" showing system logs and a "Connect to Server" dialog box. The logs are filtered by "NetAuthSysAgent" and "(loginsupport)". The dialog box shows the server path "smb://nas" and a "Connect" button.

```

NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:IPC] bootstrap_port name = com.apple.netauth.user.auth
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:IPC] Check In succeeded
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:IPC] Source created
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:IPC] Process 301 is not sandboxed and is allowed to mount
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:IPC] quarantine check returned 1
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:IPC] NetAuthSysAgent joined audit session (180009)
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:IPC] Mount URL: request EA6AE78C-8C9F-468D-B1E4-8D1C
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:IPC] URL = smb://nas
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:NetFS] Session created
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:NetFS] GetServerInfo serverParamsDict = <CFBasicHash 0x7
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:Keychain] SecKeychainSetUserInteractionAllowed(false) se
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:Keychain] Unable to find matching items -25300
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:Keychain] Unable to find Server Marker for "nas"
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:Keychain] SecKeychainSetUserInteractionAllowed(interacti
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:Keychain] User has not visited this machine before
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:MechTypes] Creating MechType session for stage 1
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:MechTypes] Adding 1 certificates to the MechType session
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:MechTypes] MechType session created for host "nas", service "cifs".
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:MechTypes] Unable to get a MechTypes for the MechType session using credentials
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:MechTypes] There are no MechTypes available for the MechType session
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:MechTypes] Creating MechType session for stage 2
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:MechTypes] Adding the user name "oompa" to the MechType session info
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:MechTypes] MechType session created for host "nas", service "cifs".
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:MechTypes] Unable to get a MechTypes for the MechType session using credentials
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:NetFS] Calling OpenSession:
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:NetFS] server smb://nas
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:NetFS] Session Info = <CFBasicHash 0x7f8600e8ba70 [0x7fffaaed8f8]>{type = mutable dict, count = 2,
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:Keychain] SecKeychainSetUserInteractionAllowed(false) secKeychainStatus = 0
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:Keychain] Keychain item created for "nas"
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:Keychain] Server marker set for "nas"
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:Keychain] SecKeychainSetUserInteractionAllowed(interactionAllowed) secKeychainStatus = 0
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:NetFS] Calling EnumerateShares:
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:NetFS] enumerateSharesOptions = (null)
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:NetFS] Calling Mount
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:NetFS] URL = smb://nas/sarah
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:NetFS] Mount point = (null)
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:MechTypes] Reference added to MechType "NetworkAuthenticationSelection: SPNEGO-NTLM; oompa@nas cifs@nas spnego: yes" with label
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:NetFS] CloseSession result 0
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:IPC] Reply Connect to Server status = 0
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:MechTypes] Reference removed from the MechType with reference "ntlm:oompa@nas".
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:IPC] bootstrap_port name = com.apple.netauth.user.auth
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:IPC] Check In succeeded
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:IPC] Source created
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:IPC] Process 332 is not sandboxed and is allowed to mount a shared volume (0).
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:IPC] NetAuthSysAgent joined audit session (180009)
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthSysAgent:dfilt] Proxy Open Session: request 558E5C3-43A9-4783-BE03-D80B34AF5D68 from sharingd (332)
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:IPC] URL = smb://nas
    
```

Unified logs can show connections to network shares. The example above was filtered using the keyword “NetAuthSysAgent” and “(loginsupport)”.

It shows the network server (smb://nas), share (/sarah), and user (oompa) information.

This example was created using the “Connect to Server” functionality of Finder.

Older logs may use “afpfs” or “smbfs” to identify network shares.

```

NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:IPC] bootstrap_port name = com.apple.netauth.user.auth
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:IPC] Check In succeeded
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:IPC] Source created
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:IPC] Process 301 is not sandboxed and is allowed to mount a shared volume (0).
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:IPC] quarantine check returned 1
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:IPC] NetAuthSysAgent joined audit session (100009)
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthSysAgent:dfl] Mount URL: request EA6AE78C-8C9F-468D-B1E4-5D1C4AFB2F83 from Finder (301)
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:IPC]:URL = smb://nas
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:NetFS] Session created
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:NetFS] GetServerInfo serverParamsDict = <CFBasicHash 0x7f8600c0b260 [0x7fff1aed8f0]>{type = mutable dict, count = 6,
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:Keychain] SecKeychainSetUserInteractionAllowed(false) secKeychainStatus = 0
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:Keychain] Unable to find matching items -25300
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:Keychain] Unable to find Server Marker for "nas"
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:Keychain] SecKeychainSetUserInteractionAllowed(interactionAllowed) secKeychainStatus = 0
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:Keychain] User has not visited this machine before
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:Keychain] isKnownServer 0
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:MechTypes] Creating MechType session for stage 1
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:MechTypes] Adding 1 certificates to the MechType session info
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:MechTypes] MechType session created for host "nas", service "cifs".
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:MechTypes] Unable to get a MechTypes for the MechType session using credentials
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:MechTypes] There are no MechTypes available for the MechType session
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:MechTypes] Creating MechType session for stage 2
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:MechTypes] Adding the user name "compa" to the MechType session info
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:MechTypes] MechType session created for host "nas", service "cifs".
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:MechTypes] Unable to get a MechTypes for the MechType session using credentials
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:NetFS] Calling OpenSession:
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:NetFS] server smb://nas
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:NetFS] Session Info = <CFBasicHash 0x7f8600e0ba70 [0x7fff1aed8f0]>{type = mutable dict, count = 2,
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:Keychain] SecKeychainSetUserInteractionAllowed(false) secKeychainStatus = 0
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:Keychain] Keychain item created for "nas"
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:Keychain] Server marker set for "nas"
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:Keychain] SecKeychainSetUserInteractionAllowed(interactionAllowed) secKeychainStatus = 0
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:NetFS] Calling EnumerateShares:
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:NetFS] enumerateSharesOptions = (null)
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:NetFS] Calling Mount
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:NetFS] URL = smb://nas/sarah
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:NetFS] Mount point = (null)
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:MechTypes] Reference added to MechType "<NetworkAuthenticationSelection: SPNEGO<NTLM>, compa@nas cifs@nas spnego: yes>" with label
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:NetFS] CloseSession result 0
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:IPC] Reply Connect to Server status = 0
NetAuthSysAgent[62562]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:MechTypes] Reference removed from the MechType with reference "ntlm:compa@nas".
NetAuthSysAgent[62607]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:IPC] bootstrap_port name = com.apple.netauth.user.auth
NetAuthSysAgent[62607]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:IPC] Check In succeeded
NetAuthSysAgent[62607]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:IPC] Source created
NetAuthSysAgent[62607]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:IPC] Process 332 is not sandboxed and is allowed to mount a shared volume (0).
NetAuthSysAgent[62607]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:IPC] NetAuthSysAgent joined audit session (100009)
NetAuthSysAgent[62607]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthSysAgent:dfl] Proxy Open Session: request 558EF5C3-43A9-4783-BE03-D80834AF5068 from sharingd (332)
NetAuthSysAgent[62607]: (loginsupport) [com.apple.NetAuthAgent:IPC] URL = smb://nas

```

File System Check Logs (HFS+ and APFS)

```
/dev/rdisk3s2: fsck_hfs run at Sun Jan 17 20:58:00 2010
** /dev/rdisk3s2 (NO WRITE)
   Executing fsck_hfs (version diskdev_cmds-491~1).
** Checking non-journaled HFS Plus Volume.
** Checking extents overflow file.
** Checking catalog file.
** Checking multi-linked files.
** Checking catalog hierarchy.
** Checking volume bitmap.
** Checking volume information.
** The volume Dropbox Installer appears to be OK.

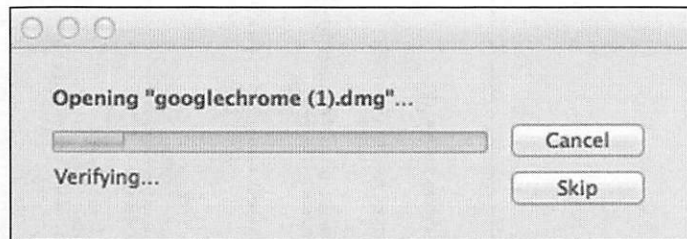
/dev/rdisk2s2: fsck_hfs run at Sun Jan 31 20:34:56 2010
** /dev/rdisk2s2 (NO WRITE)
   Executing fsck_hfs (version diskdev_cmds-491~1).
** Checking non-journaled HFS Plus Volume.
** Checking extents overflow file.
** Checking catalog file.
** Checking multi-linked files.
** Checking catalog hierarchy.
** Checking volume bitmap.
** Checking volume information.
** The volume TextWrangler 3.1 appears to be OK.

/dev/rdisk3s2: fsck_hfs run at Mon Feb  8 15:11:37 2010
** /dev/rdisk3s2 (NO WRITE)
   Executing fsck_hfs (version diskdev_cmds-491~1).
** Checking Journaled HFS Plus volume.
** Checking extents overflow file.
** Checking catalog file.
** Checking multi-linked files.
** Checking catalog hierarchy.
** Checking extended attributes file.
** Checking volume bitmap.
** Checking volume information.
** The volume nmap-5.21 appears to be OK.
```

~/Library/Logs/fsck_hfs.log

/var/log/fsck_hfs.log

/var/log/fsck_apfs.log



Each user may have their own `fsck_hfs.log`.

This log keeps track of mounted volumes that execute the “verifying” process when a user opens a disk image file. This can show programs that the user may have installed, when the disk image was opened, and the location on the `/dev/` tree where it may be found (i.e., `/dev/rdisk3s2`).

There may also be system-wide `fsck_hfs.log` and `fsck_apfs.log` files as well.

Temporal Changes

Intentional or unintentional changes by a user

Time Zone

Time Modifications

Date Modifications

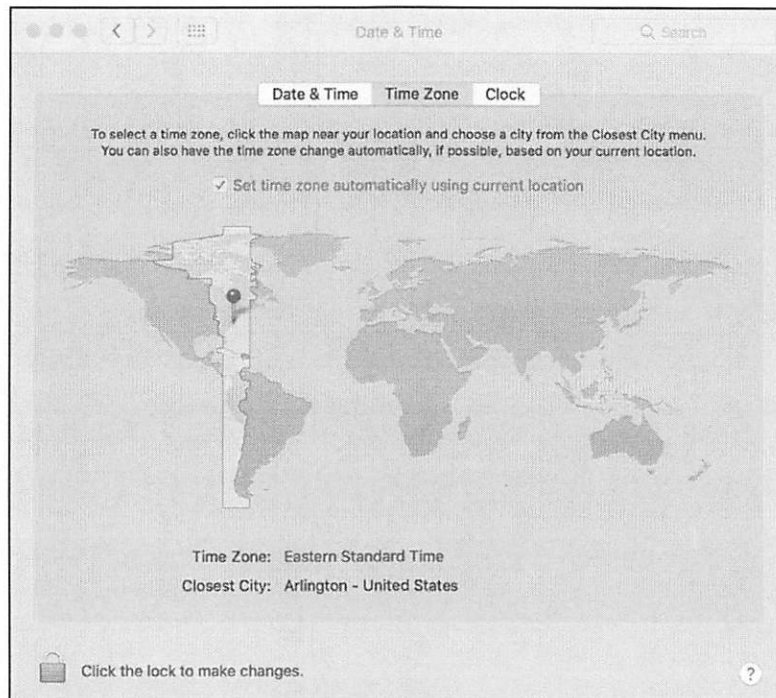
A user may make intentional changes to the system time or date. They might, for example, be traveling and need to change time zones. A user may also make changes to the system time or date to throw a temporal investigation off.

Time Changes: Going Back in Time system.log and Unified (Also “timezoned”, “DateAndTimePref”)

```
Jun 16 14:50:56 bit System Preferences[1828]: -[GEOWorldTimeZoneView
selectedCityLayer] Invalidating_selectedCityLayer
Jun 16 14:50:56 bit System Preferences[1828]: -[GEOWorldTimeZoneView
selectedCityLayer] all good cachedValue:1.000000
Jun 16 14:50:56: --- last message repeated 1 time ---
Jun 16 14:50:56 bit System Preferences[1828]: **** ERROR: -
[GEOCityPickerView_bindPublicToPrivateProperties] UI is already bounded
Jun 16 14:50:59 bit System Preferences[1828]: -[GEOWorldTimeZoneView
selectedCityLayer] all good cachedValue:1.000000
Jun 16 11:51:05: --- last message repeated 4 times ---
Jun 16 11:51:05 bit System Preferences[1828]: -[GEOWorldTimeZoneView
selectedCityLayer] Invalidating_selectedCityLayer
Jun 16 11:51:05 bit System Preferences[1828]: -[GEOWorldTimeZoneView
selectedCityLayer] all good cachedValue:1.000000
Jun 16 11:51:06 bit ntpd[1848]: proto: precision = 1.000 usec
```

A user might attempt to hide or obfuscate activity by changing the system time.

In the screenshot above, the system time was changed to go back in time three hours. The highlighted timestamps in the system.log file show that the time was changed using the System Preferences (Date & Time) preference panel. The GEOWorldTimeZoneView keyword should indicate that the user is interfacing with the “Time Zone” preferences panel.



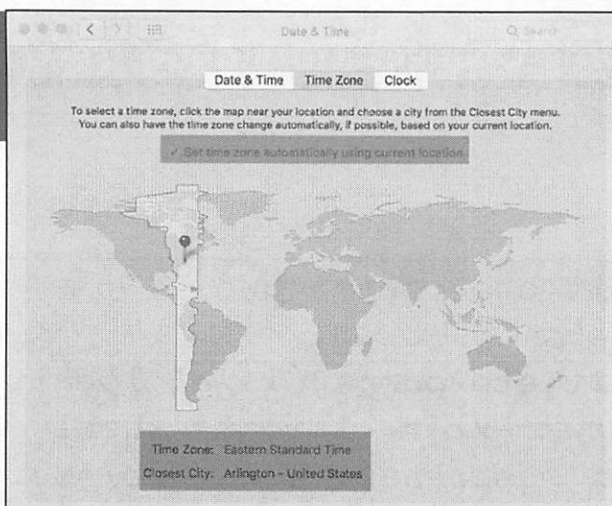
Time Changes: Time Zone—/etc/localtime

```
bit:etc oompa$ pwd
/etc
bit:etc oompa$ ls -l localtime
lrwxr-xr-x  1 root  wheel  39 Jun 16 11:51 localtime
-> /usr/share/zoneinfo/America/Los_Angeles
```

The `localtime` symlink is updated when the time zone is changed to reflect the new time zone. In the example shown, the time zone was last changed to Los Angeles time on June 16.

Time Changes: Location-Based system.log and Unified

- Location services
- Network-based lookup
- Travelling, changes upon first network connection
- Setting in system preferences: `com.apple.timezone.auto.plist`



```

2017-02-05 15:31:06.644364-0500 localhost locationd[87]: (locationd) Created Activity ID: 0x8000000003d9d98, Description: SecTrustEvaluateIfNecessary
2017-02-05 15:31:06.647918-0500 localhost locationd[87]: (locationd) Created Activity ID: 0x8000000003d9d99, Description: SecTrustEvaluateIfNecessary
2017-02-05 12:31:06.641436-0500 localhost locationd[87]: [com.apple.locationd.Position.WifiPosition] TlurAssoc, Request, <private>, urgent, <private>, type, <private>
2017-02-05 12:31:06.641470-0500 localhost locationd[87]: [com.apple.locationd.Position.WifiPosition] TlurState, StartScan, <private>, state, <private>
2017-02-05 12:31:06.643373-0500 localhost timezoned[96453]: (CoreLocation) [com.apple.locationd.Core.Client] New location is identical to old location, discarding
2017-02-05 15:31:06.767194-0500 localhost locationd[87]: Location icon should now be in state 'Active'
2017-02-05 12:31:07.218974-0500 localhost locationd[87]: [com.apple.locationd.Position.WifiPosition] TlurState, ScanNotify, <private>, aps, <private>, state, <private>
2017-02-05 15:31:07.242853-0500 localhost locationd[87]: (locationd) Created Activity ID: 0x8000000003d9d9a, Description: Loading Preferences From System CFPrefd For Search List
locationd[87]: (libsystem_network.dylib) [com.apple.network.] nw_connection_endpoint_report [321.1 17.167.192.94:443 ready socket-flow (satisfied)] reported event flow:finish_connect
locationd[87]: (libsystem_network.dylib) [com.apple.network.] nw_connection_endpoint_report [321 gs-loc.apple.com:443 ready resolver (satisfied)] reported event flow:finish_connect
locationd[87]: (libsystem_network.dylib) [com.apple.network.] nw_connection_endpoint_report [321.1 17.167.192.94:443 ready socket-flow (satisfied)] reported event flow:changed_visibility
locationd[87]: (libsystem_network.dylib) [com.apple.network.] nw_connection_endpoint_report [321 gs-loc.apple.com:443 ready resolver (satisfied)] reported event flow:changed_visibility
  
```

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If location-based services are used, the macOS system will perform a lookup of where the device is (assuming it is connected to the network) in an attempt to determine its location.

In the logs, search for “location” (the location services daemon) or “timezoned” (the time zone daemon). Other indicators in the logs may suggest the time is being changed, such as the logging timestamp and call outs to `gs-loc.apple.com`, Apple’s Location server.

You can find the binary setting for this feature in the `com.apple.timezone.auto.plist` in `/Library/Preferences/`.

```
2017-02-05 15:31:06.644364-0500 localhost locationd[87]: (locationd) Created Activity ID: 0x8000000003d9d98, Description: SecTrustEvaluateIfNecessary
2017-02-05 15:31:06.647910-0500 localhost locationd[87]: (locationd) Created Activity ID: 0x8000000003d9d99, Description: SecTrustEvaluateIfNecessary
2017-02-05 12:31:06.641436-0800 localhost locationd[87]: [com.apple.locationd.Position.WifiPosition] TlurAssoc, Request, <private>, urgent, <private>, type, <private>
2017-02-05 12:31:06.641470-0800 localhost locationd[87]: [com.apple.locationd.Position.WifiPosition] TlurState, StartScan, <private>, state, <private>
2017-02-05 12:31:06.643373-0800 localhost timezoned[96453]: (CoreLocation) [com.apple.locationd.Core.Client] New location is identical to old location, discarding
2017-02-05 15:31:06.767194-0500 localhost locationd[87]: Location icon should now be in state 'Active'
2017-02-05 12:31:07.218974-0800 localhost locationd[87]: [com.apple.locationd.Position.WifiPosition] TlurState, ScanNotify, <private>, aps, <private>, state, <private>
2017-02-05 15:31:07.242853-0500 localhost locationd[87]: (locationd) Created Activity ID: 0x8000000003d9d9a, Description: Loading Preferences From System CFPrefsD For Search List
```

```
locationd[87]: (libsystem_network.dylib) [com.apple.network.] nw_connection_endpoint_report [321.1 17.167.192.94:443 ready socket-flow (satisfied)] reported event flow:finish_connect
locationd[87]: (libsystem_network.dylib) [com.apple.network.] nw_connection_endpoint_report [321.1 gs-loc.apple.com:443 ready resolver (satisfied)] reported event flow:finish_connect
locationd[87]: (libsystem_network.dylib) [com.apple.network.] nw_connection_endpoint_report [321.1 17.167.192.94:443 ready socket-flow (satisfied)] reported event flow:changed_viability
locationd[87]: (libsystem_network.dylib) [com.apple.network.] nw_connection_endpoint_report [321.1 gs-loc.apple.com:443 ready resolver (satisfied)] reported event flow:changed_viability
```

Time Zone Changes: daily.out—Search by Year

```

Sat Feb 10 08:52:30 GMT 2018
Removing old temporary files:
Cleaning out old system announcements:
Removing stale files from /var/rwho:

Disk status:
Filesystem      Size  Used Avail Capacity iused      ifree Miused      Mifree Mounted on
/dev/disk1s1    932Gi 6810i 248Gi   74% 2561338 9223372 4852214469  0% /
/dev/disk1s4    932Gi  2.60i 248Gi    1%    5 922337288 4775882  0% /private/var/vm

Network interface status:
Name Mtu Network Address          Ipkts Ierrs  Opkts Oerrs  Coll
lo0  16384 <link#1>          localhost        913    0      913    0      0
lo0  16384 127             localhost        913    0      913    0      0
lo0  16384 fe80::1::1       localhost        913    0      913    0      0
gif0* 1280 <link#2>          0 0 0 0 0
stf0* 1280 <link#3>          0 0 0 0 0
XHC0* 0 <link#4>          0 0 0 0 0
XHC20 0 <link#5>          0 0 0 0 0
XHC1* 0 <link#6>          0 0 0 0 0
en5  1500 <link#7>          ac:de:48:00:11:22 1350    0     1327    0      0
en5  1500 fe80::aede:fe80:71:1a0de:48ff 1350    0     1327    0      0
en0  1500 <link#8>          f4:8f:24:3b:a2:3b 93729    0     68627    0      0
en0  1500 sarahs-mach fe80:81:43c:2d31: 93729    0     68627    0      0
en0  1500 172.19/22        172.19.2.30      93729    0     68627    0      0
p2p0 2384 <link#9>          06:0f:24:13b:a2:2b 0 0 0 0 0
awd10 1484 <link#10>         b0:2c:1b:fa:6:63:cd 0 0 0 0 0
awd10 1484 sarahs-mach fe80:a:1bc2c:bf7ff 0 0 0 0 0
en3  1500 <link#11>         ee:00:78:89:d1:05 0 0 0 0 0
en4  1500 <link#12>         ee:00:78:89:d1:04 0 0 0 0 0
en1  1500 <link#13>         ee:00:78:89:d1:01 0 0 0 0 0
en2  1500 <link#14>         ee:00:78:89:d1:00 0 0 0 0 0
bridg 1500 <link#15>         ee:00:78:89:d1:01 0 0 1 0 0
utun0 2000 <link#16>          0 0 2 0 0
utun0 2000 fe80::53a9:fe80:10:153a9:a31 0 0 2 0 0
vlnet 1500 <link#17>         00:50:56:c0:00:01 0 0 0 0 0
vlnet 1500 192.168.8       192.168.8.1      0 0 0 0 0
vlnet 1500 <link#18>         00:50:56:c0:00:00 0 0 0 0 0
vlnet 1500 172.16.104/24 172.16.104.1     0 0 0 0 0

Local system status:
8:52 up 16 mins, 6 users, load averages: 3.68 5.03 7.17
-- End of daily.out --

```

```

Fri Dec 22 19:45:41 EST 2017
Sat Dec 23 09:24:19 EST 2017
Mon Dec 25 14:35:11 GMT 2017
Mon Jan  1 12:03:52 EST 2018
Mon Jan 29 20:23:53 EST 2018
Mon Feb  5 08:11:53 GMT 2018
Tue Feb  6 08:43:30 GMT 2018
Sat Feb 10 08:52:30 GMT 2018
Tue Feb 13 19:45:31 EST 2018
Wed Feb 14 17:10:42 EST 2018
Sat Mar 10 08:44:15 EST 2018
Sun Mar 11 08:53:28 EDT 2018
Mon Mar 12 06:00:29 EDT 2018

```

Time zone changes can also be shown in the `daily.out` file.

In the example above, a search was completed for the partial year with a space “201” so it would show both 2017 and 2018.

Note the changes from EST -> GMT -> EST -> GMT -> EST -> EDT

System Information and State

System Boot

System Reboot

System Shutdown

System Boot Process

System Boot Device

System Hardware Information

The logs can tell us a lot about how and when a system was used. In a temporal context, we can see when a system was powered on, when it was in a sleep state, and when it was shut down.

The hardware configuration of the system can be determined to see if the system was upgraded or if the boot drive changed systems.

Boot, Reboot, and Shutdown: Depends on macOS Version system.log and/or Unified Logs (or Neither!)

```
Sarahs-MBP:log oompa$ grep " TIME" ~/FOR518/system_all.log
Jan 18 21:42:51 Davids-MBP reboot[45520]: SHUTDOWN_TIME: 1516329771 97508
Jan 18 21:47:00 localhost bootlog[0]: BOOT_TIME 1516330020 0
Jan 18 22:09:49 Davids-MBP shutdown[946]: SHUTDOWN_TIME: 1516331389 10327
Jan 21 10:12:18 localhost bootlog[0]: BOOT_TIME 1516547538 0
Jan 21 11:29:40 Davids-MacBook-Pro shutdown[727]: SHUTDOWN_TIME: 1516552180 733723
Feb 7 03:49:50 localhost bootlog[0]: BOOT_TIME 1517993390 0
Feb 7 17:24:32 Davids-MacBook-Pro shutdown[1105]: SHUTDOWN_TIME: 1518024272 413993
Feb 10 08:40:45 localhost bootlog[0]: BOOT_TIME 1518252045 0
Feb 10 13:49:18 Davids-MacBook-Pro shutdown[1486]: SHUTDOWN_TIME: 1518270558 24239
Feb 10 13:53:25 localhost bootlog[0]: BOOT_TIME 1518270805 0
Feb 10 14:17:59 Davids-MacBook-Pro shutdown[850]: SHUTDOWN_TIME: 1518272279 277512
Feb 25 19:15:56 localhost bootlog[0]: BOOT_TIME 1519586156 0
Feb 25 17:24:43 localhost bootlog[0]: BOOT_TIME 1519597483 0
```

10.13.1 = system.log
*Shutdown messages
not recorded on 10.12

```
Sarahs-MBP:FOR518 oompa$ log show galaga.logarchive/ --info --predicate 'processImagePath contains[cd] "shutdown"'
=====
/Users/oompa/FOR518/galaga.logarchive
=====
log: warning: The log archive contains partial or missing metadata
Filtering the log data using "processImagePath CONTAINS[cd] "shutdown""
Skipping debug messages, pass --debug to include.

Timestamp          Thread             Type              Activity          PID    TTL
2018-02-07 17:24:32.712539+0000 0x2a7b1          Default          0x0              1105   0   shutdown: halt by dlightman;
2018-02-10 14:17:58.987432+0000 0x4612          Default          0x0              850    0   shutdown: halt by dlightman;
```

10.13.1 = Unified

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Knowing when the system boots or when it is shut down can help with the timeline aspect of some investigations. On 10.13.1, the `system.log` contains entries for “BOOT_TIME” and “SHUTDOWN_TIME”. This includes a Unix epoch timestamp as well.

The unified logs record which user account shut down (“halt”) the system. If a reboot occurs, it will have a slightly different message—“shutdown: reboot by <user>”.

*Note: 10.12.0–10.12.2—The Shutdown messages do not appear to get recorded in either log.

Older examples are below from the `system.log`.

```
May 27 20:02:14 bit shutdown[42801]: halt by oompa:
May 27 20:02:14 bit shutdown[42801]: SHUTDOWN_TIME: 1338163334 903688
May 28 15:20:06 bit shutdown[2421]: halt by oompa:
May 28 15:20:06 bit shutdown[2421]: SHUTDOWN_TIME: 1338232806 702175
Jun 9 09:25:33 bit shutdown[25868]: halt by oompa:
Jun 9 09:25:33 bit shutdown[25868]: SHUTDOWN_TIME: 1339248333 887656
Jun 9 10:15:24 bit shutdown[546]: reboot by oompa:
Jun 9 10:15:24 bit shutdown[546]: SHUTDOWN_TIME: 1339251324 30856
Jun 9 10:21:53 bit shutdown[309]: halt by oompa:
Jun 9 10:21:53 bit shutdown[309]: SHUTDOWN_TIME: 1339251713 535787
```

```
May 9 16:28:48 localhost bootlog[0]: BOOT_TIME 1336606128 0
May 10 16:40:27 localhost bootlog[0]: BOOT_TIME 1336682427 0
May 12 11:32:16 localhost bootlog[0]: BOOT_TIME 1336836736 0
May 27 20:02:41 localhost bootlog[0]: BOOT_TIME 1338163361 0
May 28 15:22:30 localhost bootlog[0]: BOOT_TIME 1338232950 0
Jun 9 09:27:05 localhost bootlog[0]: BOOT_TIME 1339248425 0
Jun 9 10:15:56 localhost bootlog[0]: BOOT_TIME 1339251356 0
Jun 9 10:33:39 localhost bootlog[0]: BOOT_TIME 1339252419 0
Jun 9 09:27:05 localhost bootlog[0]: BOOT_TIME 1339248425 0
Jun 9 10:15:56 localhost bootlog[0]: BOOT_TIME 1339251356 0
Jun 9 10:33:39 localhost bootlog[0]: BOOT_TIME 1339252419 0
Jun 10 13:33:56 localhost bootlog[0]: BOOT_TIME 1339349636 0
Jun 12 10:16:35 localhost bootlog[0]: BOOT_TIME 1339510595 0
```

```
[Sarahs-MBP:log oompa$ grep "_TIME" ~/FOR518/system_all.log
Jan 18 21:42:51 Davids-MBP reboot[45520]: SHUTDOWN_TIME: 1516329771 97508
Jan 18 21:47:00 localhost bootlog[0]: BOOT_TIME 1516330020 0
Jan 18 22:09:49 Davids-MBP shutdown[946]: SHUTDOWN_TIME: 1516331389 10327
Jan 21 10:12:18 localhost bootlog[0]: BOOT_TIME 1516547538 0
Jan 21 11:29:40 Davids-MacBook-Pro shutdown[727]: SHUTDOWN_TIME: 1516552180 733723
Feb  7 03:49:50 localhost bootlog[0]: BOOT_TIME 1517993390 0
Feb  7 17:24:32 Davids-MacBook-Pro shutdown[1105]: SHUTDOWN_TIME: 1518024272 413993
Feb 10 08:40:45 localhost bootlog[0]: BOOT_TIME 1518252045 0
Feb 10 13:49:18 Davids-MacBook-Pro shutdown[1486]: SHUTDOWN_TIME: 1518270558 24239
Feb 10 13:53:25 localhost bootlog[0]: BOOT_TIME 1518270805 0
Feb 10 14:17:59 Davids-MacBook-Pro shutdown[850]: SHUTDOWN_TIME: 1518272279 277512
Feb 25 19:15:56 localhost bootlog[0]: BOOT_TIME 1519586156 0
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```
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=====
/Users/oompa/FOR518/galaga.logarchive
=====
log: warning: The log archive contains partial or missing metadata
Filtering the log data using "processImagePath CONTAINS[cd] "shutdown""
Skipping debug messages, pass --debug to include.
Timestamp          Thread            Type            Activity          PID    TTL    shutdown: halt by dlightman:
2018-02-07 17:24:32.712539+0000 0x2a7b1         Default         0x0              1105   0    shutdown: halt by dlightman:
2018-02-10 14:17:58.987432+0000 0x4612         Default         0x0              850    0    shutdown: halt by dlightman:
```

Sleep/Shutdown Cause: system.log, or Unified

```
kernel: (AppleSMC) Previous sleep cause: 5
```

```
kernel: (AppleSMC) Previous shutdown cause: 5
```

5

- Normal sleep/shutdown

Negative #s

- Usually a problem

0

- Hibernation (sleep), battery removal/power plug (shutdown)

3

- Hard shutdown (hold power button, shut down)

The system records reasons the computer has been put to sleep, which is known as “Sleep Cause” or “Shutdown Cause”.

The cause that should be most prevalent on a working system should be cause number “5”.

Wake Reason: system.log or Unified

kernel: (AppleACPIPlatform) Wake reason: <Message>

RTC (Alarm)	• Wake on Demand, Bonjour Services: Real-Time Clock
EC LID0, EC LID0 EHC2, EC.LidOpen, EC.LidOpen XHCI	• Laptop lid
EHCI, EHC2	• Enhanced Host Controller: USB, Bluetooth, wireless devices
PWRB (User)	• Power button
OHCI	• Open Host Controller: USB/FireWire, mouse/keyboard
? (User)	• Power button from hibernation w/ no battery power
USB1	• Trackpad
EC.ACAttach (Maintenance), EC.ACDetach (Maintenance)	• Power adapter

The system records the reasons the computer has awoken, known as “wake Reason”. Outlined above are some of the reasons.

System Boot: MAC Addresses—system.log [10.11-]

- Three different systems boot from same HDD
- Boot-UUID remains the same
- MAC addresses change for each system
- Correlate an HDD moving to/from systems

```
Jun 14 17:41:59 localhost kernel[0]: rooting via boot-uuid from /chosen: 1FDCF218-B7EB-3BAC-9AD6-8498D0E2EA9D
```

```
Jun 14 17:42:22 Sarah-Edwardss-MacBook kernel[0]: yukon: Ethernet address 00:19:e3:3c:cb:7e
```

```
Jun 14 17:42:22 Sarah-Edwardss-MacBook kernel[0]: AirPort_AthrFusion21: Ethernet address 00:1b:63:c3:8d:1a
```

```
Jun 14 19:50:26 localhost kernel[0]: rooting via boot-uuid from /chosen: 1FDCF218-B7EB-3BAC-9AD6-8498D0E2EA9D
```

```
Jun 14 19:50:53 Sarah-Edwardss-MacBook kernel[0]: AirPort_Brcm4331: Ethernet address 28:cf:da:04:84:77
```

```
Jun 14 19:50:53 Sarah-Edwardss-MacBook kernel[0]: BCM5701Enet: Ethernet address 3c:07:54:03:65:20
```

```
Jun 14 20:33:38 localhost kernel[0]: rooting via boot-uuid from /chosen: 1FDCF218-B7EB-3BAC-9AD6-8498D0E2EA9D
```

```
Jun 14 20:34:12 Sarah-Edwardss-MacBook kernel[0]: BCM5701Enet: Ethernet address c4:2c:03:09:ca:fd
```

```
Jun 14 20:34:12 Sarah-Edwardss-MacBook kernel[0]: AirPort_Brcm43224: Ethernet address 90:27:e4:f8:e6:5f
```

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One way to correlate if a hard drive has been moved from system to system is to check for the MAC addresses.

In the example, each system has two network cards (one wireless, one wired). Immediately, we can probably rule out the MacBook Air as one of the systems, as these only have one wireless NIC by default. The message includes a hint as to what types of network cards are installed on the systems.

- System 1
 - Yukon: Yukon network card
 - AirPort_AthrFusion21: Atheros network card
- System 2
 - AirPort_Brcm4331: Broadcom network card
 - BCM5701Enet: Broadcom network card
- System 3
 - BCM5701Enet: Broadcom network card
 - Airport_Brcm43224: Broadcom network card

Jun 14 17:41:59 localhost kernel[0]: rooting via boot-uuid from /chosen: 1FDCF218-B7EB-3BAC-9AD6-8498D0E2EA9D

Jun 14 17:42:22 Sarah-Edwardss-MacBook kernel[0]: yukon: Ethernet address 00:19:e3:3c:cb:7e

Jun 14 17:42:22 Sarah-Edwardss-MacBook kernel[0]: AirPort_AthrFusion21: Ethernet address 00:1b:63:c3:8d:1a

Jun 14 19:50:26 localhost kernel[0]: rooting via boot-uuid from /chosen: 1FDCF218-B7EB-3BAC-9AD6-8498D0E2EA9D

Jun 14 19:50:53 Sarah-Edwardss-MacBook kernel[0]: AirPort_Brcm4331: Ethernet address 28:cf:da:04:84:77

Jun 14 19:50:53 Sarah-Edwardss-MacBook kernel[0]: BCM5701Enet: Ethernet address 3c:07:54:03:65:20

Jun 14 20:33:38 localhost kernel[0]: rooting via boot-uuid from /chosen: 1FDCF218-B7EB-3BAC-9AD6-8498D0E2EA9D

Jun 14 20:34:12 Sarah-Edwardss-MacBook kernel[0]: BCM5701Enet: Ethernet address c4:2c:03:09:ca:fd

Jun 14 20:34:12 Sarah-Edwardss-MacBook kernel[0]: AirPort_Brcm43224: Ethernet address 90:27:e4:f8:e6:5f

Disk Usage History: /var/log/daily.out

Sat Feb 18 08:52:38 GMT 2018

Removing old temporary files:

Cleaning out old system announcements:

Removing stale files from /var/rwho:

```
Disk status:
Filesystem      Size  Used Avail Capacity  Used  Inuse Mounted on
/dev/disk1s1    932Gi  681Gi  248Gi    74%  2561338 922337203685271469 /
/dev/disk1s4    932Gi  2.8Gi  248Gi    3%    5 922337203685271469 /private/var/cr
```

Network interface status:

```
Name Mtu Network Address Ipkts Ierrs Opkts Oerrs Coll
```

Name	Mtu	Network	Address	Ipkts	Ierrs	Opkts	Oerrs	Coll		
/dev/disk1s1	932Gi			289Gi	636Gi	32%	1597027	9223372036853178780	0%	/
/dev/disk1s1	932Gi			239Gi	688Gi	26%	1598750	9223372036853177057	0%	/
/dev/disk1s1	932Gi			550Gi	377Gi	60%	2141362	9223372036852634445	0%	/
/dev/disk1s1	932Gi			547Gi	381Gi	59%	2140741	9223372036852635066	0%	/
/dev/disk1s1	932Gi			576Gi	350Gi	63%	2163176	9223372036852612631	0%	/
/dev/disk1s1	932Gi			694Gi	234Gi	75%	2176065	9223372036852599742	0%	/
/dev/disk1s1	932Gi			705Gi	222Gi	77%	2176575	9223372036852599232	0%	/
/dev/disk1s1	932Gi			894Gi	36Gi	97%	2683641	9223372036852092166	0%	/
/dev/disk1s1	932Gi			501Gi	427Gi	54%	2712300	9223372036852063507	0%	/
/dev/disk1s1	932Gi			442Gi	486Gi	48%	1466694	9223372036853309113	0%	/

```
vlnet1500 172.16.164/24 172.16.164.1
```

Local system status:

8:52 up 16 mins, 6 users, load averages: 3.68 5.83 7.17

-- End of daily output --

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The disk usage for a system might be useful to see how much disk space a system uses over time. The `daily.out` is one of the log files associated with the Unix maintenance scripts (along with `weekly.out` and `monthly.out`), which records “Disk Status”. We can “grep” this log file for the specific disk (`/dev/disk1s1`), as shown in the example above.

Sat Feb 10 08:52:30 GMT 2018

Removing old temporary files:

Cleaning out old system announcements:

Removing stale files from /var/rwho:

Disk status:

Filesystem	Size	Used	Avail	Capacity	iuused	ifree	%iused	Mounted on
/dev/disk1s1	932Gi	681Gi	248Gi	74%	2561338	9223372036852214469	0%	/
/dev/disk1s4	932Gi	2.0Gi	248Gi	1%	5	9223372036854775802	0%	/private/var/vm

Network interface status:

Name	Mtu	Network	Address	Ipkts	Ierrs	Opkts	Oerrs	Coll
lo0	16384	<Link#1>		913	0	913	0	0
lo0	16384	127	localhost	913	-	913	-	-
lo0	16384	localhost	::1	913	-	913	-	-
lo0	16384	fe80::1%lo0	fe80:1::1	913	-	913	-	-
gif0*	1280	<Link#2>		0	0	0	0	0
stf0*	1280	<Link#3>		0	0	0	0	0
XHC0*	0	<Link#4>		0	0	0	0	0
XHC20	0	<Link#5>		0	0	0	0	0
XHC1*	0	<Link#6>		0	0	0	0	0
en5	1500	<Link#7>	ac:de:48:00:11:22	1350	0	1327	0	0
en5	1500	fe80::aede:	fe80:7::aede:48ff	1350	-	1327	-	-
en0	1500	<Link#8>	f4:0f:24:3b:a2:3b	93729	0	68627	0	0
en0	1500	sarajs-macb	fe80:8::43c:2d31:	93729	-	68627	-	-
en0	1500	172.19/22	172.19.2.30	93729	-	68627	-	-
p2p0	2304	<Link#9>	06:0f:24:3b:a2:3b	0	0	0	0	0
awdl0	1484	<Link#10>	be:2c:bf:a6:63:cd	0	0	6	0	0
awdl0	1484	sarajs-macb	fe80:a::bc2c:bfff	0	-	6	-	-
en3	1500	<Link#11>	ee:00:78:89:d1:05	0	0	0	0	0
en4	1500	<Link#12>	ee:00:78:89:d1:04	0	0	0	0	0
en1	1500	<Link#13>	ee:00:78:89:d1:01	0	0	0	0	0
en2	1500	<Link#14>	ee:00:78:89:d1:00	0	0	0	0	0
bridg	1500	<Link#15>	ee:00:78:89:d1:01	0	0	1	0	0
utun0	2000	<Link#16>		0	0	2	0	0
utun0	2000	fe80::53a9:	fe80:10::53a9:a31	0	-	2	-	-
vmnet	1500	<Link#17>	00:50:56:c0:00:01	0	0	0	0	0
vmnet	1500	192.168.8	192.168.8.1	0	-	0	-	-
vmnet	1500	<Link#18>	00:50:56:c0:00:08	0	0	0	0	0
vmnet	1500	172.16.104/24	172.16.104.1	0	-	0	-	-

Local system status:

8:52 up 16 mins, 6 users, load averages: 3.60 5.03 7.17

-- End of daily output --

User Access

User Login

User Logoff

Access Time

Privilege Escalation

Account Creation

Account Deletion

Logs can tell a lot about how each user makes use of a system—when they logged in or logged off, if they have privileged access, and how long they were on the system.

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User Logins / Logouts: system.log and Unified (or Both or None?)

Login Window (10.11-) (10.12 Both: sessionlogout)

- Loginwindow[66]: DEAD_PROCESS: 74 console
- Loginwindow[66]: USER_PROCESS: 60 console
- (Unified) Loginwindow[89]: USER_PROCESS: 89 console
- (Unified) sessionlogoutd[589]: DEAD_PROCESS: 89 console

Local Terminal (10.12 system.log and Unified)

- Login[812]: USER_PROCESS: 812 tty002
- Login[812]: DEAD_PROCESS: 812 tty002

SSH (10.12 system.log and Unified)

- sshd[831]: USER_PROCESS: 842 tty002
- sshd[831]: DEAD_PROCESS: 842 tty002

Screen Sharing (10.11-)

- screensharingd: Authentication: SUCCEEDED :: User Name: Sarah
- Edwards :: Viewer Address: 192.168.1.101 :: Type: DH

User logins and logouts can help in determining the usage of the system, who are the main actors on the system, and who might not be allowed onto the system but is using it anyway!

OS X systems may be logged into by a variety of means, four of which are specified here.

- Login Window: Via the logon GUI
- Local Terminal: Via the Terminal program
- SSH: OpenSSH
- Screen Sharing: A native VNC program

Performing a search for logins can be accomplished by using the term “_PROCESS”, except for Screen Sharing, which can be found by searching for “screensharingd”.

Each login process will be marked with “USER_PROCESS” and the process ID, while the logoff will be shown as “DEAD_PROCESS” and the matching process ID.

The Login Window example shows a login (PID 74) and logoff (PID 60) for two different sessions, labeled as “console”. Note this type uses the “Loginwindow” process. On 10.12, the login entries appear the same in the system.log, while the logoff entries are in the Unified logs under the “sessionlogout” process.

In the Local Terminal example, we can see the one login/logoff (PID 812). The terminal windows have been opened, and tty002 was used. Note this type uses the “Login” process.

SSH uses the “sshd” process to record logins and logoffs. In the example, one login/logoff pair for PID 842 is shown using the tty002 terminal window.

On 10.12, the terminal login and sshd entries are separated. The USER_PROCESS is in the system.log, while the matching DEAD_PROCESS is in the Unified logs.

Screen Sharing logins show an entry like the one shown in the example above. It records the username (may be Full Name or username) and the IP address where the connection is coming from. These entries do not appear on 10.12.

These login/logout messages can be found in the “system.log” or the Apple System Logs. These events in the ASL logs contain more detailed information, such as which user logged in.

Privilege Escalation: /var/log/system.log

su

- 5/27/12 8:54:21.646 PM su: BAD SU oompa to root on /dev/ttys001
- 5/28/12 8:57:44.032 PM su: oompa to root on /dev/ttys000

sudo

- 5/27/12 8:48:15.790 PM sudo: oompa : TTY=ttys000 ; PWD=/Users/oompa/Documents ; USER=root ; COMMAND=/usr/bin/iosnoop

Privilege escalation is needed when a Standard user needs to perform root-level actions. The `su` command can be used to log in as root (or another user) for a session, while the `sudo` command will run a command as root for five minutes (this time can be changed in the `/etc/sudoers` configuration file).

The `su` example shows an entry that failed, while the second entry shows a successful `su` command.

The `sudo` example shows a successful command using `sudo`. The entry includes:

- Terminal window
- Current working directory
- Escalated user account
- Command

Account Creation

Audit Logs

```
•<record version="11" event="create user" modifier="0" time="Mon
May 28 21:25:49 2012" msec=" + 677 msec" >
<subject audit-uid="501" uid="501" gid="20" ruid="501" rgid="20"
pid="585" sid="100004" tid="585 0.0.0.0" />
<text>Create record type Users &apos;supersecretuser&apos; node
&apos;/Local/Default&apos;</text>
<return errval="success" retval="0" />
</record>
```

system.log or Unified Logs

```
•May 28 21:25:22 bit com.apple.SecurityServer[24]: UID 501
authenticated as user oompa (UID 501) for right
'system.preferences.accounts'
```

User account creation can also be of immense interest to an investigator. Audit records for user creation are very verbose. Lots of related entries are created. Audit records also have more detail than records found in the `system.log` or unified logs.

One of the records, shown in the example above, contains the event “create user”. This entry includes the following data:

- Timestamp
- User who created the new user (uid=501)
- Name of new user (supersecretuser)

In the next example, the `system.log/unified` entry shows who unlocked the account preferences pane. In this log event, it does not show if a new user account was created or what the account name was. In fact, by just looking at this log entry we wouldn't know a new account was created.

This is a good example of using multiple sources to get a more detailed picture.

Account Deletion

/Library/Preferences/com.apple.preferences.accounts.plist

Key	Type	Value
▼ deletedUsers	Array	(2 items)
▶ Item 0	Diction...	(4 items)
▼ Item 1	Diction...	(4 items)
dsAttrTypeStandard:RealName	String	testuser
dsAttrTypeStandard:UniqueID	Number	502
name	String	testuser
date	Date	Jun 13, 2012 8:41:58 PM

```
<record version="11" event="delete user" modifier="0" time="Wed Jun 13 20:41:56 2012" msec="
+ 322 msec" >
<subject audit-uid="501" uid="501" gid="20" ruid="501" rgid="20" pid="10717" sid="100005"
tid="10717 0.0.0.0" />
<text>Delete record type Users &apos;testuser&apos; node &apos;/Local/Default&apos;</text>
<return errval="success" retval="0" />
</record>
```

If account creation is important, then so is account deletion. The same data can be found in the audit logs, as can be found for account creation. The event “delete user” records the user (501) who deleted the account, what account was deleted (testuser), and when.

The deleted users are shown in the com.apple.preferences.accounts.plist file under the deletedUsers key. This key contains the deleted user’s name, UID, username, and the deletion date in local system time.

Software Installs

Software Updates

Administrator Installs

OS X Installation and Versions

Logs can show us when the software was installed and if Administrator privileges were needed. These logs can also show what OS X version is installed and when it was updated.

Install Details: /var/log/install.log

```
May 27 11:59:03 MBP Installer[470]: logKext Installation Log
May 27 11:59:03 MBP Installer[470]: Opened from:
/Users/oompa/Downloads/logKext-2.3.pkg
May 27 11:59:03 MBP Installer[470]: Product archive
/Users/oompa/Downloads/logKext-2.3.pkg trustLevel=100
May 27 11:59:17 MBP Installer[470]: InstallerStatusNotifications plugin
loaded
May 27 11:59:26 MBP runner[477]: Administrator authorization granted.
May 27 11:59:26 MBP Installer[470]:
=====
May 27 11:59:26 MBP Installer[470]: User picked Standard Install
May 27 11:59:26 MBP Installer[470]: Choices selected for installation:
...
May 27 12:01:34 MBP installld[481]: Installed "logKext" ()
May 27 12:01:35 MBP installld[481]: PackageKit: ----- End install -----
```

The install.log also contains software install details, such as:

- Where the software package was opened from on disk
- Was administrator authorization needed?

```
Jun 9 12:43:51 nibble.blah installld[64413]: PackageKit: ----- Begin install -----
Jun 9 12:43:51 nibble.blah installld[64413]: PackageKit: request=PKInstallRequest <1 packages, destination=/>
Jun 9 12:43:51 nibble.blah installld[64413]: PackageKit: packages={
  "PKLeopardPackage <file:///localhost/var/folders/f1/_wpdftvx3k3_c96vhxd0fkqr0000gn/C/com.apple.appstore/404458553/
mzps1501882897890740536.pkg#com.omnigroup.OmniGraffle.MacAppStore.pkg>"
}
Jun 9 12:43:52 nibble.blah installld[64413]: PackageKit: Extracting file:///localhost/var/folders/f1/_wpdftvx3k3_c96vhxd0fkqr0000gn/C/
com.apple.appstore/404458553/mzps1501882897890740536.pkg#com.omnigroup.OmniGraffle.MacAppStore.pkg (destination=/var/folders/zz/
zyxvpxvq6csfxvn_n0000000000000/Cleanup At Startup/PKInstallSandboxManager/3.sandbox/Root/Applications, uid=0)
Jun 9 12:43:53 nibble.blah installld[64413]: PackageKit: Applying atomic-update from bundle at Applications/OmniGraffle 5.app
Jun 9 12:43:56 nibble.blah Software Update[71745]: PackageKit: Missing bundle path, skipping: <bundle id="com.apple.SystemProfiler"></
bundle>
Jun 9 12:43:56 nibble.blah Software Update[71745]: PackageKit: Missing bundle path, skipping: <bundle
id="com.apple.java.JavaPreferences"></bundle>
Jun 9 12:43:56 nibble.blah Software Update[71745]: PackageKit: Missing bundle path, skipping: <bundle id="com.apple.iCal"></bundle>
Jun 9 12:43:58 nibble.blah installld[64413]: PackageKit: Verifying code signature on /var/folders/zz/zyxvpxvq6csfxvn_n000000000000/Cleanup
At Startup/PKInstallSandboxManager/3.sandbox/Root/Applications/OmniGraffle 5.app
Jun 9 12:44:01 nibble.blah installld[64413]: PackageKit: Wrote MAS receipt into Applications/OmniGraffle 5.app
Jun 9 12:44:01 nibble.blah installld[64413]: PackageKit: prevent user idle system sleep
Jun 9 12:44:01 nibble.blah installld[64413]: PackageKit: suspending backupd
Jun 9 12:44:01 nibble.blah install_monitor[71764]: Temporarily excluding: /Applications, /Library, /System, /bin, /private, /sbin, /usr
Jun 9 12:44:03 nibble.blah installld[64413]: PackageKit: Shoving /var/folders/zz/zyxvpxvq6csfxvn_n0000000000000/Cleanup At Startup/
PKInstallSandboxManager/3.sandbox/Root (1 items) to /
Jun 9 12:44:03 nibble.blah installld[64413]: PackageKit: Writing receipt for com.omnigroup.OmniGraffle.MacAppStore to /private/var/db/
receipts
Jun 9 12:44:03 nibble.blah installld[64413]: PackageKit: Touched bundle Applications/OmniGraffle 5.app
Jun 9 12:44:03 nibble.blah installld[64413]: PackageKit: Touched bundle Applications/OmniGraffle 5.app/Contents/Resources/
OmniGroupCrashCatcher.app
Jun 9 12:44:03 nibble.blah installld[64413]: Installed "OmniGraffle" (5.4.3)
```

Installed Software: /var/log/install.log—Search “Installed”

```
May 9 16:28:06 localhost OSInstaller[328]: Installed "Mac OS X" ()
...
May 9 19:56:21 bit installld[338]: Installed "Evernote" ()
May 10 00:45:34 bit installld[559]: Installed "Flashback malware removal tool" (1.0)
May 10 00:45:34 bit installld[559]: Installed "Mac OS X Update Combined" (10.7.4)
May 10 00:45:34 bit installld[559]: Installed "iTunes" (10.6.1)
May 10 00:46:33 bit installld[559]: Installed "Lion Recovery Update" (1.0)
May 10 16:51:51 bit installld[295]: Installed "Xcode" ()
May 10 16:55:55 bit installld[295]: Installed "iPhoto" ()
May 11 19:51:09 bit installld[4384]: Installed "Office 2011 14.1.0 Update" ()
May 14 18:31:44 bit installld[9572]: Installed "Java for OS X 2012-003" (1.0)
May 19 16:50:20 bit installld[20691]: Installed "TrueCrypt 7.1a" ()
May 19 17:17:25 bit installld[20847]: Installed "CCleaner" ()
May 19 17:32:19 bit installld[20847]: Installed "TextWrangler" ()
May 26 20:15:45 bit installld[39022]: Installed "The Unarchiver" ()
May 27 15:46:56 bit installld[41936]: Installed "Wireshark 1.6.8 Intel 64" ()
May 27 20:57:48 bit installld[514]: Installed "Microsoft Error Reporting for Mac" ()
May 27 20:59:41 bit installld[978]: Installed "Office 2011 14.2.2 Update" ()
```

Software installations can be a good resource to find out what types of software are used on the system and when they were downloaded.

We can look at the `install.log` on the system and search for the keyword “Installed” (or more specifically “: Installed”) to easily show the software packages installed. This list will not only include user-initiated software like TrueCrypt and TextWrangler but also system software updates like the iTunes 10.6.1 update.

This log does not include installation information of command-line tools such as `macports` or `fink` repositories.

Caveat: Software installed via a “Drag and Drop” method such as Firefox and Chrome will not show in this log. Some software allows a user to copy the application directly to the `/Application` directory.

System Version: /var/log/install.log—Search “Running OS Build:”

```
Sarahs-MBP-5:~ oompa$ less /var/log/install.log | grep "Running OS Build"
2017-11-11 17:53:40+00 MacBook-Pro InstallAssistant[556]: Running OS Build: Mac OS X 10.13 (17A365)
2017-11-11 17:56:32+00 MacBook-Pro InstallAssistant[609]: Running OS Build: Mac OS X 10.13 (17A365)
Nov 11 18:01:31 MacBook-Pro OSInstaller[550]: Running OS Build: Mac OS X 10.13 (17A365)
Nov 11 18:05:45 MacBook-Pro OSInstaller[550]: Running OS Build: Mac OS X 10.13 (17A365)
2017-11-11 14:47:49-05 MacBook-Pro Installer[2933]: Running OS Build: Mac OS X 10.13 (17A365)
Nov 11 20:53:47 MacBook-Pro OSInstaller[558]: Running OS Build: Mac OS X 10.13.1 (17B48)
2017-11-11 16:56:00-05 MacBook-Pro Installer[1505]: Running OS Build: Mac OS X 10.13.1 (17B48)
2017-11-12 22:59:21-05 Sarahs-MBP InstallAssistant[2486]: Running OS Build: Mac OS X 10.13.1 (17B48)
2017-11-16 14:11:37-08 Sarahs-MacBook-Pro Installer[19193]: Running OS Build: Mac OS X 10.13.1 (17B48)
2017-11-16 14:13:23-08 Sarahs-MacBook-Pro Installer[19234]: Running OS Build: Mac OS X 10.13.1 (17B48)
2017-11-16 14:20:39-08 Sarahs-MacBook-Pro Installer[37128]: Running OS Build: Mac OS X 10.13.1 (17B48)
2017-11-25 22:30:07-05 Sarahs-MBP Installer[3793]: Running OS Build: Mac OS X 10.13.1 (17B48)
2017-12-17 22:06:15-05 Sarahs-MacBook-Pro Installer[23976]: Running OS Build: Mac OS X 10.13.1 (17B1003)
2018-01-19 13:51:41-05 sarahs-mbp Installer[48509]: Running OS Build: Mac OS X 10.13.1 (17B1003)
2018-01-23 20:15:26-05 Sarahs-MBP Installer[659]: Running OS Build: Mac OS X 10.13.1 (17B1003)
2018-02-10 11:29:46+00 Sarahs-MacBook-Pro Installer[2280]: Running OS Build: Mac OS X 10.13.1 (17B1003)
Feb 17 13:46:08 MacBook-Pro OSInstaller[550]: Running OS Build: Mac OS X 10.13.3 (17D47)
2018-03-03 20:24:16-05 Sarahs-MBP Installer[74593]: Running OS Build: Mac OS X 10.13.3 (17D47)
Mar 7 02:04:19 MacBook-Pro OSInstaller[561]: Running OS Build: Mac OS X 10.13.3 (17D47)
```

A historical view of the system version can be seen if a search for “Running OS Build:” is performed.

The example above shows a system being upgraded from 10.13 to 10.13.1 to 10.13.3.

Backup Activity

Other Evidential Items

Backups

System Usage

Evidence of backups can provide new or unknown evidential items for investigators. Backups can provide snapshots in time of a particular system and can show how often, as well as how much, a system was used.

Backup Log Entry: /var/log/system.log [10.11-] or Unified [10.12+]

```
2018-03-03 11:12:07.449073-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Starting backup of /Volumes/TimeMachine/Backups.backupdb
2018-03-03 11:12:18.235572-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Backing up to /dev/disk42: /Volumes/TimeMachine/Backups.backupdb
2018-03-03 11:12:37.276419-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Space based thinning deleted Time Machine snapshot 'com.apple.TimeMachine.2018-03-02-105416' on disk '/' in 64.3 seconds - current free space: 5.81 GB (5,805,854,720 bytes), target free space: 4.2 GB (4,282,564,224 bytes), initial free space: 5.79 GB (5,792,009,664 bytes)
2018-03-03 11:12:37.280512-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Completed thinning of Time Machine local snapshots on disk '/' in 64.4 seconds - current free space: 5.81 GB (5,805,854,720 bytes) , target free space: 5.2 GB (5,282,564,224 bytes), initial free space: 5.79 GB (5,792,009,664 bytes), urgency: 1, remaining snapshots: (1)
2018-03-03 11:12:22.282944-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Starting age based thinning of Time Machine local snapshots on disk '/'
2018-03-03 11:12:22.284781-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Starting space based thinning of Time Machine local snapshots on disk '/' - current free space: 5.81 GB (5,805,854,720 bytes), target free space: 4.2 GB (4,282,564,224 bytes), initial free space: 5.81 GB (5,805,854,720 bytes), urgency: 2
2018-03-03 11:12:22.285219-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Completed thinning of Time Machine local snapshots on disk '/' in 0.8 seconds - current free space: 5.81 GB (5,805,854,720 bytes), target free space: 4.2 GB (4,282,564,224 bytes), initial free space: 5.81 GB (5,805,854,720 bytes), urgency: 2, remaining snapshots: (1)
2018-03-03 11:12:27.420952-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Created Time Machine local snapshot with name 'com.apple.TimeMachine.2018-03-03-112125' on disk '/'
2018-03-03 11:12:27.420954-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Declared stable snapshots: com.apple.TimeMachine.2018-03-03-112125
2018-03-03 11:12:28.164764-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Mounted stable snapshots: com.apple.TimeMachine.2018-03-03-112125 at path: /Volumes/com.apple.TimeMachine.localsnapshots/Backups.backupdb/Dev's MacBook Pro/2018-03-03-112125/Galaga.smcrcs-031900
2018-03-03 11:12:28.192774-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogError] Failed to mount APFS snapshot with name 'com.apple.TimeMachine.2018-03-03-112125' on volume '/' at mountpoint: '/Volumes/com.apple.TimeMachine.localsnapshots/Backups.backupdb/Dev's MacBook Pro/2018-03-03-112125/Galaga', error: Error Domain=NSPOSIXErrorDomain Code=2 'No such file or directory'
2018-03-03 11:12:28.197343-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Failed to mount reference snapshot: com.apple.TimeMachine.2018-03-03-112125 source: Galaga
2018-03-03 11:12:28.337311-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Event store UUIDs don't match for volume: Galaga
2018-03-03 11:12:28.438824-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Deep event scan at path:/Volumes/com.apple.TimeMachine.localsnapshots/Backups.backupdb/Dev's MacBook Pro/2018-03-03-112125/Galaga
reason:mut scan subdir[renew event db]
2018-03-03 11:12:28.438934-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Running event scan
2018-03-03 11:15:25.718256-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Finished scan
2018-03-03 11:15:26.034456-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Saved event cache at /Volumes/TimeMachine/Backups.backupdb/Dev's MacBook Pro/2018-03-03-112125.inProgress/21978201-2508-429C-8385-3818BC0994E1/.2d6CA248-0872-4F09-94EA-98DF75220A16.eventsdb
2018-03-03 11:16:28.807938-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Not using file event preflight for /
2018-03-03 11:16:42.819477-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Full backup of /dev/disk31: Time Machine
2018-03-03 11:16:42.820189-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Found available space (2.81 GB) including backup
2018-03-03 11:16:42.832174-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] 3.64 GB reserved (including padding), 47.35 GB available
2018-03-03 11:22:34.488793-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Mounted stable snapshots: com.apple.TimeMachine.2018-03-03-112125 source: Galaga. Linked 113.6
2018-03-03 11:22:35.277698-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Saved clone family cache for 'Galaga' at /Volumes/TimeMachine/Backups.backupdb/Dev's MacBook Pro/2018-03-03-112125.inProgress/21978201-2509-419C-8385-3818BC0994E1/.2d6CA248-0872-4F09-94EA-98DF75220A16.clonecm
2018-03-03 11:22:36.968786-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Unmounted local snapshots: com.apple.TimeMachine.2018-03-03-112125 at path: /Volumes/com.apple.TimeMachine.localsnapshots/Backups.backupdb/Dev's MacBook Pro/2018-03-03-112125/Galaga
2018-03-03 11:22:37.025137-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogError] Failed to unmount disk mounted at '/Volumes/com.apple.TimeMachine.localsnapshots/Backups.backupdb/Dev's MacBook Pro/2018-03-03-112125/Galaga', error: {
    Action = Unmount;
    Target = "file:///Volumes/com.apple.TimeMachine.localsnapshots/Backups.backupdb/Dev's MacBook Pro/2018-03-03-112125/Galaga/";
}
2018-03-03 11:22:37.025774-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogError] Failed to unmount snapshot: com.apple.TimeMachine.2018-03-03-112125 source: Galaga
2018-03-03 11:22:37.012378-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Mounted stable snapshots: com.apple.TimeMachine.2018-03-03-112125
2018-03-03 11:22:37.055432-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Mounted snapshots: com.apple.TimeMachine.2018-03-03-112125
2018-03-03 11:22:47.488429-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogError] Failed to mount disk '<DADisk 8x7f8c61ebf640 [8x7f8c61ebf640]>' (id = /dev/disk33)
2018-03-03 11:23:47.499387-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Starting post-backup thinning
2018-03-03 11:23:57.079991-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Deleted /Volumes/TimeMachine/Backups.backupdb/Dev's MacBook Pro/2018-03-03-009921 (9.6 MB)
2018-03-03 11:24:00.566518-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Deleted /Volumes/TimeMachine/Backups.backupdb/Dev's MacBook Pro/2018-03-03-009921 (15.3 MB)
2018-03-03 11:24:03.181058-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Deleted /Volumes/TimeMachine/Backups.backupdb/Dev's MacBook Pro/2018-03-02-008428 (13.6 MB)
2018-03-03 11:24:13.083422-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Deleted /Volumes/TimeMachine/Backups.backupdb/Dev's MacBook Pro/2018-03-11-001198 (18.5 MB)
2018-03-03 11:24:16.964389-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Deleted /Volumes/TimeMachine/Backups.backupdb/Dev's MacBook Pro/2018-03-18-000712 (19.9 MB)
2018-03-03 11:24:16.964387-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Post-backup thinning complete: 5 expired backups removed
2018-03-03 11:24:16.988427-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Backup completed successfully
```



Access to other systems that contain backups could be a potential source of more evidence. OS X uses the application Time Machine to interact with backup drives. The `system.log` file contains various backup-related events, such as:

- When the backup was started
- Network location of backup (or local location if a USB HDD is used)
- Local mount point of network hard drive
- Amount of data backed up
- Volume name to be backed up
- Deletion of old backups
- When the backup was completed

```

2018-03-03 11:12:07.46973-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Starting manual backup
2018-03-03 11:12:18.23572-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Backing up to /dev/disk4s2: /Volumes/TimeMachine/Backups.backupdb
2018-03-03 11:12:22.22849-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Space based thinning deleted Time Machine snapshot 'com.apple.TimeMachine.2018-03-03-105416' on disk '/' in 64.3 seconds - current free space: 5.81 GB (5,885,854,720 bytes), target free space: 6.2 GB (6,202,584,131 bytes), initial free space: 5.79 GB (5,793,809,664 bytes)
2018-03-03 11:12:22.28012-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Completed thinning of Time Machine local snapshots on disk '/' in 64.4 seconds - current free space: 5.81 GB (5,885,854,720 bytes), target free space: 6.2 GB (6,202,584,131 bytes), initial free space: 5.79 GB (5,793,809,664 bytes), urgency: 1, remaining snapshots: {}
2018-03-03 11:12:22.282964-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Starting age based thinning of Time Machine local snapshots on disk '/'
2018-03-03 11:12:22.284781-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Starting space based thinning of Time Machine local snapshots on disk '/' - current free space: 5.81 GB (5,885,858,816 bytes), target free space: 6.21 GB (6,206,230,002 bytes), initial free space: 5.81 GB (5,885,858,816 bytes), urgency: 2
2018-03-03 11:12:22.286219-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Completed thinning of Time Machine local snapshots on disk '/' in 0.0 seconds - current free space: 5.81 GB (5,885,858,816 bytes), target free space: 6.21 GB (6,206,230,002 bytes), initial free space: 5.81 GB (5,885,858,816 bytes), urgency: 2, remaining snapshots: {}
2018-03-03 11:12:27.470552-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Created Time Machine local snapshot with name 'com.apple.TimeMachine.2018-03-03-111213' on disk '/'
2018-03-03 11:12:27.620894-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Declared stable snapshot: com.apple.TimeMachine.2018-03-03-111213
2018-03-03 11:12:28.166264-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Mounted stable snapshot: com.apple.TimeMachine.2018-03-03-111213 at path: /Volumes/com.apple.TimeMachine.localsnapshots/Backups.backupdb/David's MacBook Pro/2018-03-03-111213/Galaga source: Galaga
2018-03-03 11:12:28.197297-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogError] Failed to mount APFS snapshot with name 'com.apple.TimeMachine.2018-01-18-210636' on volume '/' at mountpoint: '/Volumes/com.apple.TimeMachine.localsnapshots/Backups.backupdb/David's MacBook Pro/2018-01-18-210636/Galaga', error: Error Domain=NSPOSIXErrorDomain Code=2 "No such file or directory"
2018-03-03 11:12:28.337311-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogError] Failed to mount reference snapshot: com.apple.TimeMachine.2018-01-18-210636 source: Galaga
2018-03-03 11:12:28.337311-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Event store UUIDs don't match for volume: Galaga
2018-03-03 11:12:28.438026-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Deep event scan at path:/Volumes/com.apple.TimeMachine.localsnapshots/Backups.backupdb/David's MacBook Pro/2018-03-03-111213/Galaga reason:must scan subdirs[new event db]
2018-03-03 11:12:28.438063-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Running event scan
2018-03-03 11:15:25.718256-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Finished scan
2018-03-03 11:15:26.036456-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Saved event cache at /Volumes/TimeMachine/Backups.backupdb/David's MacBook Pro/2018-03-03-111213.inProgress/2197B381-2508-429C-83B5-381B0CD984E1/.268CA248-0872-4F08-94EA-98DF75238416.eventdb
2018-03-03 11:15:26.059980-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Not using file event preflight for /
2018-03-03 11:16:42.019157-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Will copy (2.81 GB) from Galaga
2018-03-03 11:16:42.020189-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Found 69411 files (2.81 GB) reading backup
2018-03-03 11:16:42.032174-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] 3.94 GB required (including padding), 47.35 GB available
2018-03-03 11:22:34.688793-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Copied 64847 items (2.26 GB) from volume Galaga. Linked 11759.
2018-03-03 11:22:35.277698-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Saved clone family cache for 'Galaga' at /Volumes/TimeMachine/Backups.backupdb/David's MacBook Pro/2018-03-03-111213.inProgress/2197B381-2508-429C-83B5-381B0CD984E1/.268CA248-0872-4F08-94EA-98DF75238416.clonedb
2018-03-03 11:22:36.788706-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Unmounted local snapshot: com.apple.TimeMachine.2018-03-03-111213 at path: /Volumes/com.apple.TimeMachine.localsnapshots/Backups.backupdb/David's MacBook Pro/2018-03-03-111213/Galaga source: Galaga
2018-03-03 11:22:37.025137-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogError] Failed to unmount disk mounted at '/Volumes/com.apple.TimeMachine.localsnapshots/Backups.backupdb/David's MacBook Pro/2018-01-18-210636/Galaga', error: {
    Action = Unmount;
    Target = "file:///Volumes/com.apple.TimeMachine.localsnapshots/Backups.backupdb/David's MacBook Pro/2018-01-18-210636/Galaga/";
}
2018-03-03 11:22:37.025774-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogError] Failed to unmount snapshot: com.apple.TimeMachine.2018-01-18-210636 source: Galaga
2018-03-03 11:22:37.912378-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Marked as reference snapshot: com.apple.TimeMachine.2018-03-03-111213
2018-03-03 11:22:37.955432-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Completed snapshot: 2018-03-03-111213
2018-03-03 11:23:47.488439-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogError] Failed to mount disk '<DADisk 0x7f8d61ebf540 [0x7ffffb20ea570]>{id = /dev/disk3s3}'
2018-03-03 11:23:47.993387-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Starting post-backup thinning
2018-03-03 11:23:57.079691-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Deleted /Volumes/TimeMachine/Backups.backupdb/David's MacBook Pro/2018-01-04-008214 (9.5 MB)
2018-03-03 11:24:00.556518-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Deleted /Volumes/TimeMachine/Backups.backupdb/David's MacBook Pro/2018-01-03-008912 (15.1 MB)
2018-03-03 11:24:13.003492-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Deleted /Volumes/TimeMachine/Backups.backupdb/David's MacBook Pro/2018-01-02-008455 (33.6 MB)
2018-03-03 11:24:16.964396-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Deleted /Volumes/TimeMachine/Backups.backupdb/David's MacBook Pro/2018-01-11-001100 (18.1 MB)
2018-03-03 11:24:16.964367-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Deleted /Volumes/TimeMachine/Backups.backupdb/David's MacBook Pro/2018-01-10-000712 (13.9 MB)
2018-03-03 11:24:16.964367-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Post-backup thinning complete: 5 expired backups removed
2018-03-03 11:24:16.989947-0500 localhost backupd[5966]: (TimeMachine) [com.apple.TimeMachine:TMLogInfo] Backup completed successfully

```

Locational Activity

Wireless Access Point Location

Travel Timeline

Local and International Travel

There are many data points in logs showing locational activity, specifically on laptop systems. Laptops are meant to be mobile and to travel around the city, country, or world. The logs can provide a timeline of travel that can help an investigator correlate where a user may have been at a particular time.

Wireless Access Points com.apple.airport.preferences.plist

Determine general location based upon SSID

Last connected time

- Local system time in Xcode

Verify location via BSSID MAC address

- wgle.net

Correlate with logs for more recent connections

▼ wifi.ssid.<44652056 65726520 4772616e...>	Dictionary	(21 items)
AutoLogin	Boolean	NO
▼ BSSIDList	Array	(3 items)
▼ Item 0	Dictionary	(2 items)
LEAKY_AP_BSSID	String	6c:3b:8b:7d:c5:8e
LEAKY_AP_LEARNED_DATA	Data	<>
▼ Item 1	Dictionary	(2 items)
LEAKY_AP_BSSID	String	6c:3b:8b:7d:c5:8d
LEAKY_AP_LEARNED_DATA	Data	<00000000 00000000 04000000>
▼ Item 2	Dictionary	(2 items)
LEAKY_AP_BSSID	String	6c:3b:8b:77:02:4d
LEAKY_AP_LEARNED_DATA	Data	<>
Captive	Boolean	NO
▶ ChannelHistory	Array	(1 item)
Closed	Boolean	NO
▶ CollocatedGroup	Array	(0 items)
Disabled	Boolean	NO
LastConnected	Date	Feb 10, 2018 at 9:07:22 AM
NetworkWasCaptive	Boolean	YES
Passpoint	Boolean	NO
PersonalHotspot	Boolean	NO
PossiblyHiddenNetwork	Boolean	NO
RoamingProfileType	String	Multi
SPRoaming	Boolean	NO
SSID	Data	<44652056 65726520 4772616e>
SSIDString	String	De Vere Grand Connaught Rooms
SecurityType	String	Open
ShareMode	Number	1
SystemMode	Boolean	YES
TemporarilyDisabled	Boolean	NO
UserRole	Number	1
▶ wifi.ssid.<73686d6f 6f636f6e>	Dictionary	(21 items)

The `com.apple.airport.preferences.plist` file contains the “known” networks. These networks are saved by default on macOS until the user purges them.

This plist is a good start to determine where a user might have been by the access points they connected to. Note that if this plist is viewed within Xcode, these “Last Connected” timestamps are in local system time to the analysis system.

The BSSID MAC address can be searched for in services like wgle.net to determine the potential physical location of these networks.

To get a more granular timeline, correlate these connections in the logs.

Detailed Timeline: system.log/Unified Logs Search “config” or “BSSID” or “en0”

2018-02-10 14:06:53.910500+0000	localhost configd[53]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID De Vere Grand Connaught Rooms BSSID 6c:3b:6b:7d:c5:8d
2018-02-10 14:07:21.699310+0000	localhost configd[53]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID De Vere Grand Connaught Rooms BSSID 6c:3b:6b:7d:c5:8d
2018-02-10 14:07:21.784505+0000	localhost configd[53]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID De Vere Grand Connaught Rooms BSSID 6c:3b:6b:7d:c5:8d
2018-02-10 14:07:22.748626+0000	localhost configd[53]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID De Vere Grand Connaught Rooms BSSID 6c:3b:6b:7d:c5:8d
2018-02-25 19:16:41.475644+0000	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID CrystalPalace BSSID 98:de:d0:4a:cf:86
2018-02-25 19:16:41.479578+0000	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID CrystalPalace BSSID 98:de:d0:4a:cf:86
2018-02-25 19:16:41.713504+0000	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID CrystalPalace BSSID 98:de:d0:4a:cf:86
2018-02-25 19:16:41.744678+0000	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID CrystalPalace BSSID 98:de:d0:4a:cf:86
2018-02-25 15:51:35.608372+0500	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID acetomato BSSID e6:95:6e:42:e0:d5
2018-02-25 15:51:35.608307+0500	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID acetomato BSSID e6:95:6e:42:e0:d5
2018-02-25 15:51:35.687538+0500	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID acetomato BSSID e6:95:6e:42:e0:d5
2018-02-25 15:51:35.698212+0500	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID acetomato BSSID e6:95:6e:42:e0:d5
2018-02-25 15:51:39.876707+0500	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID acetomato BSSID e6:95:6e:42:e0:d5
2018-02-25 15:51:39.886212+0500	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID acetomato BSSID e6:95:6e:42:e0:d5
2018-02-25 15:51:39.174335+0500	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID acetomato BSSID e6:95:6e:42:e0:d5
2018-02-25 15:51:39.262729+0500	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID acetomato BSSID e6:95:6e:42:e0:d5
2018-02-25 15:54:23.594247+0500	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID acetomato BSSID e6:95:6e:42:e0:d5
2018-02-25 15:54:23.394215+0500	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID acetomato BSSID e6:95:6e:42:e0:d5
2018-02-25 15:54:31.851236+0500	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID acetomato BSSID e6:95:6e:42:e0:d5
2018-02-25 15:54:31.856675+0500	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID acetomato BSSID e6:95:6e:42:e0:d5
2018-02-25 15:54:31.118892+0500	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID acetomato BSSID e6:95:6e:42:e0:d5
2018-02-25 10:54:31.194112+0500	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID acetomato BSSID e6:95:6e:42:e0:d5
2018-02-25 15:56:21.687936+0500	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID CrystalPalace BSSID 98:de:d0:4a:cf:86
2018-02-25 15:56:21.692137+0500	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID CrystalPalace BSSID 98:de:d0:4a:cf:86
2018-02-25 16:18:29.166517+0500	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID acetomato BSSID e6:95:6e:42:e0:d5
2018-02-25 16:18:29.171309+0500	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID acetomato BSSID e6:95:6e:42:e0:d5
2018-02-25 16:18:29.470337+0500	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID acetomato BSSID e6:95:6e:42:e0:d5
2018-02-25 16:18:29.558986+0500	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID acetomato BSSID e6:95:6e:42:e0:d5
2018-02-25 16:18:53.088836+0500	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID CrystalPalace BSSID 98:de:d0:4a:cf:86
2018-02-25 16:18:53.096574+0500	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID CrystalPalace BSSID 98:de:d0:4a:cf:86
2018-02-25 16:18:56.454316+0500	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID CrystalPalace BSSID 98:de:d0:4a:cf:86
2018-02-25 16:18:56.459972+0500	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID CrystalPalace BSSID 98:de:d0:4a:cf:86
2018-02-25 16:18:59.949800+0500	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID acetomato BSSID e6:95:6e:42:e0:d5
2018-02-25 16:18:59.946975+0500	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID acetomato BSSID e6:95:6e:42:e0:d5
2018-02-25 16:19:00.156917+0500	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID acetomato BSSID e6:95:6e:42:e0:d5
2018-02-25 16:19:00.263482+0500	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID acetomato BSSID e6:95:6e:42:e0:d5
2018-02-25 16:19:12.798895+0500	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID CrystalPalace BSSID 98:de:d0:4a:cf:86
2018-02-25 16:19:12.796631+0500	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID CrystalPalace BSSID 98:de:d0:4a:cf:86
2018-02-25 16:19:13.777434+0500	localhost configd[54]: (IPConfiguration)	[com.apple.IPConfiguration:Server]	en0: SSID CrystalPalace BSSID 98:de:d0:4a:cf:86

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Searching for “config”/“BSSID”/“en0” in the system.log/Unified logs can show a more detailed timeline of wireless activity. The same network access points mentioned previously are connected at specific times.

Country Codes: system.log or Unified—Search “country code”

```
Aug  5 09:49:13 MBP kernel[0]: en1: 802.11d country code set to 'US'.
Aug  5 09:49:13 MBP kernel[0]: en1: Supported channels 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 36 40 44 48 52 56 60 64 100
104 108 112 116 120 124 128 132 136 140 149 153 157 161 165
Aug  5 09:49:40 MBP kernel[0]: Auth result for: 00:0c:e5:0e:65:bd MAC AUTH succeeded
Aug  5 09:49:40 MBP kernel[0]: AirPort: Link Up on en1

Sep  1 17:42:13 MBP kernel[0]: en1: 802.11d country code set to 'AU'.
Sep  1 17:42:13 MBP kernel[0]: en1: Supported channels 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 36 40 44 48 52 56 60 64
149 153 157 161 165
Sep  1 17:46:13 MBP kernel[0]: Auth result for: 00:26:b0:fe:76:74 MAC AUTH succeeded
Sep  1 17:46:13 MBP kernel[0]: AirPort: Link Up on en1

Jun  5 12:08:49 MBP kernel[0]: en1: 802.11d country code set to 'SE'.
Jun  5 12:08:49 MBP kernel[0]: en1: Supported channels 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 36 40 44 48 52 56 60 64
100 104 108 112 116 120 124 128 132 136 140
Jun  5 12:09:14 MBP kernel[0]: Auth result for: 88:f0:77:2f:75:70 MAC AUTH succeeded
Jun  5 12:09:14 MBP kernel[0]: AirPort: Link Up on en1

Aug  5 09:49:07 MBP kernel[0]: en1: 802.11d country code set to 'X0'.
Aug  5 09:49:07 MBP kernel[0]: en1: Supported channels 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 36 40 44 48 52 56 60 64 100
104 108 112 116 120 124 128 132 136 140 149 153 157 161 165
Aug  5 09:49:10 MBP kernel[0]: NVEthernet::setLinkStatus - Valid but not Active
Aug  5 09:49:10 MBP kernel[0]: NVEthernet::mediaChanged - Link is down
Aug  5 09:49:10 MBP kernel[0]: NVEthernet::setLinkStatus - Valid but not Active
```

International travel may also be very interesting for your investigation. The country codes for wireless access points are recorded in the `kernel.log` (in 10.7 and before) the `system.log` (10.8+), and Unified Logs in 10.12+.

802.11d is an amendment to 802.11 that allows specification on regulatory domains to include country information being included by beacons.

In the example above, the country codes are shown whenever a connection is made to a wireless access point. Each connection is displayed in a different color to show related records.

- The first example shows a connection to an access point in the United States (US) on August 5.
- The second example shows it was connected to an access point in Australia (AU) on September 1.
- The third example on June 5 shows a connection to a wireless AP in Sweden (SE).
- The fourth example to the country code (X0) is the default country code when one is not available, or is being determined.

Correlate with...

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EXIF Data

Calendar

Email
Itineraries

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History

Travel
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Search
History

The travel data found in the logs can be correlated with many other forensic artifacts.



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