

Re: vi editor question – thanks! one more

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tail it to a temp file then overwrite the original with the temp file...

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tail -n <# of lines you want to keep> hostmibd.log >
/tmp/hostmibd.log.tmp
cp /tmp/hostmibd.log.tmp /var/tmp/hostmibd.log
rm /tmp/hostmibd.log.tmp
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Might look @ a package called TidySys on Bull's site that will do this for you or possibly logrotate.

My concern is why the hostmibd log is so large. Should be rather small if it is working...

Lamar

-----Original Message-----

From: IBM AIX Discussion List [mailto:aix-l@Princeton.EDU] On Behalf Of Leyden, Joseph
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Thanks! that helped.

one more question,
Another file i wanted to shorten was:

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/etc/var/hostmibd.log
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but could not use vi bec "longer than 2048 char",
need to use existing (in-use) file to keep filesystem intact,
so how would you suggest I shorten it?

Joe

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