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Subject: > and < signs not interpreted in 6.0.0

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I noticed that 6.0 treats values like <2 and >10 differently from 5.5

In the old version these were treated as numbers, and a column would be correctly assigned as numeric if it would contain entries like these. Allowing for rounding, colouring scales etc.

Now columns with >2 are interpreted as text, generating errors on all my old macros.

Manually setting the columns to floating point generates errors too (image attached).

EDIT: there seems to be an overarching phenomenon, which is the treatment of spaces (notably the lack thereof) in cells.

'>2' seems to be recognized as text, while

'> 2' is treated as a number.

This was different in 5.5

Likewise, multiple numbers without spaces, are treated as text:

'4.5;4.8' is text, while

'4.5; 4.8' are two consecutive numbers.

Clearly it would be great if this could be backwards compatible to 5.5 again.

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## File Attachments

1) [2024-01-11 12\\_16\\_26-Message.png](#), downloaded 107 times

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