
Subject: Re: Error

Posted by [Kenneth P. Bowman](#) on Mon, 25 Jun 2012 15:11:12 GMT

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In article <eac08aad-f595-4dc2-a007-db7902270a01@googlegroups.com>, fadaei.hd@gmail.com wrote:

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> hi evetyone
> I can not understand about a error that always is happened after i am writing
> a command. Like this error
> % Error occurred at: $MAIN$          1 C:\Program Files
> (x86)\ITT\IDL\bowman\startup.pro
> % Execution halted at: $MAIN$      1 C:\Program Files
> (x86)\ITT\IDL\bowman\startup.pro
> please help me how i can solve. Thank you
> Hadi
>
```

It looks like you are trying to use the sample startup.pro file from my book.

<http://csrp.tamu.edu/downloads/idl/startup.pro>

This file is not an IDL procedure, so you cannot run it at the command line like this

```
IDL> startup
```

It can be executed as an IDL script, like this

```
IDL> @startup
```

but normally it is set to run automatically when starting IDL (hence the name startup.pro), either by setting a system variable for the shell (for Linux or OS X), or by setting an IDL preference.

I have no experience running IDL on Windows, but I assume that you are running using the IDL Development Environment (DE). If so, look at the preferences options in the DE.

You may need to make some changes in the startup.pro file to be consistent with your set up. For example, the startup.pro file expects to find an "idl" directory, not an "ITT/IDL" directory.

Perhaps some Windows experts can help here.

Ken Bowman
