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Subject: Best way to reset the session?

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I hope this question has an easy answer.

When running an IDL session, if I modify the structure of an object definition and then recompile the something\_\_define.pro, IDL doesn't like that.

That's understandable.

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.

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.

For those of you working in a unix environment, what's the best way to reset AND have your initializations run upon doing so?

Thanks,  
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