
Subject: IDLDE linux cannot create workspace

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Hi everyone,

I never use the DE, so I have never encountered this, but one of my students is trying to run it for IDL 8.0 on a Linux box (I think it's RHEL, not sure what version) and we keep getting the following error on startup:

Workspace in use or cannot be created, choose a different one.

It is not actually in use - if you give it a completely new directory, it will pause for a minute and then give the same error ad infinitum.

Command line works fine:

```
IDL> print, !version  
{ x86_64 linux unix linux 8.0 Jun 18 2010    64    64}
```

Anyone have any suggestions? Thanks.

-Jeremy.
