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Subject: Re: FINDFILE problems IDL 8 LINUX  
Posted by [R.Bauer](#) on Wed, 19 Jan 2011 07:20:34 GMT  
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Am 10.01.2011 16:59, schrieb David Fanning:

> Folks,  
>  
> Is anyone experiencing problems with FINDFILE in IDL 8  
> on LINUX (Ubuntu)?  
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> Every time I try to use it I am getting an "Error managing  
> child process" error, and it seems to be trying to open  
> very strange files:  
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> IDL> a = findfile('addpath.pro')  
> IDL> %FINDFILE: Error opening file.  
>     File: /home/david/temp/idl\_tmp\_9nunrQ  
> IDL> %FINDFILE: Error managing child process  
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> Any ideas?  
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> Cheers,  
>  
> David  
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>

I don't get the traceback.

Hmm, isn't findfile deprecated?

findfile has some limitations if you have lots of files in a directory.

file\_search() and file\_which() may be the better choice

Cheers

Reimar

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