

NAME

deb-preinst – package pre-installation maintainer script

SYNOPSIS

preinst

DESCRIPTION

A package can perform several pre-installation actions via maintainer scripts, by including an executable *preinst* file in its control archive (i.e. *DEBIAN/preinst* during package creation).

The script can be called in the following ways:

new-preinst **install**

Before the package is installed.

new-preinst **install** *old-version* *new-version*

Before removed package is upgraded.

new-preinst **upgrade** *old-version* *new-version*

Before the package is upgraded.

old-preinst **abort-upgrade** *new-version*

If *postrm* fails during upgrade or fails on failed upgrade.

SEE ALSO

dpkg(1).