

Joomla! XML RW

USER MANUAL

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OS: Windows

Description:

It is a simple tool to parser the xml files in Joomla!. It can read, write xml files, and help developers to generate the path of the files information easily.

How-to:

Step 1: Download the execute file from the website. Then extract the zip file and double-click it. (Before do this, it is better to scan this execute with you anti-virus software.) You will see the main window of this program.

Step 2: Once you have complete the components, modules, and templates for Joomla!, there are a test directory on your localhost. I take a template directory for example and it like the figure below.

Step 3: Now i copy a template install xml file (templateDetails.xml) from the default template rhuk_solarflare_ii directory. And use Joomla! XML RW to open it. (Click the “**Load**” button and choose the templateDetails.xml file). The “Infos” tab includes the template information like name, author, license...etc. You can modify it for your requirement.

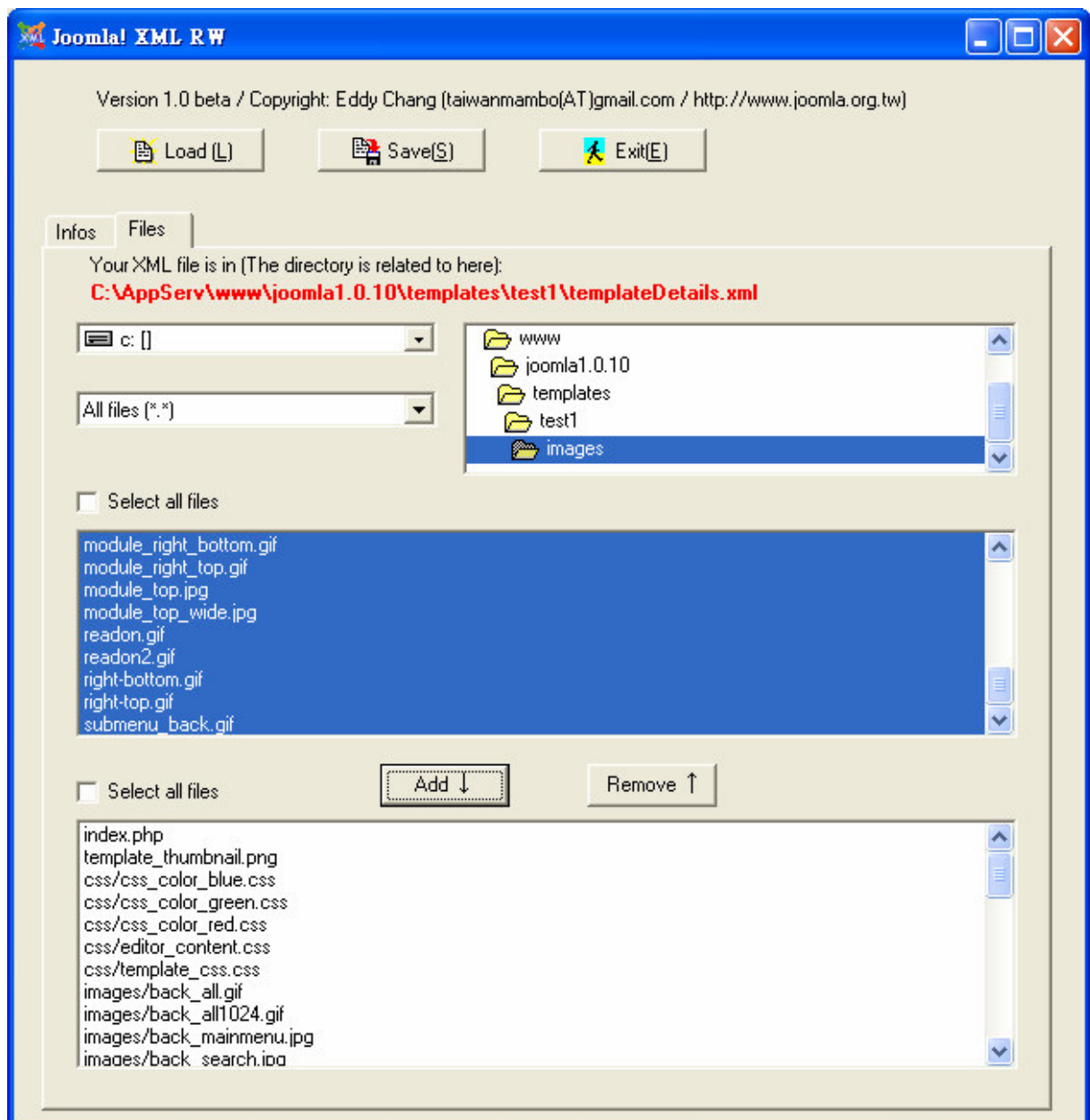
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Infos | **Files**

Type:	Version
<input type="text" value="template"/>	<input type="text" value="1.0.0"/>
Group:	(for Joomla's version)
<input type="text" value=""/>	
(Only for "Mambot")	
Name:	Author:
<input type="text" value="rhuk_solarflare_ii"/>	<input type="text" value="rhuk"/>
Version	Author Email:
<input type="text" value="2.2"/>	<input type="text" value="rhuk@rockettheme.com.com"/>
Creation Date:	Author URL:
<input type="text" value="10/20/05"/>	<input type="text" value="http://www.rockettheme.com"/>
Copyright	
<input type="text" value="GNU/GPL"/>	
Discription:	
<input type="text" value="SolarFlare II is a simple and stylish template. The clean design of this template makes it very lightweight and fast. This is a significatn upgrade for the original SolarFlare template in that is has a completely revised layout that uses an alternate box model hack that makes it easier to modify. Also a table has been introduced in the main content area that better constricts layout causing less problems with 'problematic' components. New headers and menu elements give this template a 'fresher' look."/>	

Step 4: The “Files” tab includes the files that will be installed to the server. You can use the “Add” and “Remove” button to add the files to the bottom file-list area. The bottom file-list area is the final file-list in the xml file.



Step 5: Once you have added the files to the list and modified the information for your template. You can click the **“Save”** button to save this xml file. (If you use this tool with the template xml file, you should delete the <images>.... </images> and <css>...</css> tags manually by yourself.) Then zip all the files below the directory with your zip tool. Try to install it on your test Joomla! Server. It's all and hope you happy for use it!

Q&A / Troubleshooting

1. Is this program support all windows platform?

I developed and test it on my windows XP. I am not sure it will be worked on 2000/ME/98. Maybe you can mail me the result.

2. What about the <images>....</images> and <css>...</css> tags in the xml file?

I have not improved the tool to read and write all the tags in the xml file like <images>....</images> and <css>...</css> tags. But i know Joomla treat they like <files>...</files> tag. You can let your image files and css files use <files>...</files>.

3. Is this tool free and open source?

This tool is free for use but not open source.

4. About me and welcome comments!

I am the Traditional Chinese Translation Coordinator of the Joomla! Official. Welcome any comment and advice for this tool via email.