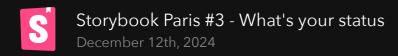
Hunt down deprecated classes from your browser

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Who had to deal with complex migrations of major versions?

Upgrading frameworks and libraries is never as simple as it looks.

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It's not always that simple.

Let's dive into one Bootstrap example.

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Advanced Sass user customizing a color to red with custom properties.

```
// Defining a custom property for the primary color
:root {
    --ds-primary: red;
}

// Overriding the semantic token
$primary: var(--ds-primary);

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- Do we stay with a minor version 0 forever?





The maintainer's nightmare

Imagine maintaining a library with thousands or millions of users where every change is a potential landmine.

- Some users want rapid innovation.
- Others demand absolute stability.
- And everyone uses your library differently.





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If a tool migrates your code, version numbers might lose their significance.

Unless you need to track when new features arrive, they might not be worth worrying about at all.



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Create tools to spot and fix your code.

Automated migrations by tools like Storybook

However, automated migrations tools:

- are not always perfect,
- can be costly to create, and maintain,
- and are hard to craft.

Especially when your core team is small and working on the project in their spare time.



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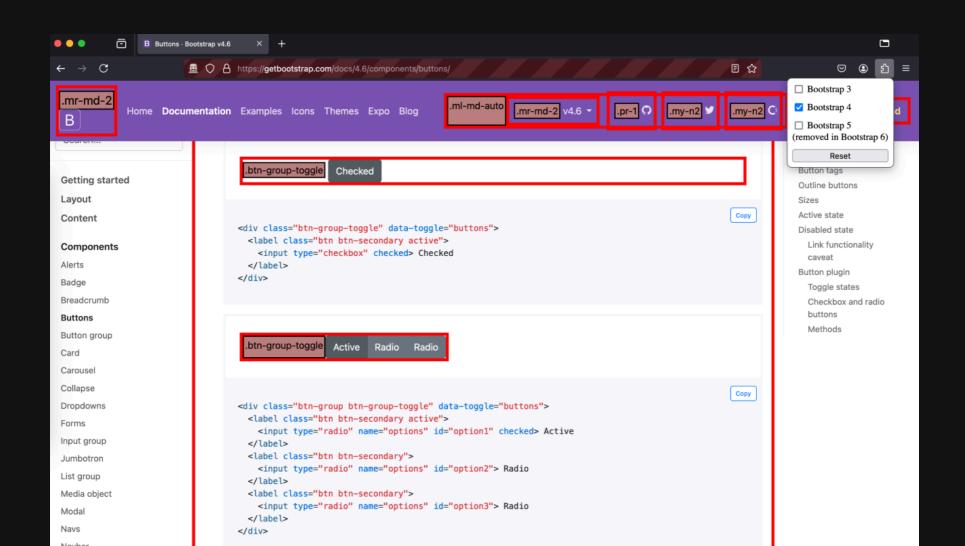
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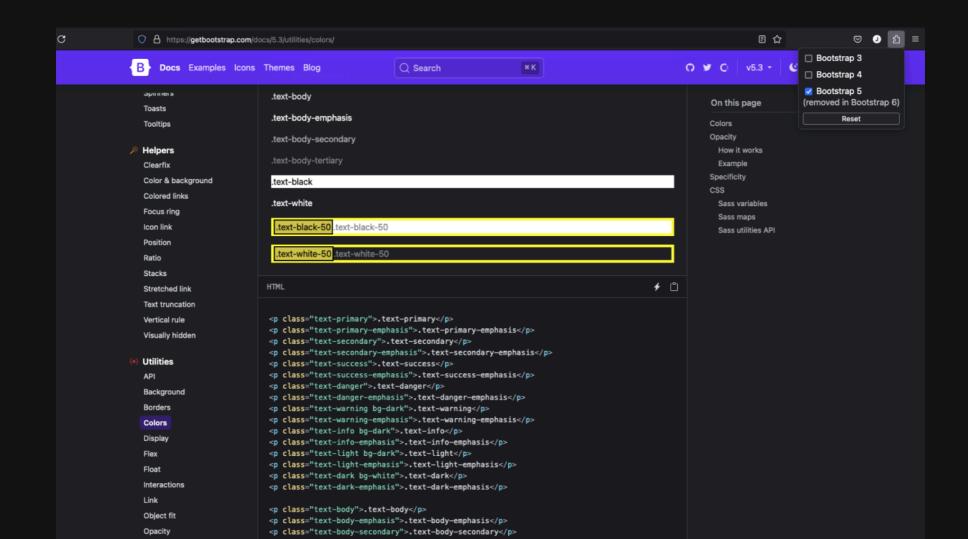
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julien-deramond/ bootstrap-deprecated-classesextension

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```
/*!
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 */
:root {
    --blue: #007bff;
    --indigo: #6610f2;
```

Bootstrap 5

```
acharset "UTF-8";
/*!
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 */
:root,
[data-bs-theme=light] {
   --bs-blue: #0d6efd;
   --bs-indigo: #6610f2;
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"classes": [
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   ".active",
   ".alert",
   ".alert-danger",
   ".alert-dark",
   ".alert-dismissible",
   ".alert-heading",
```

Bootstrap 5

```
"classes": [
   ".accordion",
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   ".accordion-button",
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```
'removed": |
  '.arrow",
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  '.badge-light",
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  '.badge-primary",
  .badge-secondary",
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```
.bootstrap-browser-extension-bs-4 {
 .arrow {
   border: 5px solid red;
   border-radius: 0;
   8::before {
     color: #000:
     background-color: rgb(189, 127, 127);
     padding: 2px;
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     z-index: 10000;
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- 5. Each time we click on a checkbox, we inject the
 .bootstrap-browser-extension-bs{number} class in page's <body>.

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
    <head></head>
    <body
        class="bg-body bootstrap-browser-extension-bs-4"
        >
        </body>
        </html>
```

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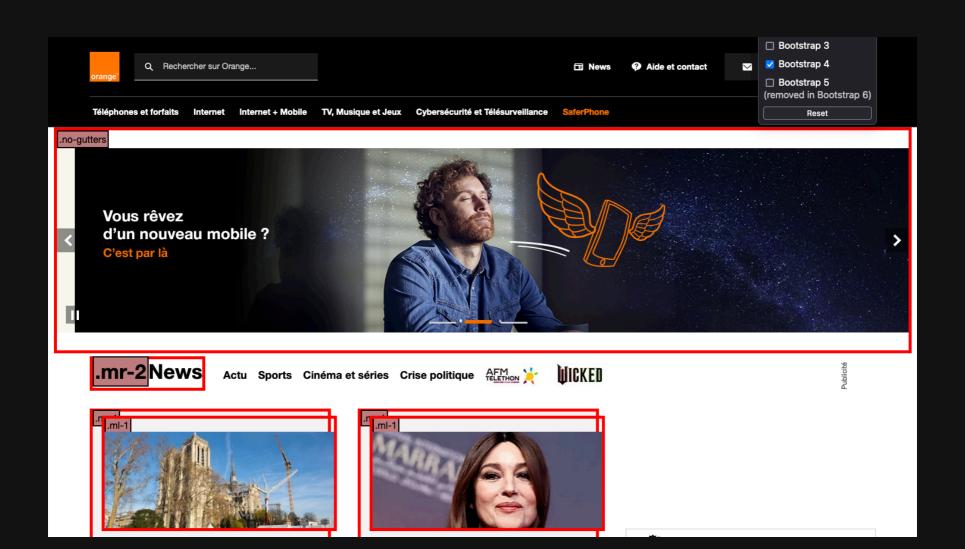
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- Do the same thing in a Storybook addon



Closing: An Invitation

Open Source is about sharing and collaboration.

Hope it inspires you to create your own tools with other ideas for your library, your design system, or your favorite framework.

Let's make the migration process easier for everyone. \bigcirc



Thank you!

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