npm-shrinkwrap.json

Description

`npm-shrinkwrap.json` is a file created by `npm shrinkwrap`. It is identical to `package-lock.json`, with one major caveat: Unlike `package-lock.json`, `npm-shrinkwrap.json` may be included when publishing a package.

The recommended use-case for `npm-shrinkwrap.json` is applications deployed through the publishing process on the registry: for example, daemons and command-line tools intended as global installs or `devDependencies`. It's strongly discouraged for library authors to publish this file, since that would prevent end users from having control over transitive dependency updates.

If both `package-lock.json` and `npm-shrinkwrap.json` are present in a package root, `npm-shrinkwrap.json` will be preferred over the `package-lock.json` file.

For full details and description of the `npm-shrinkwrap.json` file format, refer to the manual page for package-lock.json.

See also

- npm shrinkwrap
- package-lock.json
- package.json
- npm install