
Subject: Re: % FINDFILE: Error managing child process.
Posted by [Craig Markwardt](#) on Sun, 25 Jul 2004 02:21:13 GMT
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Timm Weitkamp <dont.try@this.address> writes:

> I am having an annoying problem with FINDFILE on a Sunblade with IDL 6.0
> (version = { sparc sunos unix Solaris 6.0 Jun 27 2003 64 64}). I run an
> IDL program that runs fine on other machines (PCs running Linux) and used
> to work on this Sunblade too, and now it stops with an error message at a
> call to FINDFILE. The call is alright, the problem is that FINDFILE seems
> to spawn an "ls" or something, because I get the same error when I spawn
> "ls" by hand:
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> IDL> \$ls
> % Error managing child process.
> Not enough space
>
> What is this? Bug? Feature? Memory problem? It actually occurs with *any*
> spawned command (I tried "cat" or even non-existent commands with the same
> result). Can I circumvent this somehow? Any help appreciated. Here's the
> system info:

I seem to recall a friend having a problem like this. Somehow, by accident, his "/tmp" scratch area was non-writeable, except by root. Once we made it writeable, then all sorts of things started to work again. We speculated that somehow IDL was attempting to make a temporary file, which it couldn't do when permissions were wrong.

Good luck,
Craig

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