
Subject: Files opened by other processes

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Has anybody been able to use IDL to detect if *other* processes have a particular file open?

As an example, let's say I would like to open a file for read access after it has been written by an FTP process. I certainly don't want to open it until the file transfer is complete...but how will I know?

I looked at the FSTAT function, but unless I've overlooked something, I don't think it will suffice. This is on a UNIX system running SunOS, so if I have to write something in C for IDL to spawn, I guess I'll be posting to another newsgroup soon. ;-)

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