

Pseudo 1.2.3 Update Notes

8/8/2002

Fixed in 1.2.3:

Modified to work on OSX 10.2.

Pseudo 1.2.2 Update Notes

Never released.

Fixed in 1.2.2:

Keychain option now defaults to off.

Pseudo 1.2.1 Update Notes

6/22/2002

Fixed in 1.2.1:

If you change your password, or inadvertently enter the wrong one and store it in your keychain, Pseudo will now properly remove the incorrect password and ask for the correct one.

Pseudo 1.2 Update Notes

2/28/2002

New in 1.2:

There were a couple of limited-distribution beta releases, and I added a number of features, so I bumped the version number up to 1.2.

You can now optionally store your password in your keychain so you don't need to enter it every time.

In addition, you can create a 'Launch document' that will launch a program when double clicked in the Finder. Just drop a program into a Launch document window to set the launch path. You can optionally set it to quit Pseudo after it launches the program. This provides a very convenient way to launch commonly used programs as root.

Fixed in 1.2:

Now works with Virtual PC 5 and any other programs that are CFM binaries inside OSX application bundles.

Pseudo 1.1b1 Update Notes

10/20/2001

Well, a surprise was waiting for me the morning of Saturday, October 20, 2001. The Security Update issued by Apple to fix the 'Recent Applications' security hole the night before broke the technique I used to launch applications with Pseudo.

If you've applied the 10/19/2001 Security Update from Apple, the previous version will not launch applications with administrative privileges any more -- you must update Pseudo to this version after you apply the Security Update.

I rewrote the whole program to use a different, slightly more 'drastic' method of launching GUI apps with administrative privileges. In the process I had to create a command line 'tool' to perform some rather Unixy incantations to be able to launch both Carbon and Cocoa applications as 'root'.

Preliminary testing seems to indicate that it now works properly after the security update. However, since there is all new code inside, and the paint isn't really dry yet, I've decided to both bump the version number (to 1.1), and put Pseudo back into beta status again for this version. This version of Pseudo will no longer open document files or Classic applications as root, only Carbon or Cocoa MacOS X applications.

I've also tested for the previous 'Recent Applications' bug in OSX, and it no longer affects programs launched by Pseudo after the Security Update.

Also, a French localization of Pseudo has been contributed by Matthieu Hutin. Thanks Matthieu!

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