

Extra Notes - NodeJS - Update and Upgrade Node.js and NPM

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A brief overview of updating Node.js.

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Intro Node.js may be initially installed using a variety of options, depending upon the underlying system.

For example, it may be available as a package using the operating system's package manager, or it may be downloaded from the following URL,

- [Node.js - Download](#)

Node.js updating After installing Node.js, we need to be able to update and upgrade the local Node.js software, and its package manager NPM.

n.b. this guide has been tested with Linux and Unix based systems.

Upgrade steps Use the following steps at a terminal to update and upgrade a current install of Node.js and NPM.

Use the *n* version manager,

```
npm install -g n
npm cache clean -f
```

`sudo` may be required for this global install relative to local settings.

Then, upgrade Node.js itself

```
sudo n stable
sudo npm update -g
```

Then, we can simply check the installed versions of Node.js and NPM,

```
node -v
npm -v
```

References

- [Node.js](#)
- [NPM](#)
- [n package](#)