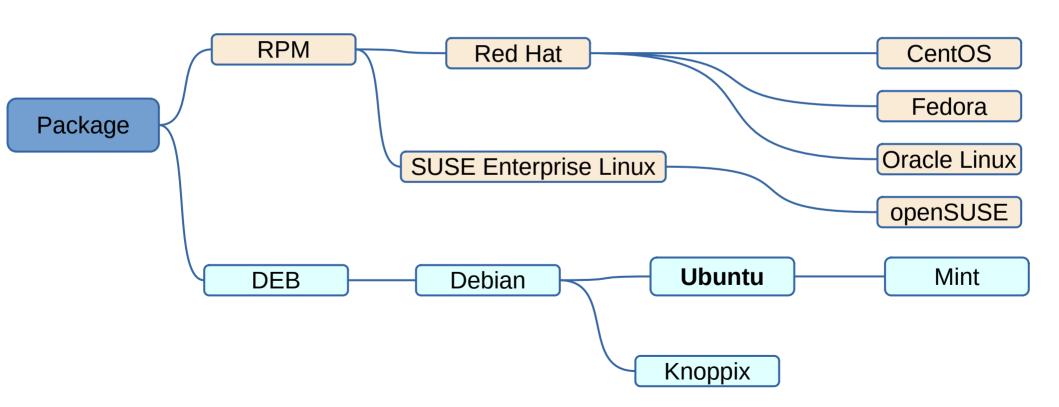
Software Management

Using package management systems

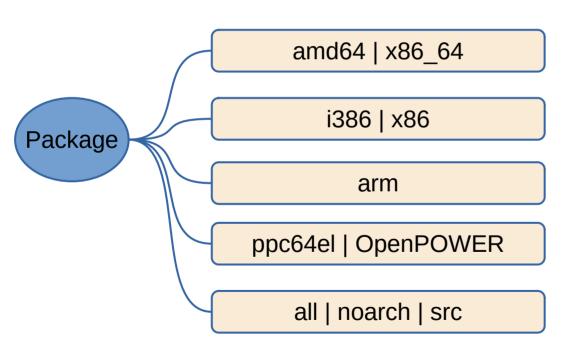
Need for a package manager

- Tools for installing, updating, removing, managing software
- Install new / updated software across network
- Package File look up, both ways
- Database of packages on the system including versions
- Dependency checking
- Signature verification tools
- Tools for building packages

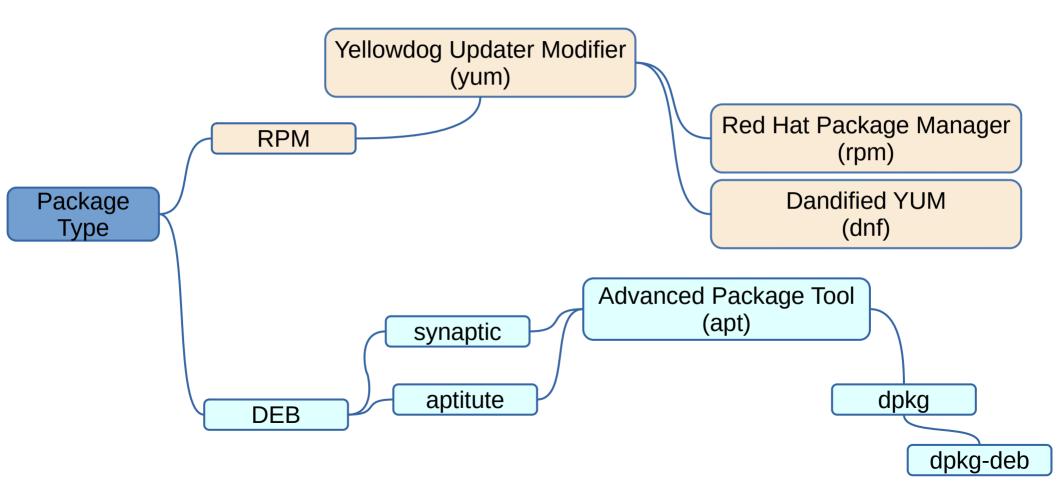
Package types



Architectures



Tools

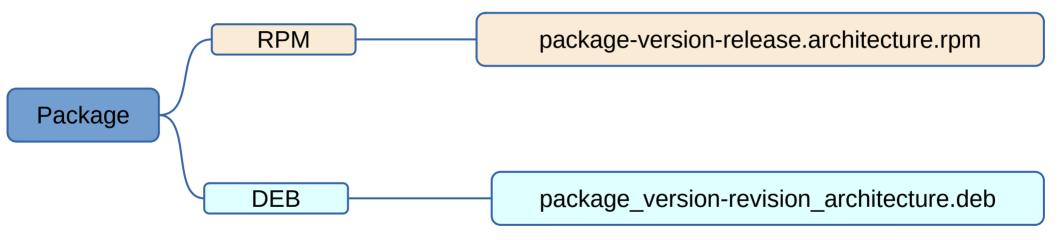


Package management in Ubuntu using apt

Inquiring package db

- Search packages for a keyword: apt-cache search keyword
- List all packages: apt-cache pkgnames
- Display package records of a package: apt-cache show -a package

Package names



Package priorities

- required: essential to proper functioning of the system
- important: provides functionality that enables the system to run well
- standard: included in a standard system installation
- optional: can omit if you do not have enough storage
- extra: could conflict with packages with higher priority, has specialized requirements, install only if needed

Package sections

https://packages.ubuntu.com/focal

Administration Utilities, Mono/CLI, Communication Programs, Databases, Debug packages, Development, Documentation, Editors, Electronics, Embedded software, Fonts, Games, GNOME, GNU R, GNUstep, Graphics, Haskell, Web Servers, Interpreters, Java, KDE, Kernels, Library development, Libraries, Lisp, Language packs, Mail, Mathematics, Miscellaneous, Network, Newsgroups, OCaml, Perl, PHP, Python, Ruby, Science, Shells, Sound, TeX, Text Processing, Translations, Utilities, Version Control Systems, Video, Web Software, X Window System software, Xfce, Zope/Plone Framework

Checksums

md5sum

128bit

SHA1

160bit

SHA256

256bit

Only sudoers can install / upgrade / remove packages

/etc/sudoers

/etc/apt

Files: sources.list

Folder: sources.list.d

Installing / Updating

- Synchronize package overview files: apt-get update
- Upgrade all installed packages: apt-get upgrade
- Install a package: apt-get install package
- Reinstall a package: apt-get reinstall package

Removing / Cleaning up

- Remove packages that were automatically installed to satisfy a dependency and not needed: apt-get autoremove
- Clean local repository of retrieved package files: apt-get clean
- Remove a package: apt-get remove package
- Purge package files from the system: apt-get purge package

Package management in Ubuntu using dpkg

/var/lib/dpkg

Files: arch, available, status

Folder: info

Using dpkg

- List all packages whose names match the pattern dpkg -l pattern
- List installed files that came from packages: dpkg -L package
- Report the status of packages:
 dpkg -s package
- Search installed packages for a file: dpkg -S pattern

Installing a deb package

dpkg -i package_version-revision_architecture.deb

By default, use package management pointing to a reliable repository

Uninstalling packages using dpkg is **not** recommended!