

## Redmine - Defect #8541

### Upgrade instructions confusing

2011-06-06 14:04 - Dave Abrahams

<b>Status:</b>	Closed	<b>Start date:</b>	2011-06-06
<b>Priority:</b>	Normal	<b>Due date:</b>	
<b>Assignee:</b>		<b>% Done:</b>	0%
<b>Category:</b>	Documentation	<b>Estimated time:</b>	0.00 hour
<b>Target version:</b>		<b>Affected version:</b>	
<b>Resolution:</b>	Fixed		

**Description**

Step 5 says "copy the folders of your installed plugins..." but it doesn't tell me where to find them

Step 6 says "Run the following command from your Redmine root directory"

Is that the **new** installation's root directory, or the old one's?

Step 7 says "check for any themes that you may have installed in the "public/themes" directory. You can copy them over but checking for updated version is ideal."

But it doesn't tell me how to check for an updated version. Imagine I didn't create this installation, or I created it 2 years ago just to get a job done and haven't touched it since, and am now tasked with upgrading it. These instructions assume a great deal of background knowledge I don't have or may have lost.

#### History

##### #1 - 2011-06-06 14:06 - Dave Abrahams

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An automated upgrade procedure would be most welcome!

##### #2 - 2011-06-07 14:03 - Tom Rochette

See the changes done by Etienne Massip @ <http://www.redmine.org/projects/redmine/wiki/RedmineUpgrade>.

##### #3 - 2011-06-10 10:45 - Etienne Massip

- Resolution set to Fixed

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BTW, I made the other changes you reported so I can close the issue, thanks for reporting.

##### #4 - 2011-06-10 10:45 - Etienne Massip

- Status changed from New to Closed

##### #5 - 2011-06-10 13:10 - Dave Abrahams

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Sorry, of course I meant the last step just before migration operations modify the DB. As I was trying to work through everything I had to do I became increasingly conscious of the long delay between my backup and the first operation that could have modified the DB.