

NAME

dbus-cleanup-sockets – clean up leftover sockets in a directory

SYNOPSIS

dbus-cleanup-sockets [*DIRECTORY*]

DESCRIPTION

The **dbus-cleanup-sockets** command cleans up unused D-Bus connection sockets. See <https://www.freedesktop.org/wiki/Software/dbus/> for more information about the big picture.

If given no arguments, **dbus-cleanup-sockets** cleans up sockets in the standard default socket directory for the per-user-login-session message bus; this is usually /tmp. Optionally, you can pass a different directory on the command line.

On Linux, this program is essentially useless, because D-Bus defaults to using "abstract sockets" that exist only in memory and don't have a corresponding file in /tmp.

On most other flavors of UNIX, it's possible for the socket files to leak when programs using D-Bus exit abnormally or without closing their D-Bus connections. Thus, it might be interesting to run **dbus-cleanup-sockets** in a cron job to mop up any leaked sockets. Or you can just ignore the leaked sockets, they aren't really hurting anything, other than cluttering the output of "ls /tmp"

AUTHOR

dbus-cleanup-sockets was adapted by Havoc Pennington from linc-cleanup-sockets written by Michael Meeks.

BUGS

Please send bug reports to the D-Bus mailing list or bug tracker, see <https://www.freedesktop.org/wiki/Software/dbus/>