# Redmine - Defect #29259

# Attachment preview does not work for some source files such as JavaScript and Go

2018-07-22 20:16 - Stephan Wenzel

Status: Closed Start date: **Priority:** Normal Due date: Go MAEDA % Done: Assignee: 0% **Estimated time:** 0.00 hour Category: Attachments Target version: 4.0.4 Resolution: Fixed Affected version:

## Description

Redmine **squanders** the capabilities of CodeRay for previewing code files in Redmine's preview pane. A very prominent squandering is the negligence of **javascript** files, for which Redmine only shows that no preview is available.

AttachmentsController#show method only tests: @attachment.is\_text? - The function Attachment::is\_text? only relies on Redmine::MimeType.is\_type?('text', filename). The mime type of javascript, however, is "application/javascript". Here Redmine misses what CodeRay can do.

I propose the following patches:

Add function 'is\_code?' to Attachment.rb

```
def is_code?
   ::CodeRay::FileType[filename].present?
end
```

# Patch AttachmentsController.rb (Redmine 3.4.6)

```
- elsif @attachment.is_text? && @attachment.filesize <= Setting.file_max_size_displayed.to_i.kilob
yte
+ elsif (@attachment.is_text? || @atachments.is_code?) && @attachment.filesize <= Setting.file_max
_size_displayed.to_i.kilobyte</pre>
```

These two patches add previews for cfc, cfm, clj, cpp, cu, cxx, c++, C, dpr, gemspec, go, groovy, gvy, haml, hpp, h++, html.erb, js, lua, mab, pas, phtml, prawn, py3, pyw, raydebug, rjs, rpdf, ru, rxml, sass, taskpaper, template, tmproj, xaml

I have provided a plugin that applies these patches as a proof of concept:

[[https://www.redmine.org/plugins/redmine\_more\_code]]

#### Related issues:

Related to Redmine - Feature #24681: Syntax highlighter: replace CodeRay with... Closed

Blocked by Redmine - Defect #31285: Syntax highlighting does not work for att... Closed

#### **Associated revisions**

# Revision 18122 - 2019-05-04 11:32 - Go MAEDA

Attachment preview does not work for some source files such as JavaScript and Go (#29259).

Patch by Go MAEDA with the help of Stephan Wenzel's contribution.

## Revision 18123 - 2019-05-04 12:26 - Go MAEDA

Merged r18122 from trunk to 4.0-stable (#29259).

# History

#### #1 - 2018-07-22 20:24 - Stephan Wenzel

Difference between is\_text? based on Redmine::MimeType and proposed is\_code? based on CodeRay::FileType

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# #2 - 2018-07-23 02:44 - Go MAEDA

Thank you for reporting this issue.

I think the following code can detect more kinds of text files. Redmine already uses mimemagic gem (source:tags/3,4.6/lib/redmine/thumbnail.rb#L33).

# #3 - 2018-07-23 02:57 - Go MAEDA

The is\_text? method should be called last for performance reason.

```
Index: app/models/attachment.rb
```

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```
--- app/models/attachment.rb (revision 17452)
+++ app/models/attachment.rb (working copy)

@@ -235,7 +235,8 @@
end

def is_text?

Redmine::MimeType.is_type?('text', filename)
+ Redmine::MimeType.is_type?('text', filename) ||

File.open(diskfile) {|f| MimeMagic.by_magic(f).try(:text?)} rescue false end

def is_image?

@@ -259,7 +260,7 @@
end

def previewable?

is_text? || is_image? || is_video? || is_audio?
+ is_image? || is_video? || is_text?
end

# Returns true if the file is readable
```

## #4 - 2018-07-23 05:49 - Go MAEDA

- Category set to Attachments
- Target version set to Candidate for next major release

#### #5 - 2018-07-28 09:29 - Go MAEDA

- Target version changed from Candidate for next major release to 4.1.0

### #6 - 2018-08-05 09:30 - Go MAEDA

- File allow-preview-for-any-text-files.diff added

Updated the patch.

- Changed not to use MimeMagic gem
- · Added a test.

## #7 - 2018-08-05 09:31 - Go MAEDA

- File deleted (allow-preview-for-any-text-files.diff)

### #8 - 2018-08-05 09:31 - Go MAEDA

- File allow-preview-for-any-text-files.diff added

# #9 - 2018-08-10 10:06 - Go MAEDA

- File allow-preview-for-any-text-files-v2.diff added

Updated the patch. Simplified Attachment#is\_text?.

# #10 - 2018-08-10 12:49 - Marius BĂLTEANU

Go MAEDA wrote:

Updated the patch. Simplified Attachment#is\_text?.

Go Maeda, the patch contains some undesired changes.

### #11 - 2018-08-10 23:21 - Pavel Rosický

```
! Redmine::Utils.binary?(File.read(diskfile, 4096)) rescue false
```

#### see

http://blog.honeybadger.io/benchmarking-exceptions-in-ruby-yep-theyre-slow/https://robots.thoughtbot.com/don-t-inline-rescue-in-ruby

IMO text-type detection should be evaluated by mime only, reading the content this way is just guessing.

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## #12 - 2018-08-11 00:24 - Stephan Wenzel

Why not stick with a function "is code?" as I already proposed?

A negative test of a file on it's binary property may be a too powerful "catch all". A "catch all" based on it's non-binary character may raise questions how f.i. an ".html"-file should be treated in the preview pane - it (the html-file) has a non binary character (thus, is "text") but a non-textual representation may be appropriate. The same is true for non-binary .pdf or .svg files. Just because a file's content is not binary, does not necessarily mean that a text-representation is most appropriate.

The example "is\_code?" function based on CodeRay, which does the preview coloring of code, would leave other plugins room for further previewers for files in text form, for which a non-textual representation is appropriate.

I propose to always leave the mime test to the respective previewer, else there will always be a mismatch.

Eventually, it might be useful to implement a hook in the format block of attachments\_controller#show method, that allows an easy integration for highly specialised previewers.

#### #13 - 2018-09-20 01:31 - Go MAEDA

- Related to Feature #24681: Syntax highlighter: replace CodeRay with Rouge added

### #14 - 2018-09-30 06:01 - Go MAEDA

- Target version changed from 4.1.0 to Candidate for next major release

Since we have moved from CodeRay to Rouge, we cannot use the proposed is\_code method.

#### #15 - 2019-05-02 08:39 - Go MAEDA

- File 0002-Attachment-preview-does-not-support-source-code-in-s.patch added

I completely rewrote the patch to support the new syntax highlighter Rouge introduced in Redmine 4.0. The patch has to be applied after the patch attached to #31285.

After applying the patch, files supported by the syntax highlighter are treated as text.

### #16 - 2019-05-02 08:39 - Go MAEDA

- Blocked by Defect #31285: Syntax highlighting does not work for attachments with .pl extension added

### #17 - 2019-05-03 09:56 - Go MAEDA

- Tracker changed from Patch to Defect
- Subject changed from Attachments Controller squanders CodeRay's capabilities to Attachment preview does not support source code in some languages
- Target version changed from Candidate for next major release to 4.0.4

Setting the target version to 4.0.4.

## #18 - 2019-05-04 11:32 - Go MAEDA

- Subject changed from Attachment preview does not support source code in some languages to Attachment preview does not work for some source files such as JavaScript and Go
- Status changed from New to Resolved
- Assignee set to Go MAEDA
- Resolution set to Fixed

Committed the fix.

#### #19 - 2019-05-04 12:29 - Go MAEDA

- Status changed from Resolved to Closed

## **Files**

allow-preview-for-any-text-files.diff	2.54 KB	2018-08-05	Go MAEDA
allow-preview-for-any-text-files-v2.diff	5.38 KB	2018-08-10	Go MAEDA
0002-Attachment-preview-does-not-support-source-code-in-s.patch	4.02 KB	2019-05-02	Go MAEDA

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