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Subject: Re: using a file chooser (dir chooser??) to get a dir and not a file

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The usage of `ExecuteSelectDir()` is very similar to `ExecuteOpen()`. Following code is taken from `examples/CompDir`, I just added few comments.

`void DlgCompareDir::DoBrowse(Ctrl *field) // field is EditString or similar Ctrl`

```
{
    FileSel fsel;
    fsel.AllFileType();
    static String recent_dir;           // variable to store last opened directory
    fsel <=& Nvl((String)~*field, recent_dir); //before opening, we pre-set the dialog to the value in
    field, fallback to recent_dir if there is Null
    if(fsel.ExecuteSelectDir())         //open the dialog to select directory
        *field <=& recent_dir = ~fsel;  // assign the selected directory 'recent_dir' and also fill it into
    'field' Ctrl
}
```

BTW: I just found there is even simpler way to do this, although not as versatile: `String mydir = SelectDirectory();`

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