# Redmine - Defect #10772

# 4-byte utf-8 characters

2012-04-26 04:54 - Richard Lee

Status: Closed

Priority: Normal Due date:

Assignee:

Category: Database Estimated time: 0.00 hour

Target version:

Resolution: Duplicate Affected version:

# **Description**

My redmine version is 1.2.0

When I update the first name of my account, the internal error appear.

The error description below:

ActiveRecord::StatementInvalid in MyController#account

Mysql::Error: Incorrect string value: '\xF0\xA0\xAE\x9F' for column 'firstname' at row 1: UPDATE `users` SET `firstname` = '\[ \]

Start date:

% Done:

0%

## Related issues:

Related to Redmine - Defect #10776: One Japanese character can not be input~!

Related to Redmine - Defect #10779: redmine cannot deal with 4-byte utf-8 cha...

Related to Redmine - Feature #31921: Changes to properly support 4 byte chara...

Closed

Is duplicate of Redmine - Defect #18866: MySQL: disappear after 4-Byte UTF-8

Is duplicate of Redmine - Defect #20143: Mailhandler cannot handle 4-byte cha...

New

Has duplicate Redmine - Defect #34235: Losing data due to unsupported characters

Closed

### History

# #1 - 2012-04-26 11:01 - Etienne Massip

- Category set to Accounts / authentication

Could you please give more details according to SubmittingBugs?

# #2 - 2012-04-26 11:12 - Richard Lee

- Assignee set to Etienne Massip

The character '

### #3 - 2012-04-26 11:15 - Etienne Massip

- Status changed from New to Closed
- Assignee deleted (Etienne Massip)
- Resolution set to Invalid

# #4 - 2012-04-26 11:19 - Etienne Massip

- Status changed from Closed to New
- Resolution deleted (Invalid)

Sorry, there was a bug here, your post has been truncated.

Here is the content of the mail:

The character '<problematic character>' make redmine Internal Error

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The error description below:

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ActiveRecord::StatementInvalid in MyController#account

 $Mysql::Error:\ Incorrect\ string\ value:\ 'xF0xA0xAEx9F'\ for\ column\ 'firstname'\ at\ row\ 1:\ UPDATE\ `users'\ SET\ `firstname'\ =\ '\lambda Problematic' | Problemati$ 

character>', `updated on` = '2012-04-26 10:48:31' WHERE `id` = 1

C:/redmine/vendor/rails/activerecord/lib/active\_record/connection\_adapters/abstract\_adapter.rb:227:in `log'

C:/redmine/vendor/rails/activerecord/lib/active record/connection adapters/mysql adapter.rb:324:in `execute'

C:/redmine/vendor/rails/activerecord/lib/active\_record/connection\_adapters/abstract/database\_statements.rb:265:in `update\_sql'

C:/redmine/vendor/rails/activerecord/lib/active\_record/connection\_adapters/mysql\_adapter.rb:339:in `update\_sql'

C:/redmine/vendor/rails/activerecord/lib/active\_record/connection\_adapters/abstract/database\_statements.rb:49:in `update\_without\_query\_dirty'

C:/redmine/vendor/rails/activerecord/lib/active\_record/connection\_adapters/abstract/query\_cache.rb:19:in `update'

C:/redmine/vendor/rails/activerecord/lib/active\_record/base.rb:2936:in `update\_without\_lock'

C:/redmine/vendor/rails/activerecord/lib/active\_record/locking/optimistic.rb:81:in `update\_without\_dirty'

C:/redmine/vendor/rails/activerecord/lib/active\_record/dirty.rb:146:in `update\_without\_timestamps'

C:/redmine/vendor/rails/activerecord/lib/active\_record/timestamp.rb:64:in `update\_without\_callbacks'

C:/redmine/vendor/rails/activerecord/lib/active record/callbacks.rb:282:in `update'

C:/redmine/vendor/rails/activerecord/lib/active\_record/base.rb:2927:in `create\_or\_update\_without\_callbacks'

C:/redmine/vendor/rails/activerecord/lib/active\_record/callbacks.rb:250:in `create\_or\_update'

C:/redmine/vendor/rails/activerecord/lib/active\_record/base.rb:2577:in `save\_without\_validation'

C:/redmine/vendor/rails/activerecord/lib/active\_record/validations.rb:1090:in `save\_without\_dirty'

C:/redmine/vendor/rails/activerecord/lib/active\_record/dirty.rb:79:in `save\_without\_transactions'

C:/redmine/vendor/rails/activerecord/lib/active\_record/transactions.rb:229:in `send'

C:/redmine/vendor/rails/activerecord/lib/active record/transactions.rb:229:in `with transaction returning status'

C:/redmine/vendor/rails/activerecord/lib/active\_record/connection\_adapters/abstract/database\_statements.rb:136:in `transaction'

C:/redmine/vendor/rails/activerecord/lib/active\_record/transactions.rb:182:in `transaction'

C:/redmine/vendor/rails/activerecord/lib/active\_record/transactions.rb:228:in `with\_transaction\_returning\_status'

C:/redmine/vendor/rails/activerecord/lib/active record/transactions.rb:196:in `save'

C:/redmine/vendor/rails/activerecord/lib/active\_record/transactions.rb:208:in `rollback\_active\_record\_state!'

C:/redmine/vendor/rails/activerecord/lib/active\_record/transactions.rb:196:in `save'

C:/redmine/app/controllers/my controller.rb:60:in `account'

#### #5 - 2012-04-26 14:04 - Etienne Massip

- Subject changed from The character ' to The character '

Could you try with the mysql2 database adapter?

# #6 - 2012-04-26 15:12 - Etienne Massip

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# #7 - 2013-09-05 09:59 - Not Relevant

I encountered the same problem and wanted to let you know my findings. My test environment:

# Environment:

Redmine version

Ruby version

Rails version

Environment

Database adapter

2.3.1.stable

1.9.3 (i686-linux)

3.2.14

production

Mysql2

The underlying problem is the mysql database. Per default mysql databases and tables are utf8. But only up to 3 caracters:

Here is what the mysql manual states:

The character set named utf8 uses a maximum of three bytes per character and contains only BMP characters. As of MySQL 5.5.3, the utf8mb4 character set uses a maximum of four bytes per character supports supplemental characters:

To solve this issue you need to convert your database and tables to utf8mb4

```
ALTER DATABASE redmine_default CHARACTER SET = utf8mb4 COLLATE = utf8mb4_unicode_ci;
ALTER TABLE attachments
                                                 CONVERT TO CHARACTER SET utf8mb4 COLLATE utf8mb4_unicode_ci;
ALTER TABLE auth_sources
                                                 CONVERT TO CHARACTER SET utf8mb4 COLLATE utf8mb4_unicode_ci;
ALTER TABLE boards
                                                 CONVERT TO CHARACTER SET utf8mb4 COLLATE utf8mb4 unicode ci:
                                                 CONVERT TO CHARACTER SET utf8mb4 COLLATE utf8mb4_unicode_ci;
ALTER TABLE changes
                                                 CONVERT TO CHARACTER SET utf8mb4 COLLATE utf8mb4_unicode_ci;
ALTER TABLE changeset_parents
ALTER TABLE changesets
                                                 CONVERT TO CHARACTER SET utf8mb4 COLLATE utf8mb4_unicode_ci;
ALTER TABLE changesets_issues
                                                 CONVERT TO CHARACTER SET utf8mb4 COLLATE utf8mb4_unicode_ci;
ALTER TABLE comments
                                                 CONVERT TO CHARACTER SET utf8mb4 COLLATE utf8mb4_unicode_ci;
ALTER TABLE custom_fields
                                                 CONVERT TO CHARACTER SET utf8mb4 COLLATE utf8mb4_unicode_ci;
ALTER TABLE custom_fields_projects
                                                 CONVERT TO CHARACTER SET utf8mb4 COLLATE utf8mb4_unicode_ci;
ALTER TABLE custom_fields_trackers
                                                CONVERT TO CHARACTER SET utf8mb4 COLLATE utf8mb4_unicode_ci;
```

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# And change the database.yml accordingly

```
adapter: mysql2
database: redmine_default
host: localhost
port:
username: redmine_default
password: secret
encoding: utf8mb4
```

Worst part about this bug is: Everything after chars 4 bytes long will be truncated without warning. That's the reason for your "Sorry, there was a bug here, your post has been truncated."

Some sanity check should be done. Not sure if that's redmine or upstream.

And no, this has nothing to do with Account or i18n, it's a general problem.

#### #8 - 2013-09-21 12:30 - Toshi MARUYAMA

- Category changed from Accounts / authentication to Database

# #9 - 2015-06-22 05:46 - Toshi MARUYAMA

- Subject changed from The character ' to 4-byte utf-8 characters

#### #10 - 2015-06-22 05:48 - Toshi MARUYAMA

- Related to Patch #19742: RedmineInstall: MySQL: collation\_database added

#### #11 - 2015-06-22 05:49 - Toshi MARUYAMA

- Has duplicate Defect #18866: MySQL: disappear after 4-Byte UTF-8 added

## #12 - 2015-06-22 05:54 - Toshi MARUYAMA

- Related to deleted (Patch #19742: RedmineInstall: MySQL: collation database)

## #13 - 2015-06-22 06:03 - Toshi MARUYAMA

- Status changed from New to Closed
- Resolution set to Duplicate

I close this issue because description is Ruby 1.8 (Mysql, not Mysql2).

There are duplicate issues.

- lose 4-byte utf8 (#18866)
- Mailhandler raises exception (#20143)

# #14 - 2015-06-22 06:06 - Toshi MARUYAMA

- Has duplicate deleted (Defect #18866: MySQL: disappear after 4-Byte UTF-8)

## #15 - 2015-06-22 06:08 - Toshi MARUYAMA

- Is duplicate of Defect #18866: MySQL: disappear after 4-Byte UTF-8 added

## #16 - 2015-06-22 06:09 - Toshi MARUYAMA

- Is duplicate of Defect #20143: Mailhandler cannot handle 4-byte characters added

### #17 - 2017-12-18 13:40 - Jēkabs Jānis Kalniņš

Not Relevant wrote:

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[...]

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#### Thanks this worked for me #27803

```
ALTER TABLE issues CONVERT TO CHARACTER SET utf8mb4 COLLATE utf8mb4_unicode_ci ALTER TABLE journals CONVERT TO CHARACTER SET utf8mb4 COLLATE utf8mb4_unicode_ci ALTER TABLE wiki_contents CONVERT TO CHARACTER SET utf8mb4 COLLATE utf8mb4_unicode_ci
```

In config/database.yml encoding: utf8

encoding: utf8mb4

#### #18 - 2019-08-17 18:32 - Marius BĂLTEANU

- Related to Feature #31921: Changes to properly support 4 byte characters (emoji) when database is MySQL added

## #19 - 2021-01-25 00:29 - Marius BĂLTEANU

- Related to Defect #34235: Losing data due to unsupported characters added

## #20 - 2021-01-25 00:30 - Marius BĂLTEANU

- Related to deleted (Defect #34235: Losing data due to unsupported characters)

# #21 - 2021-01-25 00:32 - Marius BĂLTEANU

- Has duplicate Defect #34235: Losing data due to unsupported characters added

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