


Maintaining Open Source

or how I learned to stop worrying
and love dealing with grumpy
people

Hi, I'm Nick

Investment Time

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A Rails engine that helps you put together a super-flexible admin dashboard. <http://administrate-prototype.herokuapp.com>

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nickcharlton Add an app.json for Heroku. ...

Latest commit 2c54226 on 10 Aug

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A Ruby library for testing your library against different versions of dependencies. <https://thoughtbot.com/open-source>

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 257 commits

 8 branches

 25 releases

 46 contributors

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nickcharlton Allow passing through of the full-index option. (#137)




Latest commit 5d1edf6 on 15 Mar

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Switch to sassc-rails. #1197

Edit

Open nickcharlton wants to merge 1 commit into master from nc-switch-to-sassc

Conversation7Commits1Checks0Files changed4+17-17



nickcharlton commented on 6 Aug


Member

Ruby Sass will reach end of life on 26th March 2019. This switches to sassc-rails and drops the appraisal for Sass 3.4.

Currently, sassc-rails still has sass as a dependency hence this is still included in the Gemfile.lock .

See: rails/sass-rails#420


Fixes #1196.



nickcharlton referenced this pull request on 6 Aug

Ruby Sass is deprecated and will be unmaintained as of 26 March 2019. #1196

Open



krzysiek1507 commented on 7 Aug • edited

Contributor

Unfortunately, it breaks heroku builds with error:

```
Installing sassc 1.12.1 with native
Gem::Ext::BuildError: ERROR: Failed to build gem native extension.
```

Reviewers

Suggestions

graysonwrightRequest

danbeeRequest

Assignees

No one—assign yourself

Labels

None yet

Projects

None yet

Milestone

No milestone

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From 13c6409b6977a681aae45d784c2e835b06701c1b Mon Sep 17 00:00:00 2001
From: Nick Charlton <nick@nickcharlton.net>
Date: Mon, 6 Aug 2018 19:16:01 +0100
Subject: [PATCH 1/5] Return a 404 when docs pages are not found. (#1177)

Safari, at least, always tries to load a `apple-touch-icon.png` which
`DocumentationController` tries to find and render as markdown. This
leads to the prototype app having a lot of odd errors.

```
.../app/controllers/docs_controller.rb      | 27 ++++++++-----  
spec/features/documentation_spec.rb         |  6 +++++  
2 files changed, 28 insertions(+), 5 deletions(-)
```

```
diff --git a/spec/example_app/app/controllers/docs_controller.rb  
b/spec/example_app/app/controllers/docs_controller.rb  
index 820abc8..dece841 100644  
--- a/spec/example_app/app/controllers/docs_controller.rb  
+++ b/spec/example_app/app/controllers/docs_controller.rb  
@@ -5,19 +5,36 @@ class DocsController < ApplicationController  
    }.freeze
```






Taking over
maintaining a project

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Looking at project
health

users/contributors

feel welcome to open issues

have their PRs reviewed in a friendly and timely manner

a regular release cadence

maintainers

people contributing changes

people chipping in with other open issues

few regressions



the rebels, the troublemakers,
the round pegs in the square holes.
The ones who see things differently.
They're not fond of rules. And they
have no respect for the status quo.
You can quote them, disagree with
them, glorify or vilify them. About
the only thing you can't do is ignore
them. Because they change us.



Painful things with
maintaining projects



Daniel Stenberg ✓

@bagder

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One of the silicon valley multi-billion dollar companies started donating monthly to curl.
44 USD/month.

Imagine sitting in the meeting where they came to the conclusion that this amount seems about right.

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Expectations



Unseen Infrastructure

Unseen Infrastructure

Joyful things with
maintaining projects



Chris Oliver

@excid3

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The most valuable part of [#opensource](#) is that you aren't stuck when a library doesn't work or support a feature you need.

Patched [@thoughtbot](#) Administrate gem to support [#Rails](#) 5.0+ attributes api.
[github.com/thoughtbot/adm...](https://github.com/thoughtbot/administrate)

You can fix bugs _and_ make the world a better place!

How to make things
better

Issue Templates



Bug Report

Did something not work as expected?

Get started



Feature Request

Want us to add something to parcel?

Get started



Question

Have any questions regarding how parcel works?

Get started



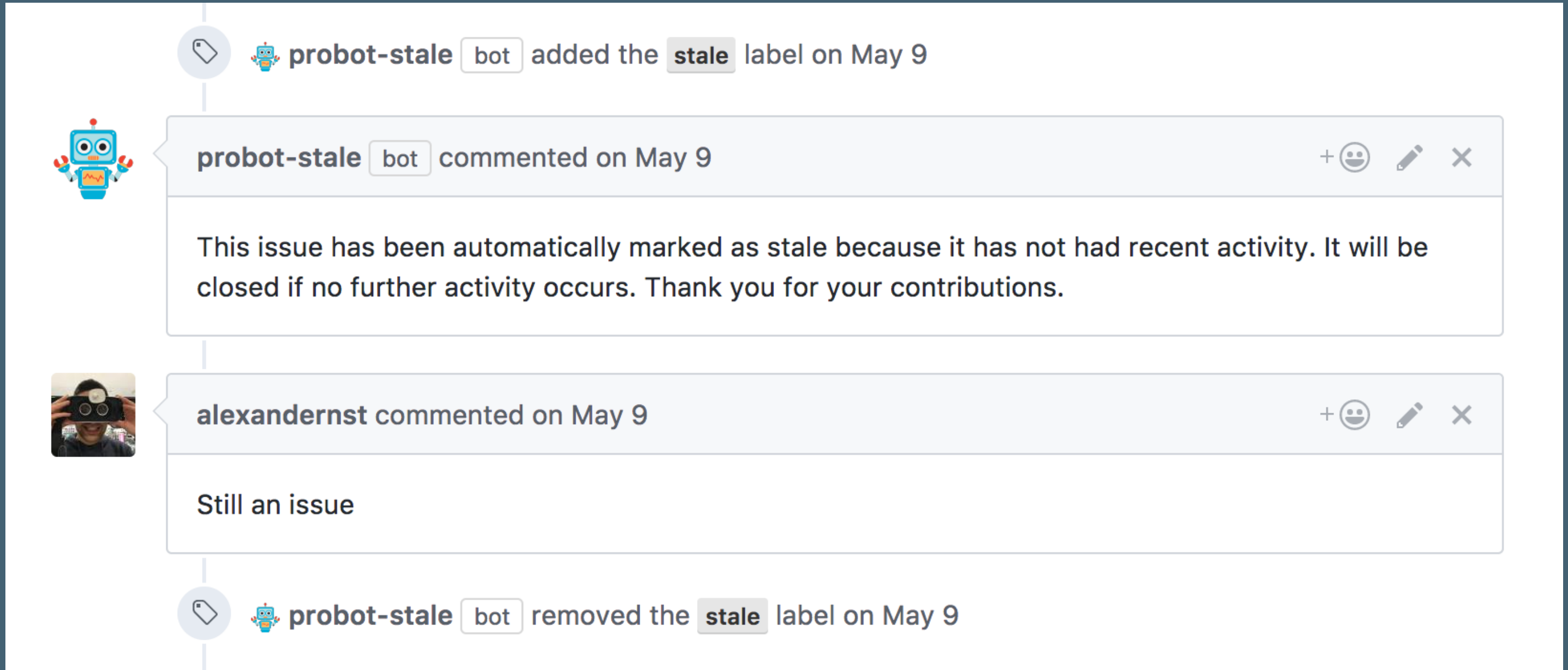
Request For Comment (RFC)

Feature discussion


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Probot & GitHub Actions




This image shows a vertical timeline of GitHub issue activity. At the top, a tag icon indicates a label was added. Below this, a comment from the 'probot-stale' bot explains that the issue is marked as stale due to lack of activity and will be closed if no further activity occurs. This is followed by a comment from user 'alexandernst' stating 'Still an issue'. At the bottom, another tag icon indicates the 'stale' label was removed.


 **probot-stale** bot added the **stale** label on May 9

 **probot-stale** bot commented on May 9

This issue has been automatically marked as stale because it has not had recent activity. It will be closed if no further activity occurs. Thank you for your contributions.

 **alexandernst** commented on May 9

Still an issue

 **probot-stale** bot removed the **stale** label on May 9

Make it easier to run

Always be closing



Solomon Hykes

@solomonstre

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- >> [Ford Foundation Report: Roads and Bridges: The Unseen Labor Behind Our Digital Infrastructure](#)
- >> [Jessie Frazelle: The Art of Closing](#)
- >> [Mike McQuaid: Open Source Maintainers Owe You Nothing](#)
- >> [Mike McQuaid: Robot Pedantry, Human Empathy](#)
- >> [Mike McQuaid: How To \(Not\) Fail At Using Open Source Software In Your Organisation](#)

Tools

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- >> [GitHub: Issue Templates](#)
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Any questions?

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