
Subject: Running startup.pro in IDL 7/Workbench/Windows
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I run IDL from the command line and use a startup.pro file, primarily to set system variables. Because I run on Mac OS/Linux, I use the IDL_STARTUP environment variable to set my startup file, which ensures that it is executed automatically when IDL starts.

Someone asked me how to use a startup.pro file in IDL 7.1 (Workbench) on Windows, and I confess that I don't have a clue. I fired up the Workbench under Mac OS, and my startup.pro ran automatically. I assume that is due to my having set the IDL_STARTUP environment variable.

I don't see any straightforward way to set a startup.pro file from within the Workbench (nothing obvious in Preferences).

Can anyone tell me how to configure a startup.pro file in the Workbench under Windows? (I don't have a Windows system to play with.)

Thanks, Ken Bowman
