



# TDS Tips and Tricks (or Treats)

- Log Files are your friend
  - `tail -f <logfile>`
    - During startup
- Debug Tools are your friend too
  - `http://<server>:<port>/thredds/debug`

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- Be very careful with paths
- E.g. `<datasetScan ...  
path="LEAD/model/NCEP/NAM/CONUS_  
80km" ...>`
  - Because LEAD supports two catalog hierarchies I've made the mistake of duplicating paths
    - CatalogRef is a more desirable solution if it can be used

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- datasetScan is powerful but can be tricky
  - You might think that it has not changed but in fact contents in the directory it scans changes which causes impacts
  - Filters can be your friend here try to be explicit about expectations of directory/file naming conventions



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- Creation of new service types
  - `<service name="GridFTP"  
serviceType="GridFTPServer"  
base="gsiftp://lead1.unidata.ucar.edu/gridftp/"  
/>`
  - path will be appended by TDS
  - May be helpful to have dirLocation and path match one another



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- If you're running an operational TDS that folks are relying upon and you're making modifications, it's a good idea to set up a second TDS (either another port on the same server, or on another server if you have one) to perform tests on before releasing to the operational system



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