
Subject: Re: Licensing woes

Posted by [ben.bighair](#) on Thu, 29 Oct 2009 22:49:58 GMT

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On Oct 29, 10:36 am, David Gell <david.g...@swri.org> wrote:

> On Oct 28, 8:15 pm, "ben.bighair" <ben.bigh...@gmail.com> wrote:

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>> Hi All,

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>> I successfully installed and licensed IDL 7.1 on a MacBook Pro (OSX
>> 10.5.8). Things have been fine until today. Now, woof.

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>> It began with one of the FlexLM -15XXX error messages after starting
>> IDL from the command line. After some noodling around with lmsat,
>> lmsdown and lmgrd_install, I decided to simply run the license manager
>> wizard again. It complained that I didn't have permission to modify /
>> Library/StartupItems. So, I made that read/write and successfully ran
>> the License Wizard again. IDL started and hi-ho, hi-ho its off to
>> work I go.

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>> Until... about 30 minutes later I started to get messages that
>> communication with the license server was interrupted for the last X
>> minutes. After a number of these I got the message: "LICENSE MANAGER:
>> Session terminated due to server failure. Consult your network
>> manager" and IDL closed.

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>> Now when I try to start IDL I get the following...

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>> Minke:~ ben\$ idl

>> IDL Version 7.1, Mac OS X (darwin x86_64 m64). (c) 2009, ITT Visual
>> Information Solutions

>> % LICENSE MANAGER: The desired vendor daemon is down.

>> Check the lmgrd log file, or try lmread.

>> Feature: idl

>> Vendor:Host: Minke.local

>> License path: /Applications/itt/idl71/./license/license.dat:/

>> Application

>> s/itt/license/*.lic:

>> FLEXnet Licensing error:-97,121

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>> Yikes! An error code in the 90s - I'm in deep now!

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>> lmread seems to non existent on my machine (not in my home directory
>> and not in \$ITT_DIR/idl/bin) and the only log file I could find
>> (\$ITT_DIR/license/lmgrd_log.txt) is empty.

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>> Is this just poor little ol' me or does this happen to other OSX
>> users? Any help greatly appreciated.
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>> Thanks,
>> Ben
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> Ben,
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> What probably happened is that the license server on your laptop -- I
> now why have a license server for one machine with a node locked
> license -- has stopped. This usually happens when you change the
> network you are connected to without restarting the Mac. The solution
> is to enter the following two command line commands using the
> terminal.
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> sudo SystemStarter stop IDL_LMGRD
> sudo SystemStarter start IDL_LMGRD
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> You will have to enter an administrator password after you type the
> first command. The first command may fail if the license server is
> completely dead. The second command will start the license server and
> you can then start IDL.
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> This particular idiosyncrasy has been bugging me for months. I finally
> spent about 3 hours trying to find the simple way to restart the
> server without re-booting the mac.
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> Dave

Thanks Dave! I'll give it a whirl. I do indeed join various networks during a given day.

Oddly enough, I decided to restart the machine. When logging in, I was prompted to fix the permissions of the /Library/StartupItems/IDL_LMGRD/ to "drwxr-xr-x". I then needed to restart, and, hey-ho it works! Go figure.

I'll try your trick next time it acts up.

Thanks again,
Ben
