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TOPIC -----

How can I use A/UX to make backup copies of my installation media? The floppies don't have Macintosh file systems on them, so regular Macintosh backup programs don't work.

DISCUSSION -----

To clone an A/UX installation floppy, follow these steps:

1) Give the command:

```
dd if=/dev/floppy0 of=/tmp/floppy.image
```

This creates a file containing a copy of the floppy disk contents on the A/UX file system.

2) Insert the duplicate floppy and type:

```
dd if=/tmp/floppy.image of=/dev/floppy0
```

to move the copy of the A/UX file system to the new floppy.

As an alternative, you can make the backup copies under the Macintosh OS using a program like DiskCopy.

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