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This document includes two main sections.

1. The steps needed to run `sshuttle` with domain-specific-dns (which forwards only requests for `spoc.charterlab.com` to the `spoc-jumphost`).
2. A function that can be added to your zsh/bash profile that allows a simple, one-step fingerprint authentication for the `sshuttle` command. This is accomplished by using the 1Password CLI utility `"op"` to read the appropriate passwords and securely pass them to the `sshuttle` utility. I have marked the steps for this method as "OPTIONAL".

Requirements

You will need to set up the following:

- Sudo Privileges

- Install Homebrew
- Install SSHuttle
- Install sshpass
- Add your SPOC password to the MacOS Keychain
- Set up custom DNS Resolver for the spoc.charterlab.com domain

Set up Sudo privileges

You will need to modify `/etc/sudoers` if you have not already so you can run commands as a privileged user.

The configuration below is OPTIONAL:

```
# Cmnd alias specification
Cmnd_Alias CUSTOM = /usr/local/bin/sshuttle, /usr/bin/pgrep,
/usr/bin/pkill, /usr/sbin/visudo, /usr/local/bin/sshpass,
/usr/local/bin/op

# User specification
# root and users in group wheel can run anything on any machine as any
user
root          ALL = (ALL) ALL
# users in group admin can run any command from any machine as any
user
# users from group admin can also run any command from the CUSTOM
alias on any machine as any user without a password
%admin        ALL = (ALL) ALL : ALL = (ALL) NOPASSWD: CUSTOM
```

Install Homebrew (MacOS) package manager

- [Homebrew Installation Instructions](#)
- Installation Script:

```
/bin/bash -c "$(curl -fsSL
https://raw.githubusercontent.com/Homebrew/install/HEAD/install.sh)"
```

Install SSHuttle utility from Homebrew

```
brew install sshuttle
```

Install SSHPass utility from Homebrew

This utility allows you to forward a password to the `ssh` command. This example uses an environment variable that in turn uses a password manager to securely pipe password information to `sshuttle`.

WARNING: There are methods to invoke `sshpass` that **ARE NOT** secure. As such, the utility is not available directly from homebrew. I use a custom tap and formula hosted on my personal github account.

```
brew tap ajanis/custombrew
brew install ajanis/custombrew/sshpass
```

Storing and Retrieving your password securely using the MacOS Keychain

You can store your SPOC VPN password in your MacOS Keychain. Even if you use a password manager, securely storing a password in the MacOS Keychain will give you a secure method of including the password in a script or CLI utility.

Adding your password to the MacOS Keychain

```
security add-generic-password -s "SPOC VPN" -a "${USER}" -w
```

Retrieving your password from the MacOS Keychain

```
security find-generic-password -s "SPOC VPN" -a "${USER}" -w
```

Create custom configs for SSHuttle and system DNS resolver

You will want your system to send DNS requests for 'spoc.charterlab.com' specifically to the sshuttle jumphost.

The following sections will prevent your system from trying other nameservers before the jumphost for `*.spoc.charterlab.com` domains. (This prevents DNS retries, timeouts etc.)

(Credit to Josh Hurtado for these instructions)

Create a domain-specific-DNS configuration for the SPOC Lab

Run the following commands as a privileged / root user on the MacOS machine:

Create the directory `/etc/resolver`

```
sudo mkdir /etc/resolver
sudo chmod 0774 /etc/resolver
```

Create the resolver file for SPOC at `/etc/resolver/spoc.charterlab.com`

```
sudo echo 'search spoc.charterlab.com spoc.local nameserver 172.22.73.19'
> /etc/resolver/spoc.charterlab.com
```

Verify the new resolver for **spoc.charterlab.com** is present with the following command

(You will have to scroll down a bit to find the correct resolver. An example is provided of the expected output)

```
sudo scutil --dns
```

Example Output:

```
resolver #8
  domain      : spoc.charterlab.com
  search domain[0] : spoc.charterlab.com
  search domain[1] : spoc.local
  search domain[2] : nameserver
  search domain[3] : 172.22.73.19
  flags       : Request A records, Request AAAA records
  reach       : 0x00000000 (Not Reachable)
```

Create files for **allow** and **deny** that will be used by **sshuttle**

The **--dns** flag sends *all* requests to the **sshuttle jumphost**. You will need to modify your **sshuttle** command so that *ONLY* requests for **spoc.charterlab.com** will be handled by the **sshuttle jumphost**.

Create the **sshuttle ALLOW** file by running the following command

```
echo << EOF >> ~/.spoc.allow.txt
44.0.0.0/8
10.240.12.0/22
10.244.28.0/22
10.240.40.0/22
10.240.64.0/23
10.240.72.0/22
10.240.76.0/22
#Optical's polatis
10.252.254.197/32
10.252.254.9/24
10.252.255.0/24
172.22.32.0/24
172.22.73.31/32
172.22.73.70
172.22.73.99
172.22.73.19
```

```
172.22.73.27/32
172.22.73.164/32
#172.22.73.0/24
#172.22.72.0/22
172.23.62.0/24
172.30.124.128/26
172.22.73.128/25
172.22.73.126
172.22.73.127
172.23.35.32/27
35.135.193.64/26
35.135.193.0/24
2600:6ce6:4410::/48
2605:1c00:50f2::/48
2600:6ce7:0:5::/64
2600:6cec:1c0:7::/64
#2605:1c00:50f2:2800::/64
2605:1c00:50f2:280e::/64
2605:1c00:50f2:280e::6100/64
2605:1c00:50f2:2800:172:22:73:100/128
2605:1c00:50f2:2800:172:22:73:164/128
2605:1c00:50f2:2800:172:22:73:31/128
EOF
```

Create the sshuttle DENY file by running the following command

```
echo << EOF >> ~/.spoc.deny.txt
#corp
142.136.0.0/16
142.136.235.173
22.0.0.0/8
33.0.0.0/8
#10.151.0.0/16
#SPOC
#10.240.72.137
35.135.192.78/32
#172.23.62.20
172.23.62.21
172.22.73.17
#172.22.73.13
#2605:1c00:50f2:2800:172:22:73:17/128
#2605:1c00:50f2:2800:172:22:73:13/128
#2605:1c00:50f2:2800:172:22:73:18/128
#2605:1c00:50f2:280b:172:23:62:222/128
EOF
```

Running SSHuttle from your terminal

You can stop here and run the SSHuttle command from the CLI if you wish. Otherwise, the next section contains instructions to set up the SSHuttle helper function.

```
sshuttle -v -r $USER@35.135.192.78:3022 -s ~/.spoc.allow.txt -X  
~/.spoc.deny.txt --ns-hosts 172.22.73.19 --to-ns 172.22.73.19
```

SSHuttle Helper Function

Easily start and stop the `sshuttle` process in the background and securely inject your password from MacOS Keychain.

NOTE: This simple function is just a wrapper for the `sshuttle` command that uses the CLI component of the **MacOS Keychain** to securely inject your SPOC password without having to manually enter it every time.

The function also maintains a log of the current SSHuttle session to assist with any debugging and should prevent your SSHuttle session from crashing or disconnecting when you have been idle for some time.

You can modify the function in the `~/.spoc.zsh` file to run the `sshuttle` with any additional you wish. And of course, you can still run the `sshuttle` command on it's own from the CLI.

Set up the helper function

Ensure all requirements have been completed

You should have already created them in advance if you followed the **Requirements section, but if not, the script has several basic checks for the following:**

- The `SPOCUSER` variable must be set. This will be the username used for SPOC services.
 - You will want to edit the `~/.spoc.zsh` script and update the `SPOCUSER` variable.
- The `sshpass` utility must be installed. This allows you to inject a password into an ssh-based process.
 - This tool is not readily available from homebrew since certain features are considered very insecure. However, this script uses the **environment variable** method, which is considered secure.
- Your SPOC Password should be added to the MacOS Keychain
 - The script will prompt you to add your password to the default/login keychain under the **SPOC VPN** key. Once added, the function will create the `SSHPASS` environment variable using the Keychain retrieval command.

Create `~/.spoc.zsh` containing the SSHuttle helper function

This file will be sourced by your shell rcfile when a new shell process is started

```
echo << EOF >> ~/.spoc.zsh  
#!/bin/bash
```

```

spoctunnel () {

# ADD TO PROFILE
# Add the following uncommented line to your shell profile
# [[ -f ~/.spoc.zsh ]] && source ~/.spoc.zsh

colorRed="\033[31m"
colorGreen="\033[32m"
colorYellow="\033[33m"
colorBlue="\033[34m"
colorDefault="\033[0m"

SSHUTTLESTATE=$1
LOGFILE="$HOME/.sshuttle.log"

# SET SPOCUSER TO YOUR SPOC ACCOUNT NAME
SPOCUSER=""
if [ -z "$SPOCUSER" ]; then
    echo -e "${colorRed}No User set for SPOC SSH Connection defined.

    Set the ${colorYellow}'SPOCUSER' ${colorRed}variable to your
    ${colorYellow}SPOC Username ${colorRed}in the helper script

    ${colorDefault}"
    return
fi

# INSTALL SSHPASS
if [ ! -x $(which sshpass) ]; then
    echo -e "${colorRed}

    You need to install the 'sshpass' tool via Homebrew.
    Assuming you have homebrew installed, run the following commands:

    ${colorYellow}brew tap ajanis/custombrew
    brew install ajanis/custombrew/sshpass

    ${colorDefault}"
    return
fi

# Password storage/retrieval mechanism
# Support for 1password and MAC OS KeyChains
# Example command for CLI access provided below

# 1Password CLI
#SPOCPASSWD_1PASSWD="$(op read op://Charter/charterlab-spoc/password)"

# MAC OS Keychain
SPOCPASSWD_KEYCHAIN="$(security find-generic-password -s 'SPOC VPN' -a
${USER} -w)"
if [ -z $SPOCPASSWD_KEYCHAIN ]; then

```

```
    echo -e "

    ${colorRed}No SPOC Password found in your MacOS Keychain!

    ${colorGreen}Please enter your SPOC password when prompted to
    securely store it in your keychain

    ${colorDefault}
    "
    security add-generic-password -a ${USER} -s 'SPOC VPN' -w
    fi

# Set SPOC password to MacOS Keychain Password result
SPOCPASSWD="${SPOCPASSWD_KEYCHAIN}"

# SSHuttle option menu
case $SSHUTTLESTATE in
start)
    if ! pgrep -f sshuttle; then
        echo > $LOGFILE
        echo -e "${colorGreen}Starting SSHuttle connection to SPOC Jumphost
        ${colorDefault}"
        SSHPASS=${SPOCPASSWD} \
        bash -c "sshpass -e sshuttle -v -r $SPOCUSER@35.135.192.78:3022 \
        -s ~/.spoc.allow.txt \
        -X ~/.spoc.deny.txt \
        --ns-hosts 172.22.73.19 \
        --to-ns 172.22.73.19" >>$LOGFILE 2>&1 &
        fi
    ;;
start_1pw)
    if ! pgrep -f sshuttle; then
        echo > $LOGFILE
        SSHPASS=${SPOCPASSWD} \
        bash -c "sshpass -e sshuttle -v -r $SPOCUSER@35.135.192.78:3022 \
        -s ~/.spoc.allow.txt \
        -X ~/.spoc.deny.txt \
        --ns-hosts 172.22.73.19 \
        --to-ns 172.22.73.19" >>$LOGFILE 2>&1 &
        fi
    ;;
start_keychain)
    if ! pgrep -f sshuttle; then
        echo > $LOGFILE
        SSHPASS=${SPOCPASSWD} \
        bash -c "sshpass -e sshuttle -v -r $SPOCUSER@35.135.192.78:3022 \
        -s ~/.spoc.allow.txt \
        -X ~/.spoc.deny.txt \
        --ns-hosts 172.22.73.19 \
        --to-ns 172.22.73.19" >>$LOGFILE 2>&1 &
        fi
    ;;
stop)
```



```

    if pgrep -f sshuttle; then
    echo -e "${colorGreen}Killing SSHuttle connection to SP0C
    ${colorDefault}"
    sudo pkill -f sshuttle >>$LOGFILE 2>&1
    fi
    ;;
tail)
    tail -F $LOGFILE
    ;;
cat)
    cat $LOGFILE
    ;;
*)
    echo -e "$0 (start|stop|tail|cat|start_1pw|start_keychain)
    start:          | Starts sshuttle using -s ~/.spoc.allow.txt and -X
~/.spoc.deny.txt
    stop:           | Shuts down the sshuttle application
    tail:           | Tails the sshuttle process log file at
~/.sshuttle.log
    cat:            | Displays the entire file at ~/.sshuttle.log
    start_1pw:      | Same as start + Uses 1password CLI for password
retrieval
    start_keychain: | Same as start + Uses MacOS Keychain for password
retrieval"
    ;;
esac
}

EOF

```

Include **.spoc.rc** in your shell rcfile

This example uses `.zshrc`, but you can substitute the rcfile for your `$SHELL` of choice

```

cat << EOF >> .zshrc
[[ -f ~/.spoc.zsh ]] && source ~/.spoc.zsh
EOF

```

Runing the SSHuttle Helper Script

Help Menu

- Open a new terminal window or reinstantiate your shell with `exec $SHELL`
- Run `spoctunnel` to see help

```

> spoctunnel
spoctunnel (start|stop|tail|cat|start_1pw|start_keychain)
    start:          | Starts sshuttle using -s ~/.spoc.allow.txt and -X

```

```
~/ .spoc.deny.txt
  stop:          | Shuts down the sshuttle application
  tail:          | Tails the sshuttle process log file at
~/ .sshuttle.log
  cat:           | Displays the entire file at ~/ .sshuttle.log
  start_1pw:     | Same as start + Uses 1password CLI for password
retrieval
  start_keychain: | Same as start + Uses MacOS Keychain for password
retrieval
```

Run **spoctunnel start** to start the **sshuttle** application

```
> spoctunnel start
Starting SSHuttle connection to SPOC Jumphost

[4] 83000
```

You will be prompted for your system/sudo password or fingerprint by 1Password or MacOS Keychain (unless you have configured passwordless sudo)

Run **spoctunnel tail** to view logs

```
> spoctunnel tail
c : Connected to server.
fw: setting up.
fw: >> pfctl -s Interfaces -i lo -v
fw: >> pfctl -s all
fw: >> pfctl -a sshuttle6-12300 -f /dev/stdin
fw: >> pfctl -E
fw: >> pfctl -s Interfaces -i lo -v
fw: >> pfctl -s all
fw: >> pfctl -a sshuttle-12300 -f /dev/stdin
fw: >> pfctl -E
c : Accept TCP: 10.153.3.239:52481 -> 44.230.79.122:443.
s: SW 4:44.230.79.122:443: uwrite: got EPIPE
c : Accept TCP: 10.153.3.239:52484 -> 44.230.79.122:443.
c : Accept TCP: 10.153.3.239:52486 -> 172.22.73.99:443.
c : Accept TCP: 10.153.3.239:52487 -> 172.22.73.99:443.
```

Run **spoctunnel stop** to shut down the **sshuttle** application

```
> spoctunnel stop
83000
83004
83029
```

83036

Killing SSHuttle connection to SPOC

```
[4] + 83000 terminated  SSHPASS=${SPOCPASSWD} bash -c  >> $LOGFILE 2>&1
```