
Subject: troubles with findfile

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Hello once again,

recently I had a chance to test IDL on two different SGI platforms (Power Challenge XL and Origin 200). Things went really well (and fast !), but then I came across one bug that diminished my enthusiasm somewhat: using the FINDFILE command would not always return all the files matching the search pattern. I wrote a little test program (see below) and ran it repeatedly using cursor up, enter, cursor up, enter, ... In about half of the tests, findfile did OK, the other half it returned a fraction of say 1/3 or 1/4 of all the files it should find. Interestingly, in case of the error, it was always the same number of files that was found. I never had this problem on any of the AIX workstations I worked on. Although it seems to me as if this could have to do with the Unix installation rather than with IDL, I'd like to know whether anyone else has experienced the same problem (or could run the attached test program and find out), and of course I would be most happy if someone has already found the answer.

Thanks,
Martin.

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