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Turtles all the way down - what about APMs?

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A thriving ecosystem is crucial for every kind of programming language or environment, and a large portion of it is the “batteries included” mindset, respectively reducing the friction of adding libraries.

Enter APMs - Application Package Managers.

From the distribution building point of view, this is a major problem. Reinvented processes time and again, reproducibility blockers, conflicting version dependencies, and many more sources of joy.

This does not propose any solution, because I don’t know of one. Lets raise awareness for this, and hopefully gather some approaches so not everybody needs to figure it out in isolation.

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