

Auto-Link “links” applications to TimeSlice documents. When the linked application starts up or is brought to the front of other applications, the linked TimeSlice document opens (if it is not already open) and starts tracking time. When the application quits or is put in the background, the linked TimeSlice document stops tracking time.

Auto-Link does not link documents from other applications to TimeSlice documents — only applications can be linked to TimeSlice documents (otherwise TimeSlice would not be compatible with future Macintosh operating systems).

“Auto-File Saving” must be on before Auto-Link can be turned on. See “Preferences — File Saving” for more information on Auto-File Saving. Additionally, TimeSlice must be running when you want to use Auto-Link; however, it can be running in the background.

In the middle of the Auto-Link window is a list of applications and associated TimeSlice documents. You can have multiple applications linked to one TimeSlice document, but you cannot have one application linked to multiple TimeSlice documents.

To create a new link, click on the New Link... button.

To edit an existing link, click on the Edit Link... button.

lick on the Select document... button to select the TimeSlice document.
Click on the Select application... button to select the application.
Click OK to add the items to the Auto-Link list or make the changes to an existing item in the list.

To delete a link, select an item in the list and click on the Delete Link button.

To obtain additional help, click on the More Help... button.

To have the name of the application placed in the Notes, click on the "Put the name of the application in the notes field" check box. In the example above, when PageMaker is brought to the front, TimeSlice opens the file "John Smith," creates a new time record, and puts "Aldus PageMaker 5.0" in the Notes field.

When the timer starts

If "Create a new time record" is selected, a new time record is created every time the linked application is brought to the front.

if "Restart the last time record" is selected, the last time record in the document is restarted.

TIP: if you choose "Create a new time record" and you get a lot of small time records in your document, see the chapter "Combining Time Records." Combining time records can combine all the similar time records into one time record.