
Subject: Serious bug in String comparison or weird feature?

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If you have 2 U++ strings of different length but apart from that identical, U++ tells you that the smaller string is greater (>) than the bigger one.

This seems wrong to me, and indeed std::string behaves the other way round, namely as expected - at least by me.

Consider for example this small app:

```
#include <CtrlLib/CtrlLib.h>

using namespace Upp;

GUI_APP_MAIN
{
/*
// start of U++ String version
const String a = "AddFrame";
const String b = "AddFrameSize";

String less = a < b ? "true" : "false";
String equal = a == b ? "true" : "false";
String greater = a > b ? "true" : "false";
PromptOK(Format("%s-<-|%s:-|%s&%s-|==-%s:-|%s&%s->-|%s:-|%s", a, b, less, a, b, equal, a,
b, greater));
// end of U++ String version
*/

// start of std::string version
const std::string a = "AddFrame";
const std::string b = "AddFrameSize";

String less = a < b ? "true" : "false";
String equal = a == b ? "true" : "false";
String greater = a > b ? "true" : "false";
String au(a.c_str());
String bu(b.c_str());
PromptOK(Format("%s-<-|%s:-|%s&%s-|==-%s:-|%s&%s->-|%s:-|%s", au, bu, less, au, bu,
equal, au, bu, greater));
// end of std::string version
}
```

By the way, you can easily fix that by adding a space to either of the U++ Strings.

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