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Subject: Forum upgrade

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Forum upgrade is now top priority, unfortunately the process is far from simple. I will use this thread to comment on steps and glitches. I am writing this mostly for myself, but if anybody with better PHP experience would be willing to help at points where I am stuck, it would be very helpful.

First of all, we need to achieve is to

- \* install LAMP at local machine
- \* install 2.7.6 at local machine
- \* import forum dump into 2.7.6
- \* upgrade 2.7.6 to 3.0.0
- \* upgrade 3.0.0 to 3.0.5
- \* export forum dump
- \* install 3.0.5 at ultimatepp.org
- \* import forum dump
- \* pray everything works

You can download forum dump at

[http://www.ultimate.org/forum/FUDforum\\_23\\_03\\_2014\\_06\\_27.fud. gz](http://www.ultimate.org/forum/FUDforum_23_03_2014_06_27.fud.gz)

if you want to experiment/help.

Now, after importing dump into 2.7.6, forum stops working. I have already found that there is a problem with themes which can be fixed by issuing

```
update fud_users set theme = 1;
```

Now it is possible to run consistency check, but it fails because of changes in MySQL. To make it work, add

```
q("UNLOCK TABLES");
```

at adm/consist.php line 299.

Anyway, after this consistency check passes, but all forums are empty...

I have also tried alternative path, upgrading to 3.0.0 immediately without consistency check (with the hope that the check is better in higher version). There I am for now stuck with

QUERY: ALTER TABLE fud26\_search CONVERT TO CHARACTER SET utf8 COLLATE utf8\_unicode\_ci

during upgrade process. I think this is unrelated to empty forums and will have to be dealt with anyway.

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