

* Package manager - Uninstalling software on Linux. (Lesson 10)

How to install software on Linux.

→ Using package manager.

* What is package manager and what is software package?

Software package - a compressed archive, containing all the required files

- apps usually have dependencies.
- dependencies often app needs, which are not packaged into the archive.
- These dependencies also need to be installed
- files are split across different folders.
- managing apps, like uninstalling everything completely is more difficult.

Package manager

- downloads, installs or updates existing software from a repository.
- ensures the integrity and authenticity of the package
- manages and resolves all required dependencies.
- knows where to put all the files in the Linux system.
- if you uninstall software using package manager, it will clean up everything related to app.
- easy upgrading of software

Where do I get package manager?

- already included in every Linux Distribution

- Ubuntu package manager is 'APT' Advanced package tool.

manage software with APT.

apt

- it show all the detail.

sudo apt search <package name>

→ Search for a given package.

sudo apt search openjdk

java

→ gives suggestions. which are to

install

sudo apt install openjdk-11-jre-headless

- install a package.

sudo apt install packagename1 packagename2

- install multiple packages

java --version

- to check version

sudo apt remove packagename

- Remove installed package

* Difference of APT and APT-GET

apt-get

- you can achieve same if you use additional command options
- search commands not available.

apt-

- more user friendly, like progress bar
- fewer, but sufficient command options in a more organized way.
- (Recommended)

* Repositories.

Where do these packages come from.?

→ Repository. - storage location, containing thousands of programs

- package manager fetches the packages from these repositories.
- mostly hosted online.
- always update the package index before upgrading or installing new packages

sudo apt update

- update the package index

* Ubuntu Software Center.

alternative ways to install software

- These are packages, that are not available in these official repositories.
- available, but not the latest version
- software packages are verified, before adding to the repository.
- verification process takes time.

alternative: 1 Ubuntu Software Center

eg - install intellij

use - ubuntu software application

alternative 2: snap package manager.

- snap is a software packaging and deployment system
- for os using Linux Kernel

sudo snap install --classic code

Snap

- ① self contained - dependencies contained in a package.

- ② support universal Linux packages .snap

- ③ automatic updates

APT.

- ① Dependencies are shared.

✓

- ② only for specific Linux distributions.

- ③ manual updates.

④

large size

④ Small size.

- * add repository to the official repository list
 - when installing relatively new application.
 - which are not in official repository yet.
 - Repository will be added to /etc/apt/sources.list
- PPA → personal package archive.
 - PPA are provided by community.
 - anybody can create PPA - private repository to distribute the software
 - usually used by developers to provide updates more quickly than in the Ubuntu repositories.
 - Be aware of possible risks before adding a PPA.
 - no guarantee of quality or security.
 - like any other software package it can cause difficulties eg when upgrading to a new Ubuntu release

* Wrap up.

apt (recommended)

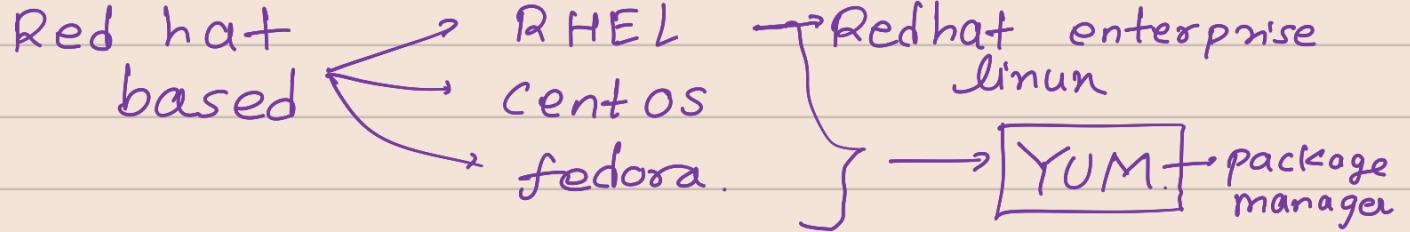
alternative - snap , Ubuntu software center, add repository.

* Package manager for other Linux Distro.

Based on source code

Debian based → Ubuntu → Debian → Mint → apt apt-get.

package manager.



apt

yum

Similar concept.

→ package manager uses official repositories.

- Download packages, resolve dependencies, etc.

Difference of repos

→ more or newer versions of packages