

## Redmine - Defect #11318

### cannot browse svn repository

2012-07-04 10:39 - Radek Antoniuk

<b>Status:</b>	Closed	<b>Start date:</b>	
<b>Priority:</b>	Normal	<b>Due date:</b>	
<b>Assignee:</b>		<b>% Done:</b>	0%
<b>Category:</b>	SCM	<b>Estimated time:</b>	0.00 hour
<b>Target version:</b>		<b>Affected version:</b>	1.4.3
<b>Resolution:</b>	Invalid		

**Description**

it appears that bug [#3929](#) is again here  
i cannot browse SVN repository and I can see in the logs

Position:  
Last 80 unconsumed characters:  
Output was:  
<?xml version="1.0"?>  
<lists>  
<list  
  path="https://rephost/repos/reponame">  
Rendering template within layouts/base  
Rendering common/error (404)  
Completed in 1499ms (View: 564, DB: 13) | 404 Not Found [http://host/projects/project/repository]

doing svn ls --xml manually from www-data user shows correct output  
also, I am using fetch\_changesets in cron and this is also working fine

### History

#### #1 - 2012-07-17 11:51 - Steffen B.

Hi,  
we have the same error also, if we try to access a "external" svn with username and password.

Redmine version 2.0.1.stable

snip ..

```
Processing by RepositoriesController#show as HTML
Parameters: {"id"=>"prj-0022"}
Error parsing svn output: #<REXML::ParseException: No close tag for /lists/list>
/usr/lib/ruby/1.8/rexml/parsers/treeparser.rb:28:in `parse'
/usr/lib/ruby/1.8/rexml/document.rb:228:in `build'
```

and the end snip ...

```
@
No close tag for /lists/list
Line: 4
Position: 89
Last 80 unconsumed characters:
```

```
Output was:
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<lists>
<list
path="svn+ssh://192.168.x.xxx/home/svn/Prj-0022">
```

```
Rendered common/error.html.erb within layouts/base (0.4ms)
  Rendered plugins/redmine_backlogs/app/views/hooks/_rb_include_scripts.html.erb (5.6ms)
Completed 404 Not Found in 220ms (Views: 51.6ms | ActiveRecord: 9.0ms)
```

Started GET "/rb/server\_variables.js" for 192.168.xxx.xxx at Tue Jul 17 11:37:14 +0200 2012  
@

so, we get the same logoutput like Kimbro Staken, see here:

<http://www.redmine.org/boards/2/topics/31026>

What can we do?

Greeting  
Steffen

**#2 - 2012-07-28 17:35 - Jean-Philippe Lang**

- Status changed from New to Closed

- Resolution set to Invalid

Sorry, no support request here. Something prevents your redmine to call svn client correctly.

**#3 - 2012-07-31 22:33 - Steffen B.**

hmm,

```
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```

"something" ... like a bug?

where is the place for bugs? here so i take a new ticket [#11557](#)

thanks for real help

greetings Steffen

**#4 - 2012-07-31 23:22 - Jean-Philippe Lang**

thanks for real help

Sorry but we don't provide "help" here. Unless you're able to figure out what is going wrong with your svn access, I can't fix anything. Please, have a look at the similar issues: <http://www.redmine.org/search?issues=1&q=%22No+close+tag+for%22>

**#5 - 2012-08-01 10:11 - Steffen B.**

well if i have time, i will take a deeper look inside redmine again ... but this elementary function, a normal svn access must be work out of the box!!! i spent over 2 hours in this and get no solution ... we will see ...

**#6 - 2012-08-25 00:47 - Homerun Homerun**

- Status changed from Closed to Reopened

svn+ssh problem ..

Project activity like revisions can be seen by correct svn+ssh setup and repository setup but browsing not working.  
404 error "The entry or revision was not found in the repository." in project repository page

some env info :

```
cat /etc/debian_version  
6.0.5
```

Used RubyForge tar.gz for installation and followed RedmineInstall guide  
All did go as planned until attach existing svn repos.... \*\*  
ruby script/about

Environment:

```
Redmine version      2.0.3.stable  
Ruby version         1.8.7 (i486-linux)  
Rails version        3.2.6  
Environment          production  
Database adapter     MySQL  
Redmine plugins:  
no plugin installed **
```

when start redmine and follow log/production.log file  
this appears. \*\*  
ruby script/rails server -d -e production

```
**script/rails:6:in `require'  
script/rails:6
```

```
...  
No close tag for /lists/list  
Line: 4  
Position: 81  
Last 80 unconsumed characters:
```

```
Output was:  
<?xml version="1.0"?>  
<lists>  
<list  
path="svn+ssh://svn@localhost/test-repo"> **
```

```
Rendered common/error.html.erb within layouts/base (2.2ms)  
Completed 404 Not Found in 1310ms (Views: 90.7ms | ActiveRecord: 139.8ms)
```

```
same as svn **  
svn list --xml svn+ssh://svn@localhost/test-repo
```

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>  
<lists>  
<list  
path="svn+ssh://svn@localhost/test-repo">  
<entry  
kind="dir">  
<name>branches</name>  
<commit  
revision="1">  
<author>root</author>  
<date>2012-08-24T04:25:05.228443Z</date>  
</commit>  
</entry>  
<entry  
kind="dir">  
<name>tags</name>  
<commit  
revision="1">  
<author>root</author>  
<date>2012-08-24T04:25:05.228443Z</date>  
</commit>  
</entry>  
<entry  
kind="dir">  
<name>trunk</name>  
<commit  
revision="2">  
<author>svn</author>  
<date>2012-08-24T19:39:22.084370Z</date>  
</commit>  
</entry>  
</list>  
</lists> **
```

```
scanned a bit more and found lines from log **  
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/usr/lib/ruby/1.8/rexml/document.rb:228:in `build'  
/usr/lib/ruby/1.8/rexml/document.rb:43:in `initialize' **
```

#### **#7 - 2012-08-25 04:45 - Toshi MARUYAMA**

- Status changed from Reopened to Closed

It is obviously your ssh setting problem.  
Please do not open issue for unrelated problem.  
Please use forum.

#### **#8 - 2012-10-16 10:09 - Steffen B.**

- Status changed from Closed to Reopened

[samir djouadi](#) Team:

i think this error happens very often ... so this is not a svn config problem, i think the redmine setup routine goes wrong ways. it is really "not good" if redmine admins (mostly also developers) spent hours or days to solve this stupid problem ... take a look inside the forum and search for :

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**#9 - 2012-10-16 10:39 - Toshi MARUYAMA**

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You can add or edit wikis on Redmine.org.

**#10 - 2012-10-16 11:11 - Steffen B.**

... if i have a solution i can do this.

**#11 - 2012-10-16 11:19 - Steffen B.**

- Status changed from Closed to Reopened

why use redmine not the defined svn users: it seems that redmine use the www-data user for a svn connect and not the defined logindata

Could not create directory '/var/www/.ssh'.

Host key verification failed.

svn: To better debug SSH connection problems, remove the -q option from 'ssh' in the [tunnels] section of your Subversion configuration file.

svn: Network connection closed unexpectedly

Could not create directory '/var/www/.ssh'.

Host key verification failed.

**#12 - 2012-10-16 11:28 - Toshi MARUYAMA**

- Status changed from Reopened to Closed

Steffen B. wrote:

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It depends on Web server.

**#13 - 2012-10-16 11:40 - Steffen B.**

- Status changed from Closed to Reopened

its a ... game here ... why check this not the redmine install routine, because webmine USE this Webserver? So this is a misleading "function" from redmine : you can paste user and password data for a svn access and further this data will be not used ???

**#14 - 2012-10-16 11:50 - Toshi MARUYAMA**

- Status changed from Reopened to Closed

Steffen B. wrote:

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Please use forum for topics of specific platform.

Redmine is Rails application working on multi platforms and Web servers (apache etc.).

**#15 - 2012-10-16 12:20 - Steffen B.**

the crazy thing is that the cvs access to a external server is working .. but this wicked redmine - svn access doesnt work ... I mean that this preconditions must be checked by the redmine install

**#16 - 2012-10-17 11:48 - Steffen B.**

- Status changed from Closed to Reopened

**Hello redmine Folks:** this is a Defect because Redmine has here a misleading function: the user and password data ar total obsolete - senseless. So make please :-) this function correct and consistent

see here: <http://www.redmine.org/boards/2/topics/28422?r=32903#message-32903>

**only the webserver process user is finally the user for the remote svn access.**

This defect waste to much time, please understand ...

**#17 - 2012-10-17 12:13 - Toshi MARUYAMA**

- Status changed from Reopened to Closed

What is Redmine defect?

The answer is written in this message.

<http://www.redmine.org/boards/2/topics/28422?r=32903#message-32903>

You need to set ssh config to web server process UID.

**#18 - 2012-10-17 12:18 - Radek Antoniuk**

- Status changed from Closed to Reopened

Toshi, you are joking right? Please stop closing this issue as it has a **MAJOR** influence on subversion integration of Redmine. This **IS AN ISSUE** and as you are part of the devteam you have to fix the documentation and **NOT** point people to forum threads. If so many people have problems with that, then maybe it is worth doing a comment **on the configuration page** because this is clearly misleading!

**#19 - 2012-10-17 12:23 - Toshi MARUYAMA**

- Status changed from Reopened to Closed

There is a wiki.

[Error\\_parsing\\_svn\\_output](#)

**#20 - 2012-10-17 12:38 - Toshi MARUYAMA**

Toshi MARUYAMA wrote:

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[Error\\_parsing\\_svn\\_output](#)

I have updated this wiki.

**#21 - 2012-10-17 14:21 - Steffen B.**

[Radek Antoniuk](#): thanks for your support at this issue "game" ...

[toshio harita](#). thanks,... later, i will report my result here

[samir djouadi](#) folks : please read reports better, we spent time to this description ...

**#22 - 2012-11-08 17:51 - Pierre Labrie**

Toshi MARUYAMA wrote:

Toshi MARUYAMA wrote:

There is a wiki.

[Error\\_parsing\\_svn\\_output](#)

I have updated this wiki.

Pierre Labrie wrote:

I have updated the wiki for windows users. It took me 2 days to figure out the problem of the certificate acceptance.

Redmine code in scm\adapter\abstract\_adapter.rb\*\* should trap connection errors and should not rely on No close tag for /lists/list> to inform us of this problem. The stderr is captured in a log when running in dev environment but not very useful in production.

**#23 - 2013-05-03 20:01 - Tulio Goncalves**

I had the same problem but I discovered that the svn's ssl certificate was expired. I created another one and executed the svn list command as the user that executes Thin server to accept the certificate permanently. Everything is OK now! :)

**#24 - 2017-07-03 14:10 - Aleksandar Pavic**

I absolutely agree with this:

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Same error occurs if your svn is not visible thru DNS, my DNS was public instead of private...

Trap SVN/repo problems and display error message to user.