

VisIt - Bug # 1318: VisIt execution issues and symbolic links

Status:	Resolved	Priority:	Normal
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Created:	01/22/2013	Assigned to:	Brad Whitlock
Updated:	01/22/2013	Due date:	
Likelihood:	2 - Rare		
Severity:	3 - Major Irritation		
Found in Version:	2.6.0		
OS:	All		
Support Group:	Any		
Subject:	VisIt execution issues and symbolic links		
Description:	<p>Make a symlink to the <install>/bin/visit command and then run the symlink. You'll get an error message indicating that there is no current version of VisIt.</p> <p>Report from user:</p> <p>=====</p> <p>Something has changed in VisIt 2.6.0 such that symbolic links to the visit executable no longer appear to work. This occurs on linux as well as MacOS.</p> <p>I used to have a link on Linux: "/usr/local/bin/visit --> /usr/local/visit/bin/visit" so that /usr/local/bin is in my PATH, but visit's bin directory is not. This no longer works, and running "visit" yields the error "There is no current version of VisIt." Similarly, on MacOS I had a link from ~/bin/visit to the visit executable inside of VisIt's MacOS bundle (so I could launch VisIt from the command-line).</p> <p>Everything works fine when removing the symbolic links and adding /usr/local/visit/bin to the PATH.</p> <p>Perhaps this is by design. I thought I would report to perhaps save others some time.</p>		

History

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- Status changed from New to Resolved
- Assigned to set to Brad Whitlock
- Target version set to 2.6.1
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I fixed a small problem in frontendlauncher.