Tool Bar

The tool bar allows you to control the file attributes to use when comparing and to select the drive being displayed in the active window.   The selections in the Name, Date, Time, and Size boxes are ANDed.   E.G.., the file name must be equal AND the file date must be Unequal in order for the file to be displayed

Directory Comparison for Windows
Release 2.2 Help

Directory Comparison is a windows utility that compares the contents of two directories.   To use the program:

- Select the directories to compare using the two directory list boxes
- Select attributes to compare using the tool bar
- Mark files to process
- Use the File Menu or Mouse to Browse, Copy, Move, or Delete the files

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Using The Mouse

You can use the mouse to select files, open directories, copy and move files, and adjust the split between the file and directory panes.

To select files and open directories:

- Double-Clicking a directory opens that directory in the file window
- Clicking a file selects that file exclusively
- Clicking a file with the Shift key held down selects   (inclusively) all files between the previously selected file and the selected file
- Clicking a file with the Ctrl key held down selects that file in addition to other selected files

To copy and move files:

- Select all files to be copied or moved except the last one
- If you are using the Ctrl+Click or Shift+Click combinations to select files, leave the Shift or Ctrl key held down as you begin to drag the files. Once you start dragging, you can release the Shift or Ctrl key
- Drag the files and drop them on the other file pane.   The mouse pointer will show a Copy or No Drop icon as appropriate
- Select Copy or Move from the popup menu that appears when you drop the files

To adjust the split between the file and directory panes:

- Place the mouse pointer over the area between the directory pane and the file pane. The mouse pointer will change to a Left/Right Arrow
- Drag the Left/Right Arrow left or right to where you want the new split and drop it

Menu Bar

File Menu
Options Menu
View Menu

File Menu

File Actions

You can browse, copy, move or delete selected files by marking them in the file pane and then selecting appropriately from the File menu. Files are copied or moved from the active window to the inactive window.

Print Report

You can print the contents of the two currently displayed file panes. The printout shows the settings for the name, date, time, and size selections; and, will show the date, time, and, size of each file.

Options Menu

Browse Program

You can select the program that is used to browse files. Enter the filename and the path to the file if that path is not on your PATH= environment variable. If the program can open more than one document at once then check the check box. if the box is unchecked, Directory Comparison will open as many instances of the program as necessary to fulfill the number of files selected in the file pane.

Font

You can select the font to use for the file pane and for the tree pane.

View Menu

Files

Select to display or not display the file pane

Tree

Select to display or not display the tree pane

Filter

Allows you to specify a wildcard filter to apply to the file pane.   You can enter multiple filters be seperating them with ';'s.

Sort By

Allows you to sort the file pane by either file Name or Type

Mode

Use the Mode combo box to select whether you want to show the files that are the same at the two paths, or different between the two paths. When you select to show differences, the Selected Files that are shown are those that are different at the "Path to compare".

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Mode

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Directory Panes Found dialog

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This dialog is displayed upon start-up if the application detects the presence of windows in other applications that have titles of the form [drive]:[path].

This is a useful feature because one usually launches Directory Comparison for Windows after examimining one or both of the directories-to-be-compared in a "File Management"-type application.

To use the dialog, select an item from the list box and click either the "Base Path" or "Path to Compare" buttons. If the item is truly a directory, the selection will appear next to the button, if the item is actually a file name or uses a "short form" sytax like replacing a portion of a long name with ".."s, then you will be asked to edit that item so it reflects a valid path string.
You can click either button as often as necessary to make the correct selection. When finished, click the "OK" button, if you want to cancel your selection(s) click the "Cancel" button. The "Bsae Path" and "Path to Compare" on the main dialog will reflect your selections here.

This dialog currently detects pop-up windows and does not detect Multi-Document Interface (MDI) windows. Therefore, it will detect Norton Desktop(TM) windows, but not File-Manager windows.