Downloading Images from RSS feed

Posted by rotegirte - 2009/03/01 11:58

Hi everybody

Here is my problem: I have a xml formatted rss feed, which contains source adresses of *.png images in the tags. Now I want the webparser to get me the adress of the first mentioned *.png file and download it, so it can be displayed on my desktop.

I was thinking of a quite simple *.ini that contains

1) Measure to parse the adress and download the image
2) Meter to display the image
3) Framing background

I know, the main parsing problem is somehow to be worked out with regex. The parser should just find the first

img src="

and copy all the text up until the ending

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I tried reading some tutorials on this, and took a look into existent rss readers. But I have to admit, that I'm pretty clueless still. My scripting skills just match the level of adjusting the looks of rainmeter, I'm afraid :blush:

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Posted by Rainy - 2009/03/03 10:38

I added an example to the Rainmeter's wiki how to show an image from a rss feed which could be useful. If you need practice with the regular expressions you can try them out e.g. with regexpal.

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Thanks alot! Especially for RegexPal :)

By the way, is there are possibility to scale images/meters/*.ini to some max width or height? That means, that they can't exceed the given limits, but are scaled in a way, that preserves the original ratio. I figured out, that i can set static H/W, but since the images' orientation and size ratios varies from time to time, the images are displayed distorted...

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Posted by Rainmaker - 2009/04/03 06:23

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http://customize.org/rainmeter/skins/62461

there is code in this config that has images from RSS Feeds, it works good.

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