

NAME

`json_xs` – JSON::XS commandline utility

SYNOPSIS

```
json_xs [-v] [-f inputformat] [-t outputformat]
```

DESCRIPTION

`json_xs` converts between some input and output formats (one of them is JSON).

The default input format is `json` and the default output format is `json-pretty`.

OPTIONS

`-v` Be slightly more verbose.

`-f fromformat`

Read a file in the given format from STDIN.

`fromformat` can be one of:

`json` – a json text encoded, either `utf-8`, `utf16-be/le`, `utf32-be/le`

`cbor` – CBOR (RFC 7049, CBOR::XS), a kind of binary JSON

`storable` – a Storable frozen value

`storable-file` – a Storable file (Storable has two incompatible formats)

`bencode` – use `Convert::Bencode`, if available (used by torrent files, among others)

`clzf` – `Compress::LZF` format (requires that module to be installed)

`eval` – evaluate the given code as (non-`utf-8`) Perl, basically the reverse of “`-t dump`”

`yaml` – YAML format (requires that module to be installed)

`string` – do not attempt to decode the file data

`none` – nothing is read, creates an `undef` scalar – mainly useful with `-e`

`-t toformat`

Write the file in the given format to STDOUT.

`toformat` can be one of:

`json`, `json-utf-8` – `json`, `utf-8` encoded

`json-pretty` – as above, but pretty-printed

`json-utf-16le`, `json-utf-16be` – little endian/big endian `utf-16`

`json-utf-32le`, `json-utf-32be` – little endian/big endian `utf-32`

`cbor` – CBOR (RFC 7049, CBOR::XS), a kind of binary JSON

`cbor-packed` – CBOR using extensions to make it smaller

`storable` – a Storable frozen value in network format

`storable-file` – a Storable file in network format (Storable has two incompatible formats)

`bencode` – use `Convert::Bencode`, if available (used by torrent files, among others)

`clzf` – `Compress::LZF` format

`yaml` – `YAML::XS` format

`dump` – `Data::Dump`

`dumper` – `Data::Dumper`

`string` – writes the data out as if it were a string

`none` – nothing gets written, mainly useful together with `-e`

Note that `Data::Dumper` doesn't handle self-referential data structures correctly – use “`dump`” instead.

`-e code`

Evaluate perl code after reading the data and before writing it out again – can be used to filter, create or extract data. The data that has been written is in `$_`, and whatever is in there is written out afterwards.

EXAMPLES

```
json_xs -t none <isitreally.json
```

“JSON Lint” – tries to parse the file `isitreally.json` as JSON – if it is valid JSON, the command outputs

nothing, otherwise it will print an error message and exit with non-zero exit status.

```
<src.json json_xs >pretty.json
```

Prettify the JSON file *src.json* to *dst.json*.

```
json_xs -f storable-file <file
```

Read the serialised Storable file *file* and print a human-readable JSON version of it to STDOUT.

```
json_xs -f storable-file -t yaml <file
```

Same as above, but write YAML instead (not using JSON at all :)

```
json_xs -f none -e '$_ = [1, 2, 3]'
```

Dump the perl array as UTF-8 encoded JSON text.

```
<torrentfile json_xs -f bencode -e '$_ = join "\n", map @$_, @{$_->{"announce-lis
```

Print the tracker list inside a torrent file.

```
lwp-request http://cpantesters.perl.org/show/JSON-XS.json | json_xs
```

Fetch the cpan-testers result summary JSON: :XS and pretty-print it.

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