
Subject: Re: Best way to reset the session?

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"M. Katz" <MKatz843@onebox.com> wrote in message
news:4a097d6a.0302161306.79db1a39@posting.google.com...

> ...

> In IDL 5.4 on Mac OS X, I could simply type

> .reset_session--the memory of that object

> would be expunged, AND (!) IDL would re-run

> my startup.pro file so I'd have a true, fresh session

> with all of my default parameters set up like new.

That's funny. In IDL 5.4 (and later) on Windows the startup file is not
re-run.

> I've noticed that in IDL 5.6 (Mac, Linux, Sun) typing

> .reset or .reset_session starts things anew, but

> doesn't run my startup.pro file. It's now necessary

> to exit and restart IDL.

Er...you could run the startup file yourself.

I've bound a macro to run the startup script to a handy key. I use it
immediately after .reset_session. (I tried a script that would reset the
session *then* run the startup script. Not surprisingly, this didn't work as
executive commands cannot be called from scripts.)

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