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Posted by mdelfede on Wed, 11 Jan 2012 13:07:54 GMT

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Posted by mirek on Thu, 19 Jan 2012 07:46:33 GMT

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Posted by mdelfede on Thu, 19 Jan 2012 16:31:08 GMT

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True.... we should operate directly on linked file instead, but I've (yet) no idea on how to get it. As the link is symbolic, is just an alias, so doing your mechanics on linked file would do the job without problems, the link will still point to the right file once renamed.

Max

Subject: Re: Possible bug with symlinks on linux ?
Posted by mdelfede on Thu, 19 Jan 2012 17:19:22 GMT

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The unix 'readlink' function should do the job.
Use 'man 2 readlink' to see the usage.

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Subject: Re: Possible bug with symlinks on linux ?
Posted by mirek on Sun, 16 Feb 2014 13:51:11 GMT

TheIDE is now saving symlinked files (and also files not owned by user) by overwriting the original, which fixes the problem.

(Sorry that it took 2 years

Mirek