
Subject: Imgrd problem in IDL

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I'm a new IDL user/administrator, and I'm sure others have hit this:

Like most Unix sites, I have a cron job which cleans old files out of /tmp and /usr/tmp on the basis of an old access time, something like

```
find /usr/tmp -atime +7 -exec rm \{\} \;
```

(shortened for clarity--the real one has a few more checks).

However, idl_lmgrd writes a lock file in /usr/tmp which gets deleted by the above, and idl_lmgrd shortly thereafter exits and IDL won't run. Is there some way to tell idl_lmgrd to write its lock file somewhere else and/or to touch it every so often so it won't get deleted? I could (indeed have) put a special check in the find in cron so as not to touch that particular file, but its ugly.

On a related note, has anyone had idl_lmgrd exit for no apparent reason?

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"Oh no, not another one."---Heard frequently swalton@csun.edu
