

BornAgain - Documentation #1104

Feature # 861 (Rejected): === Website & Examples ===

don't use version-dependent URLs in the online docs

17 Jun 2015 09:35 - wuttke

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Target version:			
Description			

History

#1 - 17 Jun 2015 09:42 - wuttke

Currently, the URL is <http://apps.jcms.fz-juelich.de/src/BornAgain/BornAgainManual-<VERSION>.pdf>. It won't be possible to keep all internal and external links updated when VERSION changes.

#2 - 02 Feb 2016 10:24 - wuttke

- Subject changed from *Persistent (version-independent) URL for manual* to *don't use version-dependent URLs in the online docs*
- Parent task changed from #966 to #861

Currently, our Drupal pages contain links to version-dependent file names like `BornAgainManual-1.4.0.pdf` or `BornAgain-1.4.0-macosx64-10.9+.dmg`.

We could in principle replace these version-dependent URLs by symlinks, or use a forwarding mechanism in `httpd.conf`. On closer investigation, I found none of these solutions convincing.

Instead, we should modify the Drupal pages: instead of providing direct links to the manual or to the installer packages, we should direct the user to the `src/` directory.

This is slightly more effort for a first-time user. But it has the advantage that users will learn about the `src/` directory. Ideally then, at the next release they will return there to download the newest files.

#3 - 30 May 2016 10:12 - wuttke

- Status changed from *New* to *Rfc*

#4 - 31 May 2016 11:31 - wuttke

- Status changed from *Rfc* to *Rejected*

Much simpler solution is already implemented: use a few variables in Drupal.

To set them: Drupal > Admin > Structure > Token-custom > `man_version`, `version_long`, `version_short`

To use them: e.g. `[custom:bornagain-manual-version]` within a URL