
Subject: WINDOW NT version of IDL

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I use both Window and Window NT version of IDL. The Window version of IDL will take the first 8 characters of a file name longer than 8.3. However, the WINDOW NT will not do this. It attempts to find the 8.3 truncated name which may be bigger than 8.3.

Yes this is a bummer! Especially when all our satellite data files have file names bigger than 8.3. We even have people sticking with Windows 3.5 on the NT machines so they can use larger file names. The performance is slow, but they prefer this than spending the time renaming files to 8.3. Some researchers are even going back to using FORTRAN on the NT machine.

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