
Name

scout — A Package Scout

```
scout {module} {search_term} [module_options]
```

Options

The following options are available:

module

The respective module to search for. The following modules are available:

autoconf

Search for autoconf macros inside m4 files.

bin

Search for binaries contained in packages.

java

Search for Java classes inside packaged JAR files.

webpin

Search in packages using the Webpin webservice.

search_term

The term you are looking for.

module_options

Additional module options. At the moment these are:

--listrepos

list all available repositories

--repos

select a repository to search (use a name from the --listrepos output)

Description

Scout is a tool to look for uninstalled packages. For example, which binary does a package provide, which Java classes are available and which autoconf macros does a package contain.

To search for your requested term, you need index data files which are a preconfigured SQLite 3 database. You have to install these in order to get your search request done. Use the Scout OBS data repository [<http://download.opensuse.org/repositories/home:/prusnak:/scout/data>] to get additional index files. See the Wiki page about Scout [<http://en.opensuse.org/Scout>] for more information.

Example 1: Search For Executables

For example, to search for a `sdl-config` executable, you need the `bin` module:

```
$ scout bin sdl-config
```

You get the following output:

repository	binary	path	package
suse110	sdl-config	/usr/bin	SDL-devel
suse110	sdl-config	/usr/lib/baselibs-32bit/bin	SDL-devel-32bit

Example 2: Search For Java Packages

If you want to search for a Java package, use the following code:

```
$ scout java org.apache.xml.serialize.Serializer
```

You get:

repository	package	jar	class
jpacakge17	jboss4-testsuite	xerces.jar	org.apache.xml.serialize.Seriali
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jpacakge17	xerces-j2	xerces-j2-2.9.0.jar	org.apache.xml.serialize.Seriali
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Example 3: Search through Webpin

If you want to use the openSUSE Search Webservice [<http://software.opensuse.org/search>]*—also known as “Webpin”**—*use the following line:

```
$ scout webpin docbook_5.xml
```

You get:

package	version	arch	repository URL
docbook_5	5.0	noarch	http://download.opensuse.org/distribution/SL-OSS-factory/
docbook_5	5.0CR7	noarch	http://download.opensuse.org/repositories/home:/thomas-
docbook_5	5.0	noarch	http://download.opensuse.org/repositories/XML/xml-facto

Bash Completion

If you like to complete your options automatically through Bash, insert the following lines into your `~/ .bashrc` or `/etc/bash.bashrc`:

```
if [ -f /etc/bash_completion.d/scout ]; then
    . /etc/bash_completion.d/scout
fi
```