
Subject: OPENW and environment variables in IDL 5.5
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Has anyone noticed odd behavior in IDL 5.5 (IRIX 6.5) when opening a file with an environment variable in the argument? For example:

```
IDL> openw, lun, '$HOME/test.dat', /get_lun
% OPENW: Unable to expand wildcards in file path.
% Execution halted at: $MAIN$
```

This command works just fine in IDL 5.3

Cheers,
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