
Subject: Re: file_lines and expand path

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greg michael wrote:

> This all seems a little upside-down to me. I'd sooner ask for the
> filenames and then get the lengths than ask for lengths and get the
> filenames thrown in. But I'm a file_lines newbie. Maybe you guys are
> doing something much cleverer...

I agree with you (about getting the filenames and then the lengths). However, for good or ill, the IDL version of file_lines "allows"[*] wildcards in its file list input. That pretty much opens the box I reckon -- and, given that, my opinions were about seems the most intuitive thing to do (to me at least.)

paulv

[*] One could argue, based on the documentation, that it doesn't allow wildcards. If so, then wildcard input without the NOEXPAND keyword should throw an error. But that is not what happens.

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