



NodeJS
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PACKAGE MANAGERS & VERSIONING

PACKAGE MANAGERS

Is a collection of software tools that automates the process of installing, upgrading, configuring and removing packages.

A **package** (dependency) is one or more files, neatly packaged together, that can be downloaded from a package registry.

A **registry** is the center of code sharing.

NPM

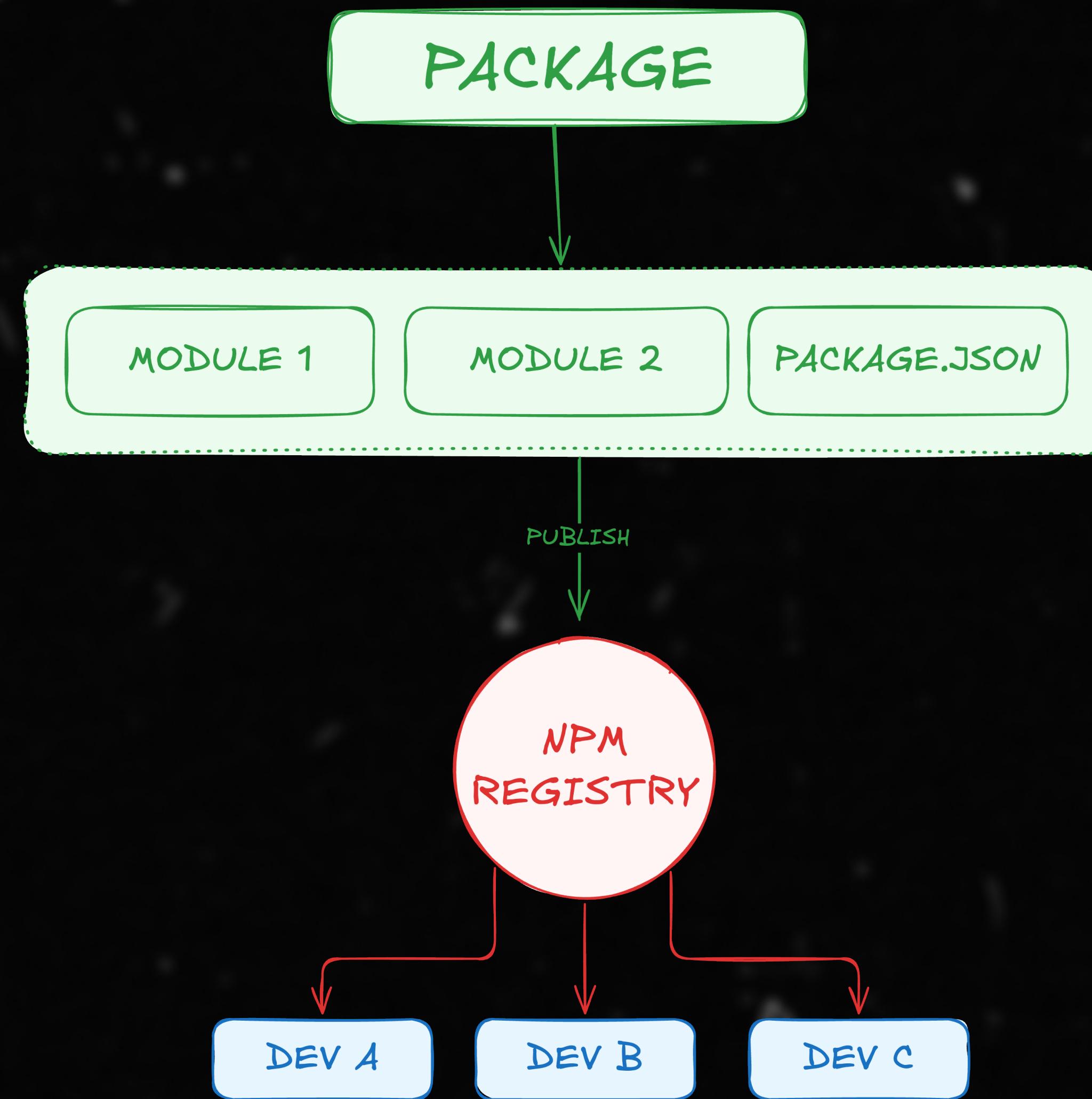
NPM is the official package manager for NodeJS, which comes bundled with node and installed by default.

NPM registry, is an online database of packages.

NPM consists of three core components:

- The website
- The Command Line Interface (CLI)
- The registry

NPM PACKAGES



NPM

check the current version NPM of available on your system

with: `npm -v`

A `package.json` file have the following roles on a project:

- List packages your project depends on
- Specify versions that your project can use following semantic versioning specification.
- Makes your build reproducible, allowing ease to share and distribute

`npm init`

`npm init --yes`

PACKAGE INSTALLATION

You can install npm on your system both globally and locally

Locally:

```
npm install <package_name>
```

Globally:

```
npm install <package_name> -g
```

To install a dependency only during development you can
use: `npm install <package_name> --save-dev`

Sun

Neutron star

Black hole

node_modules

HEAVIEST OBJECTS IN THE UNIVERSE



NPM CLI

Install a specific version of a package:

```
npm install [package_name]@[version-number]
```

Update a single package:

```
npm update <package_name>
```

List all installed packages as a dependency tree

```
npm list
```

NPM CLI

Delete local package:

```
npm uninstall <package_name>
```

Delete global package:

```
npm uninstall <package_name> -g
```

PROS AND CONS - NPM

Pros:

- Vast package repository
- Default choice for NodeJS
- Mature Ecosystem
- Semantic Versioning
- Custom Scripts

Cons:

- Performance Issues
- Dependency Bloat
- Security Concerns
- Reliance on centralized registry
- Limited offline support

PROS AND CONS - YARN

Pros:

- Improved performance
- Offline support
- Improved error handling

Cons:

- Resource consumption
- Community fragmentation
- Potential for lock file drift
- Limited configuration
- Maintenance overhead

PROS AND CONS - PNPM

Pros:

- Shared dependencies
- Efficient Installation
- Reduced network bandwidth
- Improved cache efficiency

Cons:

- Compatibility issues
- Resource consumption
- Lockfile handling
- Community support

VERSIONING

Software versioning is the process of assigning unique name or numbers to different versions of software products.

Given a version number **major.minor.patch**, increment:

major: when you make incompatible API changes

minor: when you add backward compatible functionality

patch: when you make backward compatible bug fixes

VERSIONING

There different versions in software versioning represent different stages in the development and release process.

alpha: (0 / a)

beta: (1 / b)

release candidate: (2 / rc)

public release: (3)

VERSIONING

1.2.3.5 = 1.2.5

1.2.0.2 = 1.2a2

Beta with several bugs fixed

1.2.1.2 = 1.2b2

Release candidate

1.2.2.0 = 1.2rc

1.0.0-alpha



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