Mozilla Firefox – PDF.js



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Mozilla Firefox

- https://www.mozilla.org/en-US/firefox/desktop/
- one of the top 3 web browsers
- 1998 Netscape → Mozilla project
- 2003 Mozilla Foundation
- 2004 Firefox 1.0
- 2011 Firefox 5, move to Rapid Release
- 2015 currently Firefox 36

Mozilla Firefox

- Rapid Release
 - Nightly → Developer → Beta → Stable
- 6-week development cycle

- https://hg.mozilla.org/mozilla-central
- over 12 million LoC, over 3000 contributors
- C++, JavaScript, C, HTML, XML, ...
- Open HUB: 4000 man-years effort estimate

PDF.js

- PDF viewer written in JavaScript
- turns the PDF into a HTML page which is then rendered by the browser

- 2011 experimental project
- 2013 enabled by default in Firefox 19
- 2015 used by Firefox, embeddable

PDF.js

- https://github.com/mozilla/pdf.js/
- JavaScript
- over 65000 LoC, over 200 contributors
- Open HUB: 17 man-years effort estimate

- contributions through pull requests
- Wiki, Issues tracker, dev-pdf-js@lists.mozilla.org

The Bug to be fixed

- Bug 1122280
- UTF-8 encoded characters in links URL not handled well, result in corrupt links
- according to PDF specs, URL should contain ASCII characters only
- non-conforming PDFs can be produced by MS Office
- cannot handle arbitrary encoding → best effort

Thank you for your attention