

## Redmine - Feature #2621

### Errors when editing an issue that was just edited - StaleObjectError

2009-01-29 23:36 - Eric Davis

<b>Status:</b>	Closed	<b>Start date:</b>	2009-01-29
<b>Priority:</b>	Normal	<b>Due date:</b>	
<b>Assignee:</b>		<b>% Done:</b>	0%
<b>Category:</b>	Issues	<b>Estimated time:</b>	0.00 hour
<b>Target version:</b>			
<b>Resolution:</b>	Duplicate		
<b>Description</b>			
<b>What should happen</b>			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. User A opens issue <a href="#">#100</a> and starts to update it with content and files</li><li>2. User B opens issues <a href="#">#100</a>, changes the status, and saves</li><li>3. User A submits the form</li><li>4. Images are uploaded</li><li>5. Redmine finds User A's data was stale</li><li>6. Redmine redirect User A to the edit form with the data User A has seen but without a stale lock</li><li>7. Redmine displays User A's comment and time entry data properly in the form</li><li>8. Redmine displays an Error message saying the data was updated by another user</li><li>9. User A checks the form and resubmits</li><li>10. Redmine saves User A's data</li></ol>			
<b>Bugs</b>			
8. The error should say which data was updated. Since User B changed the Status it should say "Status was changed to XYZ"			
9. Re-submitting the form fails because Redmine is using the stale lock and not a fresh one. Since the lock is never renewed, the user will be unable to submit the form successfully.			
<b>I have working code and will integrate it once it's been tested and cleaned up</b>			
<b>Related issues:</b>			
Related to Redmine - Defect #3846: issue edit accepts attachment even if the ...		<b>Closed</b>	<b>2009-09-10</b>

#### History

##### #1 - 2009-01-31 11:04 - Jean-Philippe Lang

Re-submitting the form fails because Redmine is using the stale lock and not a fresh one.

It prevents user B from overwriting user A's changes by simply re-submitting the form. Surely, it's a poor design but it's not a defect.

##### #2 - 2009-01-31 11:04 - Jean-Philippe Lang

- Tracker changed from Defect to Feature

##### #3 - 2009-02-03 01:00 - Eric Davis

Jean-Philippe Lang wrote:

It prevents user B from overwriting user A's changes by simply re-submitting the form. Surely, it's a poor design but it's not a defect.

It puts the user into a position where they either lose their data or have to copy and paste it all into a new browser tab, hence the defect. If you look the form when there is a conflict, there is a hidden field for lock\_version that is the stale lock. So at that point, the user cannot ever submit the form, even if they reconcile the differences. If the error is going to be handled by displaying a form, then the form should be functional.

#4 - 2009-12-09 01:16 - Eric Davis

- File stale-error-messages.png added
- Target version set to 0.9.0
- % Done changed from 50 to 0

I've attached a patch to fix thi, I've ran into it many times and every time I lose data. This patch fixes several things and makes the user interface more friendly (I hope):

- When a conflict occurs, the user can submit their change
- The conflicting fields are shown to the user (in Red)
- File attachments that failed are saved and re-associated (this reverts the fix in [r2875](#) / [#3846](#). If the user just spent a bunch of time to upload a large file, deleting it could make them unhappy).

I'm ready to commit this fix if it looks good.

Here's a screenshot of what the user would see if a conflict occurred.

The screenshot shows a web interface for a bug report. At the top is a navigation bar with tabs: Overview, Activity, Roadmap, Issues (selected), New issue, News, Documents, Wiki, Files, Settings. Below the navigation bar is a red warning box with a red 'X' icon and the text "Data has been updated by another user." followed by a bulleted list of changes: Start changed to 2009-12-14, Estimated time changed to none, Priority changed to Medium, Target version changed to none, % Done changed to 60, Assigned to changed to Brain Gerhold, Due date changed to 2009-12-16, and Status changed to Selected. Below the warning box is the title "Bug #444". Underneath is a "Change properties (More)" section with form fields for Status (Approved), Priority (Low), Assigned to (A New Contact), Target version (Parent Version 1), Start, Due date, Estimated time (5.0 Hours), and % Done (10%). Below that is a "Log time" section with Spent time (2.0 Hours), Activity (Design), and a Comment field containing "Time logged". The "Notes" section has a rich text editor with a toolbar and the text "a conflict". At the bottom is a yellow warning box with a triangle icon and the text "File 'recent-status-changes.png' was saved. To permanently save it with a note, please submit this form." Below the warning box is a "Files" section with a "Browse..." button and a text input field, with the text "Add another file (Maximum size: 5 MB)" below it.

**#5 - 2009-12-09 01:18 - Eric Davis**

- File 0001-Handle-the-StateObjectError-when-two-users-edit-the-.patch added

**#6 - 2009-12-09 01:24 - Robert Chady**

It does not appear to list any journal entries that accompany the updates. Could you include the journal entries that go with the changes so the user has all the information available to them?

**#7 - 2009-12-23 21:08 - Jean-Philippe Lang**

- Target version changed from 0.9.0 to 1.0.0 (RC)

I prefer that we take some time before this gets added to a stable branch. And it's a bit late for 0.9.

**#8 - 2010-06-19 20:53 - Alexey Palazhchenko**

Part of BugMash 1.0...

**#9 - 2010-06-30 03:04 - Eric Davis**

- Priority changed from High to Normal

- Target version changed from 1.0.0 (RC) to 1.1.0

Pushing to a later release. If I can get me some more feedback on the UI I can update the patch.

**#10 - 2010-10-25 17:04 - Eric Davis**

- Assignee deleted (Eric Davis)

**#11 - 2010-12-18 14:48 - Jean-Philippe Lang**

- Target version changed from 1.1.0 to Unplanned backlogs

1.1 feature freeze.

**#12 - 2011-04-14 11:56 - Etienne Massip**

- Target version changed from Unplanned backlogs to Candidate for next major release

**#13 - 2012-02-04 18:58 - Jean-Philippe Lang**

- Status changed from 7 to Closed

- Target version deleted (Candidate for next major release)

- Resolution set to Duplicate

Superseded by [#8691](#) which is fixed for 1.4.0.

**Files**

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stale-error-messages.png	56.8 KB	2009-12-09	Eric Davis
0001-Handle-the-StateObjectError-when-two-users-edit-the-.patch	12 KB	2009-12-09	Eric Davis