WDiff (tm)

File Difference Viewer

for

Windows

USERS GUIDE

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EDITION

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- * Printed manual
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| 1 | | US\$ 20 |
|-----|---|----------------|
| 2 - | 9 | US\$ 13 (-35%) |
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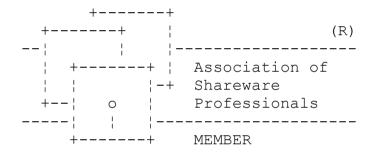
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FUTURE RELEASES

The next major release is planned for Aug/93. The following features are on the wishlist (if you have any suggestions please let us know about it):

- * Font selection
- * Color selection
- * Clipboard support
- * Search functions
- * Online help
- * Bug fixes as necessary

INTRODUCTION

WDiff is a windows application wich displays two text files side by side. Common and different sections are clearly marked with separator lines. The display window is scrollable in all directions. The horizontal splitting of the display window can be switched off to display the left or the right side file in full screen mode. It is possible to jump forward and backward between common and different sections. WDiff is especially useful for programmers who wants to see the differences between two versions of a source text file. Tab size and comparison options are configurable.

PACKING LIST

Shareware copies of WDiff may be "packaged" in a variety of ways depending on who distributed them. Regardless of packaging, the following files should be included:

| WDIFF | .EXE | Windows File Difference Viewer Program |
|----------|------|--|
| WDIFF | .WRI | Documentation (Windows Write Document) |
| ORDER | .FRM | Order Form |
| DESCRIBE | .DOC | Product Description & Author Info |
| VENDOR | .DOC | Vendor/Distributor Information |
| FILE_ID | .DIZ | Program Description for BBS's |
| !!READ | .!ME | General Info and Last Minute Information |

INSTALLATION

Once you have copied the WDiff files on your hard disk, you can create a program item for WDiff in the Windows Program Manager by using the "New" menu item in the "File" popup menu of the Program Manager.

SELECT FILES

After the start of the program, you have to select the two textfiles (left and right) wich should be displayed side by side. Press F3 or select the "Select Files..." item in the "File" popup menu to get the file selection dialog box. When you press the ".BAK" pushbutton inside of this dialog box, then the right side filename is set to the currently selected left side filename with the file extension of ".BAK". After you selected two valid filenames, this files are read, compared (according to the current comparison options) and displayed.

COMPARISON OPTIONS

The following options are available:

"Ignore trailing blanks" "Ignore spaces on comparison" "Expand tabs before comparison" "Tabsize" "Case insensitive compare"

The dialog box for displaying and changing this options can be displayed by selecting the "Comparison..." menu item from the "Options" popup menu. If any of the options is modified, then the two files are read and compared again. The "Tabsize" option also influences the text display, because tabs are expanded to the given size.

DISPLAY MODES

There are two major display modes available: split screen mode and full screen mode. In split screen mode, the two text files are displayed side by side separated by a vertical separator line. In full screen mode, only the left or the right side file is displayed. The line number display at the left side of each file can be toggled on and off. This modes are selectable from the "Split" popup menu, wich has the following menu items:

| <u>S</u> plit screen | F4 |
|----------------------|----|
| <u>L</u> eft file | F5 |
| <u>R</u> ight file | F6 |
| Line <u>N</u> umbers | F8 |

The last menu item "Line Numbers" has a checkmark at the left side wich identifies the current status. All modes can be directly selected by using the given function keys.

INTERACTIVE DISPLAY

The "View" popup menu has the following items:

| <u>N</u> ext Difference | Tab |
|-----------------------------|-----|
| <u>P</u> revious Difference | BS |
| <u>L</u> eft Scroll | -> |
| <u>R</u> ight Scroll | <- |
| | |

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<u>B</u>ack to start of line Return <u>H</u>ome Home

Each menu item can be executed directly by pressing the according key. The PgDn and PgUp keys could also be used to page forward and backward.

EXIT

To exit the program, select the "Exit" menu item in the "File" popup menu. The selected options, the tabsize and the file selection path and wildcards are saved between sessions.

To help you - help us!

If you have questions about the WDiff File Difference Viewer, please describe your problem as detailed as possible, so that we are able to simulate it according to your information.

Send this information to us via mail or electronic mail:

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| Internet: | 73030.1070@compuserve.com | |
| X400: | Country=us ADMD=CompuServe PRMD=csmail DDA Type=id DDA Value=73030.1070 | |
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MBX: p=csmail

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REVISION HISTORY

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