

Bugs & Wish list

Detect empty page names and permit to delete or rename | Tiki Wiki CMS Groupware :: Development

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Status

🟡 Pending

Subject

Detect empty page names and permit to delete or rename

Version

9.x

10.x

Category

- Error

Feature

Wiki (page view, edit, history, rename, etc)

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Rating

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Description

There is weird bug that sometime permits to create a page with no name. This has been in Tiki for several versions. Since the page has no name, it's not possible to delete from tiki-listpages.php

We have seen is here: <http://profiles.tiki.org> and it broked the profiles for several days.

Ref: http://irc.tiki.org/irclogger_log/tikiwiki?date=2012-10-01,Mon&sel=379#I375

@Mani: you should use a copy of doc.tiki.org to see a real example.

Importance

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Easy to solve?

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Priority

30

Demonstrate Bug (Tiki 19+)

Please demonstrate your bug on show2.tikiwiki.org

Version: trunk ▼ [Create show2.tikiwiki.org instance](#)

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Comments



Marc Laporte 10 Oct 12 13:39 GMT-0000

<http://demo.tiki.org/9x/tiki-admin.php?profile=&categories%5B%5D=SVx&categories%5B%5D=Featured+profiles&repository=http%3a%2f%2fprofiles.tiki.org%2fprofiles&page=profiles&preloadlist=y&list=List#step2>



Nelson Ko 24 Nov 13 17:30 GMT-0000

Mani,

Can you check in the database dump tiki_pages for phantom pages and show the issue here? We'd like to think of a way to code a way for the system to "self heal" if possible.



manivannans 27 Nov 13 12:18 GMT-0000

Hi Nelson,

Actually this is the space issue. we can edit page like <https://doc.tiki.org/tiki-editpage.php?page=++>. I tried this pagename(++) to view, but spaces are not allowed in tiki-index.php. also I checked this on DB, it contains empty field. we can trim space from pagename at the time of creation or otherwise we can process(edit, rename, delete) based on page_id.



Nelson Ko 28 Nov 13 01:13 GMT-0000

I have removed the page by going to https://doc.tiki.org/tiki-rename_page.php?page=++ and renaming the page to broken and then removing it.

I suggest we do nothing else. I am not sure what kind of self healing is possible. The page looked like a default home page so it probably is due to past bug on system creating home page.



Marc Laporte 29 Nov 13 00:21 GMT-0000

This bug has caused issues in the data of plenty of Tikis.

Doing nothing causes support issues and frustration by members of the community. It gives them an impression that this thing is not stable. We know that this is harmless, but how are they supposed to resolve?



Arild Berg 29 Nov 13 10:25 GMT-0000

The table definition allows for empty strings. Maybe that should be changed, so a non-empty string is required?

Current definition...

```
CREATE TABLE `tiki_pages` (  
  `page_id` int(14) NOT NULL auto_increment,  
  `pageName` varchar(160) NOT NULL default "",  
  ...
```

See also

<http://stackoverflow.com/questions/15093893/an-attempt-to-update-a-not-null-var-char-field-sets-the-field-to-an-empty-string>

An update script is probably required.

Attachments

filename	created	hits	comment	version	filetype
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No attachments for this item

The original document is available at

<https://dev.tiki.org/item4301-Detect-empty-page-names-and-permit-to-delete-or-rename>

Show PHP error messages