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 Profor Administrators

12:50 - Q&A

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

13:10 - Q&A/Discussion

macOS10.13 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 sysadminct1 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
- But...

User Accepted Mobile Device Management (UAMDM)

- Introduced in 10.13.2
- Users must accept enrolment into MDM
- Cannot be done remotely
- 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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Questions?