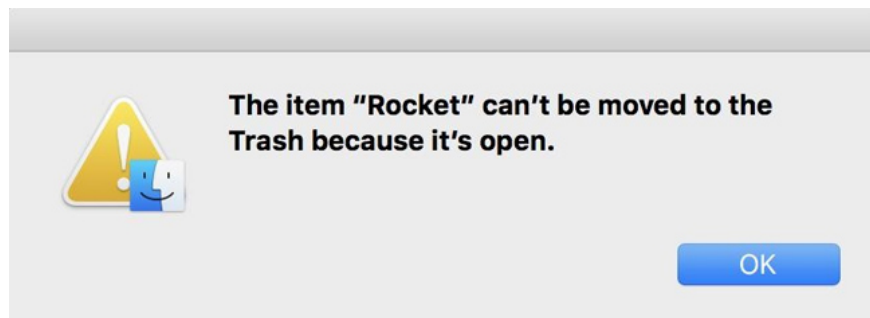


How to fix the error cannot delete the application on Mac OS

On a Mac when we delete an application it will often be an error that cannot be deleted and notice The item can't be moved to the Trash because it's open. This is because the application is in background mode.

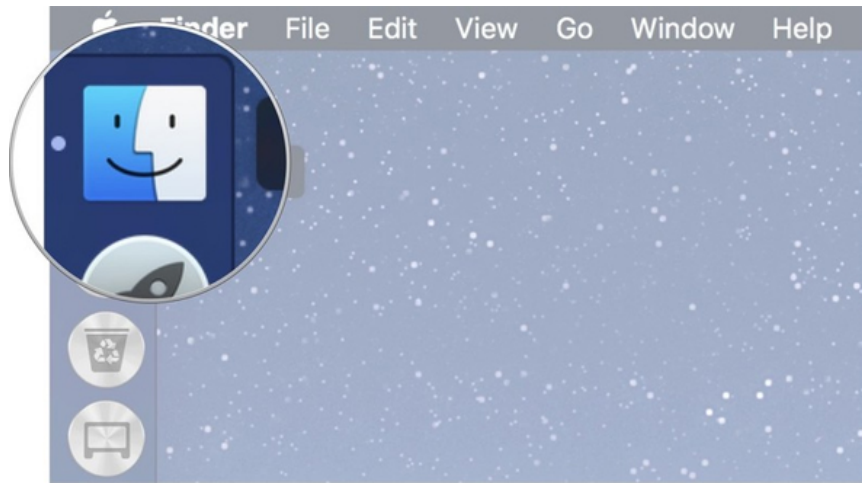
Our removal of the application on Mac OS will not be unfamiliar to those who use it. Right-click the application, select Move to Trash and proceed to delete in Trash. However, an error when uninstalling the application on the computer will sometimes cause trouble for users. That is, you cannot uninstall the application from the computer and be told The item can't be moved to the Trash because it's open.

This error is because the application you want to delete still has the process running on the machine in the background even though we have exited the application according to the usual operations. So how can I solve the problem of not removing the application on Mac OS?



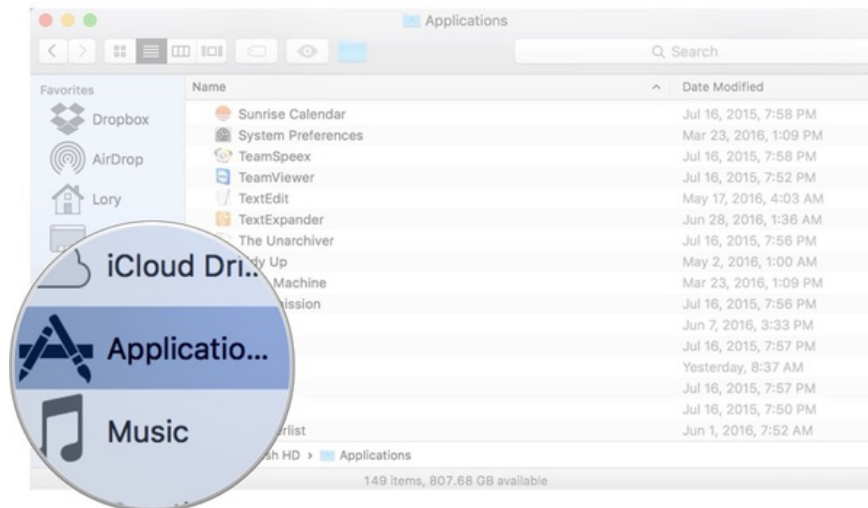
Step 1:

First, click the **Finder** icon on the **Dock** .



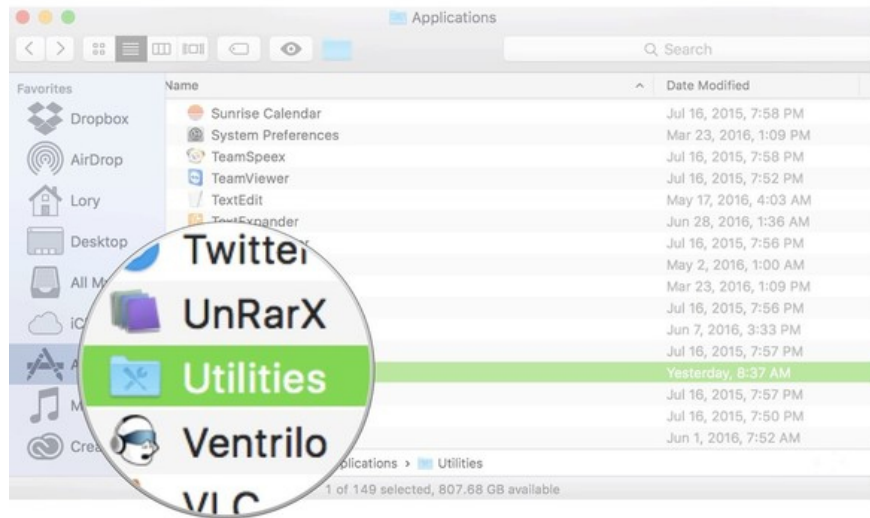
Step 2:

Next, in the **Favorites** list interface, select **Applications** .



Step 3:

Right at the interface, we'll find the **Utilities** section and double click on it.



Step 4:

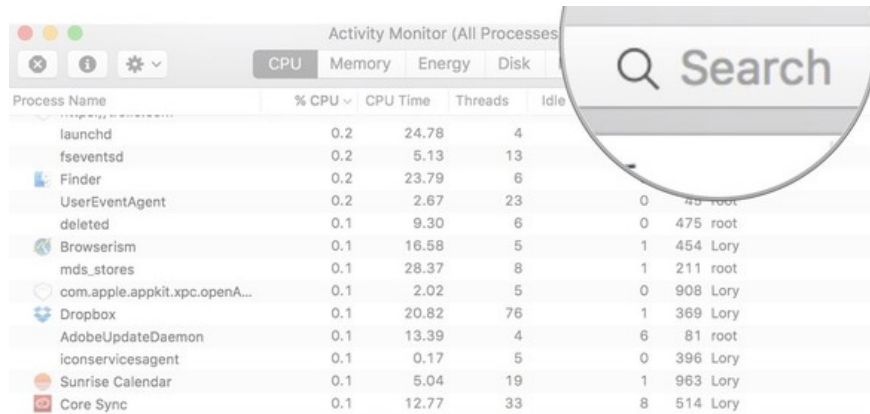
In the next new window view, look down at the list below and double click on the **Activity Monitor** application.

Or to quickly open the Activity Monitor, we can press Command + Spacebar, type Activity Monitor keyword in the Spotlight search box and then press Enter.



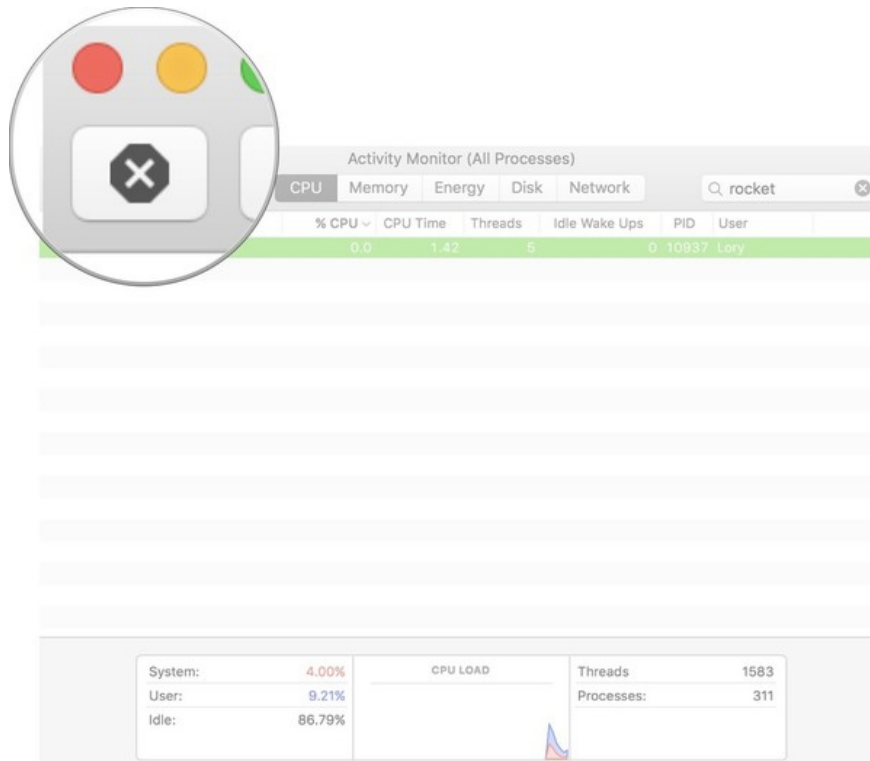
Step 5:

In the Activity Monitor application interface, The user **types in the name of the application you want to exit in the Search corner box** at the top right of the screen. Then click on the name of the application you want to remove.

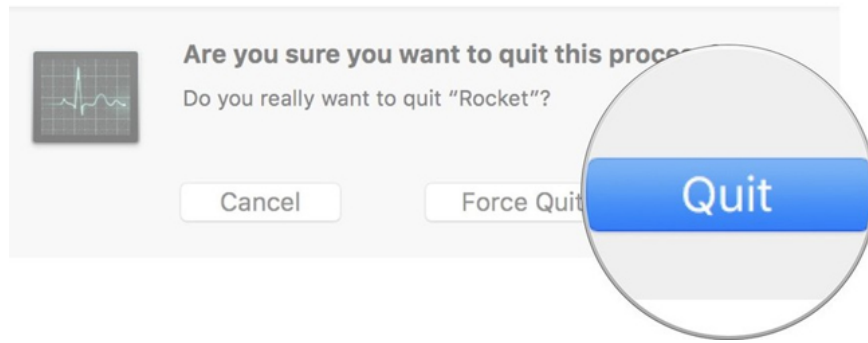


Step 6:

Next, we will **click the X Force a process to quit icon** at the top left of the interface.



After that, a new notice appears. Click the **Quit** button to close the running process of the application.



Thus, the application is completely closed on the Mac when we have removed the application's background running process. Now, you can perform the operation to delete the application on Mac OS as before without worrying about deleting the application.

Refer to the following articles:

1. Summary of the list of common shortcuts on Mac OS X
1. Old Mac acceleration runs as fast as when you first bought it with these tips
1. Share files and folders between Mac OS X and Windows 7

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