
Subject: Re: loading startup file

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> Hi, I have a startup batch file (containing my own paths and default setting).
> How can I load it when IDL begins? In bash, I added
> IDL_STARTUP=/home/sk/wv/common/startup.pro
> to .bash_profile. It should work, but it does not. Does anyone know
> a solution? I am using a commandline version.
>
> Thanks,

This way IDL_STARTUP will be a local variable in your .bash_profile. To export this variable to the environment you'll have to use:

```
declare -x IDL_STARTUP=/home/pepijn/gokey/gokey_startup.pro
```

or

```
export IDL_STARTUP=/home/pepijn/gokey/gokey_startup.pro
```

To check if your environment variables have been set correctly, type 'set' at the command prompt.

HTH, Pepijn Kenter.
