

Composer Cheat Sheet



Installation

Download Composer from <https://getcomposer.org/download/> and follow the instructions.

Enable bash autocompletion:

```
composer completion bash | sudo tee /etc/bash_completion.d/composer
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Installing dependencies

Command	Description
<code>composer install</code>	Install dependencies from <code>composer.lock</code>
<code>composer install --no-dev</code>	Install without development dependencies

Managing dependencies

Command	Description
<code>composer require <package></code>	Add a new dependency to <code>composer.json</code> and install it
<code>composer require <package>:<version></code>	Require a specific version of a dependency
<code>composer require --dev <package></code>	Add a new development dependency to <code>composer.json</code> and install it
<code>composer update</code>	Update all dependencies to their latest installable versions
<code>composer update <package></code>	Update a dependency to its latest installable version
<code>composer update <vendor>/*</code>	Update all dependencies of a vendor to their latest versions
<code>composer remove <package></code>	Remove a dependency from <code>composer.json</code> and uninstall

Global dependencies

Command	Description
<code>composer global require <package></code>	Add a new global dependency to <code>composer.json</code> and install it
<code>composer global update</code>	Update all global dependencies

Configuration

Command	Description
<code>composer config sort-packages true</code>	Sort packages in <code>composer.json</code> alphabetically

Authentication

Command	Description
<code>composer config --global github-oauth.github.com <token></code>	Authenticate with GitHub using a personal access token
<code>composer config --global http-basic.repo.packagist.com <username> <password></code>	Authenticate with Private Packagist using a username and password

Dependency analysis

Command	Description
<code>composer show</code>	List all installed dependencies
<code>composer show <package></code>	Display detailed information about a package
<code>composer outdated</code>	List dependencies that are outdated
<code>composer audit</code>	Check for known security vulnerabilities in dependencies
<code>composer licenses</code>	List all licenses of installed dependencies

Creating new Composer projects

Command	Description
<code>composer init</code>	Create a <code>composer.json</code> file in the current directory
<code>composer create-project <package></code>	Create a new project from a package

Other commands

Command	Description
<code>composer --version</code>	Show the current Composer version
<code>composer self-update</code>	Update Composer to the latest version

Version constraints

Constraint	Description
1.0.2	Exactly version 1.0.2
>=1.0.2	Version 1.0.2 or higher
>=1.0.2 <1.1.0	Version 1.0.2 or higher but lower than 1.1.0
>=1.0.2 <1.1.0 >=1.2.0	Version 1.0.2 or higher but lower than 1.1.0 or version 1.2.0 or higher
1.0 - 2.0	Version 1.0 to 2.0 (including 1.0 and 2.0)
1.0.*	Version 1.0 with any patch version
~1.2	Version 1.2 or higher but lower than 2.0
~1.2.3	Version 1.2.3 or higher but lower than 1.3
^1.2	Version 1.2 or higher but lower than 2.0
^1.2.3	Version 1.2.3 or higher but lower than 2.0

Repositories

Command	Description
<code>composer config repositories.foo</code> <code>composer <url></code>	Add a new repository named foo with the given URL as a Composer repository
<code>composer config repositories.foo vcs</code> <code><url></code>	Add a new repository named foo with the given URL as a VCS repository
<code>composer config repositories.foo vcs</code> <code>git@github.com:foo/bar.git</code>	Add a new GitHub repository named foo/bar as a VCS repository
<code>composer config repositories.foo path</code> <code><path></code>	Add a new repository named foo with the given path as a path repository