



## SOFTWARE PACKAGING

Workshop on Advanced Techniques for Scientific Programming and Management of Open Source Software Packages

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*"Talk is cheap. Show me the code."*

- Linus Torvalds

## INTRODUCTION

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- We are **not** talking about python import package;
- A compressed (or not) file containing other files in a directory structure that will be installed on the target system;
- On steroids:
  - pre/post (un)install scripts;
  - documentation;
  - dependencies and libraries;
  - etc.



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- Ports-like from BSD;



- Did you rememeber rpmfind.net ?

rpmfind.net/linux/rpm2html/search.php?query=xclock&submit=Search+...&system=fedora&arch=

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[index by Group](#)
[index by Distribution](#)
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The search service can find package by either name (**apache**), provides(**webserver**), absolute file names (**/usr/bin/apache**), binaries (**gprof**) or shared libraries.

The System and Arch are optional added filters, for example System could be "redhat", "redhat-7.2", "mandrake" or "gnome", Arch could be "i386" or "src", etc.

xclock  System  Arch

2 active mirrors: [\[fr\]](#) [\[fr2\]](#)

## RPM resource xclock

The xclock program displays the time in analog or digital form. The time is continuously updated at a frequency which may be specified by the user.

### Found 12 RPM for xclock

Package	Summary	Distribution	Download
<a href="#">xorg-x11-apps-7.6-5.fc17.i686.html</a>	X.Org X11 applications	Fedora Rawhide for i386	<a href="#">xorg-x11-apps-7.6-5.fc17.i686.rpm</a>
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<a href="#">xorg-x11-apps-7.6-2.fc15.i686.html</a>	X.Org X11 applications	Fedora 16 for i386	<a href="#">xorg-x11-apps-7.6-2.fc15.i686.rpm</a>
<a href="#">xorg-x11-apps-7.6-2.fc15.i686.html</a>	X.Org X11 applications	Fedora 15 for i386	<a href="#">xorg-x11-apps-7.6-2.fc15.i686.rpm</a>
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<a href="#">xorg-x11-apps-7.4-14.fc14.i686.html</a>	X.Org X11 applications	Fedora 14 for i386	<a href="#">xorg-x11-apps-7.4-14.fc14.i686.rpm</a>



- three releases:
  - **stable**: contains the latest officially released distribution of Debian;
  - **testing**: contains packages that haven't been accepted into a "stable" release yet, but they are in the queue for that;
  - **unstable (sid)**: is where active development of Debian occurs.

AND ABOUT PYTHON PACKAGES?

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- **To not be confuse**: "distribution" vs "python package".

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Python Software Foundation (US) https://pypi.python.org/pypi

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» Package Index

**PACKAGE INDEX**

- Browse packages
- Package submission
- List trove classifiers
- List packages
- RSS (latest 40 updates)
- RSS (newest 40 packages)
- Python 3 Packages
- PyPI Tutorial
- PyPI Security
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- PyPI Developer Info

**ABOUT**

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**COMMUNITY**

**FOUNDATION**

**CORE DEVELOPMENT**

## PyPI - the Python Package Index

The Python Package Index is a repository of software for the Python programming language. There are currently **58091** packages here.

To contact the PyPI admins, please use the [Support](#) or [Bug reports](#) links.

**Not Logged In**

- [Login](#)
- [Register](#)
- [Lost Login?](#)
- Use [OpenID](#) or [lp](#)

**Status**

- [Nothing to report](#)

**Get Packages**

To use a package from this index either "[pip](#) install package" (get [pip](#)) or download, unpack and "python setup.py install" it.

**Package Authors**

Submit packages with "[python setup.py upload](#)". The index [hosts package docs](#). You may also use the [web form](#). You must [register](#). Testing? Use [testpypi](#).

**Infrastructure**

To interoperate with the index use the [JSON](#), [OAuth](#), [XML-RPC](#) or [HTTP](#) interfaces. Use [local mirroring](#) or [caching](#) to make installation more robust.

Updated	Package	Description
2015-04-16	<a href="#">trollius_redis 0.1.0</a>	PEP 3156 implementation of the redis protocol.
2015-04-16	<a href="#">Themer 1.1</a>	Themer is a colorscheme generator and manager for your desktop.
2015-04-16	<a href="#">agms 0.1.0</a>	Agms Python Library
2015-04-16	<a href="#">circulator 0.2.0</a>	circulator: a tool to circularise bacterial genome assemblies
2015-04-16	<a href="#">pypet 0.1b.10</a>	A toolkit for numerical simulations to allow easy parameter exploration and storage of results.
2015-04-16	<a href="#">yoyo-migrations 4.2.5</a>	Database schema migration tool using SQL and DB-API
2015-04-16	<a href="#">ebaysdk 2.1.1</a>	eBay SDK for Python
2015-04-16	<a href="#">rodeo 0.1.0</a>	an ide for data analysis in python
2015-04-16	<a href="#">django-user-guide 0.8.1</a>	Show configurable HTML guides to users.
2015-04-16	<a href="#">topsipy 1.0.1</a>	A simple wrapper library for the Topsy APIs
2015-04-16	<a href="#">django-celery-model 0.1</a>	django-celery-model is an extension to Celery and django-celery which adds support for tracking Celery tasks assigned to Django model instances.
2015-04-16	<a href="#">zymbit 0.4.0</a>	Zymbit cloud library
2015-04-16	<a href="#">clc-sdk 2.12</a>	CenturyLink Cloud SDK and CLI



```
FooBar/  
  setup.py  
  foo/  
    __init__.py  
    foo.py  
    bar.py  
    subfoo/  
      __init__.py  
      blah.py
```

```
1 from distutils.core import setup  
2 setup(name='foobar',  
3       version='1.0',  
4       author='tarek',  
5       author_email='foo@bar.org',  
6       url='http://example.com',  
7       packages=['foobar',  
8                 'foobar.subfoo'],  
9       )
```



```
# Build source distribution
$ python setup.py sdist
$ ls -l dist/
total 4
-rw-r--r-- 1 user user 491 Apr 17 14:22 hello-1.0.tar.gz
```



```
# Manual installation
$ tar zxvf hello-1.0.tar.gz
$ cd hello-1.0
$ sudo python setup.py install
```



```
# Register at PyPi and upload
$ python setup.py register
$ python setup.py sdist upload
```



```
# Install from PyPi  
$ sudo pip install hello
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$ cat requirements.txt
FooProject >= 1.2
SomethingWhichVersionIDontCareAbout
BarProject == 1.0

# Install requirements
$ sudo pip install -r requirements.txt
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smr2763Hello/

setup.py

ez\_setup.py

smr2763hello/

\_\_init\_\_.py

world.py

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1 from ez_setup import use_setuptools
2 use_setuptools()
3 from setuptools import setup
4 from setuptools import find_packages
5 setup(name='smr2763hello',
6       version='0.2',
7       author='me',
8       author_email='foo@bar.org',
9       url='http://example.com',
10      packages = find_packages(),
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  - Use `setuptools` to define projects and create Source Distributions.

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QUESTIONS?

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