
Subject: Re: findfile()

Posted by [Phil Williams](#) on Sat, 31 May 1997 07:00:00 GMT

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HSR Sys-Admin wrote:

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> Phil Williams <williams@irc.chmcc.org> writes:

>> I had taken some code from David Fanning and extended it a bit to find
>> directories and files, DIREXIST and FILEEXISTS, respectively. Both are
>> available on my website <<http://www.irc.chmcc.org/idl/philsIDL.html>>.

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>> Both of these did not work quite right in 4.0 under different platforms
>> (namely Mac and Unix). I think that the problem I was having was fixed
>> in 5.0. I do have a version that should behave as expected under 4.0.1
>> that I could also make available.

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>> Phil

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> I took this direxist some weeks ago and was disappointed:

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> it didn't work over VMS-Clusters and seems to fail sometimes over NFS
> mounted systems...

I only have UNIX (SGI, Sun, Linux) and macs here. Therefore, all of my code is tested for these platforms. I probable should make some comment about that on my webpage...

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> I rewrote the direxist to be able to all this now...

Could you send me the changes and I'll add them to my code w/ credit of course.

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> Its wierd and a three to four pages long program to say: YES or NO!

It was more a programming practice (that and fileexists) and it seemed useful to me at the time so I mamde it available. Take it or leave it.

Phil
