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TOPIC ---

This article describes how to remove stray INITs (extensions) and CDEVs (control
panel devices) under A/UX, these may cause a corrupted System Foler. Follow the
steps below to remove unnecessary software from the System Folder.

DISCUSSION ---

Step 1
Power On the Machine normally.

Step 2
Wait for the "Welcome to A/UX" or "Welcome to the Workgroup Server 95" Splash
screen.

Step 3
Hit the "command" (or apple) and the "period" key at the same time.

Step 4
You should see a screen with several lines ending with a "startup #" prompt.

Step 5
Change directory to the system folder normally active when A/UX is running by
doing the following (Press the "return" key after each line):

Please note that the quotation marks (") are required. Also note that UNIX is
case sensitive.

cd /mac

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cd sys
cd "System Folder"
cd "Extensions"
ls
```

Step 6
At this point (after typing "ls") the system will list all of the files in the
directory down the left side of the screen. Look at the filenames and write down
the ones that were added by accident.

Step 7
Remove the offending file by typing

```
rm "file name here"
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Please note that the filenames that were written down in step six should be
replaced above where it says "file name here" (the quotation marks are
required). For example, rm "Audio CD Access".

Step 8
Execute the following commands to check out the Control Panels folder as well:

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cd ..
cd "Control Panels"
ls
```

Step 9
Repeat steps 6 and 7.

Step 10
Check the System Folder itself for foreign items:

```
cd ..
ls
```

Step 11
Repeat steps 6 and 7.

Step 12
When you are done removing files that do not belong, perform the following
commands to clean up the filesystem and re-launch A/UX, (this could take a few
minutes):

```
fsck -y /dev/default
launch -v
```

Aside

If the computer will not boot after the above course of action was taken repeat
the above steps. There could be some incompatible extensions left in the System
Folder that do not belong. Check the listing that the "ls" command provides
carefully for problem extensions and control panels.

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