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Subject: fstat update

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Dear All,

Has anyone had a problem like this?

We have a widget prog that periodically checks a file for new data, it does this by monitoring the file size as returned by fstat. This usually works fine but we have found on some (network) drives fstat always returns the same value, namely the file size it first saw, even though the file is growing.

The only fix we've found is to constantly close and re-open the file which is a rather inelegant, if not inefficient, solution.

It doesn't appear to be a buffering problem since we can see the file size changing (across the network) using the command line or a file manager.

Any suggestions?

(We're using IDL 5.1.1 under NT4)

Many thanks,

Justin

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