So, You ARE NEW To OS X SERVER ...



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TOPICS

- ** Best Practices for setting up your server
- * Exploring OS X Server services
- ** Basic Introduction to Directory Services
- Management !! Introduction to User Management
- # Imaging, Deployment, and Updates
- ** Techniques for keeping things running

ASK YOURSELF ...

- ** What is currently providing network services?
- **Where do user accounts currently exist?
- **Who will maintain OS X Server?
- Do others outside our network need access?
- ** Did I download the server manuals?

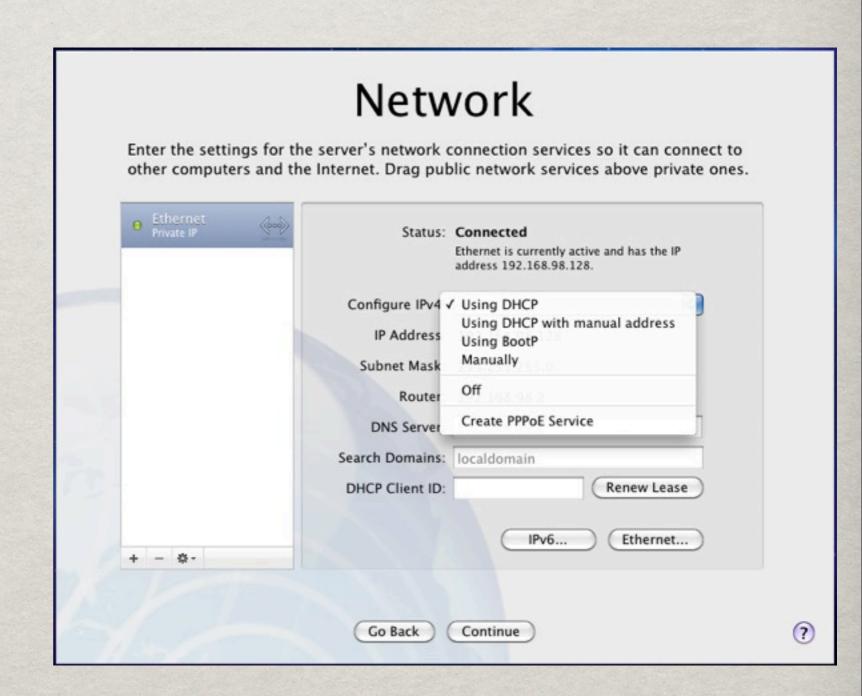
SERVER SETUP

- ** Manually set time-zone
- Establish secure password

Administrator Account Create a local account that will be used to administer this server. After setup, use Server Preferences to create users and administrators for use with your services. Name: admin admin Short Name: This will be used as the name for the administrator's home folder and cannot be changed. Password: Verify: •••••• Password Hint: Süper Sekret P4ssw0rd (Recommended) Enable administrators to log in remotely using SSH Enable administrators to manage this server remotely Go Back Continue

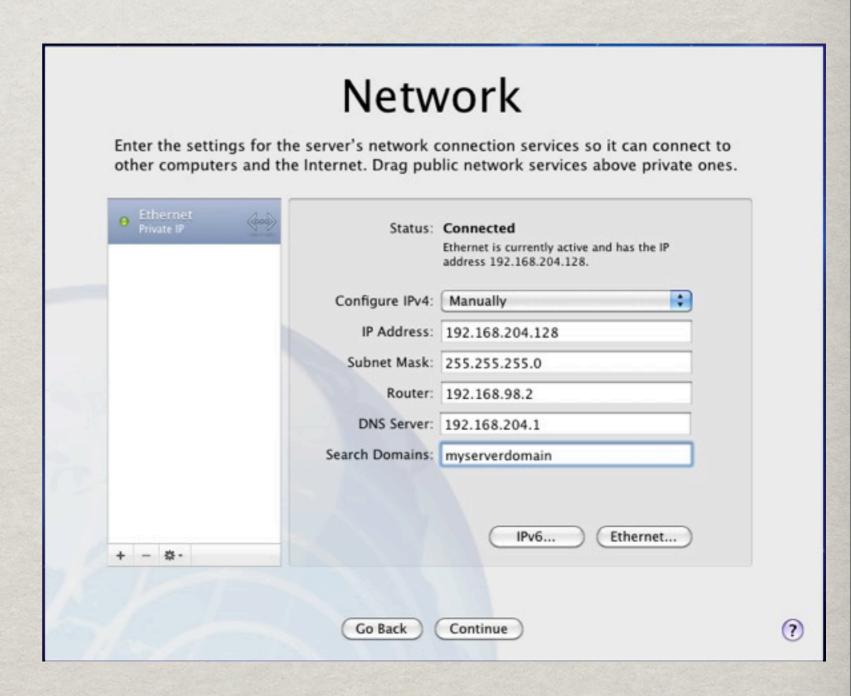
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- **₩DNS**
- ** Search Domain
- Network Name



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CONFIGURE MANUALLY

Connect to a Directory Server

Configure the server to access users and groups from an existing Open Directory or Active Directory server. Or don't select this option, and configure directory usage after setup.



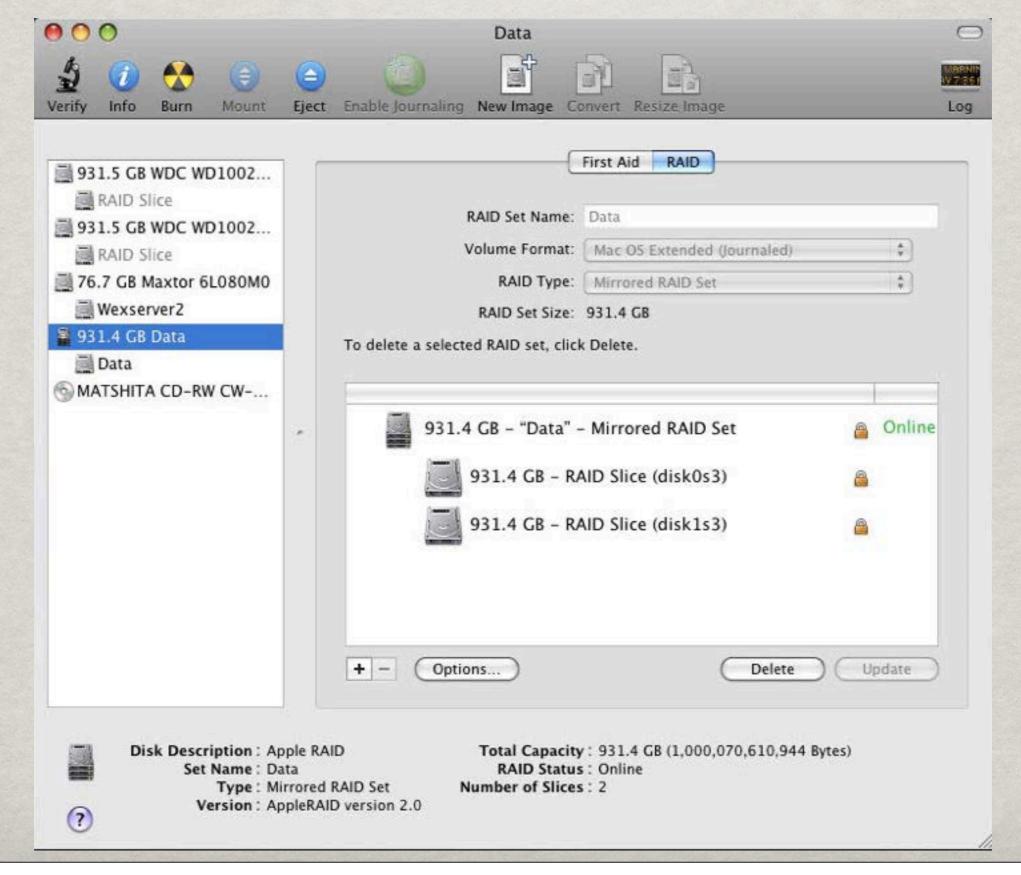
Setup Directory Services

Directory Services

Set up an Open Directory master to provide network users and groups, as well as other directory services from your server.

Name:	Directory Administrator		
Short Name:	diradmin	UID:	1000
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SETUP TIPS



SETUP TIPS

- Avoid configuring services until network parameters are permanent
- Configure Boot Volume RAID before Install
- ** Document important information
- * Create secondary admin account

POST INSTALL

- Run Software Update
- ** Check Server Admin Tools version
- Review Spotlight Settings
- **Configure Network Settings**

NETWORK SETTINGS CONSIDERATIONS

LOM

- * Lights Out Management
- ** Allows for remote shutdown / restart
- Does not work with 802.3ad (LinkAgg)
- Configure secondary IP via Server Monitor
- More information: http://support.apple.com/kb/ta24506

LINK AGGREGATION (AKA 802.3AD)

- Wirtually bond multiple ports
- Configuration switch side and server side
- WUse different switch modules if possible
- Make sure physical interface is set inactive

DNS

- This is crucial to having a stable setup!
- Make sure forward and reverse DNS match!
- Test via host command on client and server
- ** Check via changeip -checkhostname command
- Check via scutil --get HostName

ocelot:~ preso\$ host ocelot.example.com

ocelot.example.com has address 192.168.98.128

ocelot:~ preso\$ host 192.168.98.128

128.98.168.192.in-addr.arpa domain name pointer ocelot.example.com.

ocelot:~ preso\$



Terminal — bash — 80×24

ocelot:~ preso\$ sudo changeip -checkhostname

WARNING: Improper use of the sudo command could lead to data loss or the deletion of important system files. Please double-check your typing when using sudo. Type "man sudo" for more information.

To proceed, enter your password, or type Ctrl-C to abort.

Password:

Primary address = 192.168.98.128

Current HostName = ocelot.example.com DNS HostName = ocelot.example.com

The names match. There is nothing to change.

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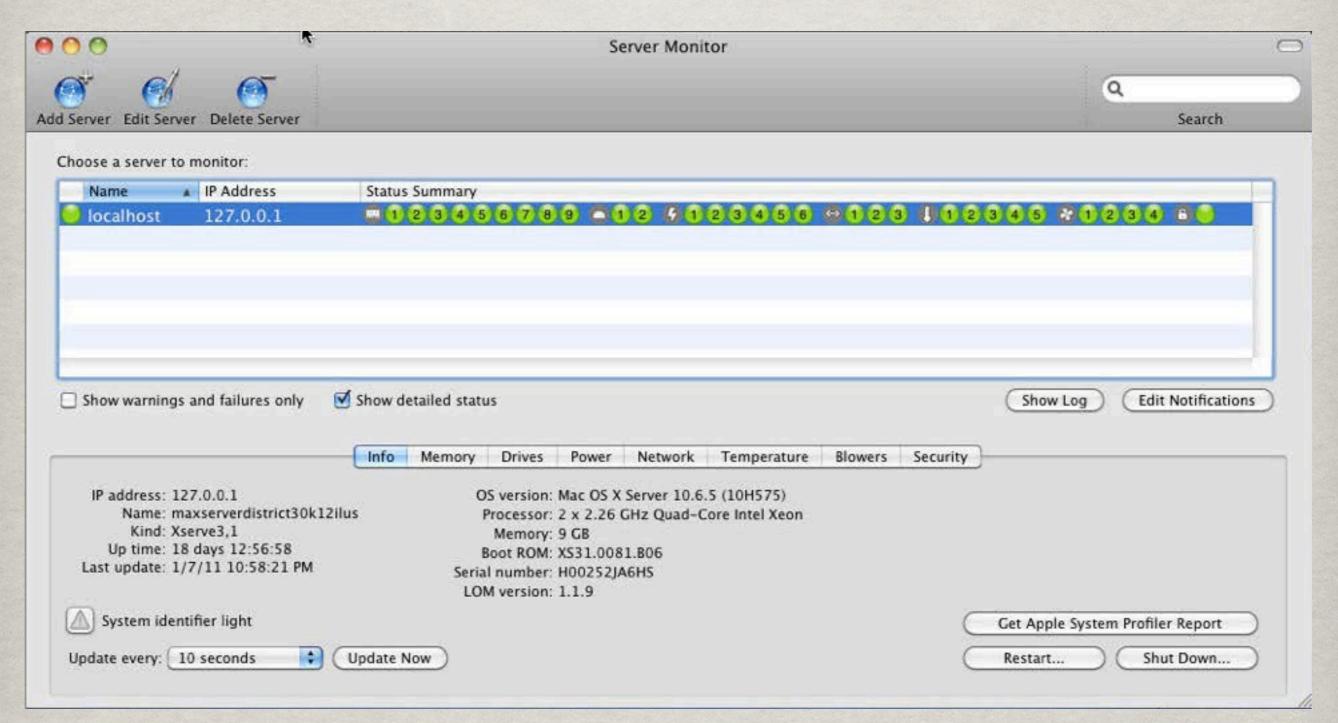
SERVER MANAGEMENT APPLICATIONS

- ** Located in /Applications/Server
- Download current versions from Apple
- Can be installed on client machines for server administration

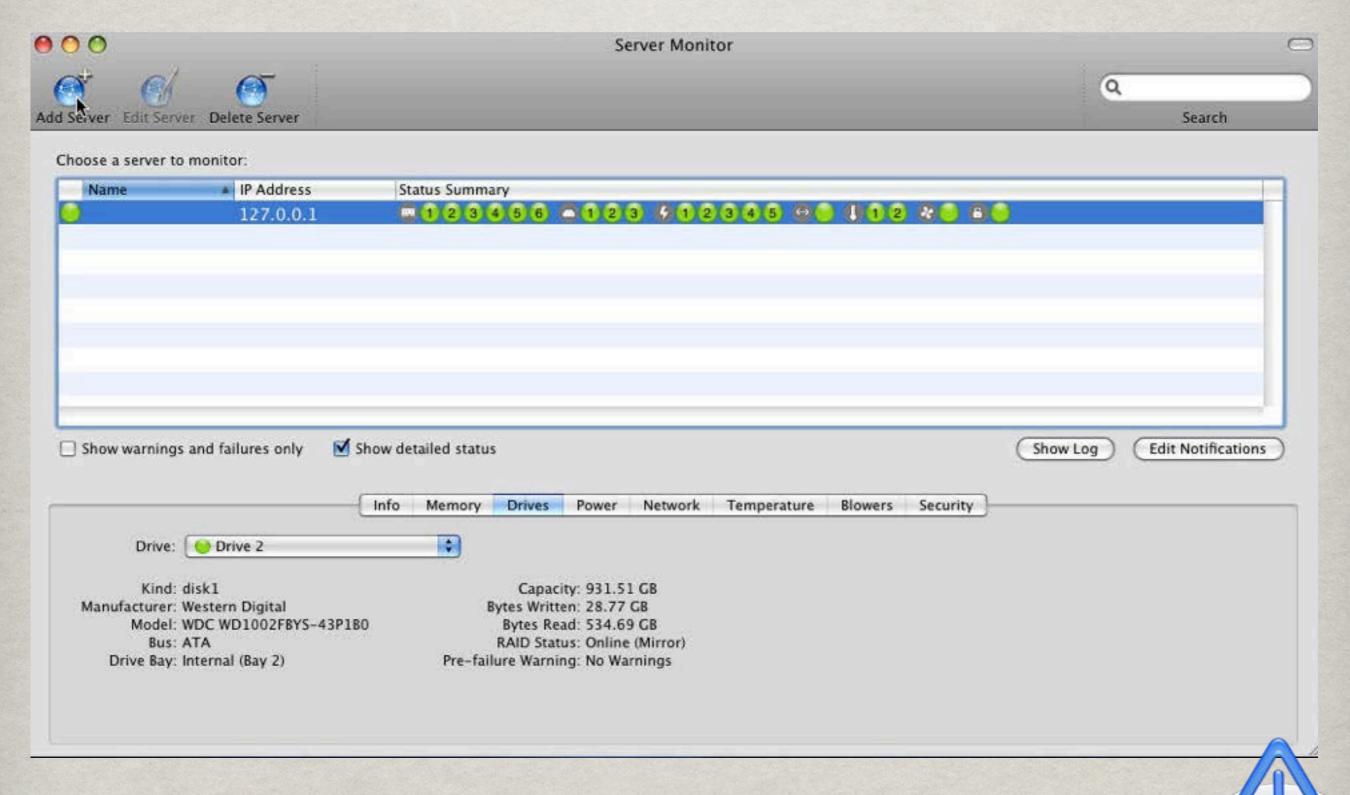


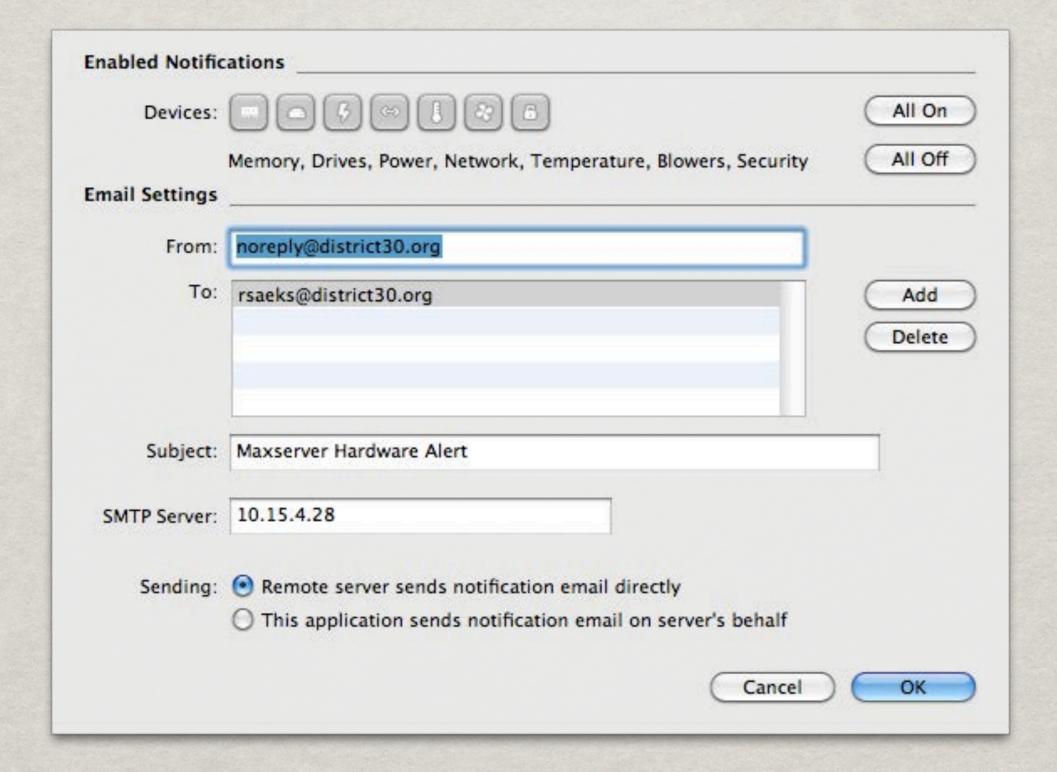
- ** Focused on server hardware
 - Wiew physical stats of server
 - Set hardware notifications













SERVER ADMIN

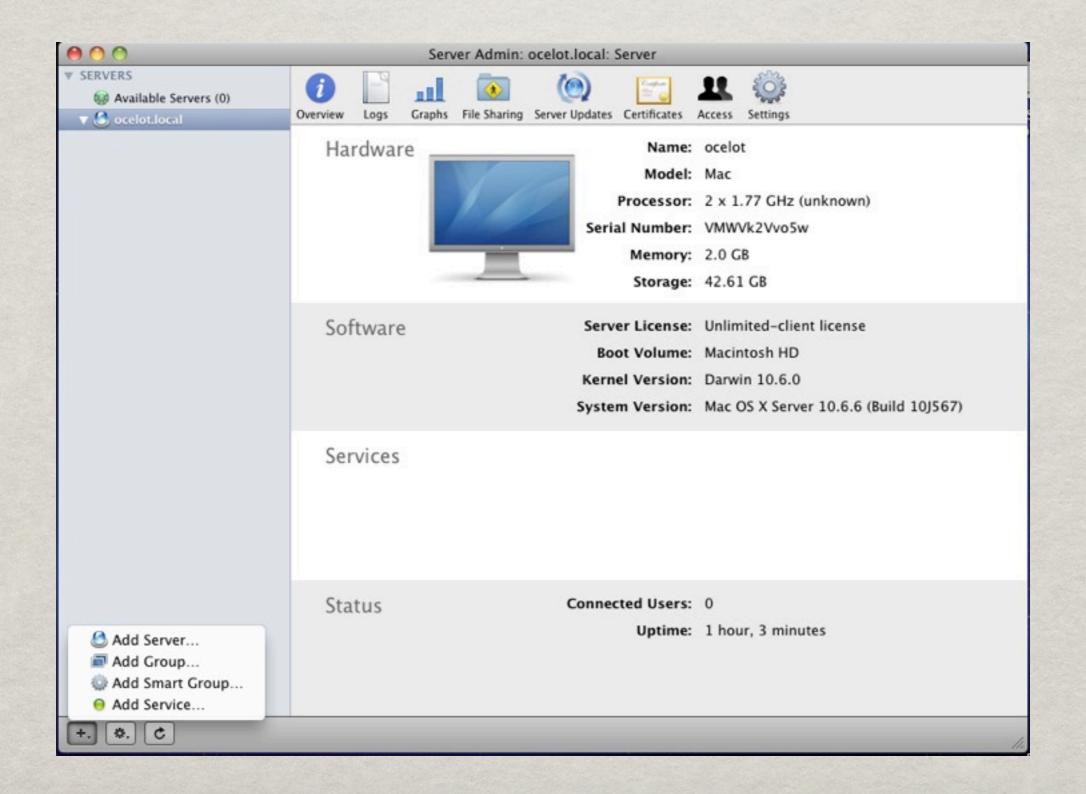


SERVER ADMIN

- ** Application Manages:
 - ** Service availability and configuration
 - * File Sharing
 - Access to services
 - ** Service logging and diagnostic information

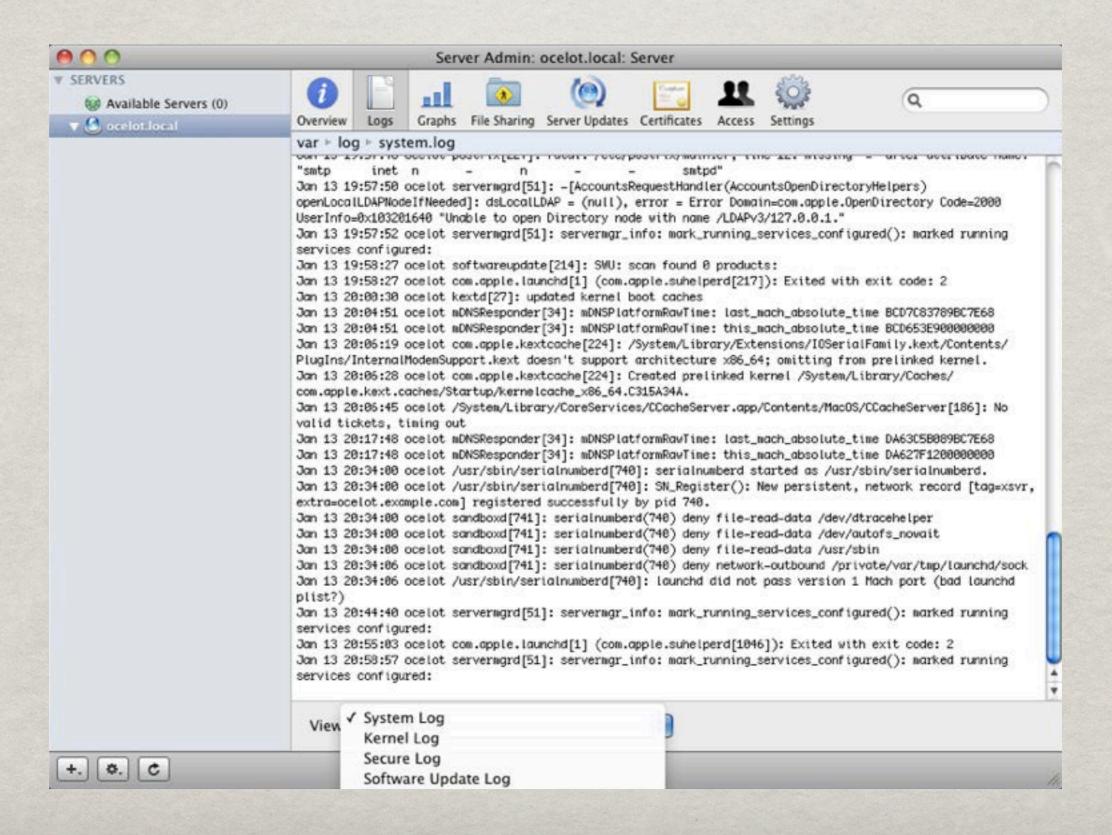


SERVER - OVERVIEW



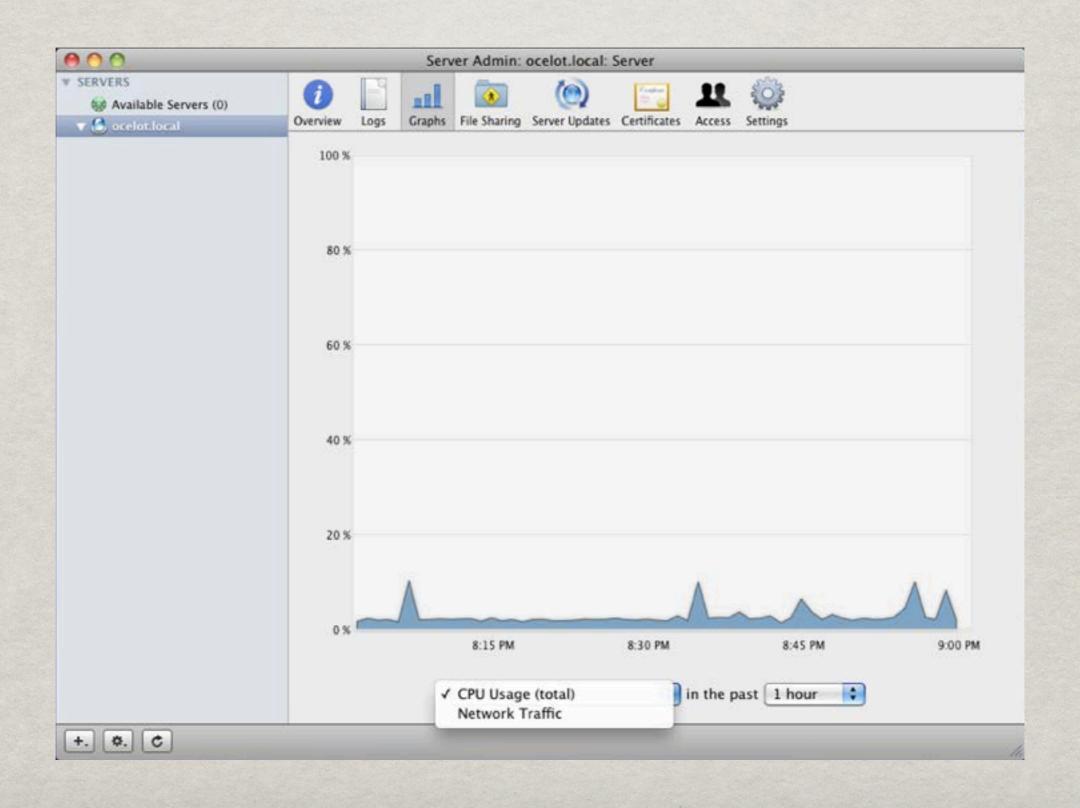


SERVER - LOGS



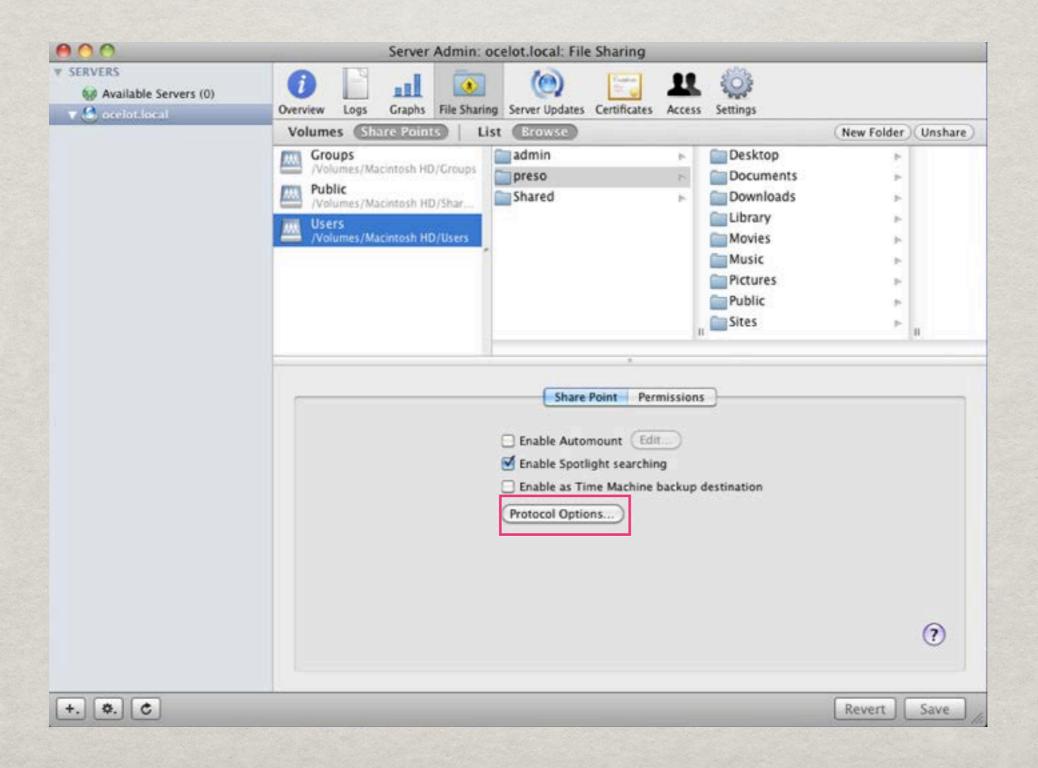


SERVER - GRAPHS





SERVER - FILE SHARING



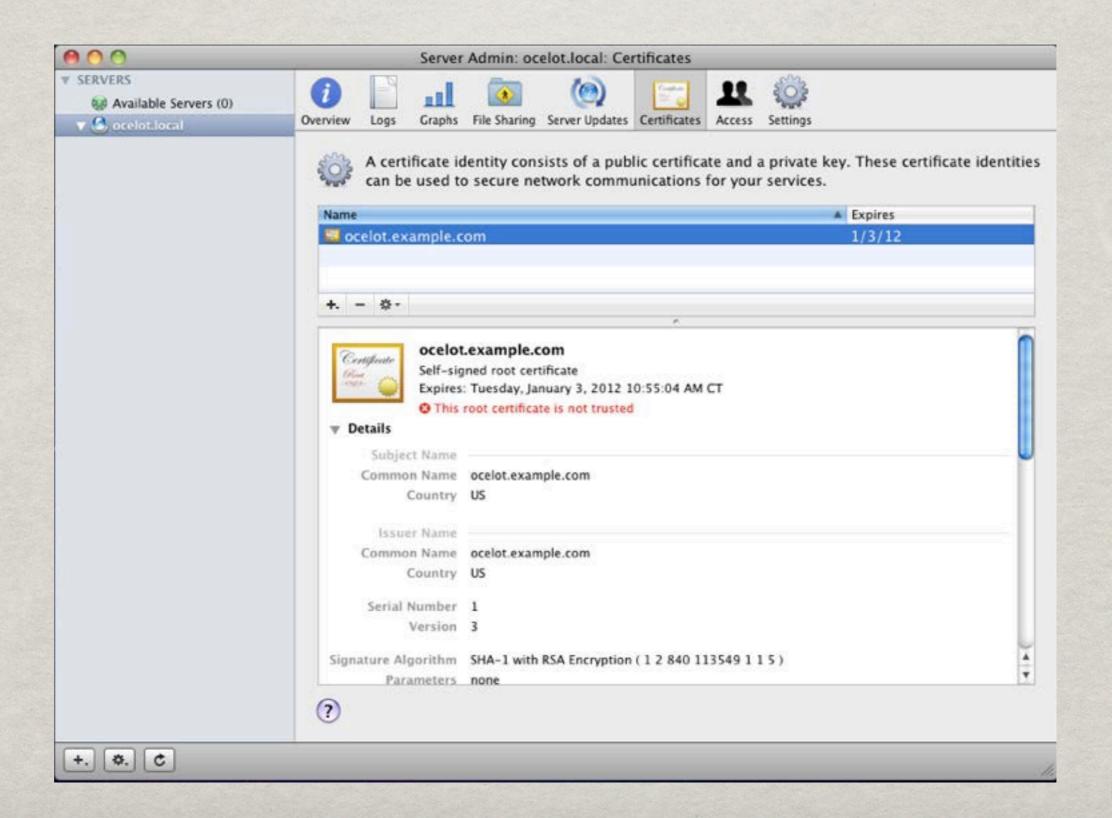


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	Share this item using SMB	P .
	Allow SMB guest access	*
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	Enable oplocks Enable strict locking	
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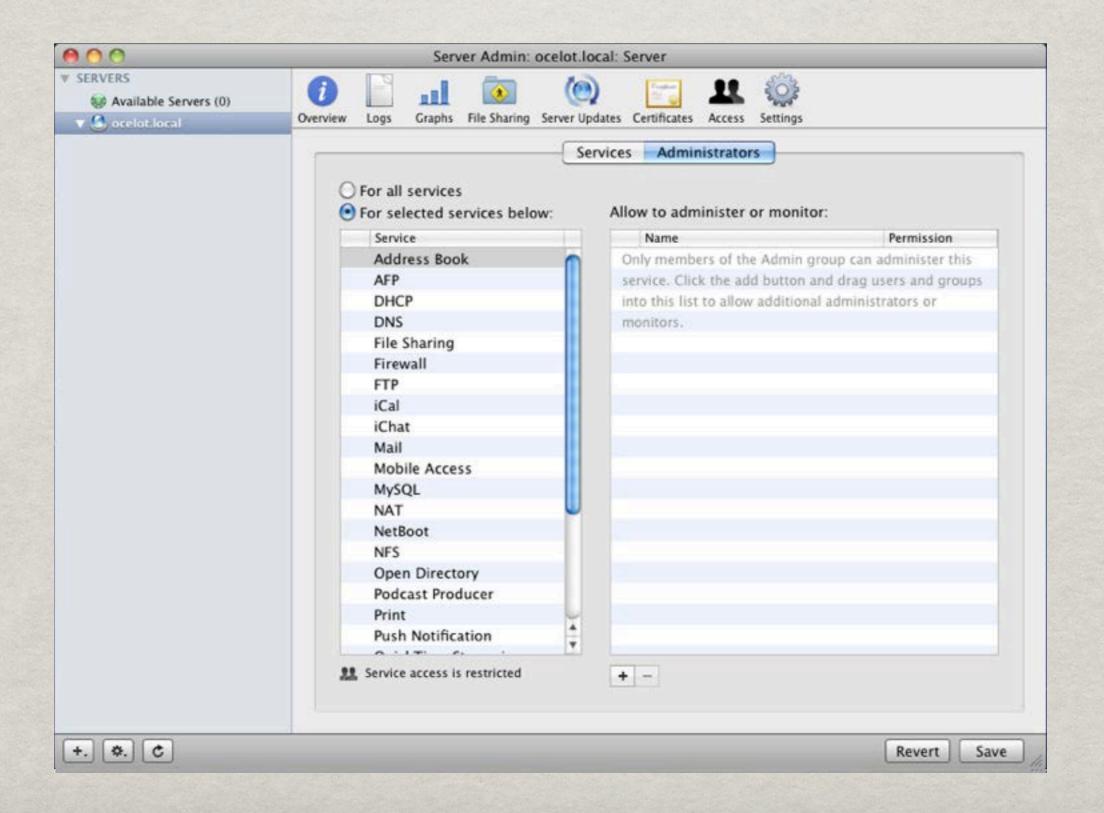


SERVER - CERTIFICATES



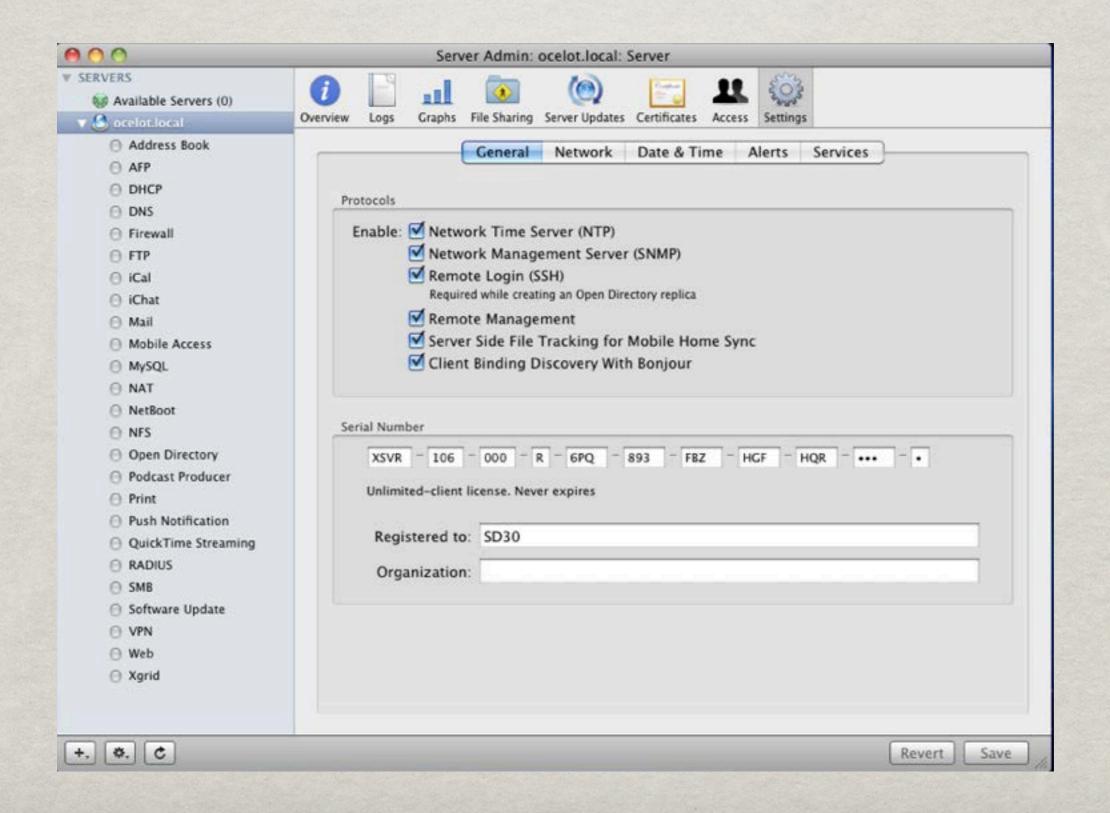


SERVER - ACCESS



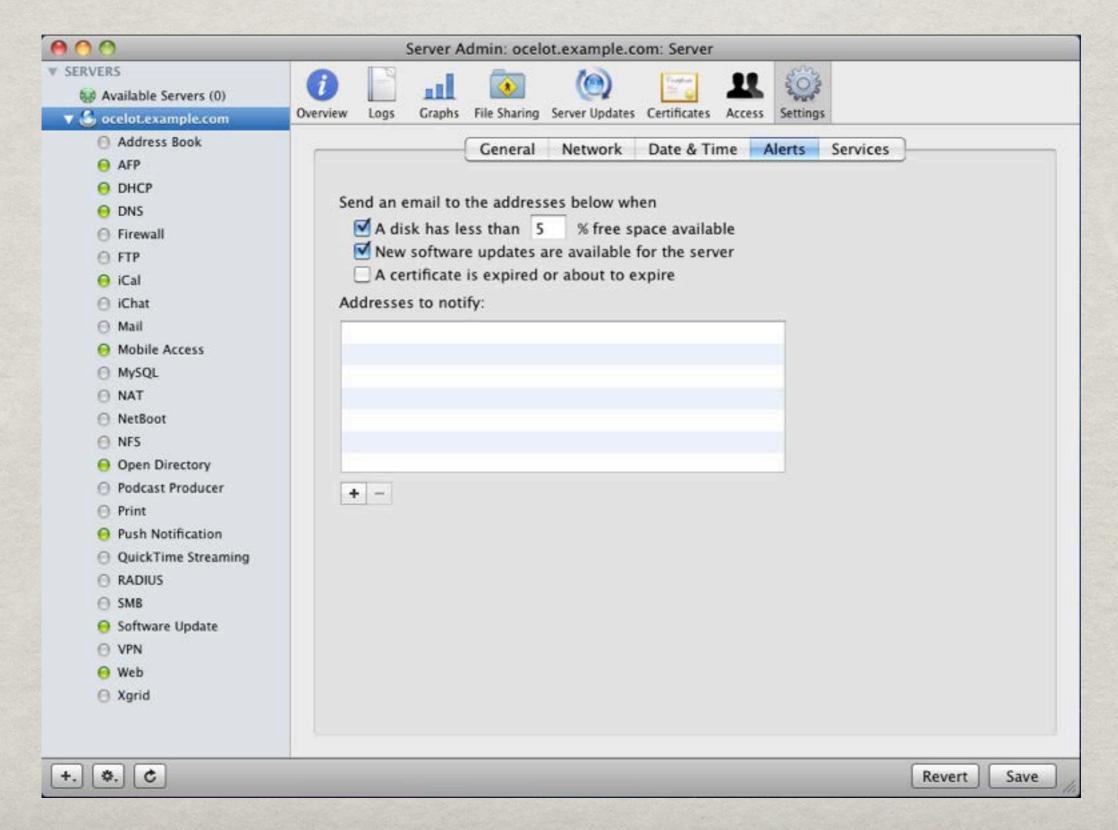


SERVER - SETTINGS





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	Address Book	
	☐ AFP	
	☐ DHCP	
	□ DNS	
	☐ Firewall	
	☐ FTP	
	☐ iCal	
	☐ iChat	
	☐ Mail	
	Mobile Access	
	MySQL MySQL	
	□ NAT	
	☐ NetBoot	
	□ NFS	
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Mail NFS

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NETWORK SERVICES

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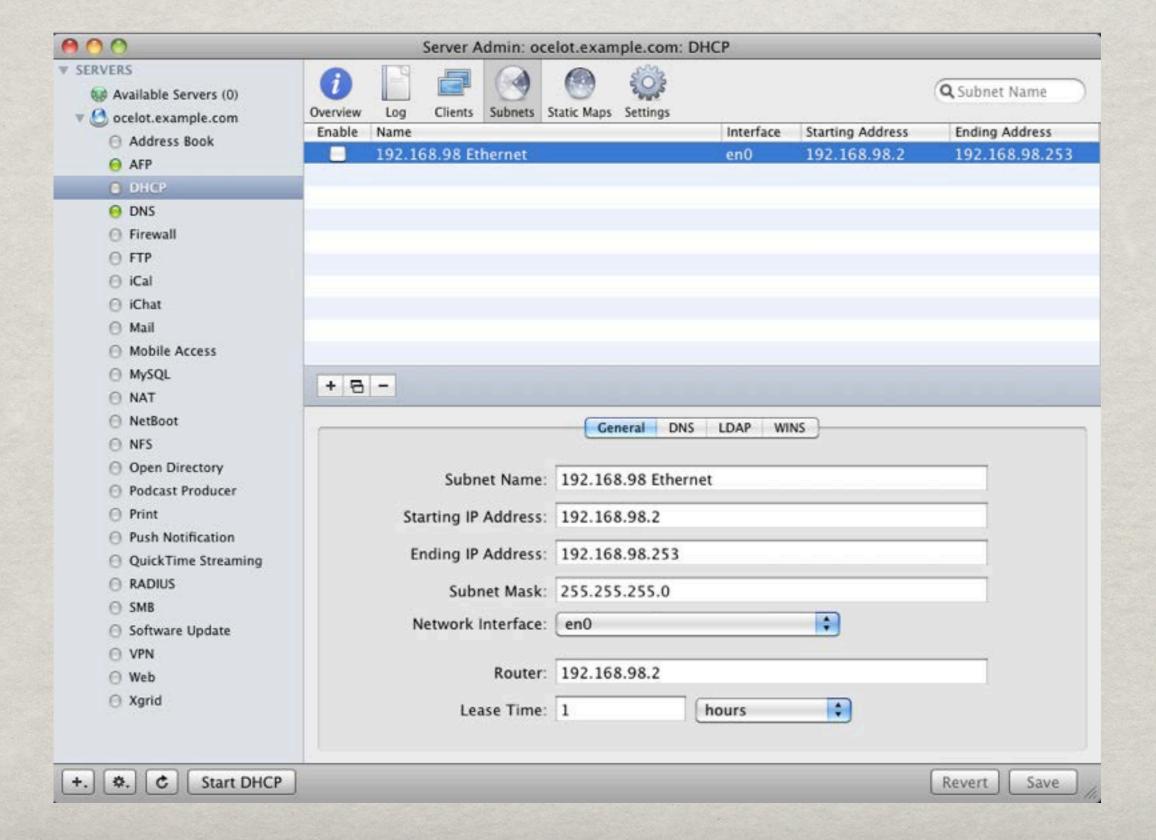
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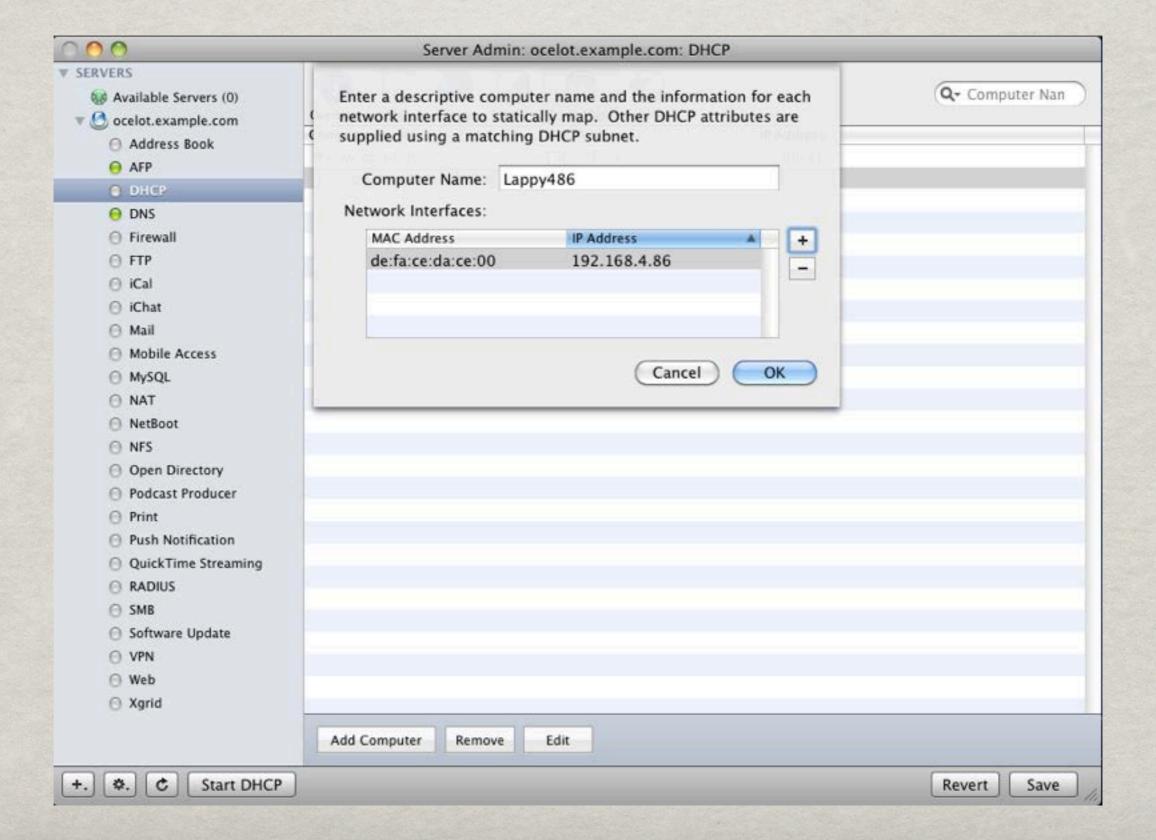
- * Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol
- ** Provides network information to clients
- Service shows current clients and leases
- **Ability to set static leases

Do not duplicate this service if already running on your network!

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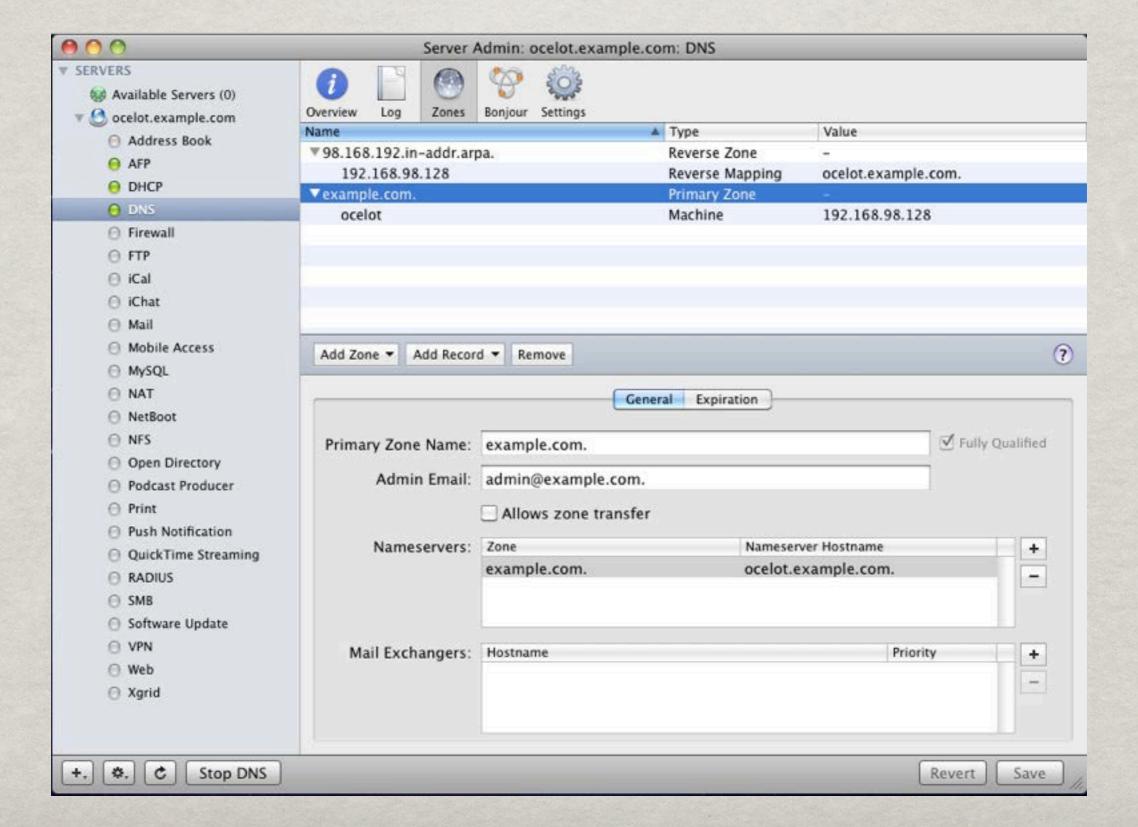
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DNS

- ** Provides name-to-IP resolution
- **CRITICAL** for OS X
- ** DNS forwarders server as upstream

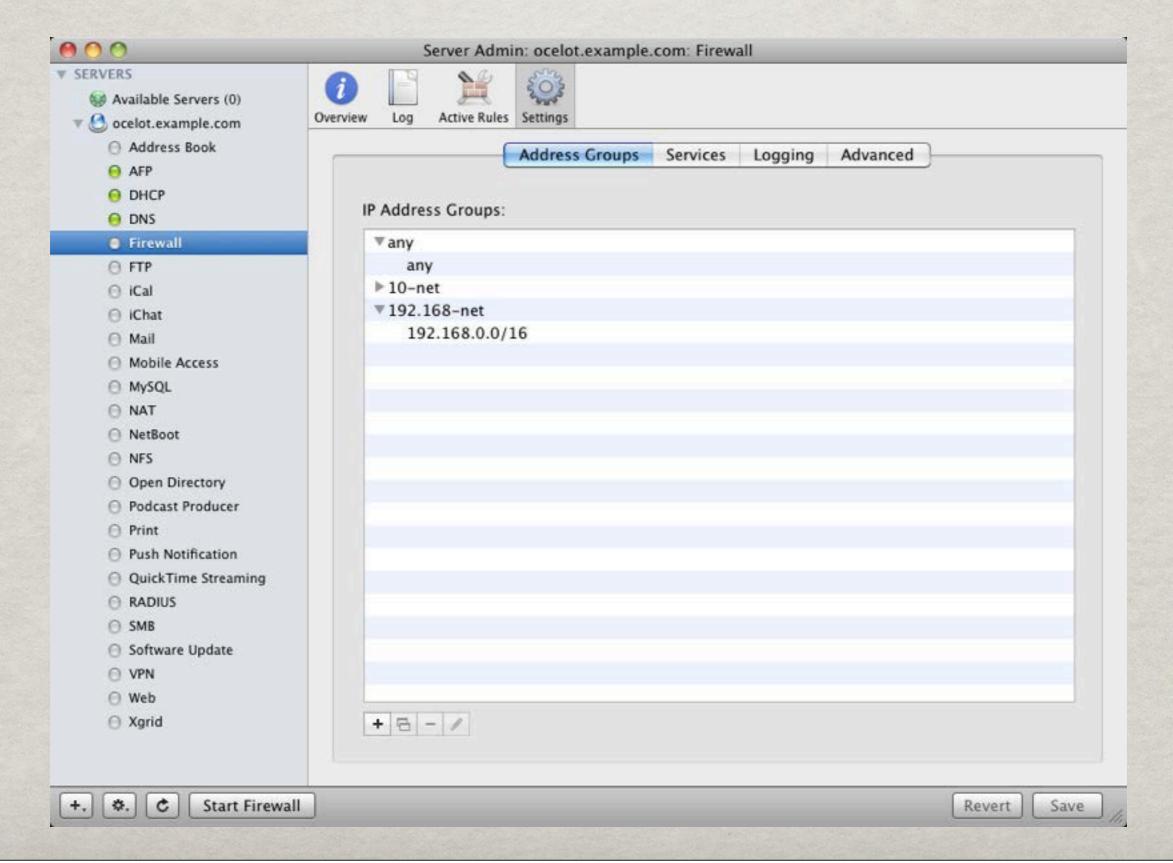
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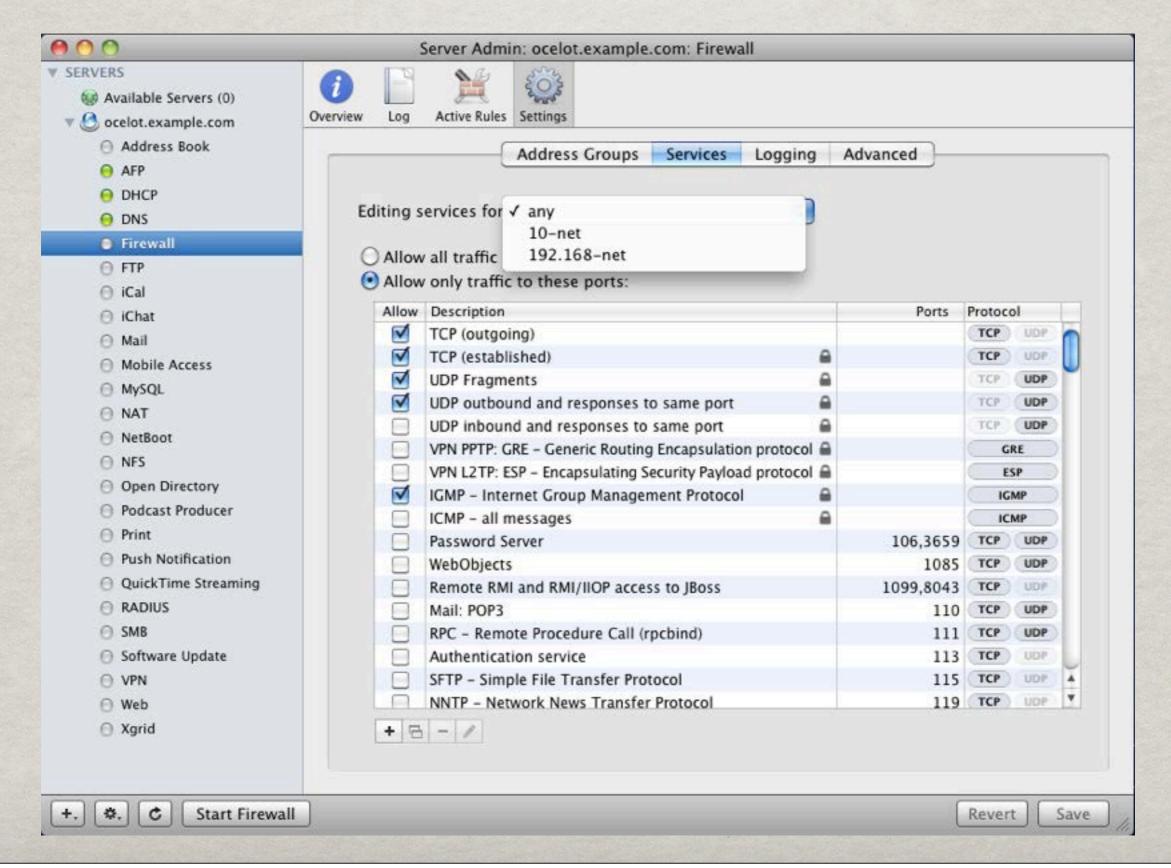
FIREWALL

- Prevents access to specific ports related to service
- *Built on a granting permission style
- ** Permissions based on network addresses
- **Customizable**

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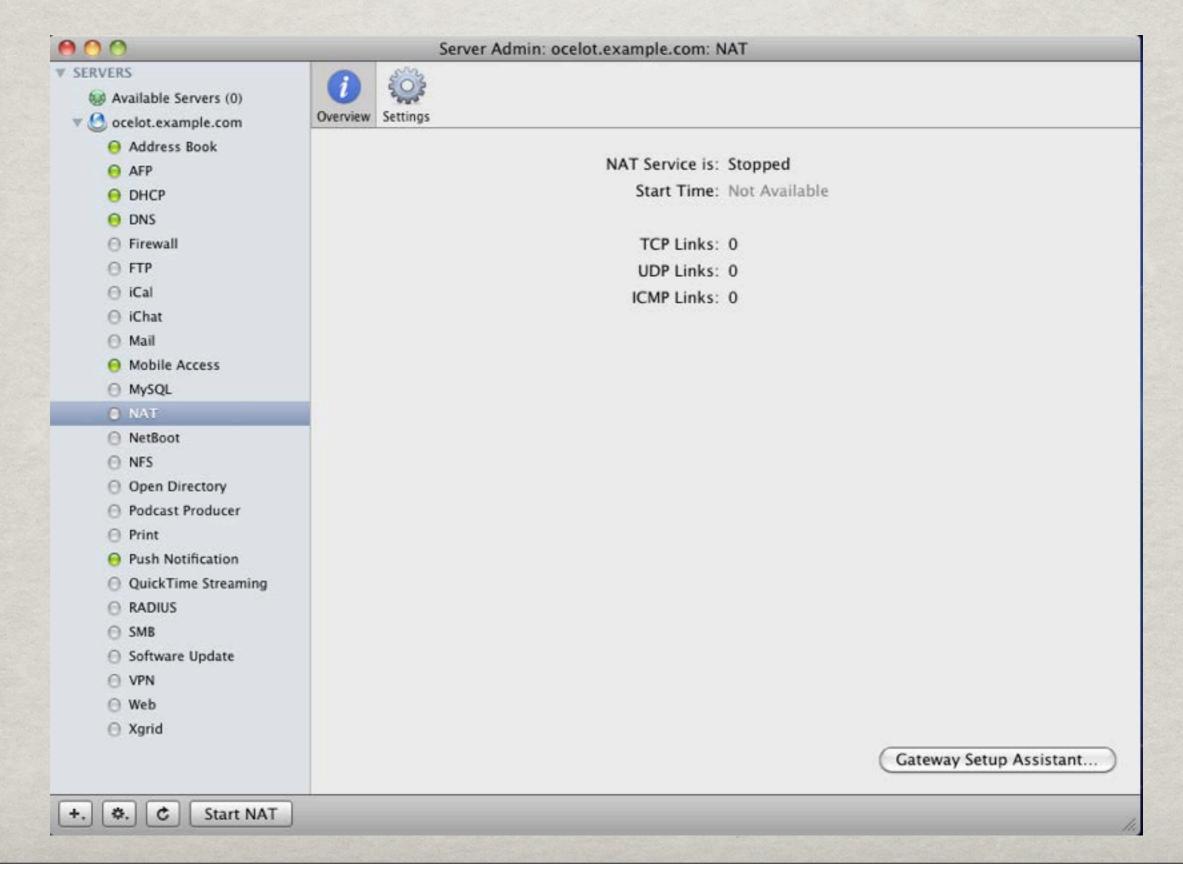
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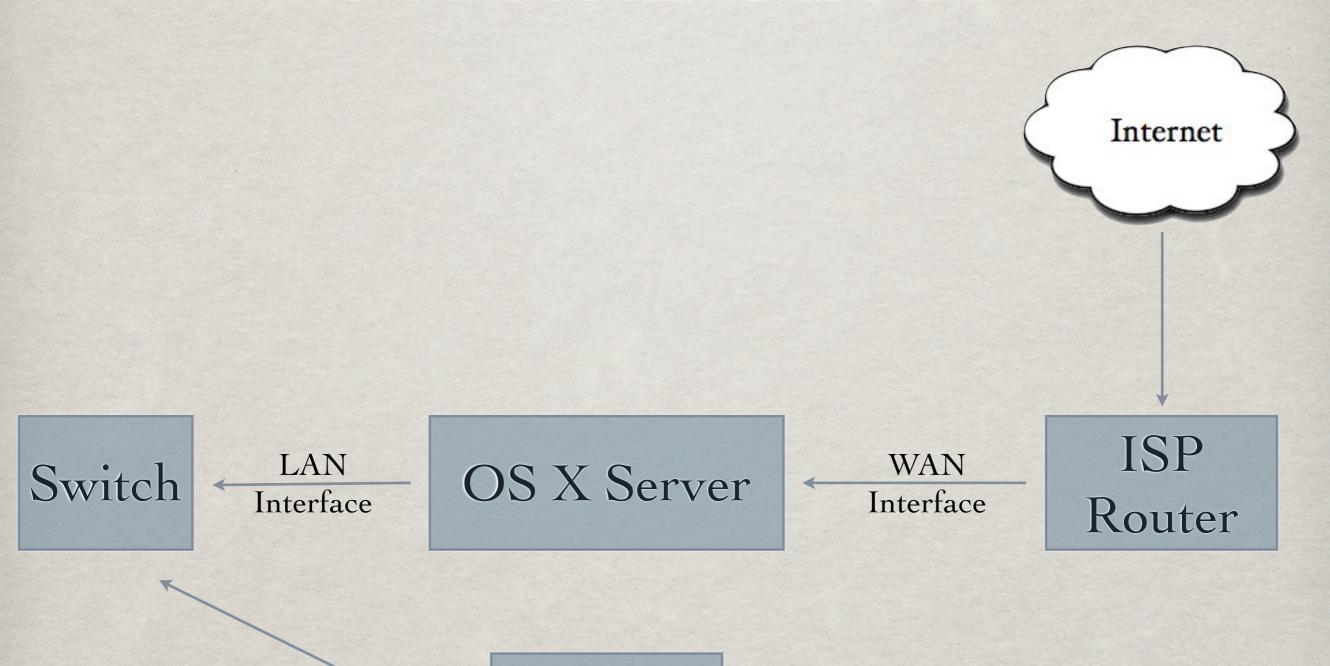
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- ** Network Address Translation
- Translates public addresses to private addresses.
- ** Watch out for double-NAT

NAT



TYPICAL SETUP



Clients

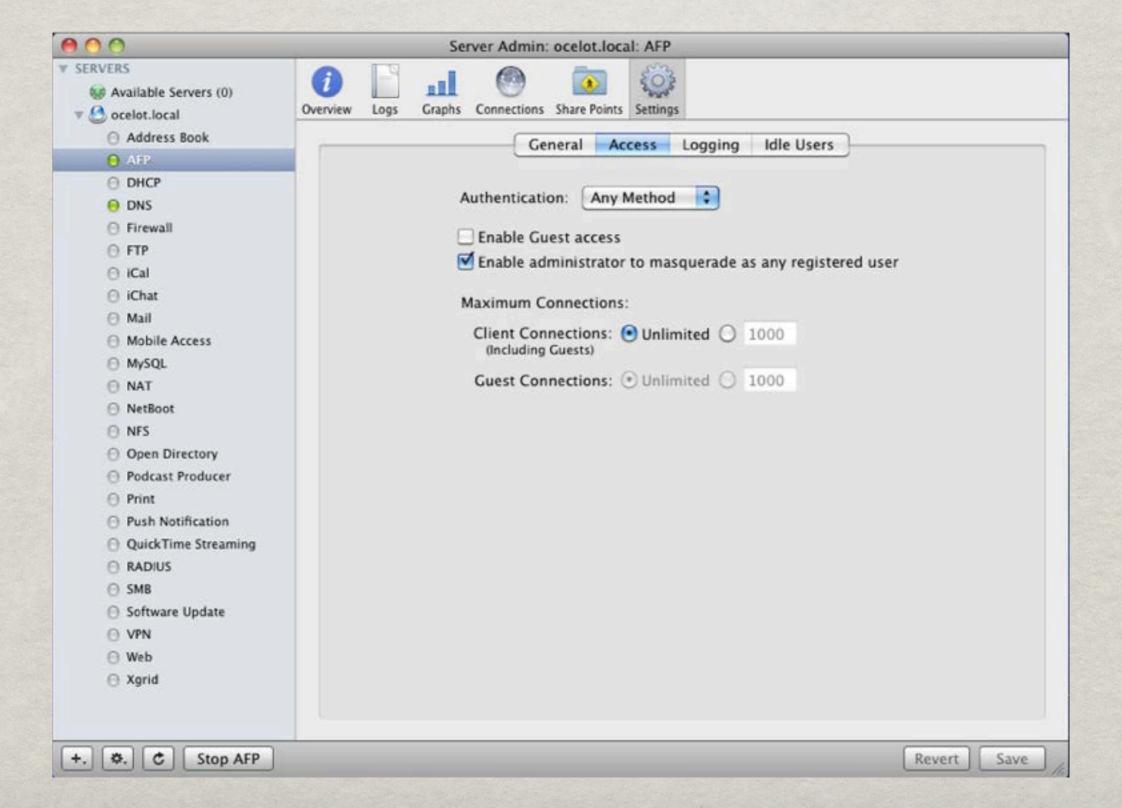
FILE AND DIRECTORY SERVICES

AFP

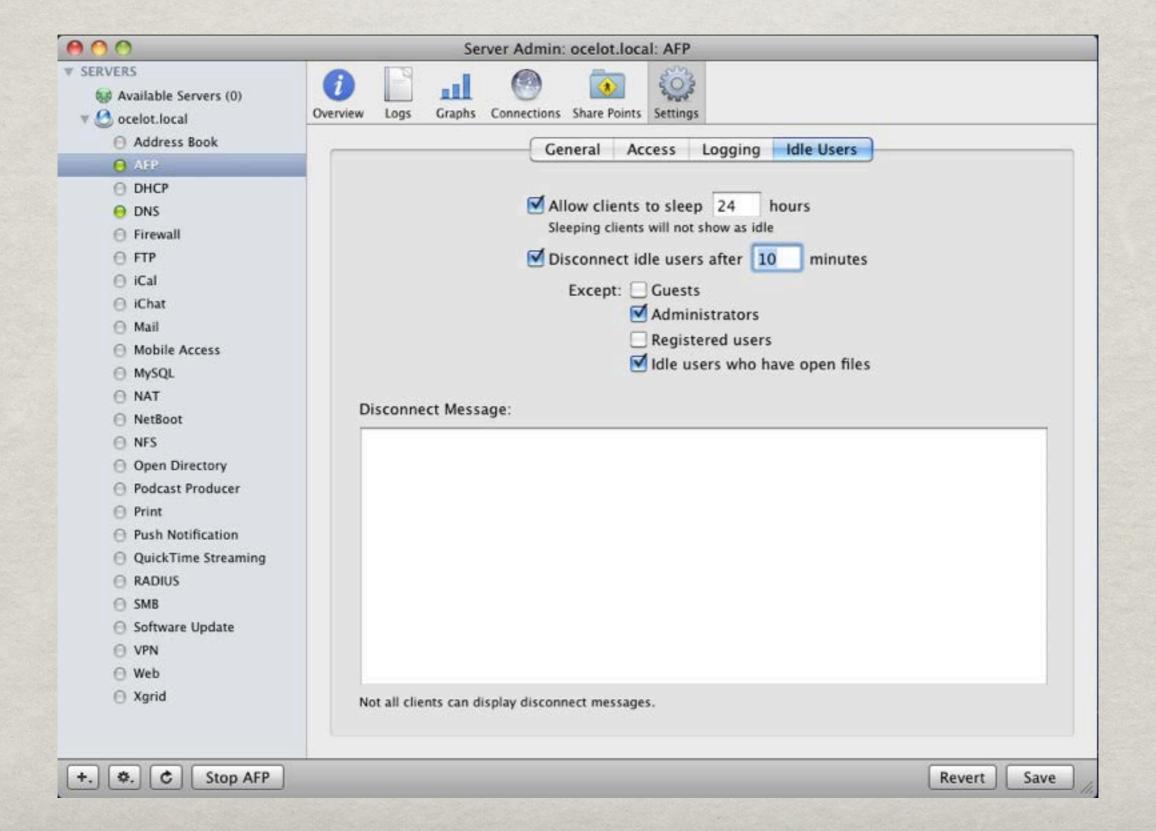
OpenDirectory



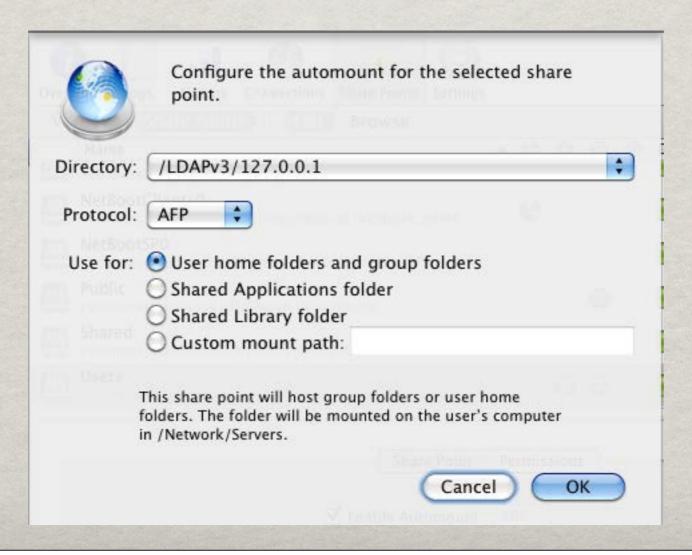
- ** Apple Filing Protocol
- One method for providing file services to OS X computers
- Administrator can set authentication method, Guest Access, connections & idle timeout



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▼ SERVERS	Overview Logs Graphs Connections Share Points Settings	
Address Book		
August Book	General Access Logging Idle Users	
⊕ DHCP		
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O DNS	✓ Enable access log	
⊕ Firewall		
⊕ FTP	Archive every 7 days	
⊕ iCal	Select events to include in the access log:	
⊙ iChat		
⊕ Mail		
	Logout Create Folder	
	Open File Delete File/Folder	
⊕ NAT		
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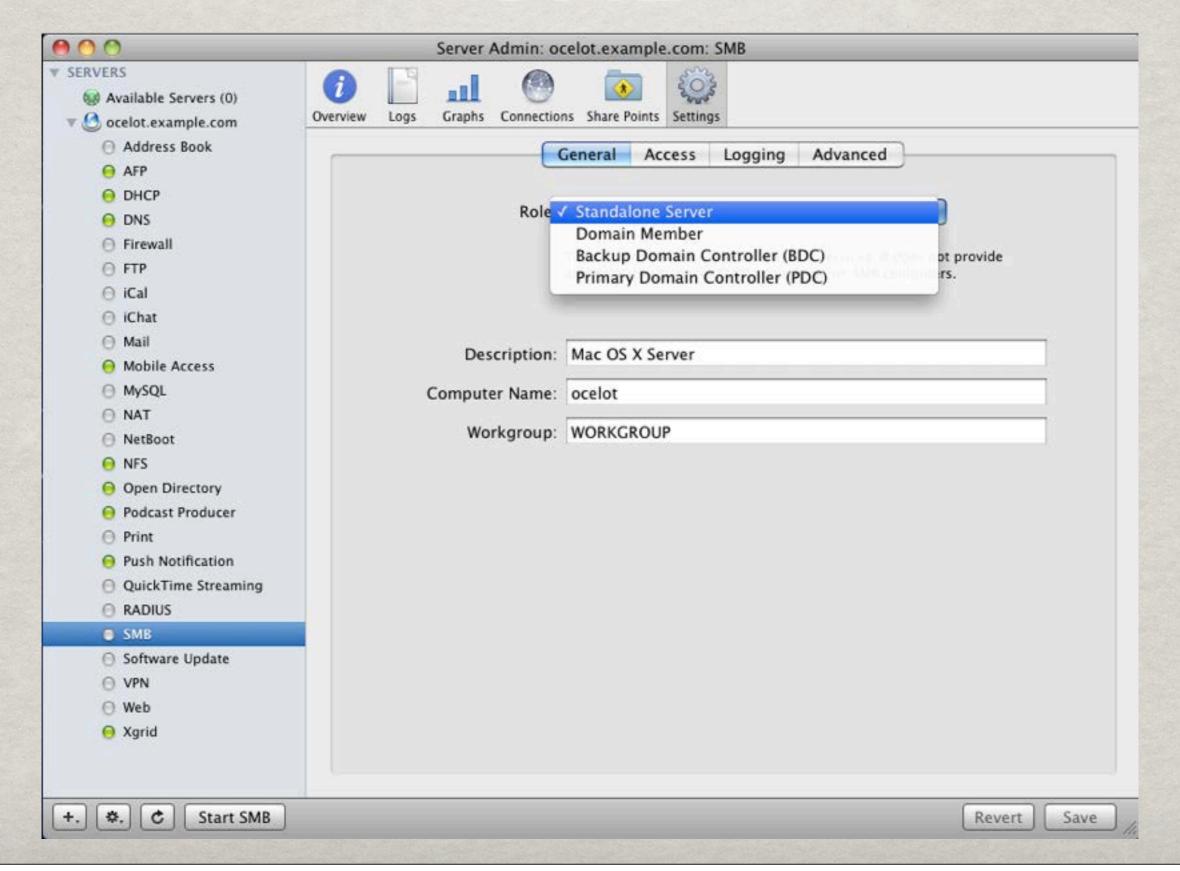
If using AFP for home directories, make sure to enable the AutoMount record!



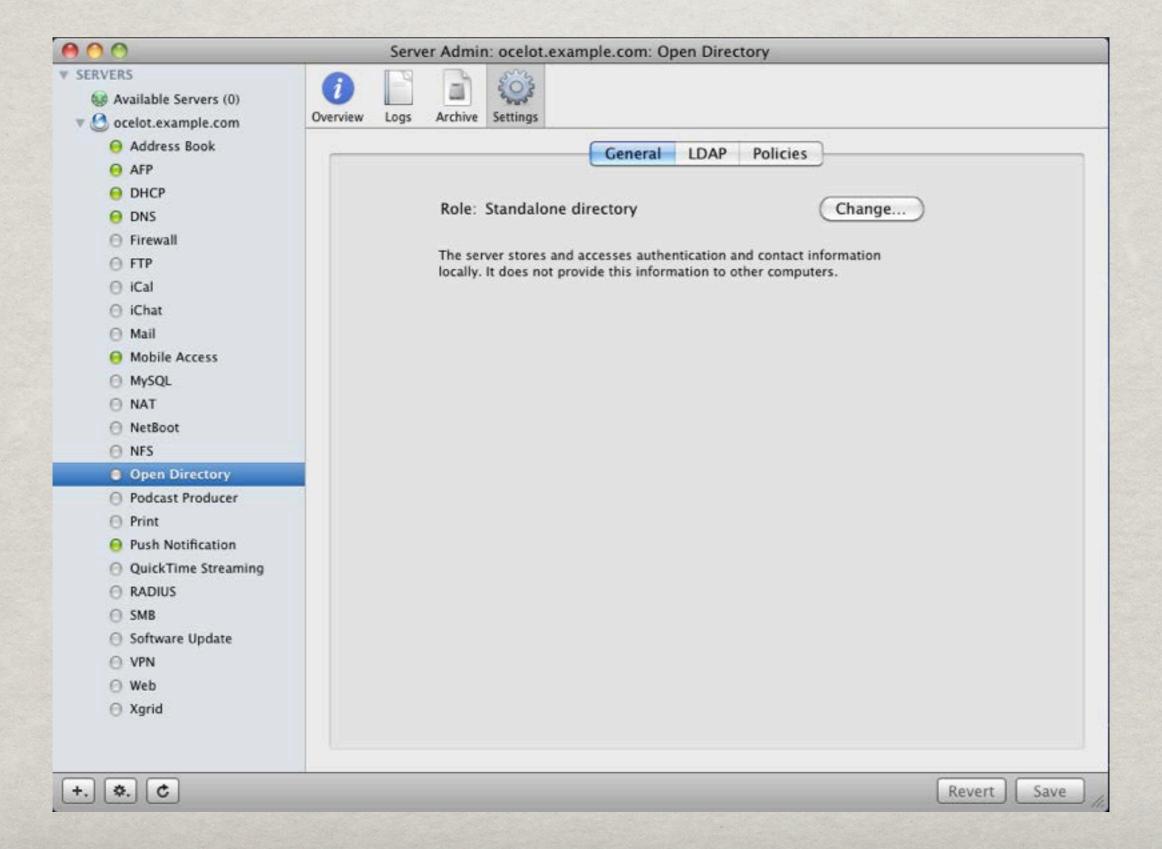
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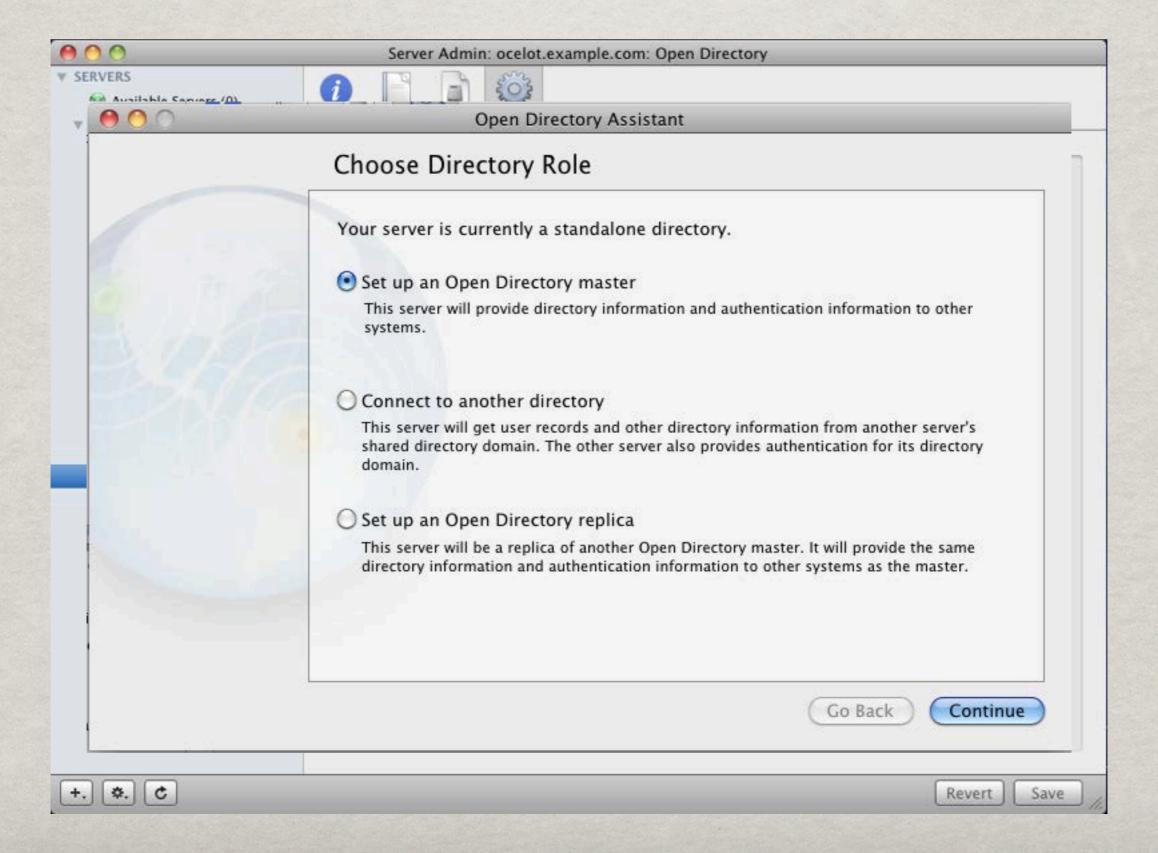
- # File-sharing for Windows Clients
- **SOS X Client can mount SMB shares**

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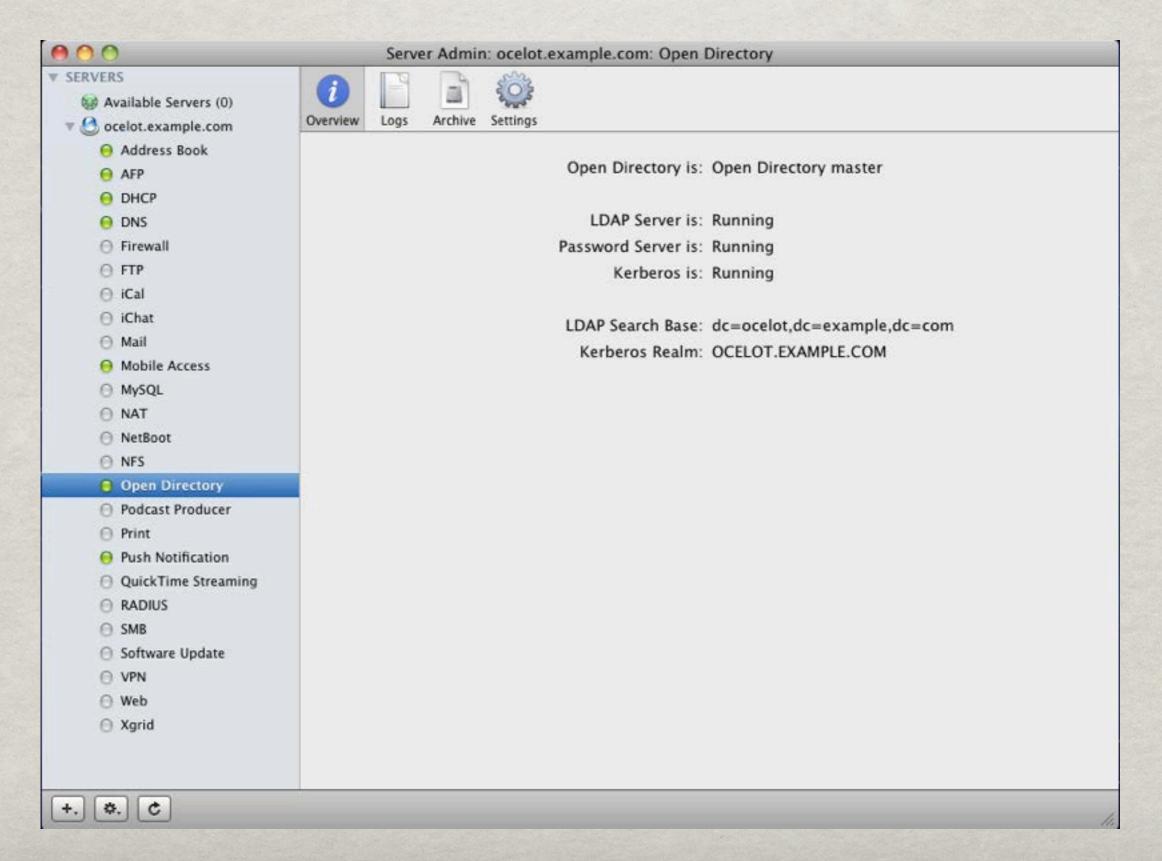


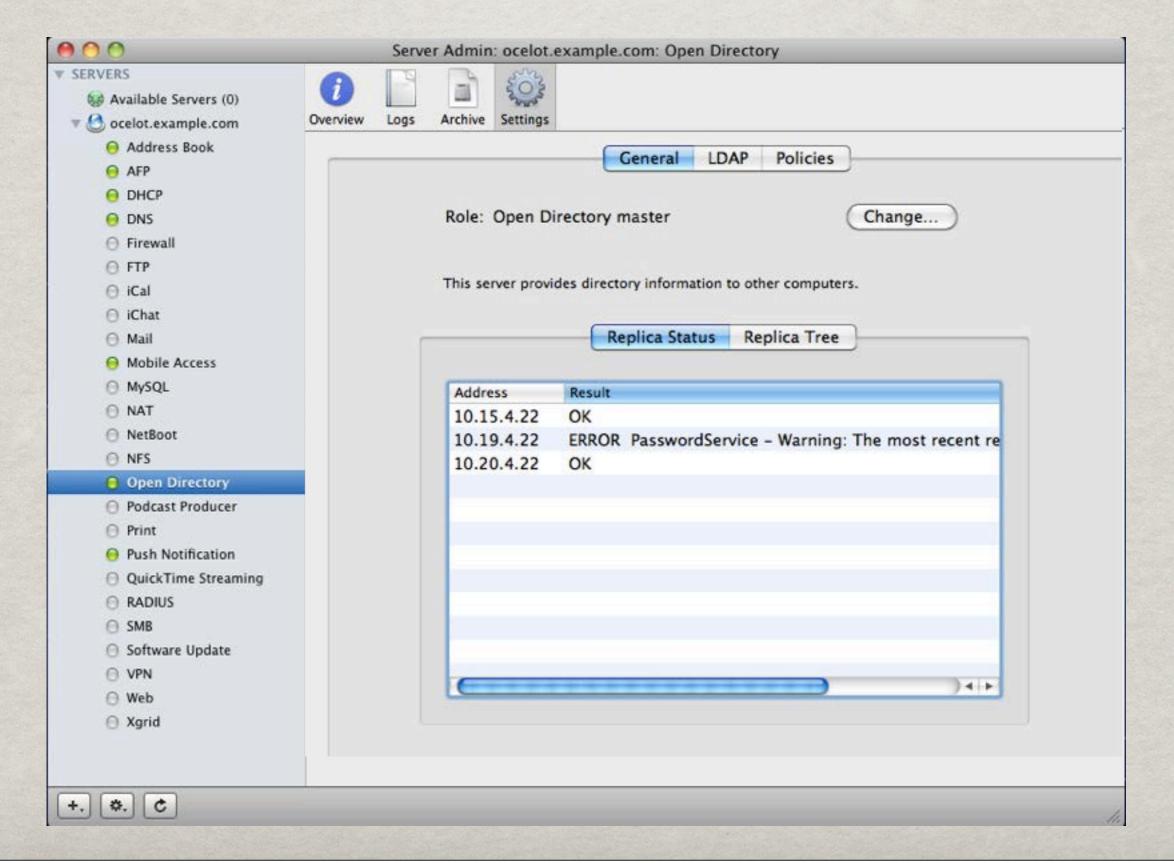
- ** Apple's implementation of OpenLDAP
- * Provides centralized repository of user info
- Consists of Masters, Replicas and Tiered Replicas
- Set password policies
- ** Leverages LDAP
- Join client computers via Directory Utility

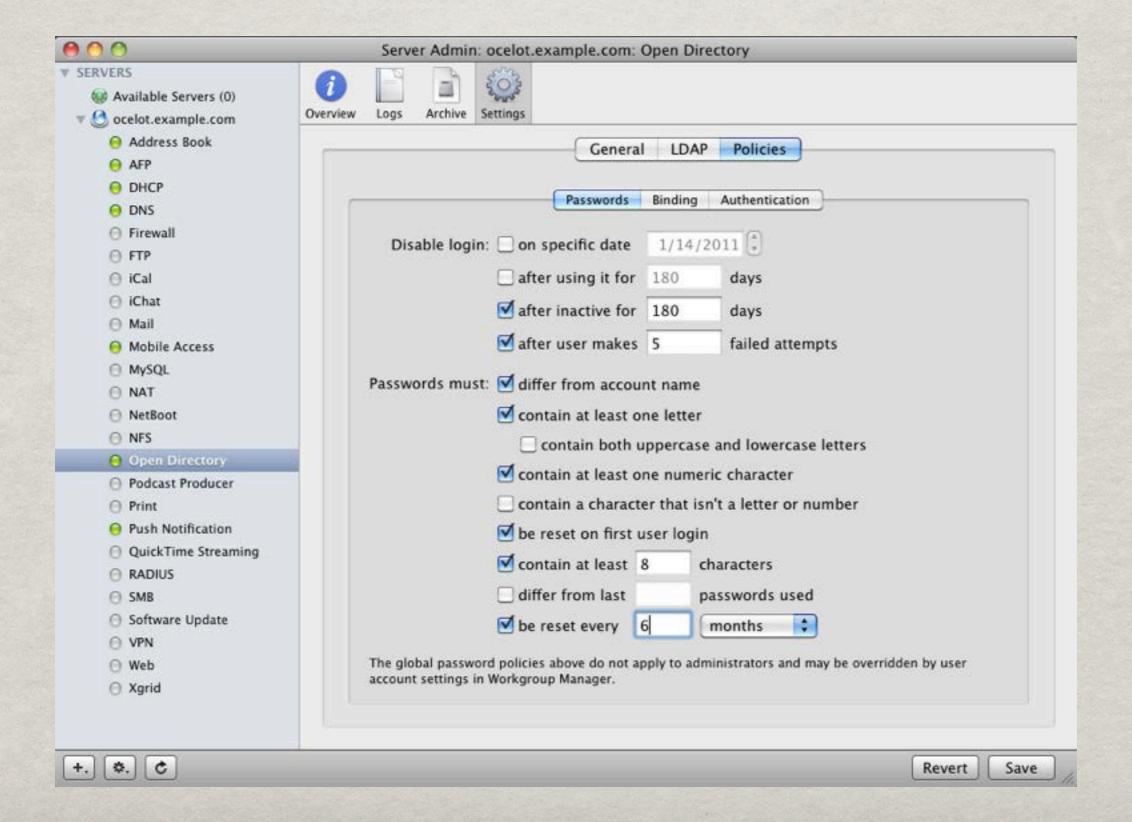














- ** Application for managing network objects such as users, groups, computers, and computer groups
- User management
- **Supports** account templates

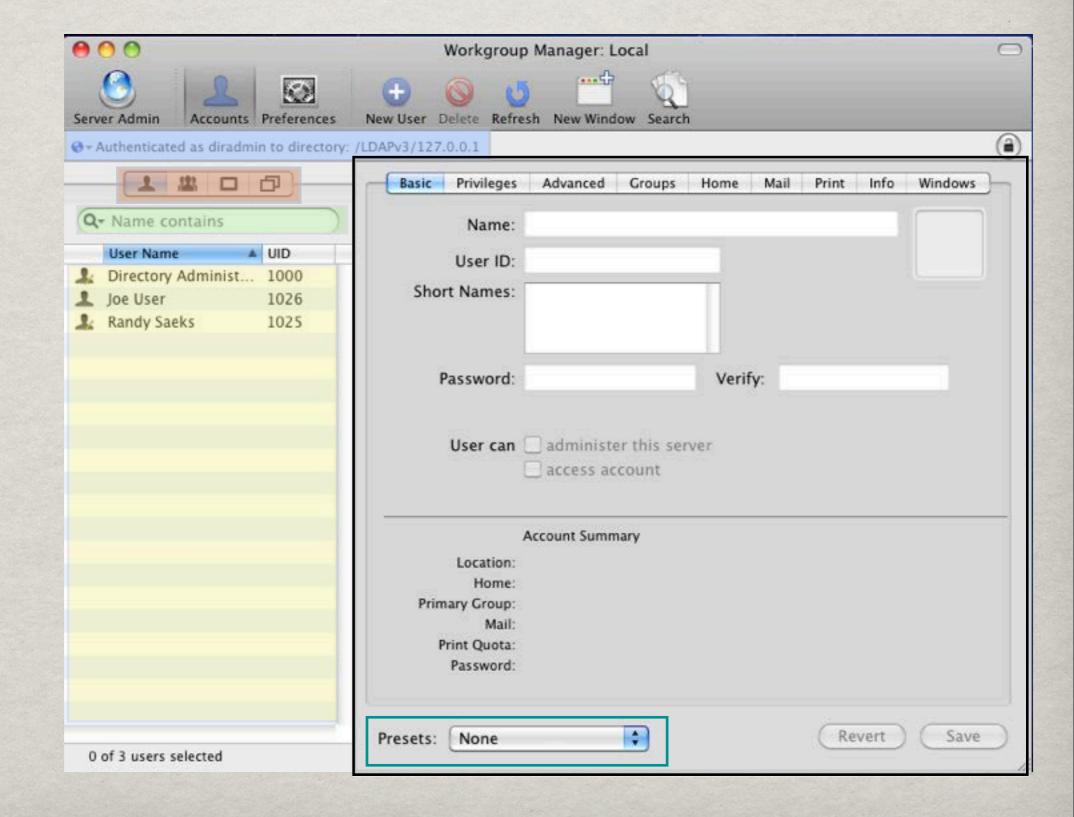
Node Selector

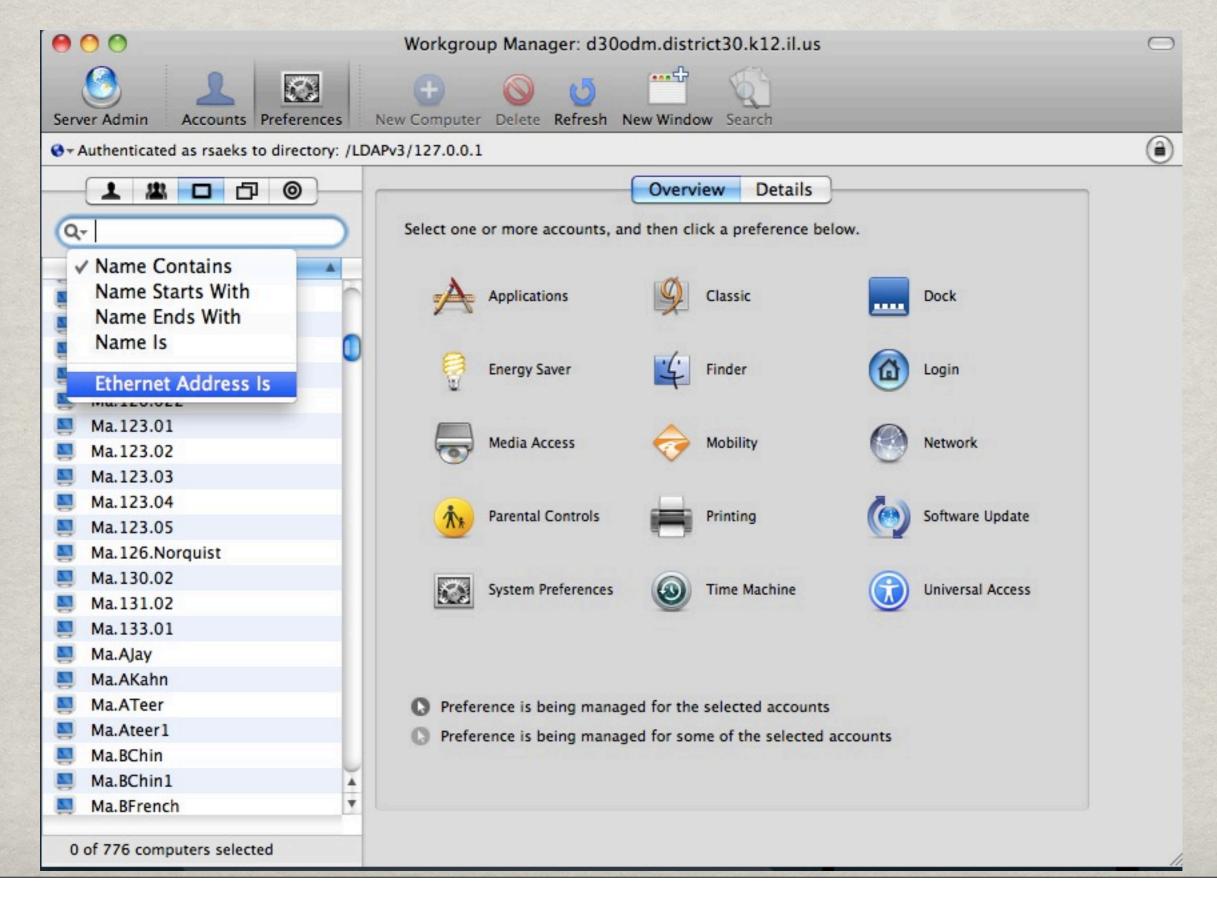
Object type Selector

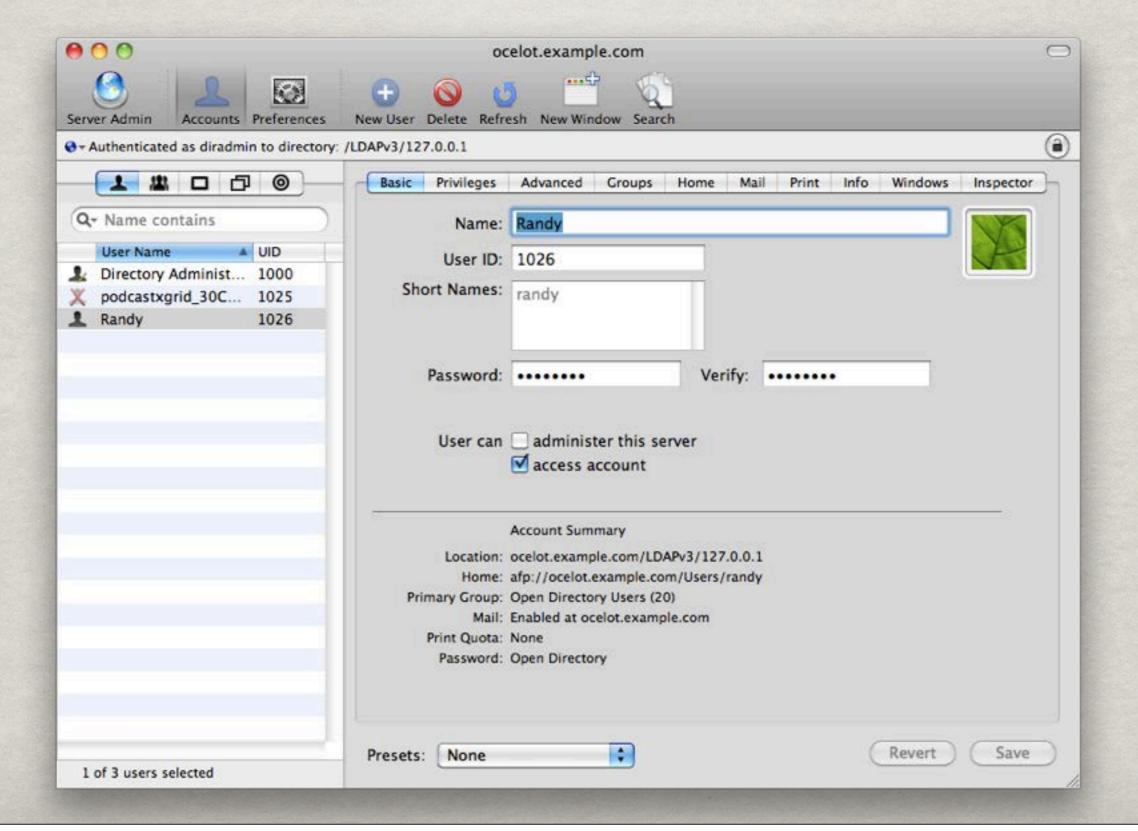
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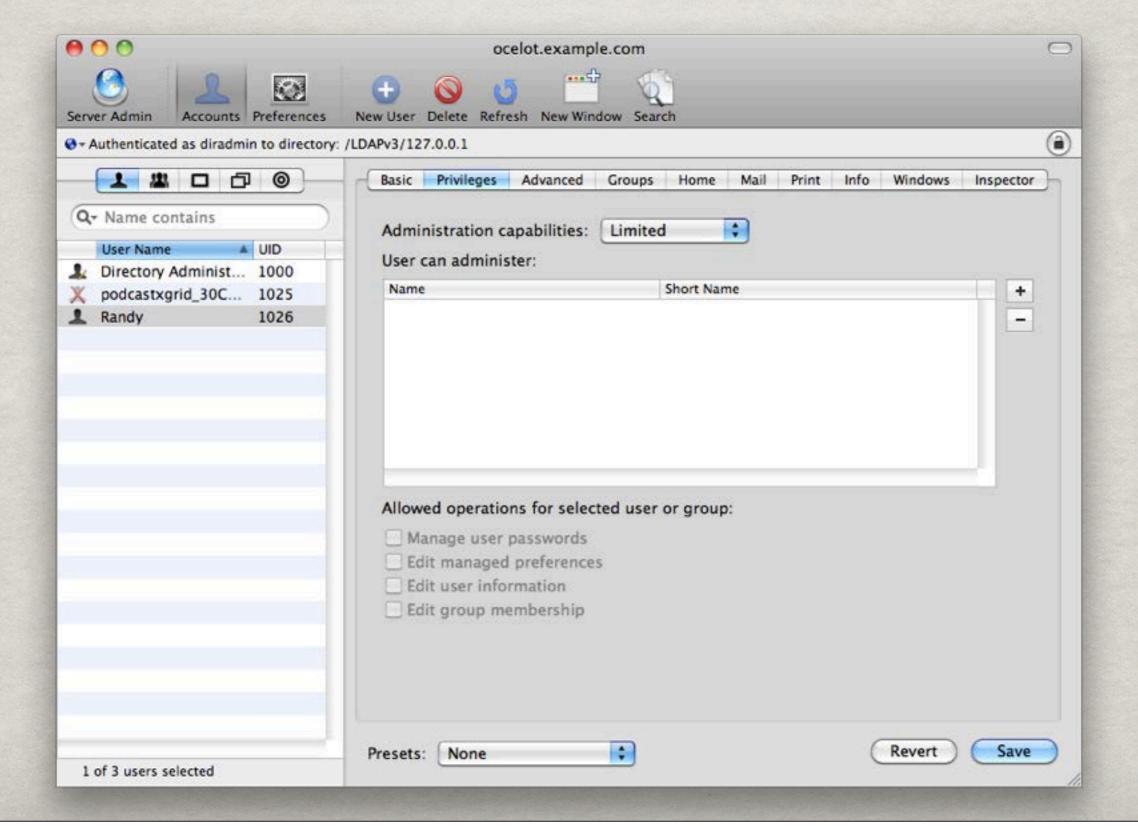
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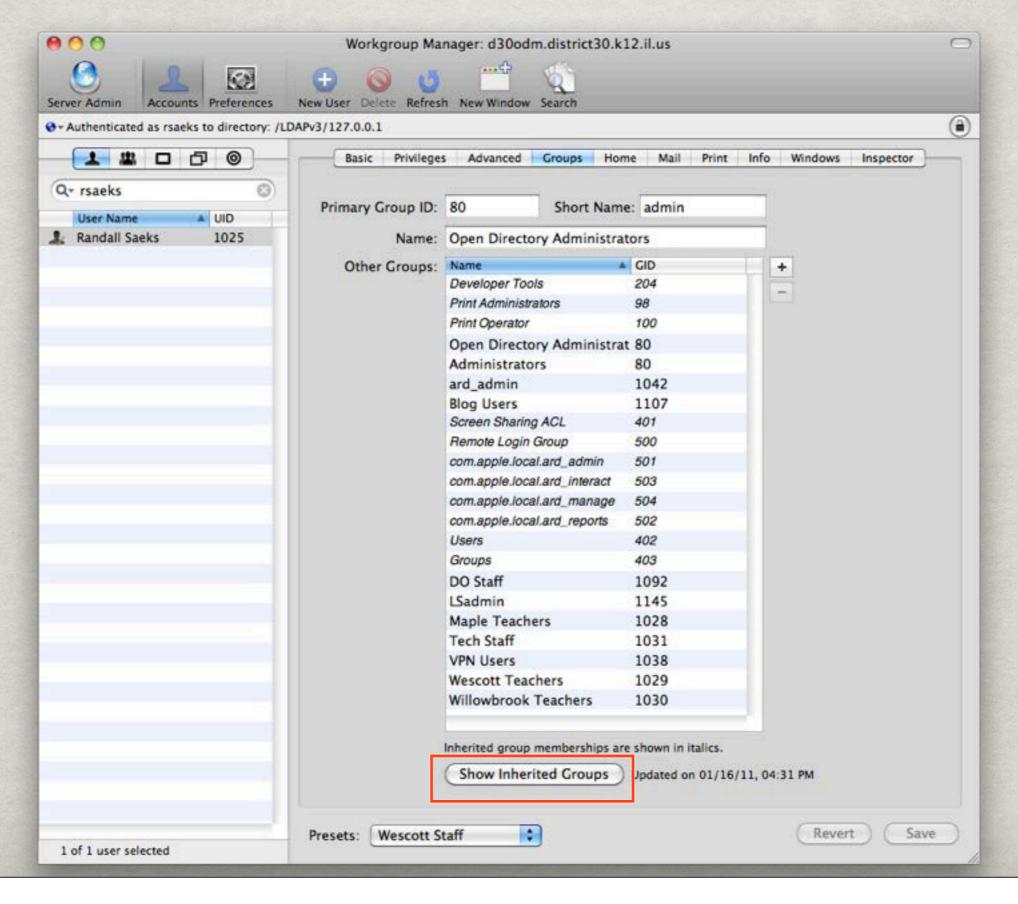
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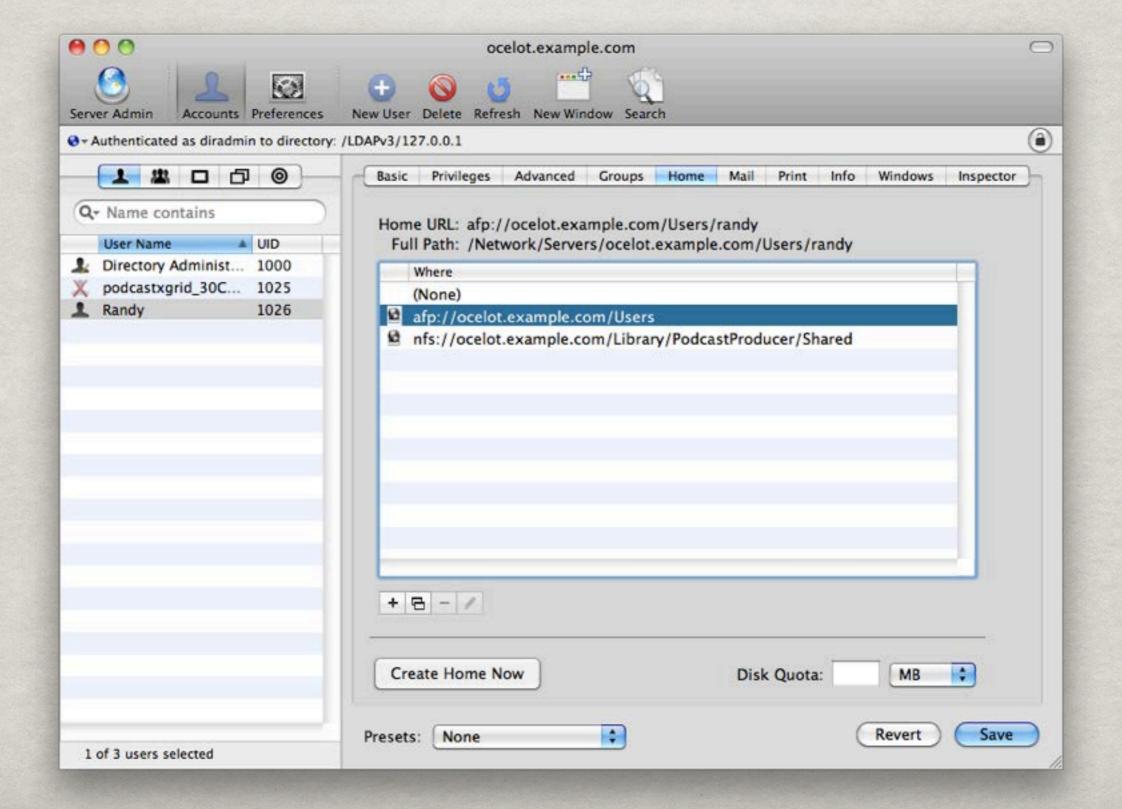


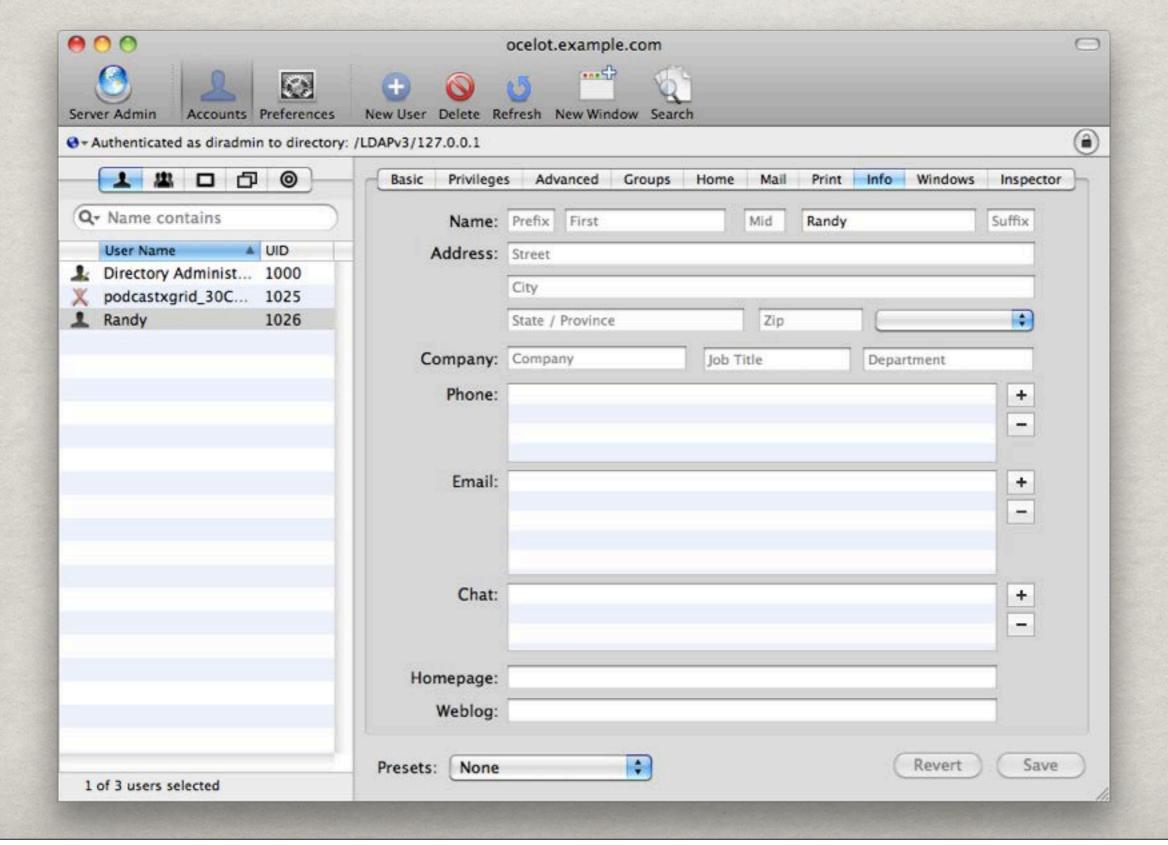


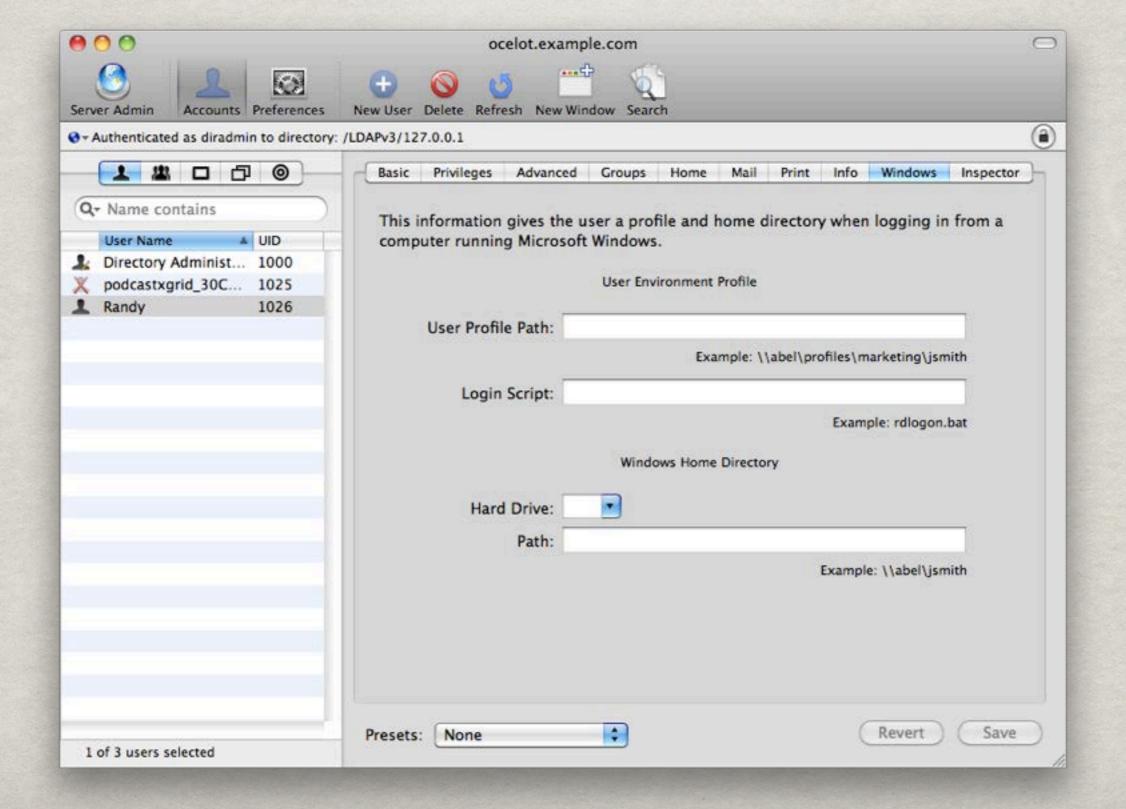


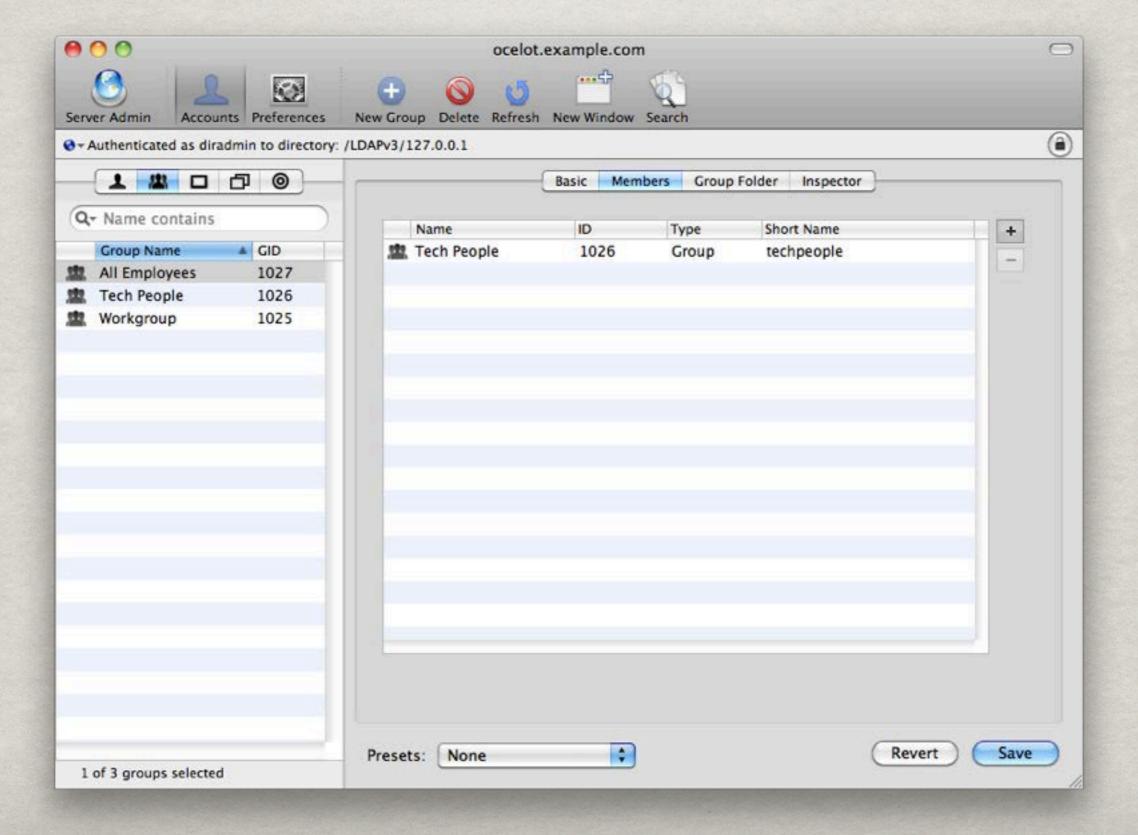












HOME DIRECTORIES

- * Default location for user generated data
- ** Local drives shared via AFP, SMB, NFS

HOME DIRECTORY Types

Type	Location	Typical Environment
Local	Local workstation	Slow / no network connectivityUsers responsible for data backup
Network	Network Server	 High-speed wired network Users use multiple machines requiring access to data
Mobile	Local workstation with synchronization to server	Mobile users with dedicated laptopBlend of Network / Local setup
External	Removable media with synchronization to server	 Mobile users without dedicated laptop Users move between machines

HOME DIRECTORY CONSIDERATIONS

Type	Advantages	Considerations
Local	Requires no network resources.	Data only exists on machineTough to backup
Network	User data accessible from any computer on network. Easy to backup.	- Requires constant RELIABLE network connectivity
Mobile	Speed of local account. Redundancy from network- based user data.	Requires time to perform syncCan be confusing to usersRequires server CPU overhead
External	Portability of account. Synchronization.	Users can easily lose accountSecurity!

MOBILE ACCOUNT CREATION

- ** Configurable in Work Group Manager
- **Also configurable via Accounts System Preference Pane

MANAGED CLIENT BASICS

- ** Frequently called MCX (Managed Client for OS X)
- **Equates to GPOs & Policy Packages**
- ** Applicable at the user, group, computer, and computer list level
- * Nesting of groups is allowed
- * XML formatting plists are the actual files
- Most of this is accomplished with WorkGroup Manager (WGM)

MCX BEST PRACTICES

- ** Leverage (create) organizational policies
- **Common** issues
 - ** Should our users be administrators?
 - ** Access to System Preferences?
- ** Avoid individual user / computer settings
- **test, Test, TEST, TEST

MANAGEABLE ITEMS

- ** Apple Supplied GUI preferences
- **Apple Supplied "Advanced" preferences
- Wer defined plists
- **Community** created preference manifests

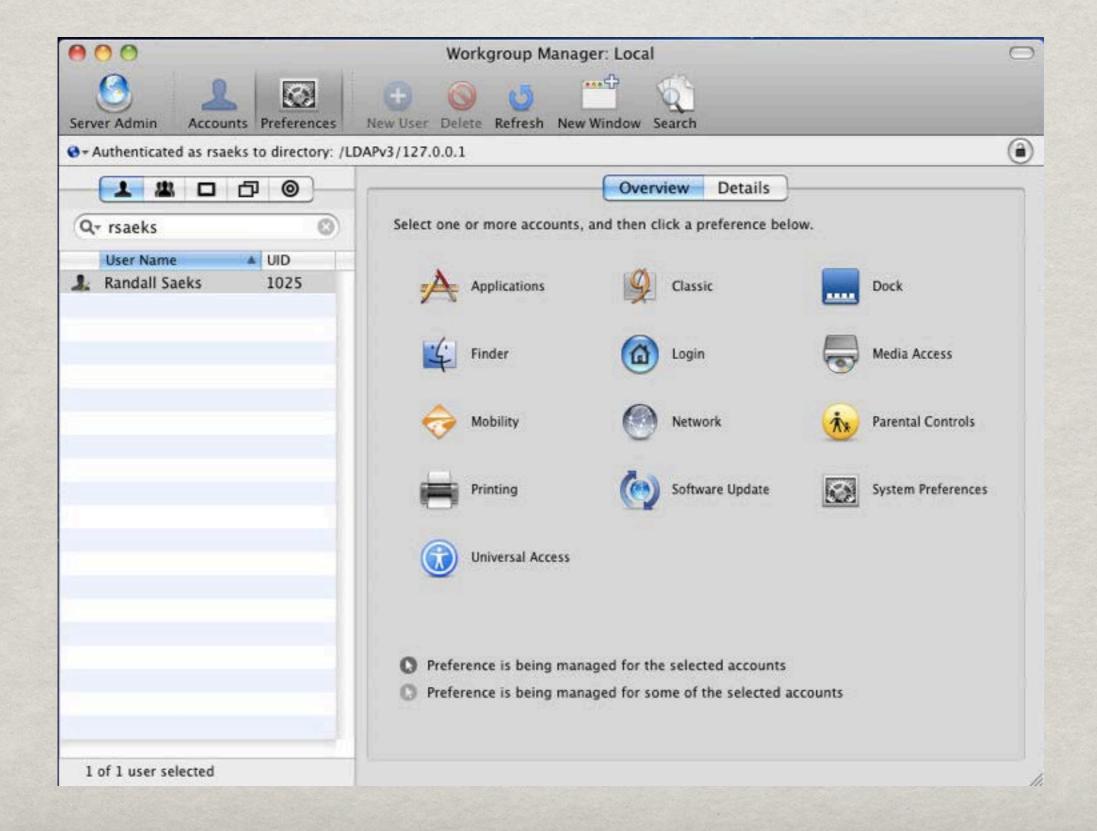
LEVERAGING OBJECTS

MCX application hierarchy User Priority Computer Computer Group Group

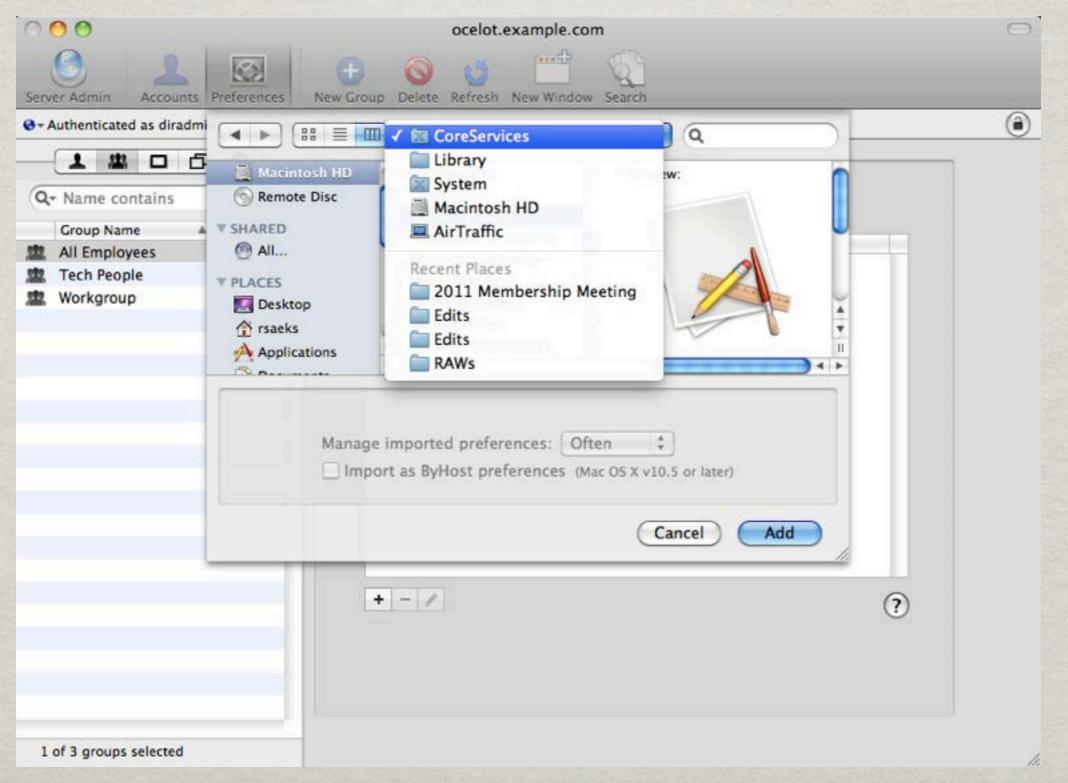
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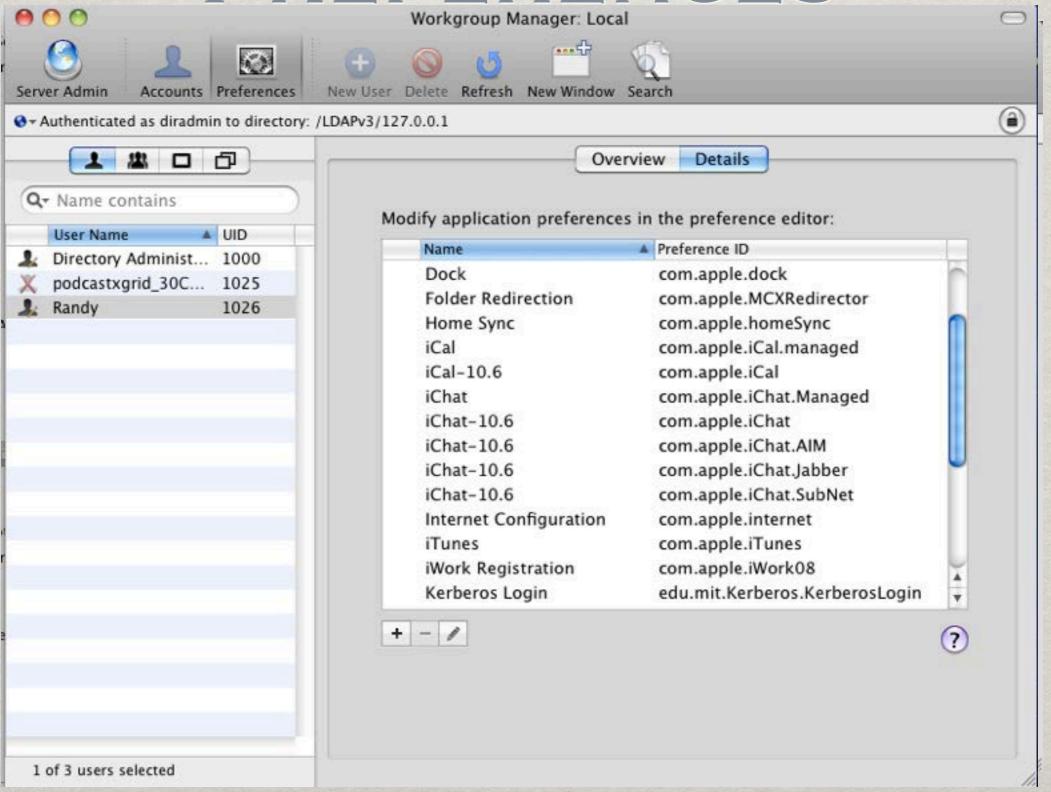
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ADVANCED PREFERENCES



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CHECKING SETTINGS

♥ Software

Applications

Developer

Extensions

Fonts

Frameworks

Logs

Managed Client

Preference Panes

Startup Items

Sync Services

Universal Access

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CatalogURL:

Value: http://alerts.district30.k12.il.us:8088/

State: always

Source: maplestudentcomputers (Computer Group)

DEPLOYMENT AND UPDATE SERVICES

Software Update

NetBoot



RESTORE TYPES

- - Bootable system image
- - Install Software / OS on client computers
- NetRestore
 - Restores system configuration



- ** Live-boot machine from pre-configured image
- W Useful for diagnostics
- Good for testing build across hardware configurations



NETINSTALL

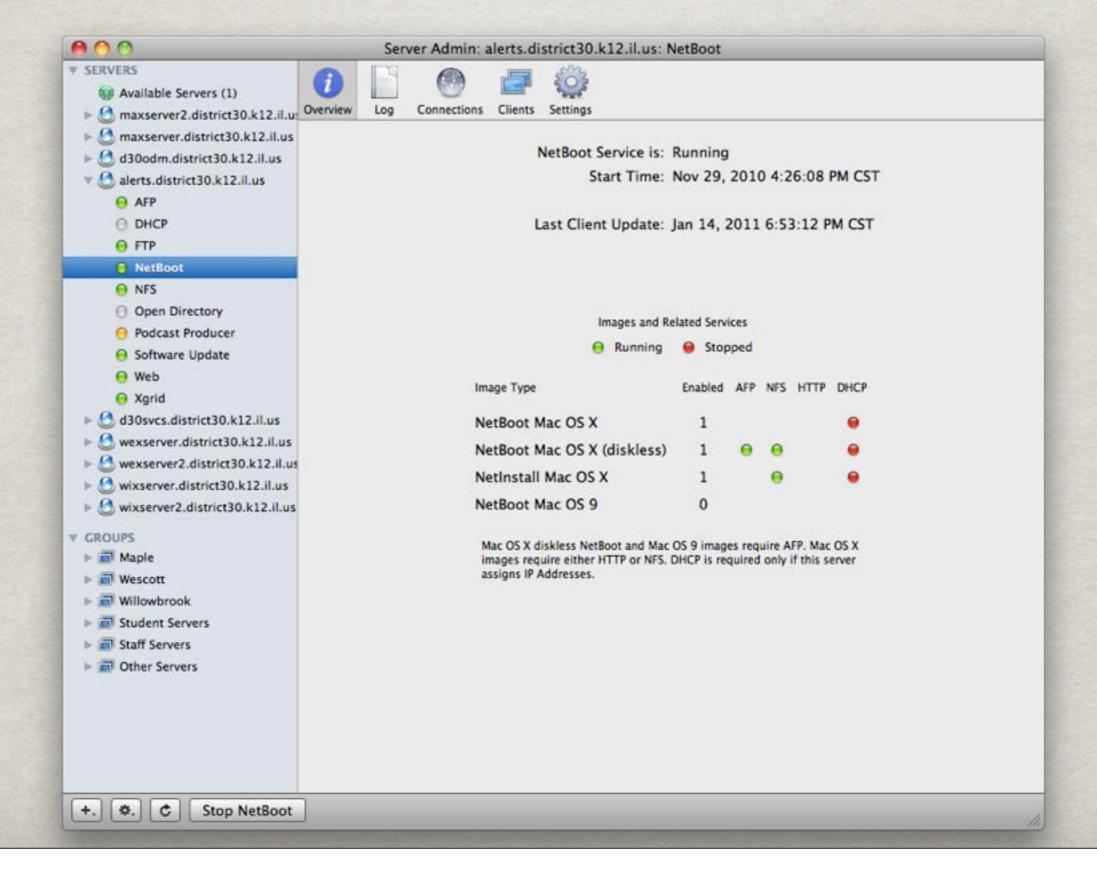
- Maria Installer media starts NetInstall process
- Customize experience via SIU modules
- Includes hard drive partitioning scheme, user accounts, installed software (via .pkg) and other items
- *.pkgs can be made optional or required
- # Utilizes modular imaging approach.

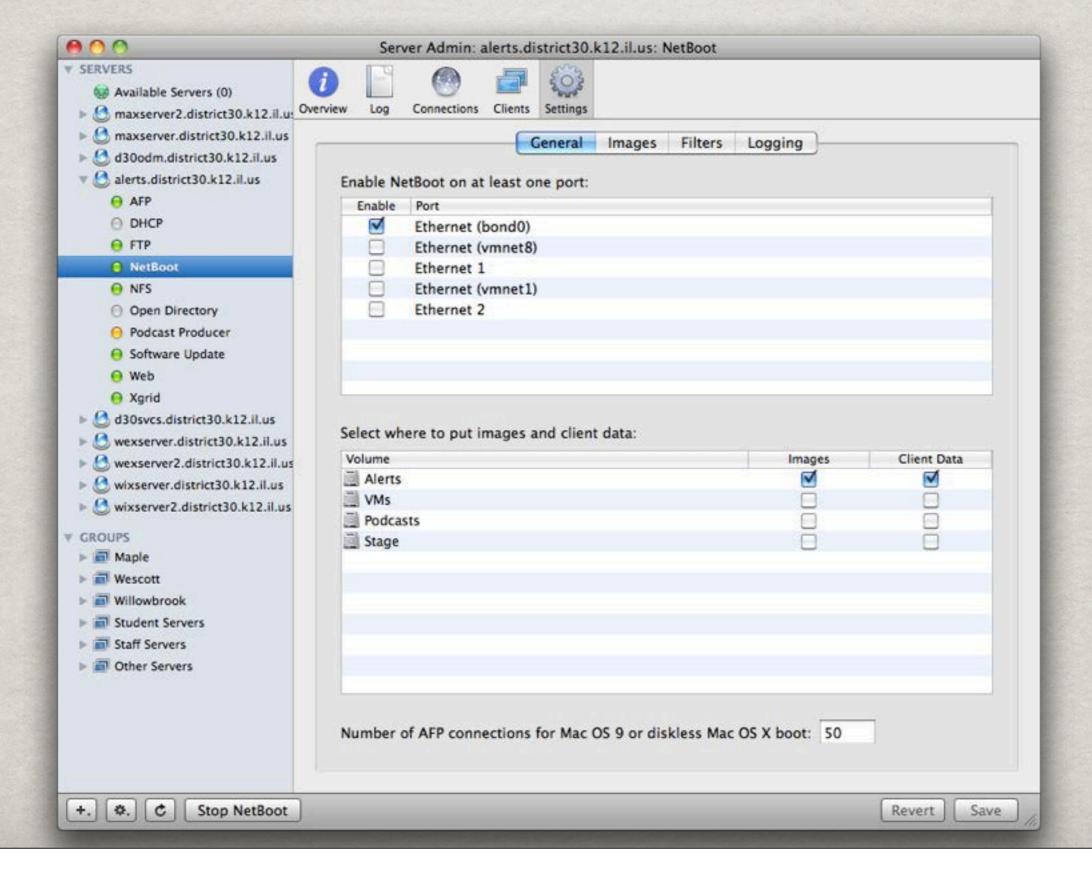


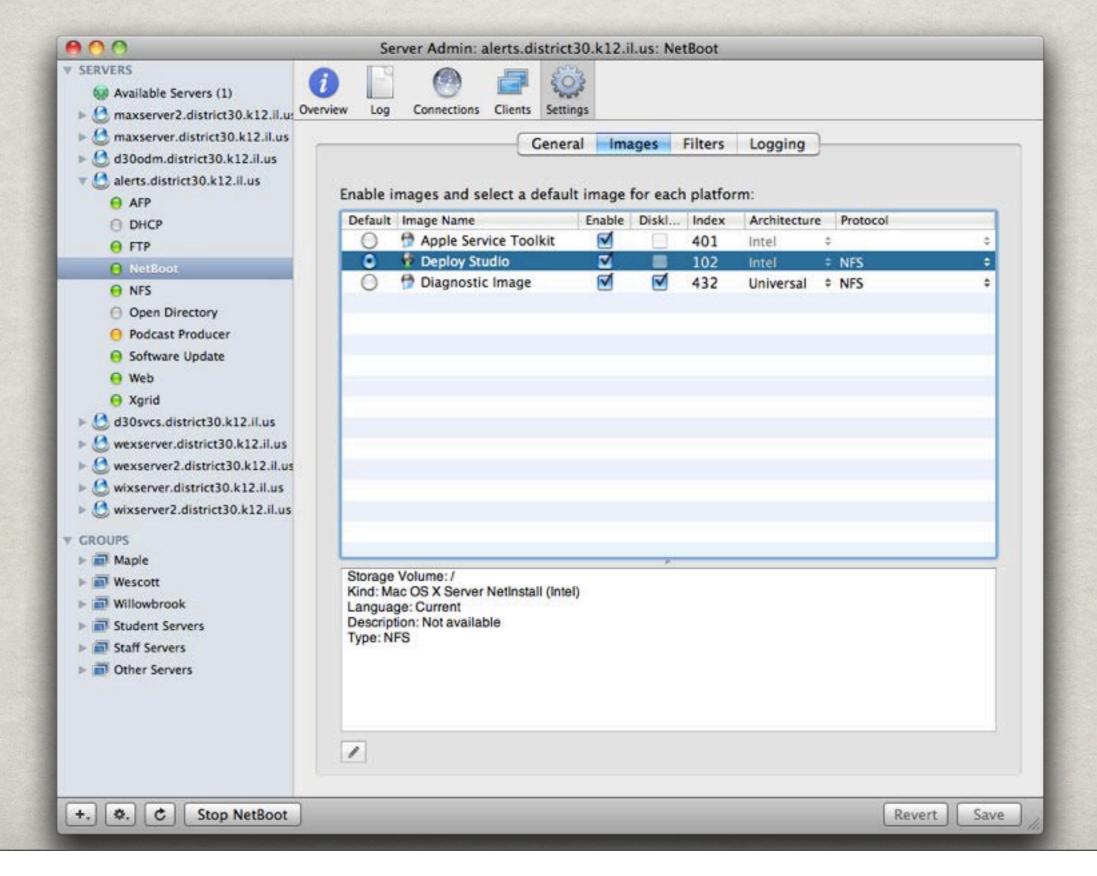
NETRESTORE

- Deploys a pre-configured build / image to client machines.
- Can use a monolithic approach or modular, or a blend of the two.









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	Client not currently booted	10.15.11.182	1,0:19:e3:40:eb:e1	
O DHCP	Client not currently booted	10.15.11.162	1,0:19:e3:40:e6:bc	
⊕ FTP	Client not currently booted	10.15.12.107	1,34:15:9e:3b:1b:80	
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Open Directory	Client not currently booted	10.15.12.113	1,34:15:9e:3b:3c:10	
Podcast Producer	♥ Client not currently booted	10.15.12.118	1,34:15:9e:3b:1d:a8	
⊖ Software Update	Client not currently booted	10.15.12.127	1,34:15:9e:3b:89:d8	
⊖ Web	Not currently booted or booted over HTTP	10.15.12.106	1,34:15:9e:3b:94:d8	
	Client not currently booted	10.15.12.125	1,34:15:9e:3b:11:62	
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	Image Name:			
	Number of clients: 307			
+. \$. C Stop NetBoot				

SYSTEM IMAGE UTILITY

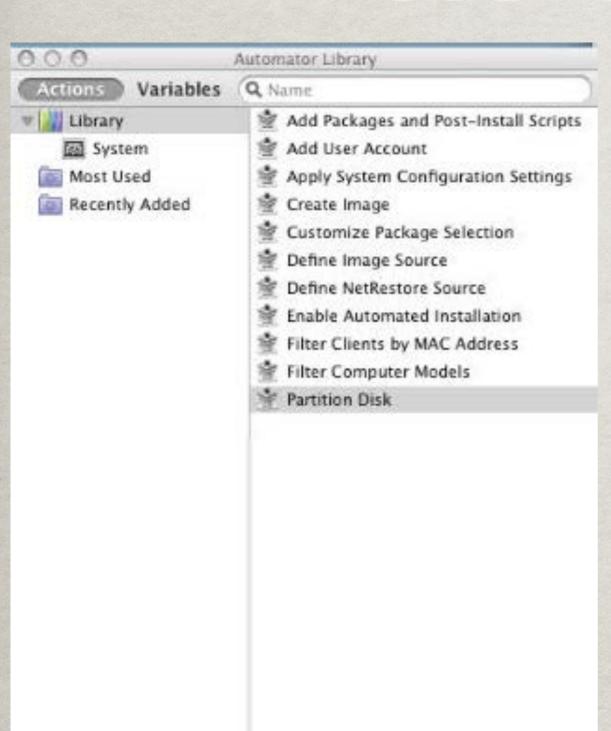


SYSTEM IMAGE UTILITY (SIU)

- **Apple-provided tool for system deployment
- Images Created from connected sources

 - * Pre-configured machine







Partition Disk

This action configures the installation to automatically partition a destination drive before installing.

Input: Network Disk image reference

Options: Select a disk to target. Define the number of

partitions. Set the name, format, and size of the

partitions.

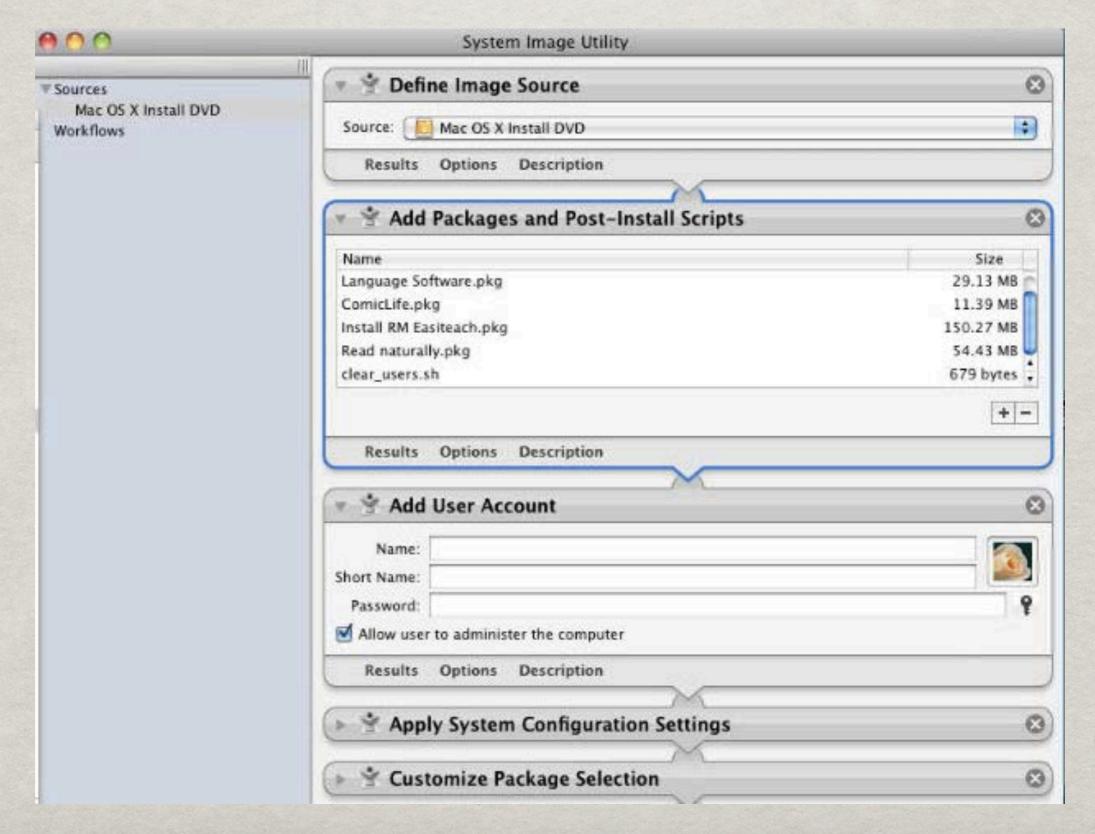
Result: Network Disk image reference

Related Actions: Create Image

Version: 1.1

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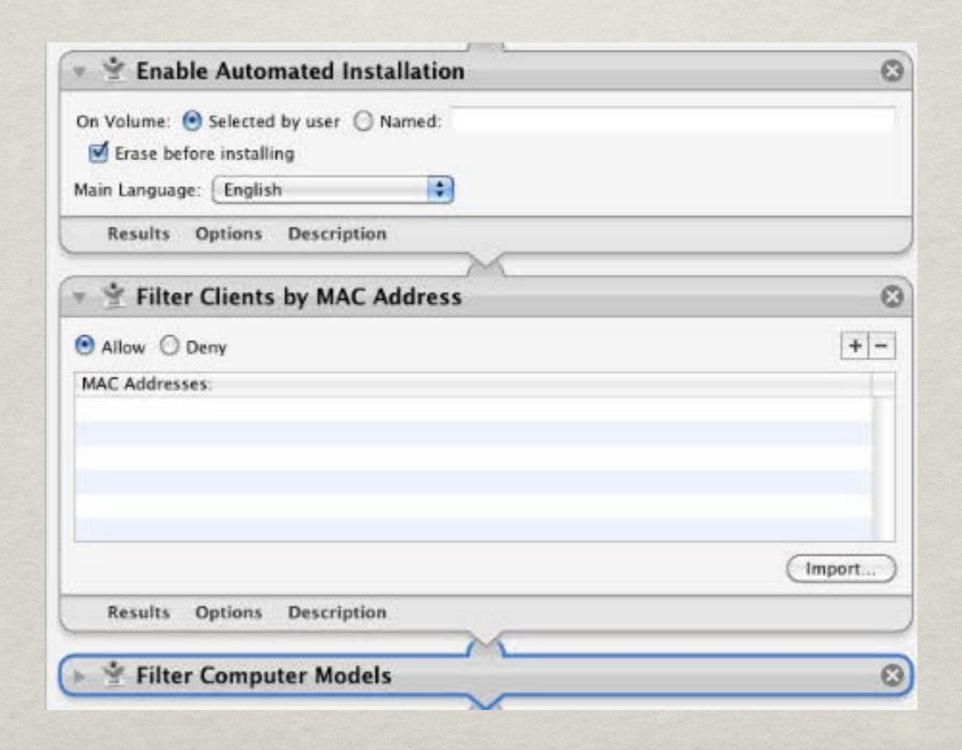






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OTHER IMAGING UTILITIES

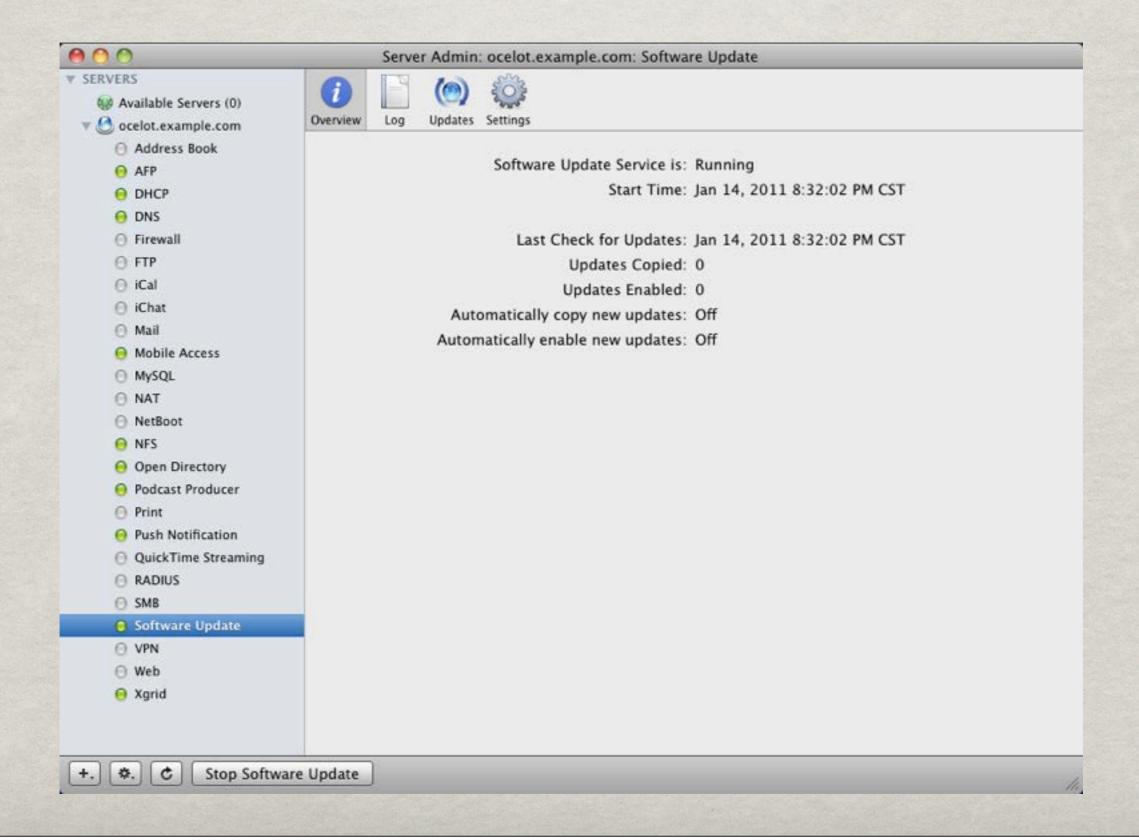
- DeployStudio (IT582 Friday, 3:30p 5:00p)
- **#JAMF Software**
- ** Absolute Manage
- ** Carbon Copy Cloner
- **SuperDuper
- **SneakerNet**



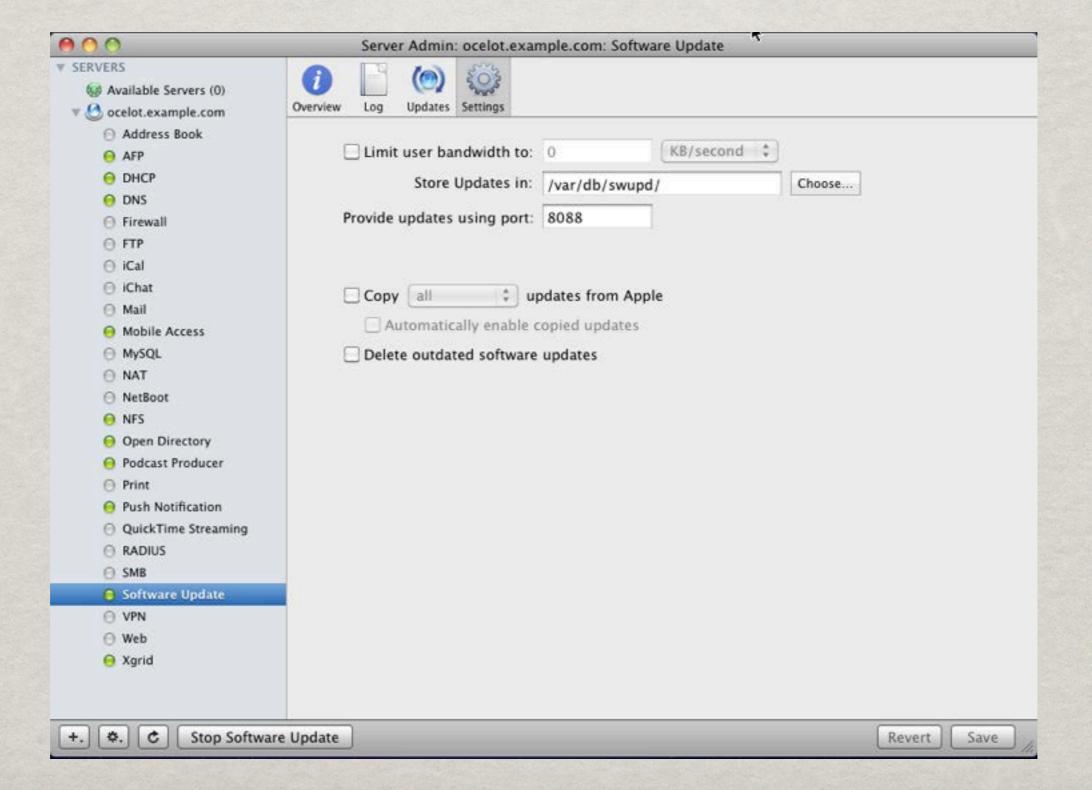
SOFTWARE UPDATE

- ** Locally cached instance of Apple Software Update Server
- * Provides ability to enable selected updates
- **Conserves** bandwidth

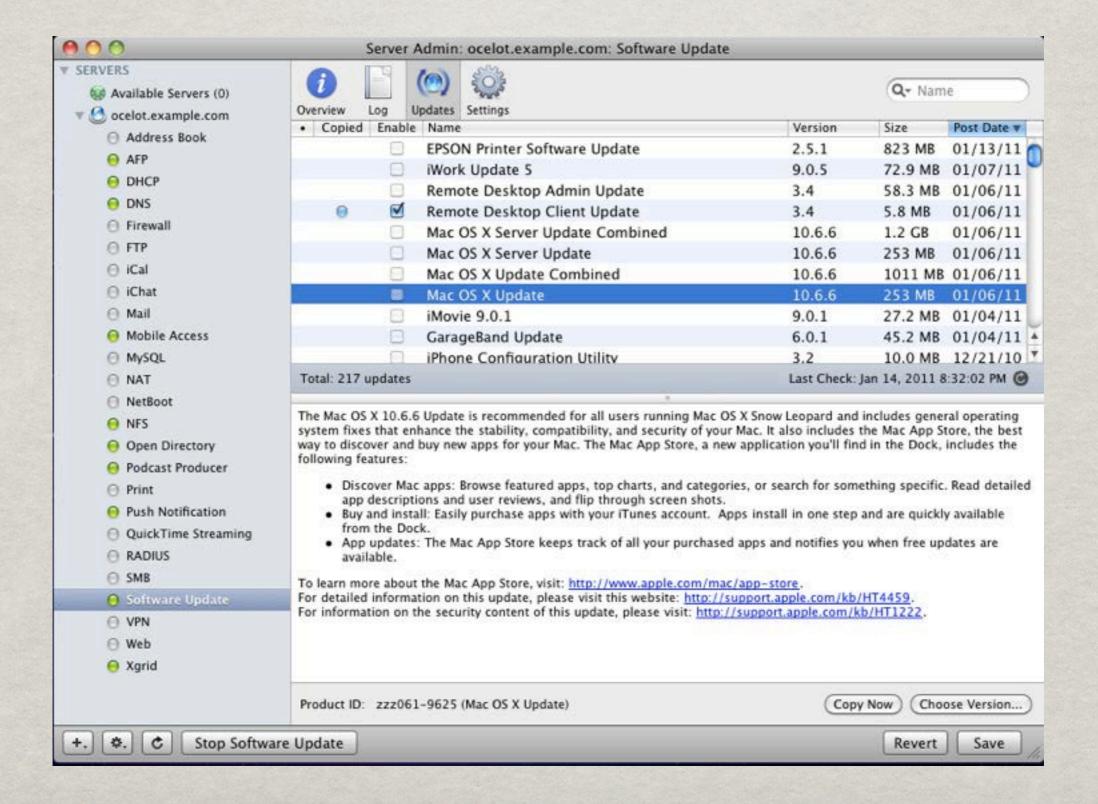
SOFTWARE UPDATE



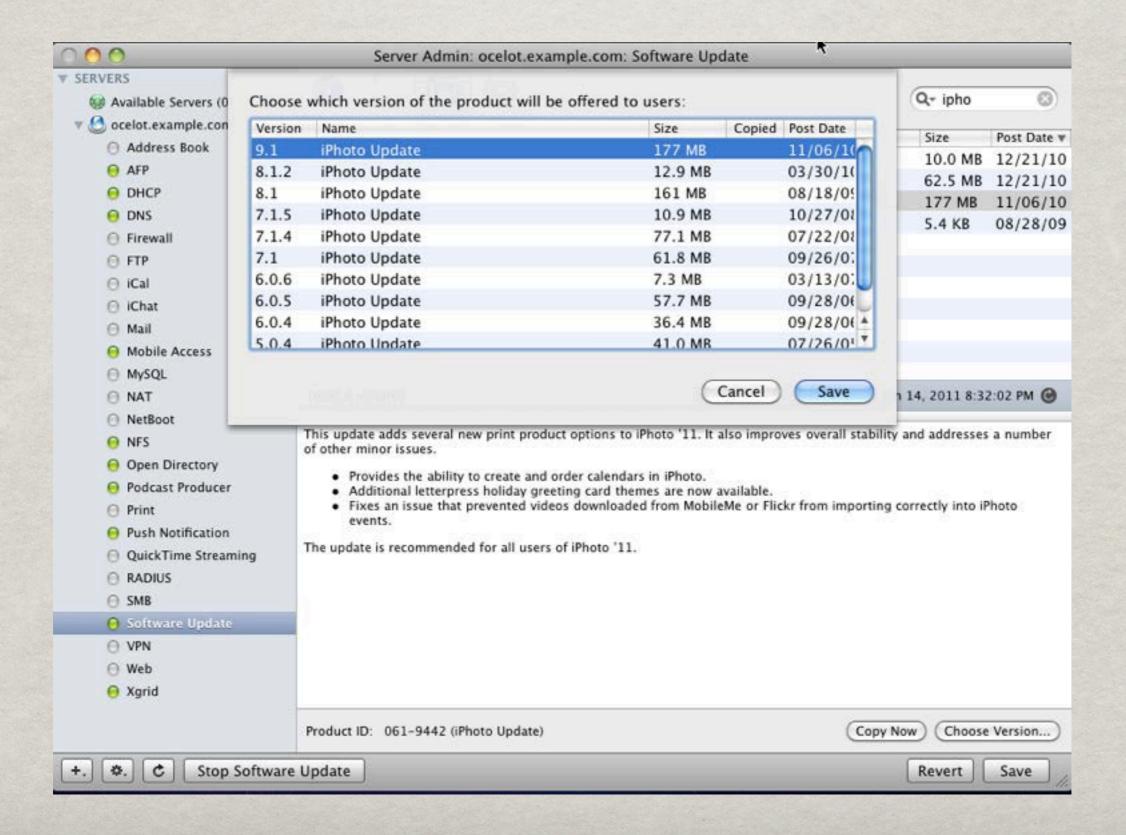
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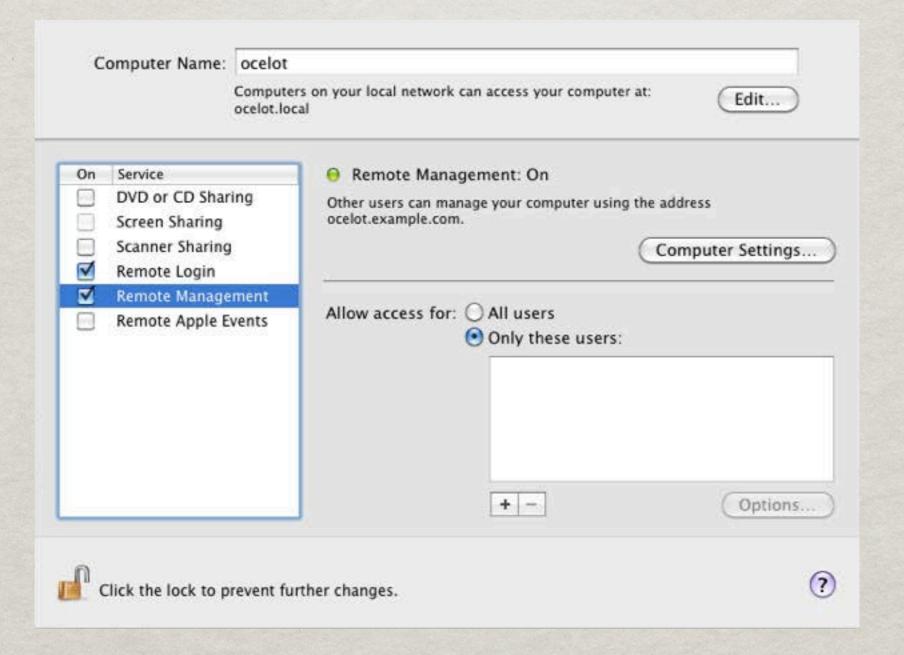


SCREENSHARING.APP

- **/System/Library/CoreServices/
- Make sure Remote Management Enabled
- Connect via IP for basic screen control.

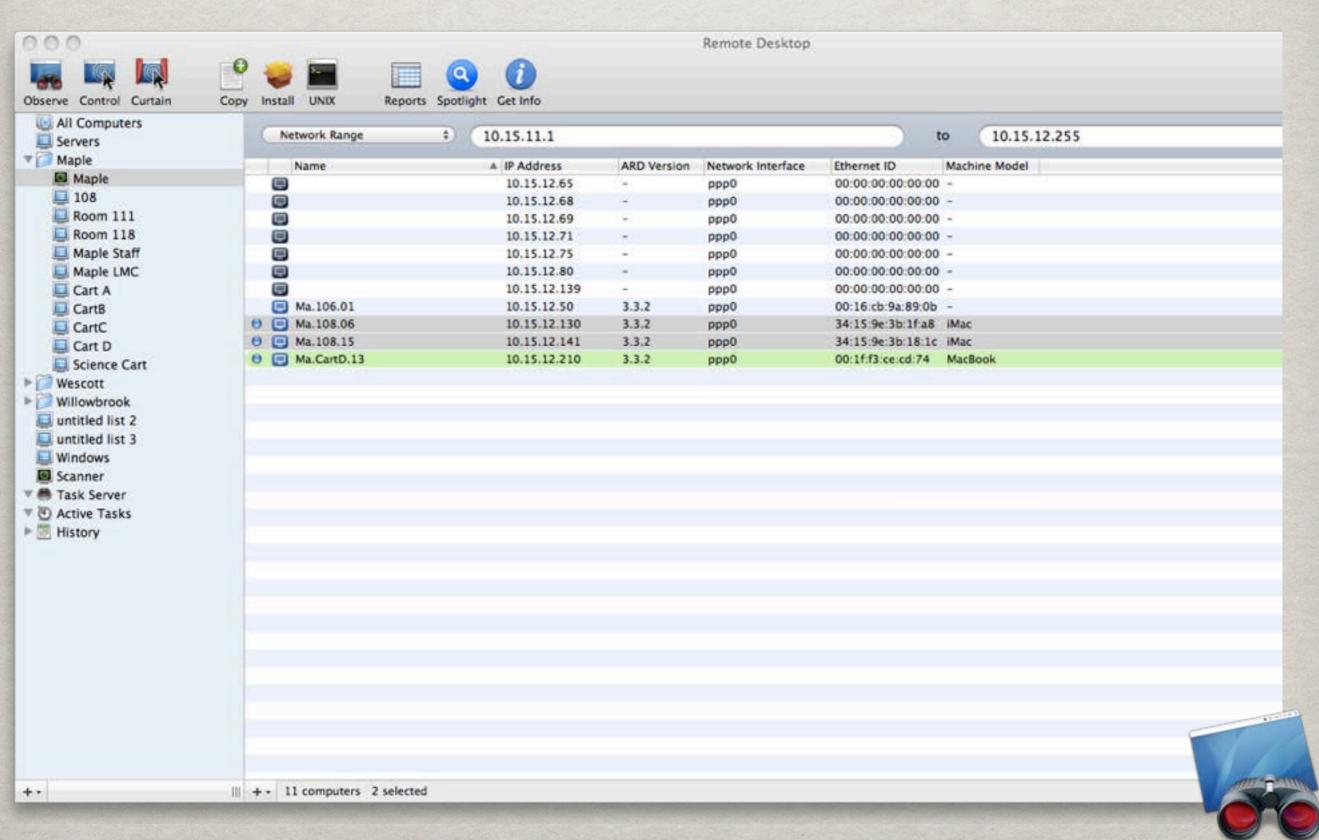


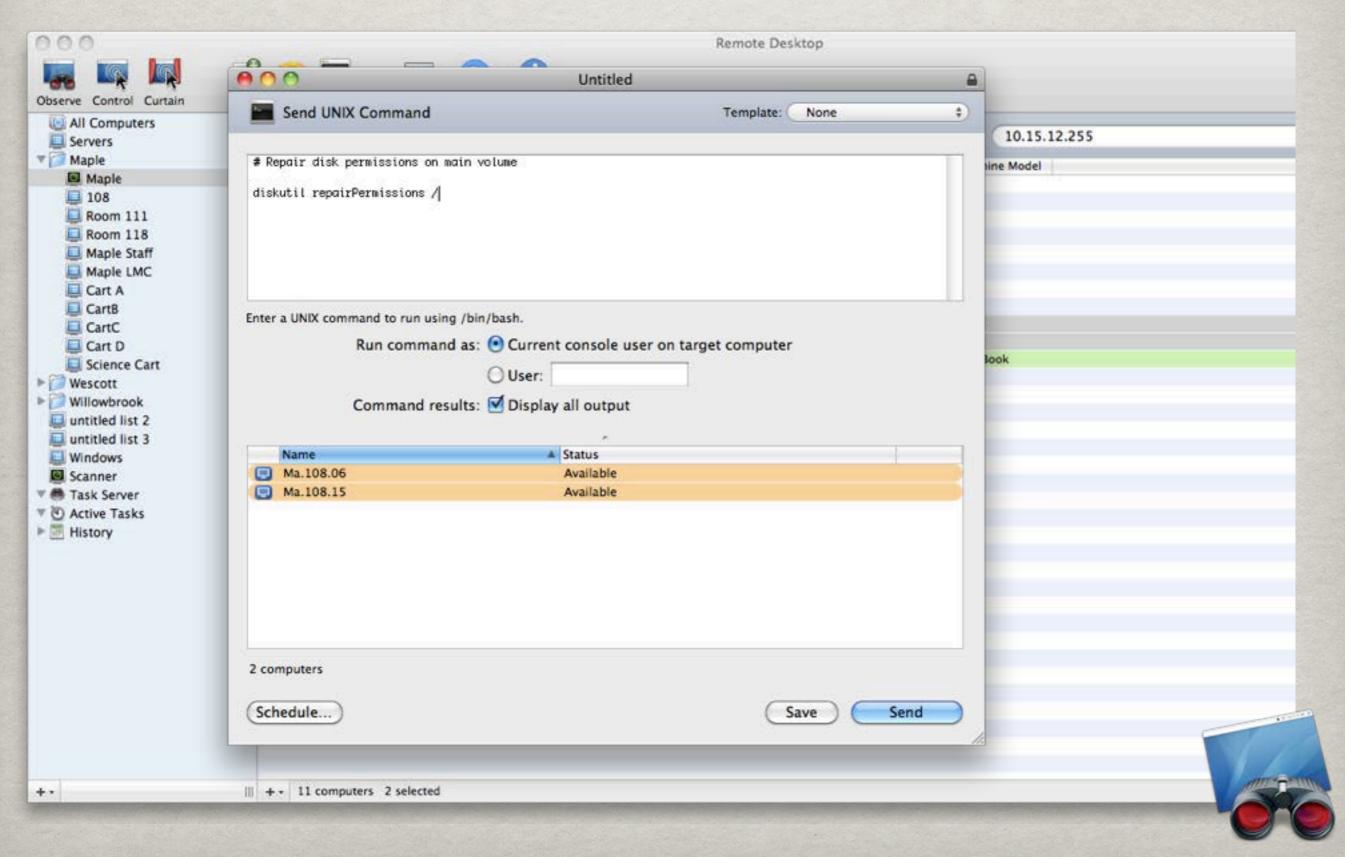
SCREENSHARING.APP

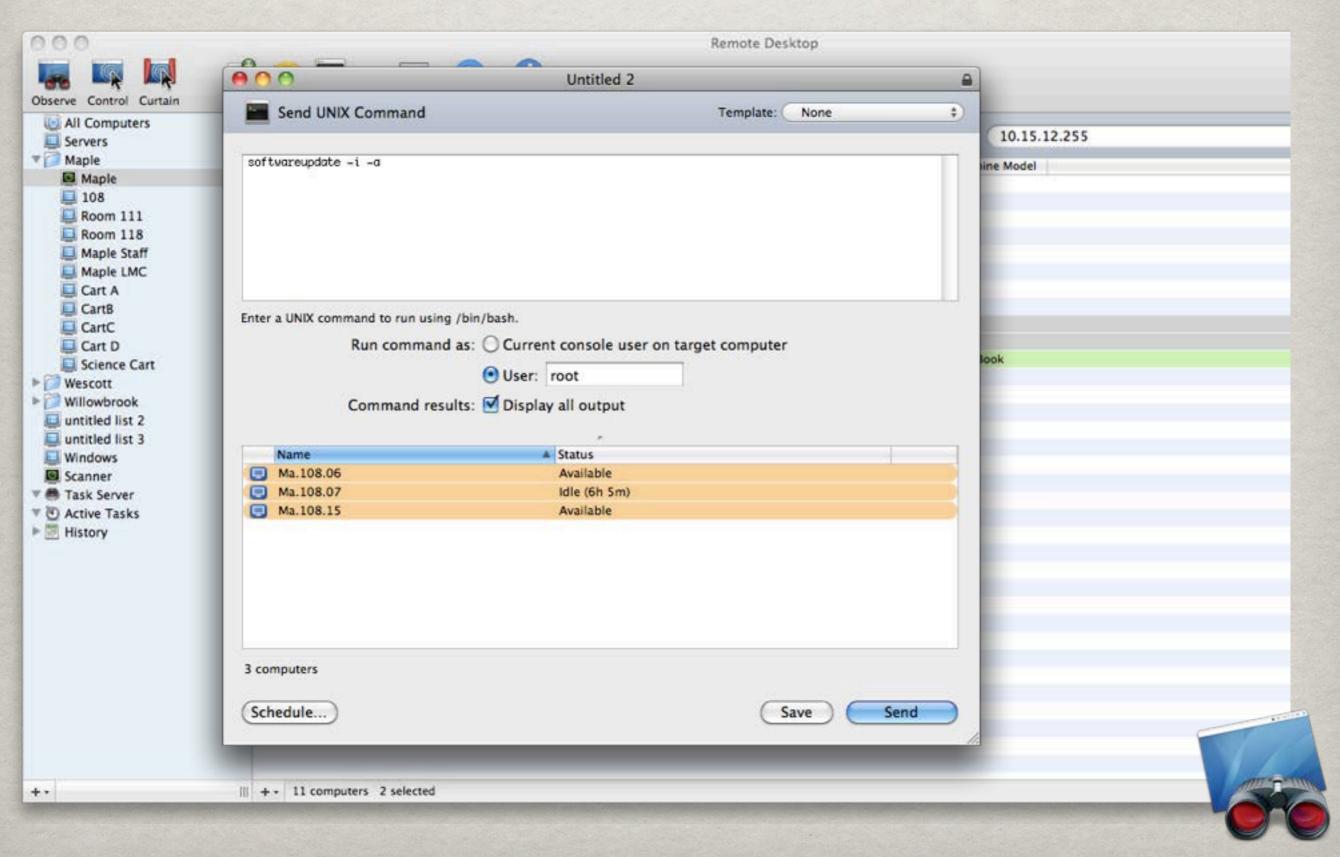


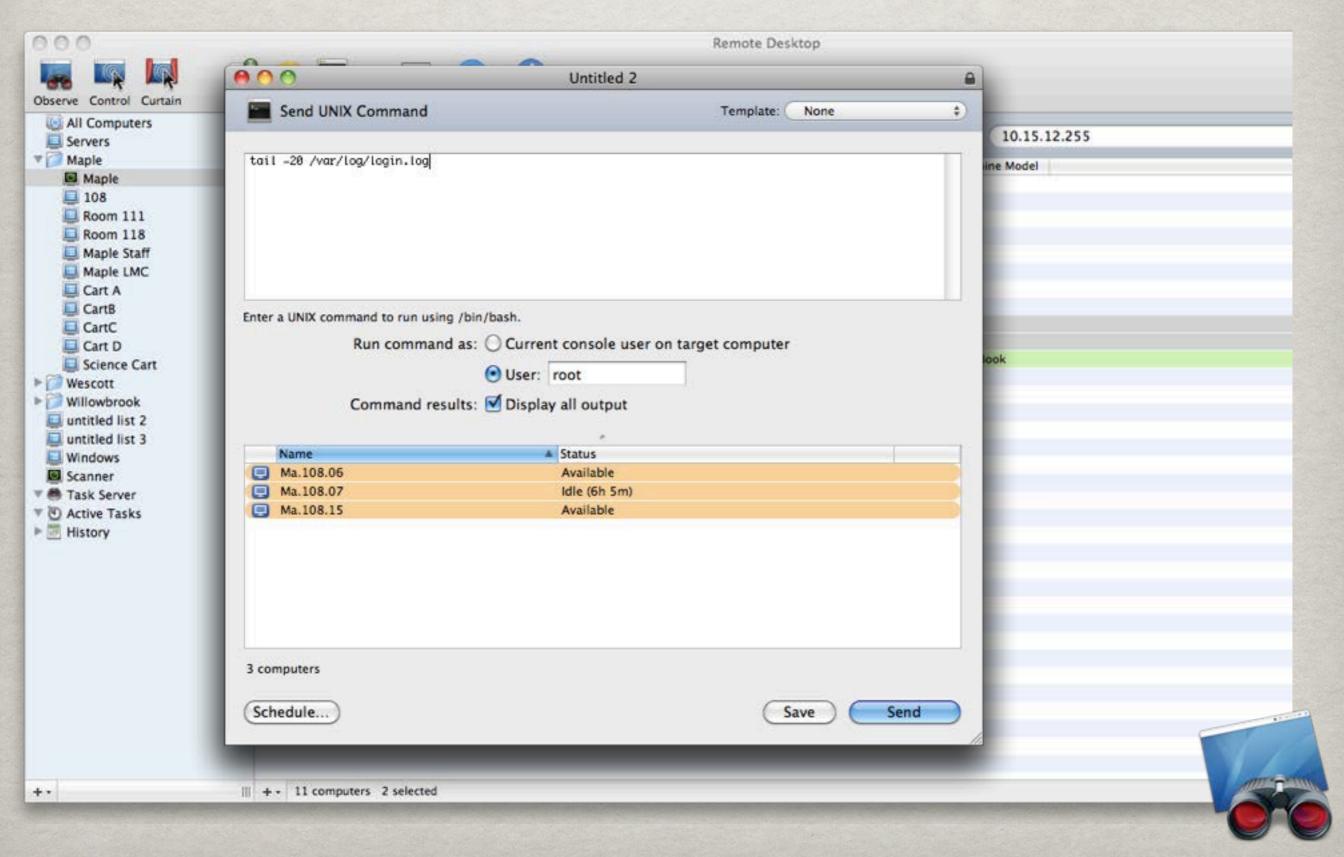
- * Apple created tool for remote management
- Includes, .pkg distribution, remote control, reporting and screen sharing.
- * Ability to schedule .pkg installs
- ** Spotlight Searching
- ** Best feature: Send UNIX Command
- ** Task Server

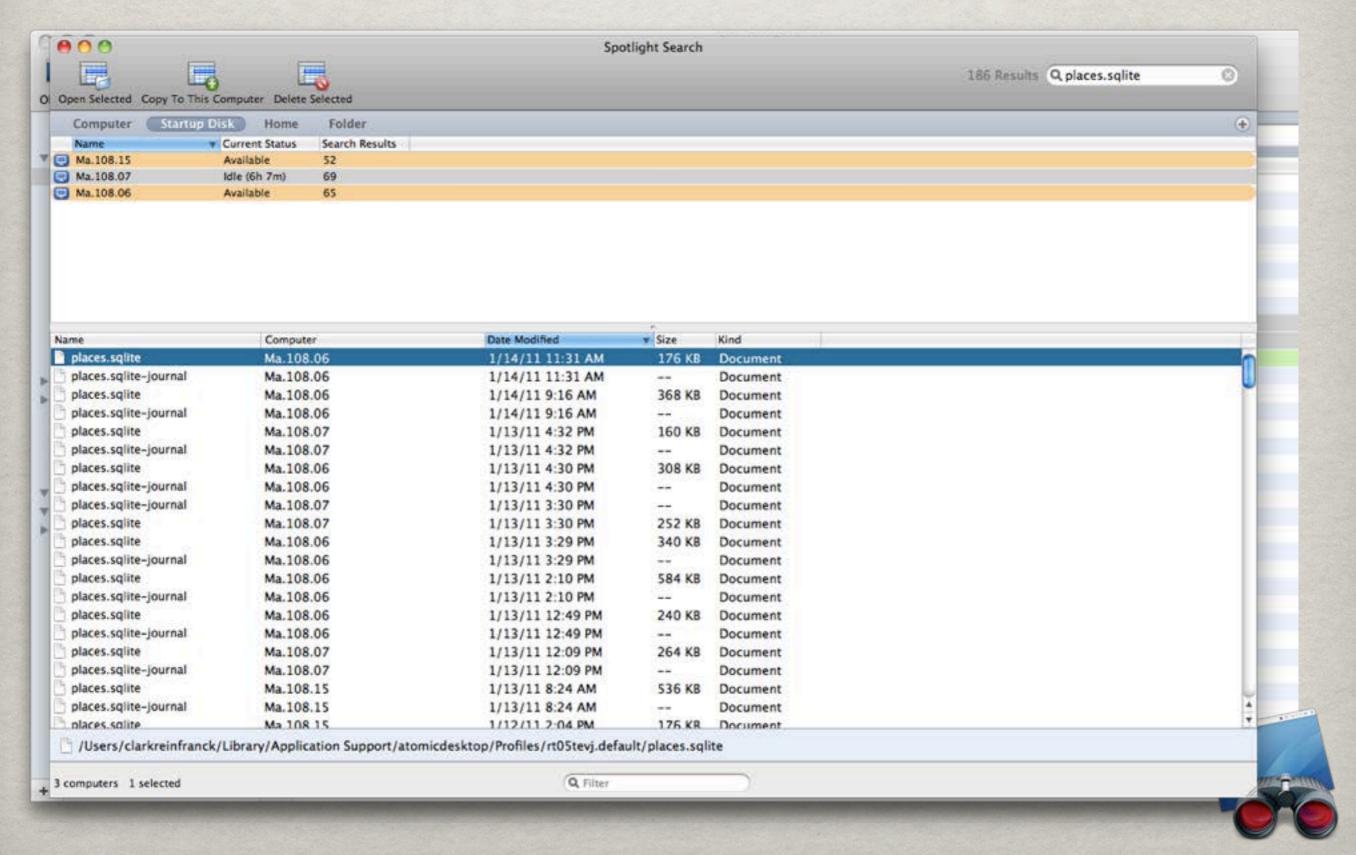








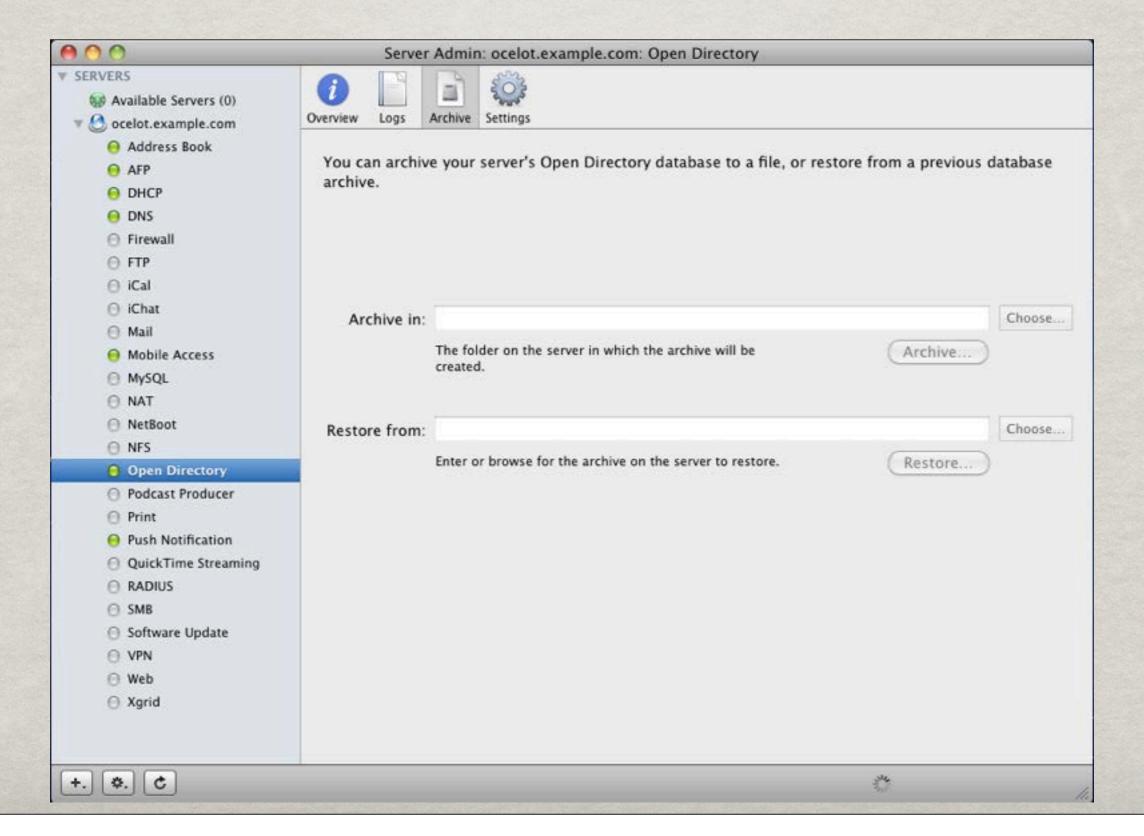




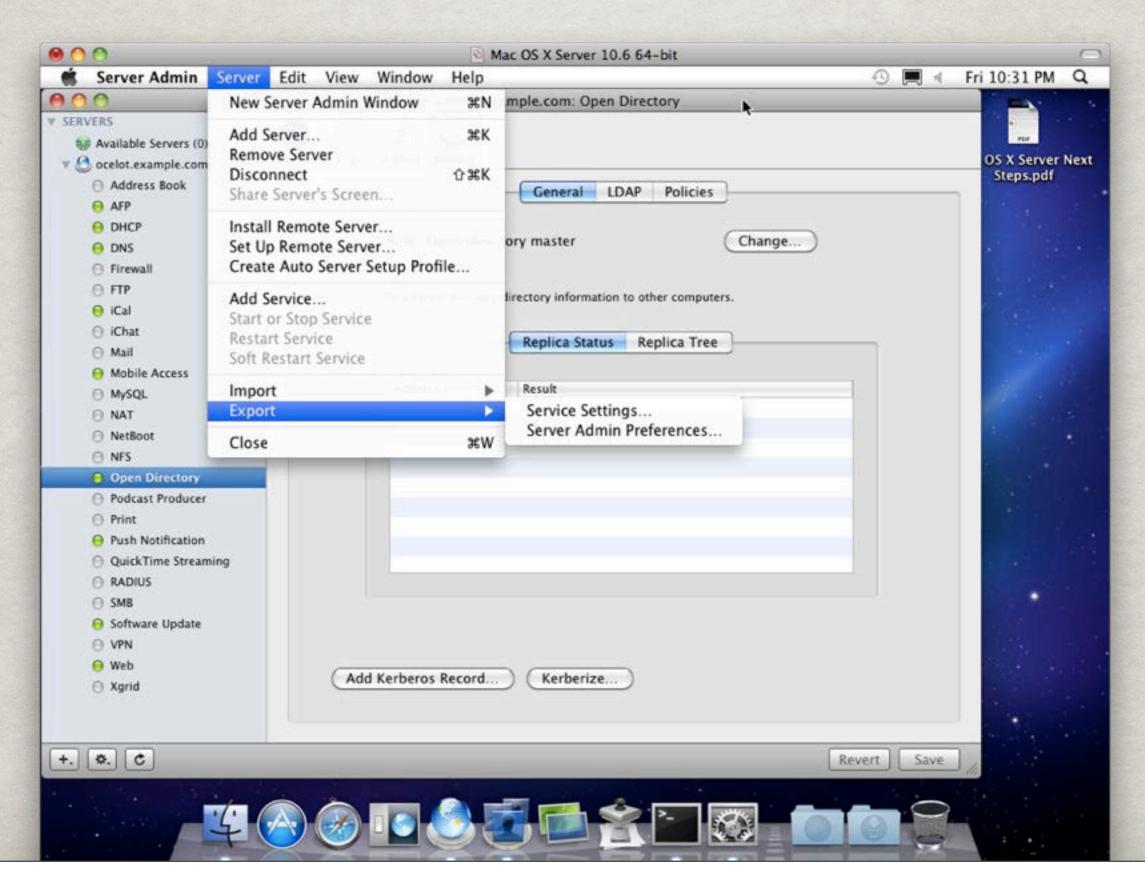
NOW THAT IT IS RUNNING ...

- Create tested directory backups
- ** Create service configuration backups

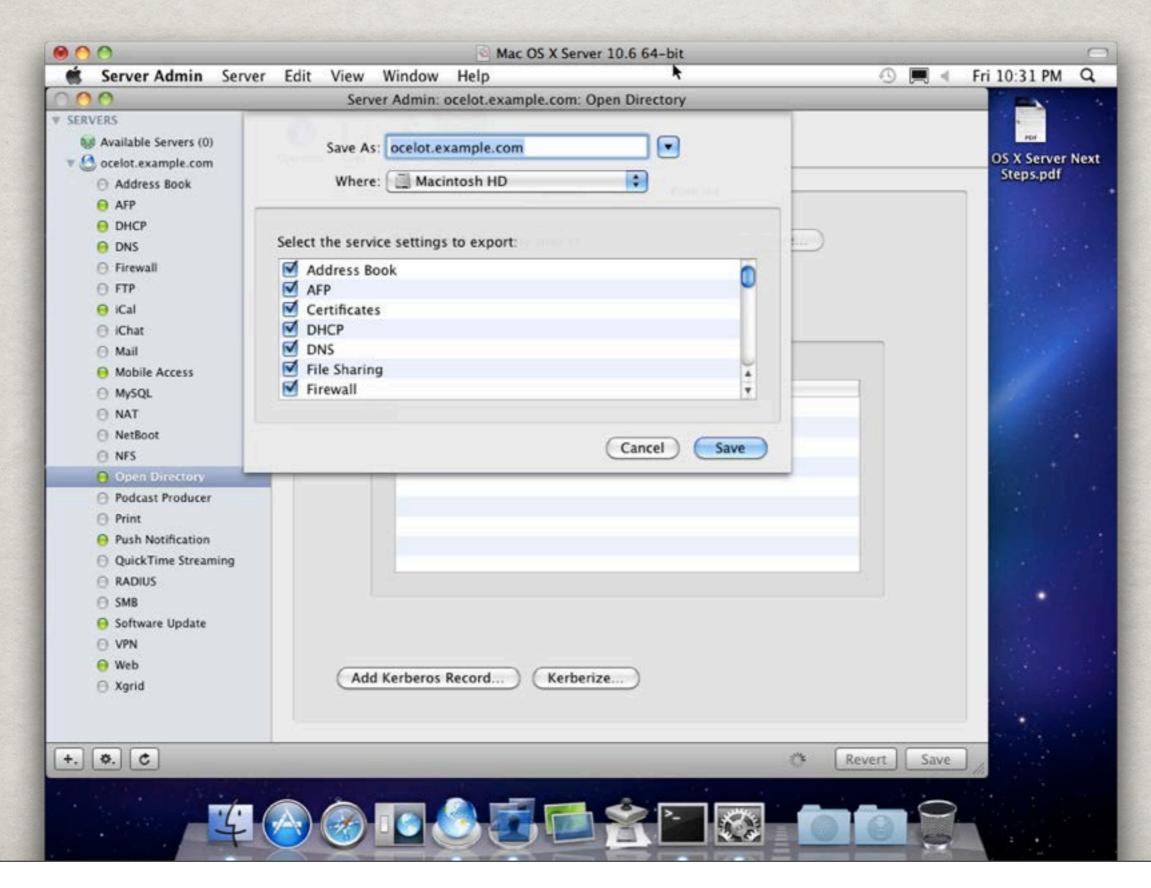
OPENDIRECTORY BACKUPS



SERVICE BACKUPS



SERVICE BACKUPS



FILE SYSTEM BACKUP

- Make sure you have a method in place for backing up user data!
- FireWire Hard Drives, Tape, Off-site, Cloud
- **Test these backups to make sure they work!

SUPPORT RESOURCES

- * Apple Product Manuals
- * Apple Mailing Lists
 - **Server**
 - Client Management
 - **# Imaging**
- **MacEnterprise**
- Social Networks!