APT - Advanced Package Tool

- The recommended way to manage software packages on Ubuntu and other Debian based distributions is using **apt**.

- In the newest versions of Ubuntu the apt-get and apt-cache tools were merged into a single command simply called **apt**.

- Unlike **dpkg**, **apt** does not understand .deb files. It works with packages that are downloaded from repositories and calls **dpkg** directly after downloading the .deb archives.

- An APT repository is a web server which contains a collection of packages with metadata that is readable by the **apt** tool.

- A special kind of repository hosted on servers like Launchpad are PPAs.