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Subject: ENVI\_BATCH\_INIT refuses to run without an available X windows session  
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Hi all,

I'm trying to run some programs that use ENVI commands on a high-performance linux server that doesn't run X Windows. I assumed I could do this by using the ENVI batch mode (through ENVI\_BATCH\_INIT), but it is complaining that it can't find an X server.

The log of my session is below:

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IDL> ENVI, /restore_base_save_files
% Restored file: ENVI.
% Restored file: ENVI_M01.
% Restored file: ENVI_M02.
% Restored file: ENVI_M03.
% Restored file: ENVI_M04.
% Restored file: ENVI_M05.
% Restored file: ENVI_M06.
% Restored file: ENVI_M07.
% Restored file: ENVI_M08.
% Restored file: ENVI_D01.
% Restored file: ENVI_D02.
% Restored file: ENVI_D03.
% Restored file: ENVI_CW.
% Restored file: ENVI_IDL.
% Restored file: ENVI_IOU.
IDL> ENVI_BATCH_INIT, logfile="envilog.log"
% Keyword LOGFILE not allowed in call to: ENVI_BATCH_INIT
% Execution halted at: $MAIN$
IDL> ENVI_BATCH_INIT, log_file="envilog.log"
% DEVICE: Unable to connect to X Windows display: :0.0
% DEVICE: Unable to open X Windows display.
      Is your DISPLAY environment variable set correctly?
% Execution halted at: ENVI_INIT
%           ENVI_BATCH_INIT
%           $MAIN$
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Does anyone have any ideas how to fix this? I'm sure the ENVI\_BATCH\_INIT command shouldn't need to get access to an X windows display?

Cheers,

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