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Subject: Re: IDL Python Bridge  
Posted by [cwamsley](#) on Mon, 28 Aug 2017 13:10:38 GMT  
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On Thursday, February 2, 2017 at 4:14:30 PM UTC-5, joe....@lowell.edu wrote:

> Can anyone help me out with getting the idl-python bridge to work? I have followed the instructions in a post above and I can call python from IDL but I can't call idl from within python .  
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> In Anaconda Python 2.7 if I get:  
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> In [1]: from idlpy import \*  
> Fatal Python error: PyThreadState\_Get: no current thread  
> Abort trap: 6  
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> I'm running idl 8.5.1 on OS X 10.12 with Anaconda Python 2.7.  
>  
> Thanks!

I received the same error working on Win 7, Anaconda 2 and Python 2.7. IDL was also crashing when I tried to start the IDL/Python bridge. Both problems were corrected by removing unnecessary spaces I had in the PYTHONPATH environment variable (e.g. bad: C:\Anaconda2; C:\Anaconda2\Tools\Scripts | good C:\Anaconda2;C:\Anaconda2\Tools\Scripts). Also make sure to run the python setup.py install command from the IDL bridges directory as indicated in the Harris help information.

Chuck

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