Maintaining Open Source

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

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Investment Days

thoughtbot / **administrate**

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A Rails engine that helps you put together a super-flexible admin dashboard.   http://administrate-prototype.herokua...   Edit

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ⓡ **637** commits   ⑂ **15** branches   🏷 **18** releases   👥 **144** contributors   ⚖ **MIT**

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nickcharlton Add an app.json for Heroku. ⋯   Latest commit 2c54226 on 10 Aug

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ⓣ **1,676** commits   ⑂ **36** branches   🏷 **36** releases   👥 **204** contributors   ⚖ **MIT**

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👤 **guialbuk** Create Appraisal and TravisCI config for Rails 5.2   Latest commit 34f7732 6 days ago

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

ruby | thoughtbot | appraisal | rubygems | testing | gemfile | **Manage topics**

🕐 **257** commits | ⑂ **8** branches | 🏷 **25** releases | 👥 **46** contributors | ⚖ **MIT**

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nickcharlton Allow passing through of the full-index option. (#137) ⋯ | Latest commit 5d1edf6 on 15 Mar

A Brief History of Open Source

GitHub, Inc. github.com/thoughtbot/administrate/pull/1197

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Switch to sassc-rails. #1197

Edit

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

☰ Conversation 7   Commits 1   ⌗ Checks 0   ▤ Files changed 4

+17 −17 ▮▮▮▮

nickcharlton commented on 6 Aug   Member   + 😊   ⋯

Ruby Sass will reach end of life on 26th Match 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

🖼 graysonwright   Request

🖼 danbee   Request

Assignees   ⚙

No one—assign yourself

Labels   ⚙

None yet

Projects   ⚙

None yet

Milestone   ⚙

No milestone

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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	maintainers
feel welcome to open issues	people contributing changes
have their PRs reviewed in a friendly and timely manner	people chipping in with other open issues
a regular release cadence	few regressions
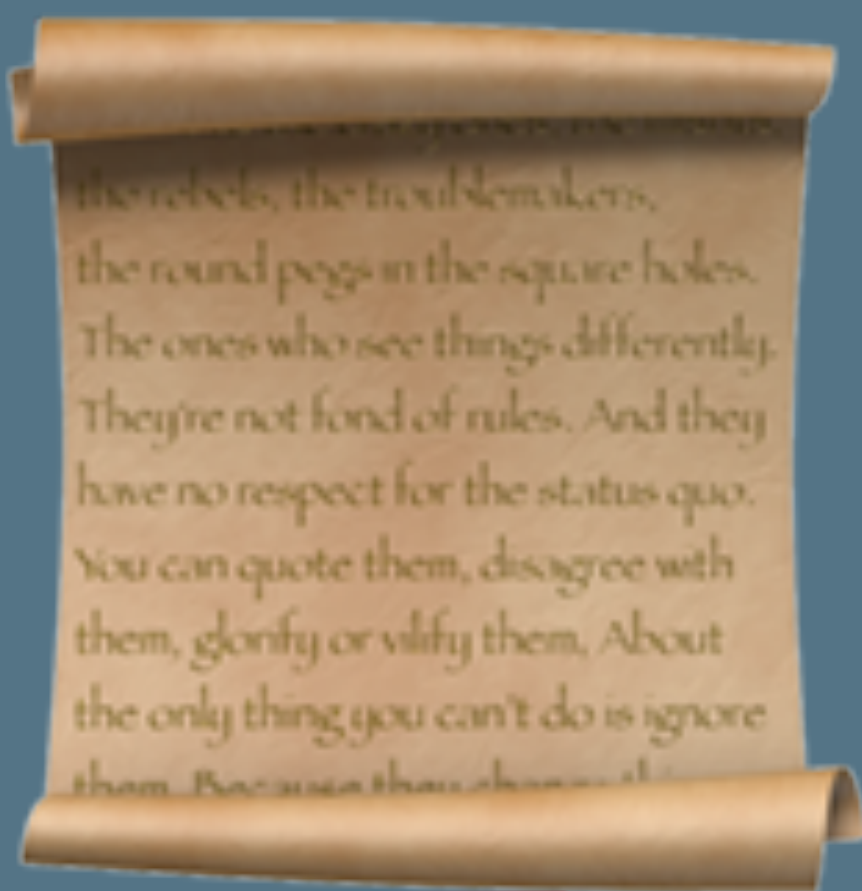
Painful things with maintaining projects

Expectations

Then, don't get your hopes up! Unless you have a "Code Red, Mission Critical, the World is Coming to an End" kind of bug, you're creating this issue report in the hope that others with the same problem will be able to collaborate with you on solving it. Do not expect that the issue report will automatically see any activity or that others will jump to fix it. Creating an issue like this is mostly to help yourself start on the path of fixing the problem and for others to confirm it with an "I'm having this problem too" comment. – Rails contribution guide.

Unseen Infrastructure

Joyful things with maintaining projects

Chris Oliver
@excid3

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…

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

How to make things better

Octobox

Issue Templates

Probot

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

Rule #1 of open-source: no is temporary, yes is forever.

1:38 pm - 30 Mar 2016

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https://twitter.com/solomonstre/status/715277134978113536

Building Communities

Funding Open Source

The Community Compact

License Zero

Open Source Core

Alternative Models

Resources

» Nadia Eghbal: Methodologies for measuring project health

» 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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