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Subject: Implementing Time-outs in IDL

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We have a Unix daemon that runs on one of the machines on our network. This daemon provides some useful but not vital information to one of my IDL programs. I access the daemon with a spawn command. As long as the computer with the daemon is on-line everything works OK.

If the daemon server is off-line the spawn command hangs. Is there a way in IDL to cause a command to time-out? I would like my program to continue executing if the spawn command does not return a result in X seconds.

Thanks, Steve

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