

Redmine - Defect #6271

Too many tabs on project views

2010-09-02 12:35 - Jean-Baptiste Barth

Status:	Closed	Start date:	
Priority:	Normal	Due date:	
Assignee:	Jean-Philippe Lang	% Done:	0%
Category:	UI	Estimated time:	0.00 hour
Target version:		Affected version:	
Resolution:	Wont fix		
Description r4013 (#6153) added new modules for Gantt and Calendar views, which is a good thing in my opinion. But now we have 14 tabs if we activate every modules for a project, which is far too much. It forces user to scroll horizontally for horizontal resolutions less than 1024px. Plus for Calendar and Gantt cases, there are already links in Issues' sidebar. It makes UI a bit messy / confusing. Any idea to improve that ?			

Associated revisions

Revision 4381 - 2010-11-07 13:53 - Jean-Philippe Lang

Removed gantt and calendar menu items that do not fit into the core project menu ([#6271](#)).

History

#1 - 2010-09-05 23:34 - Eric Davis

I (and a few of my clients) have created themes where project modules are on the side with a vertical menu. I think this is the best option because web users are familiar with vertical navigation menus and the menus would all have a set height (instead of a variable width like now).

#2 - 2010-09-05 23:57 - Jean-Baptiste Barth

Maybe "New issue" could disappear (see [#6204](#)). And Docs + Files should be merged. I don't know if we need to do something before 1.1, but I don't like having so many tabs in current trunk, and I suspect others to agree.

That said, I really really loved previews of Shane&Peter theme, with vertical left menu. Are you/they still working on it ? How & where does it display sidebar ?

#3 - 2010-09-06 00:33 - Eric Davis

Jean-Baptiste Barth wrote:

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It's done (with some minor tweaks over time). It's using CSS and a custom menu generator but nothing too complex.

#4 - 2010-10-11 13:22 - Jean-Baptiste Barth

- Status changed from New to Closed

- Resolution set to Duplicate

Closing this one in favor of [#6624](#), where we could discuss related UI problems.

#5 - 2010-11-07 13:47 - Jean-Philippe Lang

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#6 - 2010-11-07 18:19 - Eric Davis

- Status changed from Closed to Reopened

- Assignee set to Jean-Philippe Lang

Jean-Philippe Lang wrote:

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#7 - 2010-11-07 19:56 - Jean-Philippe Lang

- Status changed from Reopened to Closed

Eric Davis wrote:

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If these tabs are really needed, the menu should have been fixed before adding them. Nobody requested them here for now so I think that a plugin to add them is a fair solution.

#8 - 2010-11-07 20:11 - Felix Schäfer

Okay, if you want people to chime in...

Eric Davis wrote:

Having Calendar and Gantt buried inside the Issues module is wrong.

I agree that the place they are currently at (in the issue list) is cumbersome at best, unintuitive at worst. Why not put the Roadmap with them in the issue list then? I'd like to keep Gantt and calendar in the core menu too.

#9 - 2010-11-07 20:36 - Jean-Philippe Lang

Felix, I'm not saying that the gantt and calendar tabs are useless or not.

The problem here (read the ticket subject) is that the current menu can not hold so many items. A user with all permissions and an average screen can not even see the settings tab.

So, let's fix the menu first and add the tabs back if needed. This is not a quick fix and we should define how the new menu should look like before changing anything.

#10 - 2010-11-07 21:34 - Eric Davis

Forget it, I'll just keep my vertical menu code private. I've already had to fork/patch some of Redmine's code due to disagreements in the features and UI, this will just be another one.

Felix: You might want to give the heads up in the forums about this change. The Gantt and Calendar tabs are present in 1.0.2 and 1.0.3 (stable) so this is going to confuse people if 1.0.4 suddenly loses them.

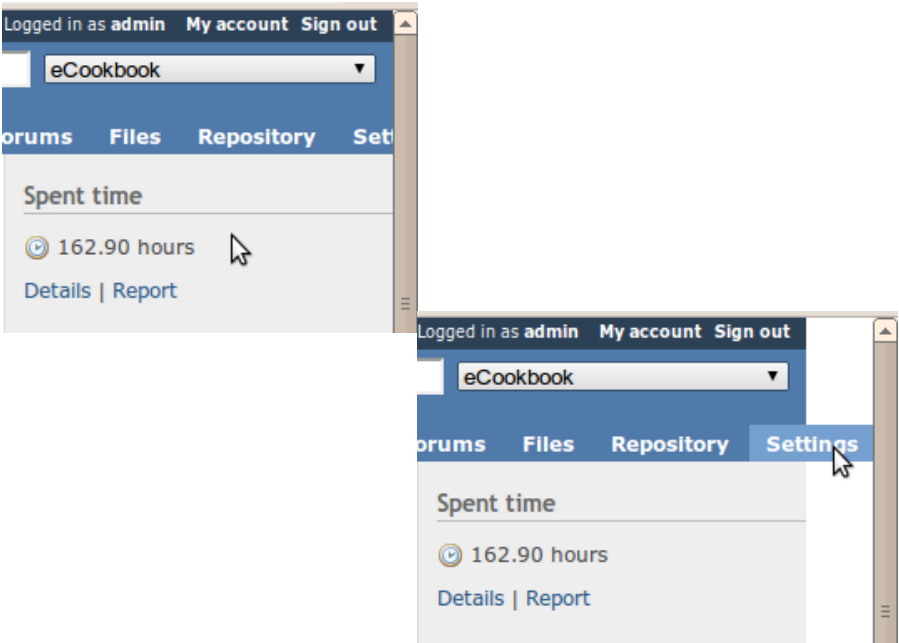
#11 - 2010-11-07 22:05 - Jean-Baptiste Barth

- File 6271_1.png added

- File 6271_2.png added

[Eric Hulser](#): other people may actually have a plugin just to deal with the introduction of these two tabs, hehe ;) A vertical menu would be a credible (if not great!) option imho. I'd really like to see you share it with the community.

Just to show you what kind of problem I wanted to point out, so that it becomes less abstract, here are two screenshots.



I think everybody's trying to make Redmine a better piece of software here, so keep being constructive everyone. This issue is no big deal at all, we just need to find a consensus decision on what to do before 1.1.

#12 - 2010-11-07 23:32 - Jean-Philippe Lang
- Resolution changed from Duplicate to Wont fix

Eric, I've reverted [r4381](#) so that it fits well with your private code.
Thanks for contributing to an open source software. I'll try to fix the core menu as soon as I can.

Files			
6271_1.png	14.1 KB	2010-11-07	Jean-Baptiste Barth
6271_2.png	14.8 KB	2010-11-07	Jean-Baptiste Barth