
Subject: Re: Rename files using IDL - is it possible?
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I'm using IDL 7.1 and Windows XP

Now I've tried spawn and FILE_DELETE and OPENR with /DELETE and discovered a bit strange behaviour (I think):

The spawn command is either incorrect or not working
IDL> spawn, 'DEL C:\testaaa.txt' (where the aaa is three norwegian A with a ring)

FILE_DELETE and OPENR with /DELETE is not working if the filename is defined by dialog_pickfile, but is working if the filename is defined with a hard coded string

Not working if a=dialog_pickfile(), working if a='C:\testaaa.txt' (again a is a ring)
IDL> FILE_DELETE, a, (/NOEXPAND_PATH)
IDL> OPENR, UNIT, a, /DELETE, /GET_LUN & FREE_LUN, UNIT

I.e. if the string is hardcoded (which I certainly cannot do in my program) the commands except spawn works. I did also try a(0) with dialog_pickfile to assure it's a string, not an array of strings.

The hard coded A is a copy of the print of A using dialog_pickfile so I find no difference in A hard coded or A defined by dialog_pickfile.

Now any suggestions?
