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## Problem with HTML entities in Web Address?

Posted by revertm - 2008/08/01 20:00

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Hi!

I'm trying to run a process in a Joomla component with JCron.  
I've configured it to run like a web address, I've enabled the JCron y I've checked it with traffic on my home page.

The JCron seems to work well (Last Run Time changes according to my settings), but it seems to alter the ampersand in the URL. So, task executed with a wrong address, wich is the same on this case to a non execute of the correct task.

Example:

Command to Run

`http://localhost/joomla2/administrator/index2.php?option=com_file_index&task=index`

Last Run Log Text

`http://localhost/joomla2/administrator/index2.php?option=com_file_index&task=index`

How can I achieve to execute well this command?. Is it a bug or a problem with my configuration?

Regards

Martin

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## Re:Problem with HTML entities in Web Address?

Posted by admin - 2008/08/02 08:01

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As long as the command to run text is correct, the html output is simply an encoded html output, please check this function <http://www.php.net/manual/en/function.html-entity-decode.php> if you would like to alter the cron html output

Ovidiu

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## Re:Problem with HTML entities in Web Address?

Posted by revertm - 2008/08/03 15:36

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Hi Ovidiu, I figured out how to not process the output like HTML entities (instead of decoding as you suggest). Now the Web Address is ok, even in the LOG output, but the task in Joomla is not executed yet.

I've tested the Web Address in a Joomla Administrator session and it worked OK, but when configured in JCron doesn't work.

All the configuration in JCron seems to be working, except the execution of the task.

Any suggestions?

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## Re:Problem with HTML entities in Web Address?

Posted by admin - 2008/08/03 15:55

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Could you attach here a screenshot of your JCron job configuration, I presume `allow_url_fopen` variable is set to ON in your site `php.ini` configuration? You would need to do that in order for the Web address type to run

Ovidiu

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## Re:Problem with HTML entities in Web Address?

Posted by revertm - 2008/08/03 16:05

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Yes, allow\_url\_fopen is ON.

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## Re:Problem with HTML entities in Web Address?

Posted by revertm - 2008/08/03 16:09

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Here you are the image of my configuration. <http://www.joomlaplug.com/images/fbfiles/files/jcron.jpg>

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## Re:Problem with HTML entities in Web Address?

Posted by admin - 2008/08/03 16:28

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In order for the cron to run, you would need to first have activity on your site frontend, considering it's a localhost site, i am not sure how much activity you get there

Second, the link you provided there won't run without an authenticated admin session, it might work in your browser if you are logged as admin, but once you logout that link address won't execute any command

Hope it helps! Ovidiu

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## Re:Problem with HTML entities in Web Address?

Posted by revertm - 2008/08/03 16:56

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Hmmm, yes, I know about traffic, that's the reason because the cron is set to run every minute in order to test it periodic visit of myself on my home page (LOL).

About the second point, yes you are right, the link I provided is an Admin exclusive activity. So, to achieve this task from inside of Joomla you mean that I need to make public that task/link?. I'm concerned about security and other possible risk if I do that.

Is that the way that JoomlaCloner works in conjunction of JCron?.

Hmmm...what a catch...I've think that it could be great if JCron could log on by itself like a Joomla Admin and execute the task. I'm not sure it could be done, but would be very useful.

Anyway, thanks for your help Ovidiu!

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## Re:Problem with HTML entities in Web Address?

Posted by admin - 2008/08/03 17:19

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JoomlaCloner usually works with JCron, you can use either a web command or ssh command type to run the task, however JCron depends very much on front activity and some basic server requirements as i stated above

It would be unsafe to make the JCron to login automatically to run a task, however it could be done if there is no other way around, and usually there is :)

Ovidiu

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## Re:Problem with HTML entities in Web Address?

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Posted by revertm - 2008/08/03 18:33

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Usually there is a way around. :laugh:

Finally I decided to add a public task to the component (by the way, it is a PDF Indexer) so now there is a bridge to JCron to interact with it. Basically what I do is trigger periodically the PDF indexer, so the text inside PDFs is inserted in Joomla's DB.

I assume that the risks are minimal, since users doesn't know that there's a path, and if they found it, well...they only can help JCron indexing more frequently.

All is working like a charm, thanks again Ovidiu for the orientation and inspiration!

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## Re:Problem with HTML entities in Web Address?

Posted by admin - 2008/08/04 04:18

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Glad i could help! Good luck! Ovidiu

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## Re:Problem with HTML entities in Web Address?

Posted by wildwerk - 2008/12/16 06:57

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Hello,  
I've got exactly the same problem. Maybe you could help me to add a public task to the PDF-Indexer-component?

Thanks a lot!!!

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