
Subject: spawn and 'ls *.out'

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Dear IDL experts,

Can I use '*' and '?' in the UNIX commands through 'spawn'?

When I try:

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> spawn, ['ls', 'data/2003????'], /noshell
```

```
Cannot access data/2003????: No such file or directory
```

I have files like '20030101', '20030102', etc. in this directory.

It seems 'spawn' interpolate '?' directly or literally. How could I let IDL know?

Thanks.
