Apple Device Administrator's Meeting IT Services, University of Oxford Hilary Term, 2018

Agenda

12:30 - Introduction

12:35 - Ben Goodstein: macOS 10.13 and the iMac Pro for Administrators

12:50 - Q&A

12:55 - Chris Beard: Meltdown and Spectre: Staying Safe

13:10 - Q&A/Discussion

mac()S 10.13

and the iMac Pro

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macOS 10.13 & iMac Pro Admin Changes

- Imaging (mostly) dead
- APFS APple File System
- Secure Token For Encryption
- UAKEL User Approved Kernel Extension Loading
- UAMDM User Approved MDM
- Secure Boot

Imaging (Mostly) Dead

Installation recommended

Firmware updates

iMac Pro cannot boot from network

DEP/bootstrappr

APFS - New File System

Not readable by 10.12

Cannot go back to 10.12 without reformatting as HFS+

Unknown side-effects of downgrading

Everything converted except Fusion & HDD

Secure Token for Encryption

Allows use to add/remove users from FileVault

First user created with Setup Assistant to log in

or first mobile account (if created by macOS)

Won't work if created with scripts

Use sysadminctl to check and grant/revoke other accounts

User Approved Kernel Extension Loading (UAKEL)

Users must accept kernel extensions in Sys Prefs

If they don't they won't run (unless installed before upgrade)

AntiVirus, Tablet Drivers etc.

Only way to avoid is to enrol in MDM

IF But...

User Accepted Mobile Device Management (UAMDM)

- Introduced in 10.13.2
- Users must accept enrolment into MDM
- Cannot be done remotely
- IS Only way to avoid is to use DEP
- Will allow you to whitelist kexts

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Secure Boot

- Introduced with the iMac Pro/T2
- Boot only trusted/signed macOS/BootCamp
- Can be managed with Startup Security Utility in Recovery
- Also control whether iMac Pro can boot external
- systemsetup can no longer boot to another partition

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UAKEL/UAMDM

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