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ls | xargs rm

On Dec 4, 2007 1:46 AM, F. Even <aixlists@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

Here's another method of ridding the files:

```
for i in $(ls)
do
rm $i
done
```

(or add an echo \$i before the rm if you want it to print the file going away).

That's how I usually end up working that limit.

On Nov 27, 2007 4:43 PM, oscar torres carranza <oshuto90@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

Hi

Try this

1. smitty system
2. Change / Show Characteristics of Operating System.
3. To increase the value of "ARG/ENV list size in 4K byte blocks []"

I had the same problem because of the amount of files.

I hope you will serve

Regards

Oscar H. Torres Carranza

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Date: Tue, 27 Nov 2007 12:17:29 -0600
From: DTaylor@xxxxxxxx
Subject: "Killed" reply from rm command
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Hi *,

Oslevel r = 5100-05 (yeah, I know)

I was cleaning out a temp directory today that had acquired thousands of tmp files. Initial a simple "rm *" failed because there were too many files. I then started deleting them using masks. After deleting several hundreds of files, I again attempted a "rm *", however this time the word "Killed" was returned. Has anyone seen this and/or can explain it?? The system is still working fine the load at the time was very minimal (no where near running out of memory or any other kind of performance limitation)..

Below is the output:

```
tower2-local /home/drtsmusr/tapehistory/tmp # rm *  
ksh: /usr/bin/rm: 0403-027 The parameter list is too long.  
tower2-local /home/drtsmusr/tapehistory/tmp # rm checkinhist.TMP1.4*  
tower2-local /home/drtsmusr/tapehistory/tmp # rm checkinhist.TMP1.5*  
rm: checkinhist.TMP1.5*: A file or directory in the path name does not  
exist.  
tower2-local /home/drtsmusr/tapehistory/tmp # rm checkinhist.TMP1.6*  
tower2-local /home/drtsmusr/tapehistory/tmp # rm checkinhist.TMP1.7*  
tower2-local /home/drtsmusr/tapehistory/tmp # rm *  
Killed  
tower2-local /home/drtsmusr/tapehistory/tmp # ls
```

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TIA

*David *

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