Cobra vs Mongoose

About

Cobra vs Mongoose translates XML to and from Ruby Hash objects, following the **BadgerFish convention**.

The current release is <u>version 0.0.2</u>.

Usage

Converting XML to a Ruby Hash

```
require 'cobravsmongoose'
xml = '<alice><bob>charlie</bob><bob>david</bob></alice>'
CobraVsMongoose.xml_to_hash(xml)
# => { "alice" => { "bob" => [{ "$" => "charlie" }, { "$" => "david" }] } }
```

Converting a Ruby Hash to XML

```
require 'cobravsmongoose'
hash = { "alice" => { "$" => "bob", "@charlie" => "david" } }
CobraVsMongoose.hash_to_xml(hash)
# => <alice charlie='david'>bob</alice>
```

Note that, due to the fact that Rubys hashes do not preserve ordering, the order of XML elements is undefined. For a predictable order, see the sort_keys class attribute.

Converting JSON

If you install the JSON library for Ruby, you can convert XML to and from JSON:

```
require 'cobravsmongoose'

xml = '<alice><bob>charlie</bob><bob>david</bob></alice>'
CobraVsMongoose.xml_to_json(xml)
# => {"alice":{"bob":[{"$":"charlie"},{"$":"david"}]}}

json = '{"alice":{"$":"bob","@charlie":"david"}}'
CobraVsMongoose.json_to_xml(json)
# => <alice charlie='david'>bob</alice>
```

Documentation

For more details, you can browse the <u>rdoc-generated documentation</u> online.

Getting it

Cobra vs Mongoose is available as a tarball or gem on its **RubyForge page**.

You should also be able to install it directly using RubyGems:

```
gem install -r cobravsmongoose
```

Since JSON is not required for the basic functionality, the json gem will not automatically be installed by RubyGems. To use JSONXML conversion, you must install it separately:

```
gem install -r json
```

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