

Abstract

Examples of the present disclosure provide a method and an apparatus for upgrading a plug-in based on an IM application. The method includes obtaining basic elements of an IM application with a version called by a plug-in to be upgraded of the IM application, scanning a client to obtain basic elements of an IM application in the client, comparing, according to a type of a basic element, the basic elements of the IM application with the version called by the plug-in to be upgraded with the basic elements of the IM application in the client, determining a client matching the basic elements of the IM application with the version called by the plug-in to be upgraded, and releasing the plug-in to be upgraded to the matched client. When examples of the present disclosure are employed, service coverage of the IM application may be improved, and operations of obtaining a new internet service may be simplified.