
Subject: Re: SKIP_LUN on internet sockets?

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Wayne Landsman wrote:

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> % SKIP_LUN: Operation is invalid on a socket. Unit: 100, File:

My own followup. I've discovered that SKIP_LUN also cannot be used on a Unix pipe.

% SKIP_LUN: Operation is invalid on a pipe. Unit: 108, File:
<uncompress>

So it seems that SKIP_LUN cannot be used in the precisely the cases where it would be useful - an internet socket and a Unix pipe. These are the cases where to advance the file pointer, one must currently read data into a dummy IDL variable.

SKIP_LUN can be used on a file opened with /COMPRESS but it is no faster than POINT_LUN.

And for a regular file, SKIP_LUN is much, much slower than POINT_LUN.

So probably the documentation for SKIP_LUN should simply read "Do not use" (except for skipping text with the /LINES keyword).

--Wayne
