Subject: Re: findfile on unix bug - help
Posted by thompson on Thu, 04 Oct 2001 21:40:11 GMT

"R.G.S." <rgs1967@hotmail.com> writes:

 (stuff deleted)

> There are ~11,000 files in that folder. This isn't (?) a problem since the
> command works with the file name part = '*' as opposed to '*.dat'.

Actually, this leads me to believe that you might indeed be running into a
problem with the total number of files. The find_file.pro procedure I posted
earlier might help you.

The core of that routine is using spawn,/noshell. You might be able to do the
same thing with a command like

  spawn,/noshell,['find',subdirectory,'-name','*.dat','-print'],files

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P.S. I still suggest first verifying that subdirectory isn't blank.