
Subject: Re: start up file in idl

Posted by [Fergus Gallagher](#) on Mon, 01 May 1995 07:00:00 GMT

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iarla@atm.ch.cam.ac.uk (Iarla Kilbane-Dawe) wrote:

> Hi there,

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> We've just got a license for idl having been pv-wave

> users for some time. Unfortunately we have yet to receive the manuals.

> I'm used to setting up some variables in idl at start up using a file

> in my home directory called .wave_start. Is there an equivalent in

> IDL that I can use, please?

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Set the enviroment variable IDL_STARTUP to the startup file, e.g.,

```
# setenv IDL_STARTUP $HOME/idl/.idl_startup
```

You might find the IDL_LIB variable useful -

```
# setenv IDL_LIB +$IDL_DIR/lib:+$HOME/idl/lib
```

which will look for procedures in those directories, and all dirs below.

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