

npm-upgrade

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Interactive CLI utility to easily update outdated NPM dependencies with changelogs inspection support.



What is this for?

If you are tired of manually upgrading package.json every time your package dependencies are getting out of date then this utility is for you.

Take a look at this demo:

```
/Volumes/Work/npm-upgrade master $
```

Installation

First, install **Node.js** (at least v10.19).

Then install this utility as global npm-module:

npm i -g npm-upgrade

Usage

This utility is supposed to be run in the root directory of your Node.js project (that contains package.json). Run npm-upgrade --help to see all available top-level commands:

check [filter] Check for outdated modules

ignore <command> Manage ignored modules

changelog <moduleName> Show changelog for a module

Run npm-upgrade <command> --help to see usage help for corresponding command. check is the default command and can be omitted so running npm-upgrade [filter]

is the same as npm-upgrade check [filter].

check command

It will find all your outdated deps and will ask to updated their versions in package.json, one by one. For example, here is what you will see if you use outdated version of <code>@angular/common module</code>:

```
Update "@angular/common" in package.json from 2.4.8 to 2.4.10? (Use arro > Yes
No
Show changelog
Ignore
Finish update process
```

- Yes will update @angular/common version in package.json to 2.4.10, but not immediately (see explanation below)
- No will not update this module version.
- Show changelog will try to find changelog url for the current module and open it in default browser.
- Ignore will add this module to the ignored list (see details in Ignoring module section below).
- Finish update process will ...hm... finish update process and save all the changes to package.json.

A note on saving changes to package.json: when you choose Yes to update some module's version, package.json won't be immediately updated. It will be updated only after you will process all the outdated modules and confirm update **or** when you choose Finish update process. So if in the middle of the update process you've changed your mind just press Ctrl+C and package.json will remain untouched.

If you want to check only some deps, you can use filter argument:

```
# Will check all the deps with `babel` in the name:
npm-upgrade '*babel*'

# Note quotes around `filter`. They are necessary because without then

# Will check all the deps, excluding any with `babel` in the name:
npm-upgrade '!*babel*'

# You can combine including and excluding rules:
npm-upgrade '*babel* !babel-transform-* !babel-preset-*'
```

If you want to check only a group of deps use these options:

```
-p, --production Check only "dependencies"-d, --development Check only "devDependencies"-o, --optional Check only "optionalDependencies"
```

Alternatively, you can use the <code>-g</code> (<code>--global</code>) flag to upgrade your global packages. **Note** that this flag is mutually exclusive and <code>npm-upgrade</code> will only recognise the global flag if supplied with others. Also **Note** that this option will automatically attempt to upgrade your global packages using <code>npm install -g <package>@<new-version></code>.

Ignoring module

Sometimes you just want to ignore newer versions of some dependency for some reason. For example, you use jquery v2 because of the old IE support and don't want npm-upgrade to suggest you updating it to v3. Or you use some-funky-module@6.6.5 and know that the new version 6.6.6 contains a bug that breaks your app.

You can handle these situations by ignoring such modules. You can do it in two ways: choosing Ignore during update process or using npm ignore add command.

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You will asked two questions. First is a version range to ignore. It should be a valid **semver** version. Here are a few examples:

- 6.6.6 will ignore only version 6.6.6. When the next version after 6.6.6 will be published npm-upgrade will suggest to update it. Can be used in some-funky-module example above.
- >2 will ignore all versions starting from 3.0.0. Can be used in jquery v2 example above.
- 6.6.x | | 6.7.x will ignore all 6.6.x and 6.7.x versions.
- * will ignore all new versions.

And after that npm-upgrade will ask about the ignore reason. The answer is optional but is strongly recommended because it will help to explain your motivation to your colleagues and to yourself after a few months.

All the data about ignored modules will be stored in .npm-upgrade.json file next to your project's package.json.

ignore command

It will help you manage ignored modules. See **Ignoring module** section for more details. It has the following subcommands:

```
npm-upgrade ignore <command>
```

Commands:

```
add [module] Add module to ignored list

list Show the list of ignored modules

reset [modules...] Reset ignored modules
```

- add will add a module from your deps to ignored list. You can either provide module name as optional module argument or interactively select it from the list of project's deps.
- list will show the list of currently ignored modules along with their ignored versions and reasons.
- reset will remove modules from the ignored list. You can either provide module names as modules argument (separated by space) or interactively select them from the list of

project's deps.

changelog command

npm-upgrade changelog <moduleName>

Will try to find changelog url for provided module and open it in default browser.

Troubleshooting

Wrong changelog shown for <moduleName> or not shown at all!

Yes, It can happen sometimes. This is because there is no standardized way to specify changelog location for the module, so it tries to guess it, using these rules one by one:

- 1. Check db/changelogUrls.json from master branch on GitHub or the local copy if it's unreachable.
- 2. Check changelog field from module's package.json.
- 3. Parse module's repository.url field and if it's on GitHub, try to request some common changelog files (CHANGELOG.md, History.md etc.) from master branch and if it fails, open Releases page.

So, if it guessed wrong it would be great if you could either **fill an issue** about this or submit a PR which adds proper changelog URL to db/changelogUrls.json. There is a tool in the repository for you to make it as easy as possible:

./tools/addModuleChangelogUrlToDb.js <moduleName> <changelogUrl>

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