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## AppleStorm:

Unmasking the Privacy Risks of Apple Intelligence

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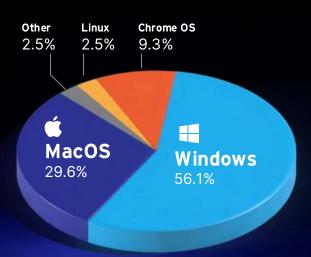
## How many of you own an Apple device?



U.S. Mobile OS Usage Share 2025



U.S. Desktop OS Usage Share 2025







## How many of you use Siri?





Home News Sport Business Innovation Culture Arts Travel Earth Audio Video Live

## Apple to pay \$95m to settle Siri 'listening' lawsuit

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## How many of you use Apple Intelligence?



## Apple Intelligence





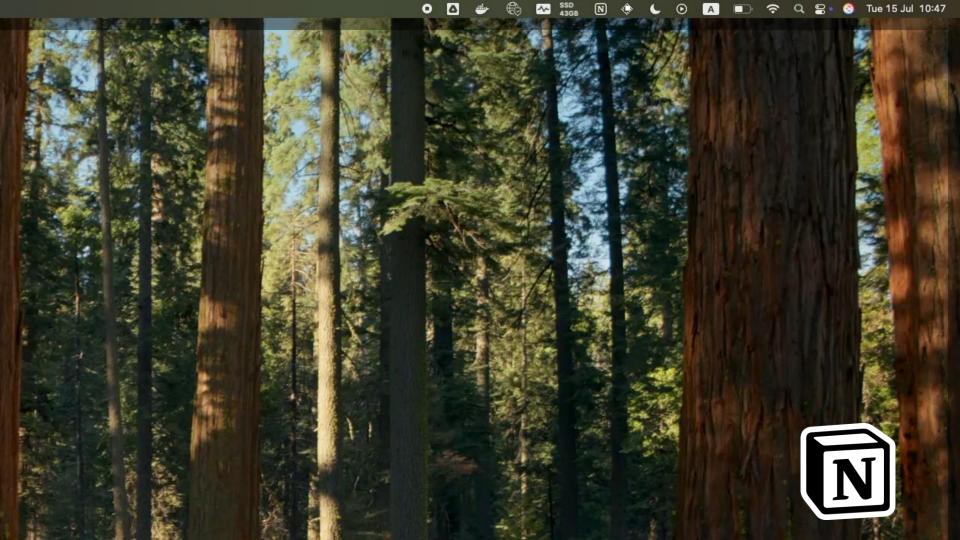


Siri

**Writing Tools** 

**Image Playground** 





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The Secret

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## Agenda

Behind Apple Intelligence's Curtains

Risks & Methodology

"Hey Siri, What can you do?"

What can we do?

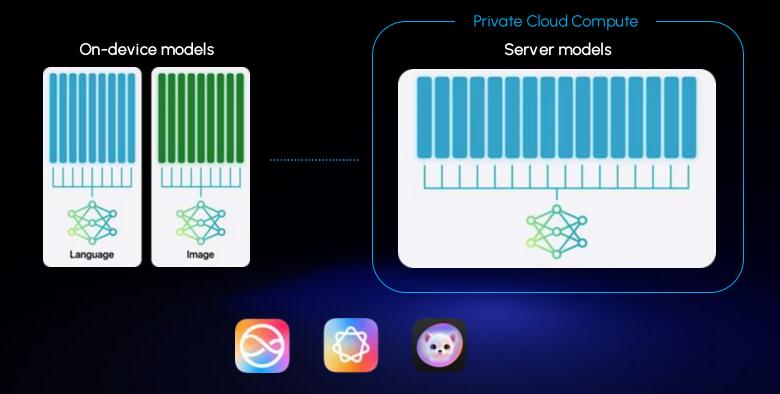




## Apple Intelligence's Infrastructure



### Enhance Productivity While Protecting Your Data!





### Apple Intelligence & Privacy

Apple Intelligence is designed to protect your information.

When possible, Apple Intelligence models run entirely on device so that a task can be completed without data leaving your device. For example, when Apple Intelligence provides you with preview summaries of your emails, messages, and notifications, these summaries are generated by on-device models. There are

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Cloud Compute to send only data relevant to your request to be processed on Apple silicon servers. The
data sent to and returned by Private Cloud Compute is not stored or made accessible to Apple. The data is
processed only to fulfill your request, after which point the results are returned securely to your device and
are not retained by Private Cloud Compute. When your device sends a request to Private Cloud Compute,
Apple only collects limited information about the request, such as the approximate size of the request and
response, which features are used for the request, and how long the request takes to complete. This data
does not include any information about the content of your request or the returned result. It is not
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#### Apple Intelligence, Siri, and Search

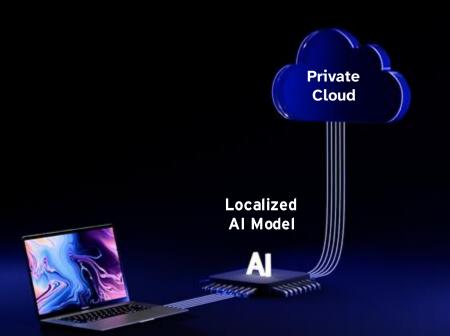
Apple devices must be able to connect to the following hosts to process Apple Intelligence requests that use Private Cloud Compute and to process Siri requests, including dictation and searching in Apple apps.

Hosts	Description
guzzoni.apple.com	Siri and dictation requests
*.smoot.apple.com	Search services, including Siri, Spotlight,
	Lookup, Safari, News, Messages, and Music
apple-relay.cloudflare.com	Private Cloud Compute
apple-relay.fastly-edge.com	Private Cloud Compute
cp4.cloudflare.com	Private Cloud Compute
apple- relay.apple.com	Apple Intelligence Extensions



# Risks & Methodology





### What?

- On-device vs. PCC
- Which data?

### How?

Network Inspection



#### SSL



Enabled via SSL/TLS certificates issued by trusted **Certificate** Authorities.

### Certificate Pinning



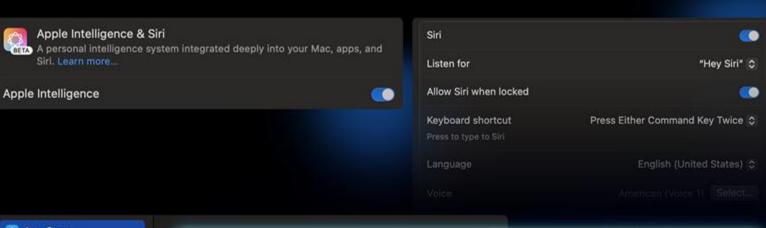
A technique to "pin" a specific certificate or public key to an app.

The app **rejects** all certificates not matching the pinned one to prevent Adversary-in-the-Middle.



## Scenarios







Microsoft Outlook

Allow Siri to learn from how you use this application in order to make suggestions across applications.

#### Learn from this application







Siri





## The start of a new era for Siri

"Siri draws on Apple Intelligence for new superpowers... the ability to type to Siri whenever it's convenient for you.... And with extensive product knowledge and the ability to tap into ChatGPT..."



## The Prompt



What is the weather in Las Vegas



Las Vegas

42° 26°



Clear Today



### Quick look – Data Frame

```
Intercepted request to api-glb-ause1c.smoot.apple.com
root:
    1 <chunk> = message:
    1 <chunk> = "What is the weather in Las Vegas"
```



### Location (Latitude, Longitude)

```
1 <32bit>= 0x4214f200 / 1108668928 / 37.23633
2 <32bit>= 0xc2e79c36 / 3269958710 / -115.805098
```



### Precise Location

If you have Location Services turned on for Siri, the location of your device at the time you make a request will be sent to Apple to help Siri and Dictation improve the accuracy of its response to your requests. To deliver relevant responses and suggestions, Apple may use the IP address of your internet connection to approximate your location by matching it to a geographic region.

If you have enabled Location Services, you can turn off Location Services for Siri by going to Settings > Privacy & Security > Location Services > Siri and tapping Never.

If you have enabled Location Services, you can turn off Location Services for Siri Suggestions by going to Settings > Privacy & Security > Location Services > System Services and tapping to turn off Suggestions & Search.



### Apple's Weather App

```
1 <varint> = 9
2 <chunk> = message:
    1 <chunk> = "type.googleapis.com/apple.parsec.siri.v2alpha.AppInfo"
    2 <chunk> = message:
        1 <chunk> = "weather"
        2 <chunk> = "com.apple.weather"
        3 <varint> = 1
        4 <chunk> = "WeatherIntent"
```



### Weather App?

```
2 <chunk> = message:
    1 <chunk> = "weather"
    2 <chunk> = "com.parallels.winapp.1441df6b1c10f910ccdc400e40b5fce9

<string>com.parallels.winapp.1441df6b1c10f910ccdc400e40b5fce9

<string>Weather</string>
```



### Applications lists by topic

```
2 <chunk> = message:
     <chunk> = "type.googleapis.com/apple.parsec.siri.v2alpha.AppInfo"
    2 <chunk> = message:
       1 <chunk> = "Outlook"
                                                                             OUTLOOK
        2 <chunk> = "com.microsoft.Outlook"
    1 <chunk> = "type.googleapis.com/apple.parsec.siri.v2alpha.AppInfo"
    2 <chunk> = message:
       1 <chunk> = "Vlc"
        2 <chunk> = "org.videolan.vlc"
 <chunk> = message:
      <chunk> = "type.googleapis.com/apple.parsec.siri.v2alpha.AppInfo"
    2 <chunk> = message:
       1 <chunk> = "code"
                                                                               CODE
        2 <chunk> = "com.microsoft.VSCode"
```



### Active Applications

```
[{'Sclass': 'AppInfo'.
  '$group': 'com.apple.ace.system',
  'appIdentifyingInfo': {'$class': 'AppIdentifyingInfo',
                         '$group': 'com.apple.ace.sync',
                         'bundleId': 'com.tinyspeck.slackmacgap'}}],
[{'$class': 'AppInfo',
  '$group': 'com.apple.ace.system',
  'appIdentifyingInfo': {'$class': 'AppIdentifyingInfo',
                         '$group': 'com.apple.ace.sync',
                         'bundleId': 'com.apple.finder'}}],
[{'$class': 'AppInfo',
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  'appIdentifyingInfo': {'$class': 'AppIdentifyingInfo',
                         '$group': 'com.apple.ace.sync',
                         'bundleId': 'notion.id'}}]],
```

Intercepted request to guzzoni.apple.com



## Taylor Swift?!

```
1 <chunk> = "type.googleapis.com/apple.parsec.siri.v2alpha.AudioQueueStateInfo"
2 <chunk> = message:
    1 <varint> = 2
    2 <varint> = 3
    3 <chunk> = "company.thebrowser.Browser"
    6 <chunk> = message:
        1 <chunk> = "TaylorSwiftVEVO"
        2 <chunk> = "Taylor Swift - no body, no crime (Official_Lyric Video) ft.
```



## Now Playing Queue



#### Metadata Query

```
song C Never Gonna Give You Up
artist Rick Astley
album Greatest Hits
album artist Rick Astley
composer Mike Stock, Matt Aitken & Peter Waterman
Show composer in all views
grouping
genre Pop
year 1987
track 1 of 17
disc number 1 of 1
compilation Album is a compilation of songs by various artists
```



### Remember?





### When TMI meets Al...



I just wanted to ask AI:

"What is the weather today in Las Vegas?"

#### However, Siri interpreted it as...

- What's the weather today in Las Vegas
- Check which weather apps I have installed
- What my favorite song is?
- BTW, do you know I have VMs on my device?



Send the message "Hello World" to Taylor on WhatsApp







### Messaging Data

Hello World

^ Sendh X (x-apple-siri-app://net.whatsapp.WhatsApp \*\$CDFF12B7-96A5-4E1F-9F23-FAD9E5C2D7CAp ^
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+19147772222B 19147772222@s.whatsapp.net" Taylor Swift �P� �X�



### Siri Cases

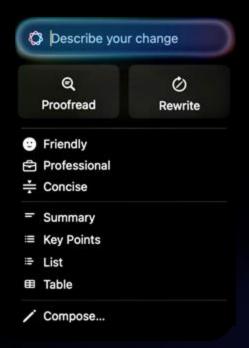
CASE	ON-DEVICE/CLOUD	DATA SENT	WHERE?
Calculator	Cloud	Active Apps Speakers' Audio Apps by Topic Location	Smoot guzzoni
Weather	Cloud		
Online Search	Cloud		
Article Search	Cloud		
Message Service	On-Device	Active Apps Speakers' Audio Message Data	peakers' Audio lessage Data guzzoni ctive Apps
Email Service	On-Device	Active Apps Speakers' Audio	
Calendar	On-Device		



# Writing Tools

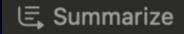


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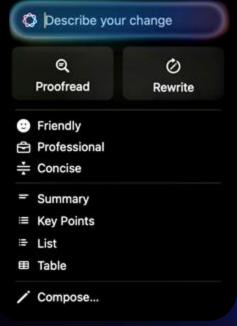








#### On-Device or Not?





Online





# Image Playground



## Image Playground



Describe an image or add a suggestion from the list.





# Extensions





The only extension of Apple Intelligence

Accessible via Siri & Writing Tools (Show Images) Proxy through Apple Servers and not directly with OpenAl Some requests are duplicated to Siri Search

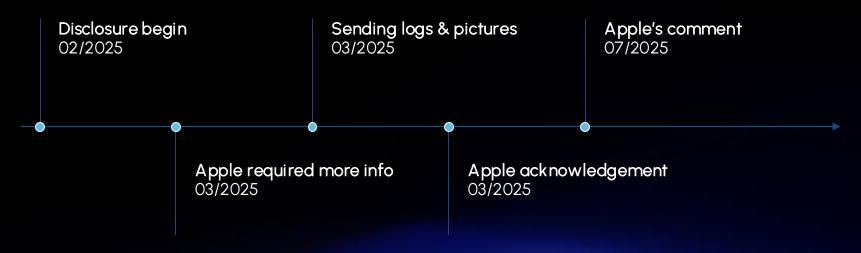








#### Disclosure Timeline

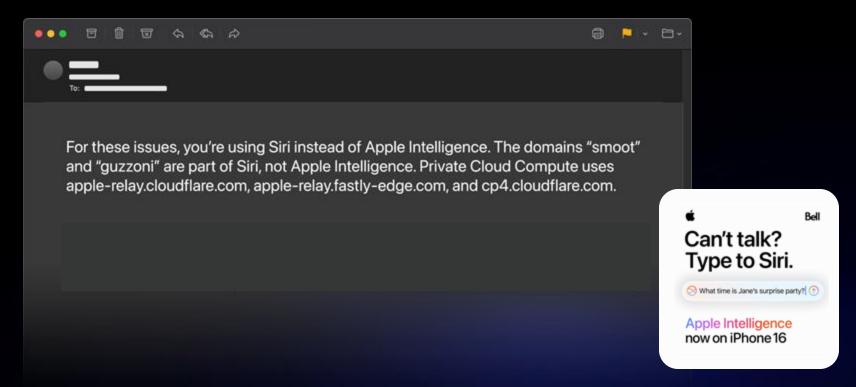


We're planning to address the issue you reported.

We're working with our engineering teams and have an initial plan to resolve the issue.



## Apple Response





#### SiriKit Test





See you soon

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## Mitigations

- 1. Block any network traffic to guzzoni.apple.com does not hinder functionality
- 2. Disable any settings of apps that you are not willing to share

APP	DOMAINS	DATA SENT
Siri	guzzoni.apple.com	Active Apps Messaging Data Speakers' Audio
3117	*.smoot.apple.com	Apps by Topic Location Speakers' Audio
Writing Tools	apple-relay.cloudflare.com apple-relay.fastly-edge.com cp4.cloudflare.com (Private Cloud Compute)	Relevant Data
Image Play ground	-	( <del>-</del> )
Extensions - ChatGPT	apple-relay.apple.com (PCC) *.smoot.apple.com (Siri)	Prompt Auth (only PCC)



## Takeaways

- Privacy Policy To Read or not to Read?
- Implement Careful Network-Level Monitoring
- Transparency from AI Vendors
  - Pinning should not be an obstacle



# Retrospective



## Apple Intelligence VS Siri





2 Terms of Use • 2 Privacy Policies
Same App



# Can you tell the difference?



# Thank you for listening!





# Q&A

