Harry Kao (yen@dolphin.upenn.edu) writes:
>
> I used widget programming to open files for processing and then save the
> processed files. The problem is IDL puts me in a default directoy every
> time I want to open or save files. How do I set up IDL so that I can
> automatically return to the directory from where I performed last I/O?

Ditch the Mac. :-)

If you *have* ditched the Mac, and you are working
on a PC, someone is having fun with you. (I'd suspect
your office mate.) Find the General tab on the
File->Preferences menu and de-select the Change
Directory on Open checkbox.

If you are running on Unix, something is very, very
weird.

Best Regards,

David

P.S. Let's just say you could always learn the nuances
of the CD command and its keywords, if worst comes to worst.

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