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Subject: Re: Which "PATH" did IDL use???

Posted by [Heinz Stege](#) on Thu, 30 Jul 2015 16:46:29 GMT

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On Thu, 30 Jul 2015 02:07:01 -0700 (PDT), [deepeyes.ym@gmail.com](mailto:deepeyes.ym@gmail.com) wrote:

> On Wednesday, July 29, 2015 at 1:02:58 PM UTC+3, Heinz Stege wrote:

>> Please look for

>> CD [, Directory] [, CURRENT=variable]

>> in the IDL Help.

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>> Cheers, Heinz

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> Sorry, I don't get the point..

Well, seems like I didn't get your question too. I read your original message two more times to get an idea. I'm not very familiar with Unix/Linux, so probably I will not be able to help. But I will try:

The IDL command

spawn, 'gv m4\_r\_600\_test\_flag0\_individual\_outliers.eps'  
obviously failed, because the bash shell does not find the command "gv". IDL does not know in which folder gv resides. IDL simply sends the spawn command to the shell. If you know the path of the file gv, add it to the spawn command:

spawn, 'path/gv m4\_r\_600\_test\_flag0\_individual\_outliers.eps'  
and everything should be fine.

If there is any reason, not to specify the path, you can try xdg-open.  
It may or may not work:

spawn,['xdg-open','m4\_r\_600\_test\_flag0\_individual\_outliers.e ps'],/noshell

This worked for me in case of an .ods file, when I exported an IDL program from Windows to Linux.

Cheers, Heinz

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