
Subject: Re: "OPENW: Error opening file. Unit: (...) Too many links" - What does this mean? (Possible I/O problem)

Posted by [Carsten Lechte](#) on Tue, 09 Jul 2013 10:27:36 GMT

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On 05/07/13 19:00, Jas wrote:

> files was about 90,000. However, I've recently increased the loops involved
> so that I create many more (~ 500,000 in all).

...

> % OPENW: Error opening file. Unit: (...) File: (...) Too many links %
> Execution halted at: \$MAIN\$ (...)

That looks like the underlying file system complaining that the maximum number of files in a directory has been reached. Depending on which filesystem on which operating system you use, it may be possible to increase this limit. However, it might be better to reconsider generating so many files in the first place. If you really need so many separate files, you could group them into 500 directories with about 1000 files each.

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