Subject: Re: FINDFILE and Unix
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In article <389877C1.39D7C9C4@lheapop.gsfc.nasa.gov>,
 tam <tam@lheapop.gsfc.nasa.gov> writes:

> Findfile on unix is rather more of a direct invocation of ls than
> you might imagine.
>
> E.g., to get only files and directories in a given directory without
> looking in subdirectories...
>
> files = findfile('-d somedirectory/*')
>
> I.e., you can specify the -d qualifier for the ls command -- and
> as far as I know any other ls qualifier, e.g., you can use -l to get
> the long directory listing...

Thanks for the tip; IDL doesn't document the fact that FINDFILE will accept
ls switches. This does have a portability problem, though, and it would still
be nice if IDL could implement something that would work on both Unix and
MS Windows.

Doug