

[HPADM] find command causes system crash....

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Folks,

Okay, question for the guru's..... My /tmp directory was getting full, at the 97%. Looked there and there were ~2500 files that were dating back almost 2 years. (my apps guys were writing out to the wrong area.) So I logged on one night to run this command:

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find /\(-name "*.lis") -atime +7 -exec rm { } \;
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Based on what I saw in the find man pages and what I did searching the itrc.com web site, this command should look for any files ending in .lis that are over 7 days old and remove them. HOWEVER, I inadvertently ran it at the root level. I immediately did a control C to stop the command. The command stopped fine, but something happened to the system. I could not telnet into the box at all, nor could I ftp, telnet, rlogin etc. out of the system. I could ftp, rlogin, rcp etc to the system from both NT and other unix systems. I thought it must have something to do with inetd. So I started it several times to know avail. Contacted HP and they didn't really know. They were able to duplicate my problem, and what we found out was /stand/dlkm had been updated somehow. The only solution was to rebuild from an ignite tape.

Anyone have any idea what this find command did?

Cheers,

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