

# Basic Apache

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# Location, Location, Location

**/usr/local/apache**

- **bin/**
- **conf/**
- **sites/**
- **domlogs/**
- **logs/**
- **modules/**



# Your httpd.conf file and You

**Could You Tell Me How to Act, Please?**

**What's My Name Again?**

**Names vs. IP**



# Account Examples

```
<VirtualHost 192.168.90.197>  
ServerAlias freedom.com  
ServerAdmin webmaster@freedom.com  
DocumentRoot /home/freedom/public_html  
BytesLog domlogs/freedom.com-bytes_log  
ServerName www.freedom.com
```

```
User freedom  
Group freedom  
CustomLog /usr/local/apache/domlogs/freedom.com combined  
ScriptAlias /cgi-bin/ /home/freedom/public_html/cgi-bin/  
</VirtualHost>
```

```
<VirtualHost 192.168.90.197:443>  
ServerAdmin webmaster@freedom.com  
DocumentRoot /home/freedom/public_html  
ServerName freedom.com  
UserDir public_html
```

```
User freedom  
Group freedom  
ScriptAlias /cgi-bin/ /home/freedom/public_html/cgi-bin/
```

```
SSLEnable  
SSLCertificateFile /usr/share/ssl/certs/freedom.com.crt  
SSLCertificateKeyFile /usr/share/ssl/private/freedom.com.key  
SSLLogFile /usr/local/apache/domlogs/freedom.com-ssl_data_log  
CustomLog /usr/local/apache/domlogs/freedom.com-ssl_log combined  
SetEnvIf User-Agent ".*MSIE.*" nokeepalive ssl-unclean-shutdown  
</VirtualHost>
```



# AllowOverride

All	Enables all overrides
None	Disables all overrides
Authconfig	user/group authorization
FileInfo	Control document types
Indexes	Control directory indexing
Limit	Control network/host access
Options	Use special directives

# The End Run: .htaccess

**mod\_rewrite**

**<http://www.example.com/article/32>**

**[http://www.example.com/index.php?s=article  
&id=32](http://www.example.com/index.php?s=article&id=32)**

# .htaccess – The Dangers

## Directory Traversal

`php_*`

# The Cookie Cutter Approach

**`/usr/local/cpanel/etc/httptemplates`**

- **default**
- **ssldefault**



# Default

```
<VirtualHost %ip%>  
ServerAlias %serveralias%  
ServerAdmin %serveradmin%  
DocumentRoot %docroot%  
ServerName %servername%  
!usecannameoff=1!  
UseCanonicalName off  
!usecannameoff!  
!dirprotect=1!  
...  
@ADDONS@  
</VirtualHost>
```

# Just Addon

**Tomcat, Resin, Mono, more**



# The Many Versions of Apache

## Basic differences

### 2: Worker and Prefork

# Why does it matter?

**“We do not recommend using a threaded MPM in production with Apache2. Use the prefork MPM instead, or use Apache1.”**

Source: <http://www.php.net/manual/en/install.unix.apache2.php>



# PHP

**Face Off! 4 vs 5.1**

**MySQL**

# PHP Security

## **Catching a Greased Pig; or How to Secure Your PHP Installation**

# Modules and Multi-User

**Pardon me while I read your file**

**One Solution: CGI**

# CGI Strategy

**she-bang, not a Ricky Martin song**

***#!/usr/local/bin/php***





# suExec

- **PHPsuExec**
- **suPHP**

# Basic Apache

## PHP Specifics:

- **Safe Mode \***
- **open\_basedir**
- **display\_errors**
- **disable\_functions \***
- **register\_globals**



# Caveats

- **6.0: Goodbye Safe Mode**
- **.htaccess**
- **Web application breakage**

# Performance

**Why do you need Zend Optimizer?**

# mod\_security

**What is it?**

**How do I enable it?**

# Enabling mod\_security



**Name:** modsecurity  
**Author:** cPanel Inc.  
**Installed Version:** 1.9.1-1.7  
**Version:** 1.9.1-1.7  
**Description:** mod\_security Support !!BETA!!  
**Price:** free

Install and Keep Updated

[Uninstall modsecurity](#)

# mod\_security Configuration

***/usr/local/apache/conf***

- **modsec.conf**
- **modsec.user.conf**

# modsec.conf Example

```
<IfModule mod_security.c>  
SecFilterEngine On  
SecFilterCheckURLEncoding On  
SecFilterForceByteRange 0 255  
SecAuditEngine RelevantOnly  
SecAuditLog logs/audit_log  
SecFilterDebugLog logs/modsec_debug_log  
SecFilterDebugLevel 0  
SecFilterDefaultAction "deny,log,status:406"  
SecFilterSelective REMOTE_ADDR "^127.0.0.1$" nolog,allow  
Include "/usr/local/apache/conf/modsec.user.conf"  
</IfModule>
```





# mode\_security - Rules

**Occur on every incoming Request**

**Get: first line only**

**Post: body included**



# Rule Syntax

**SecFilter KEYWORD [ACTIONS]**

**KEYWORD: What to Match**

**ACTIONS: What to do**



# Rules: What Do We Match?

**Normalized data**

**GET /bin/./sh -> /bin/sh**



# Action: Now What Do I Do?

1. Primary – *deny, pass, redirect*
2. Secondary
3. Flow – *chain, skip*



# Action Parameters

**Colon (:) separated**

**White space single quoted (')**

*SecFilterDefaultAction "deny,log,status:'Hello World!'"*

# mod\_security Examples

## Parameter Checking

```
SecFilterSelective ARG_parameter "!^[0-9]{1,5}$"
```

# mod\_security Examples

## File Upload

### Deny all, selective

```
SecFilterSelective HTTP_CONTENT_TYPE multipart/form-  
data
```

```
<Location /upload.php>  
    SecFilterInheritance Off  
</Location>
```



# mod\_security Examples

## Securing FormMail

```
<Location /cgi-bin/FormMail>  
  SecFilterSelective ARG_recipient “![a-zA-Z0-9]  
  +@example\.com$”  
</Location>
```





# mod\_security and Multi-User

## **.htaccess**

- Users can define rules**
- Users can invalidate your rules**

## **Mandatory**

- Global**
- Per rule**

# mod\_security and Performance

## Apache 1.3 and Memory

### Testing

```
/usr/src/modsecurity-apache-{$version}/util  
run-test.pl
```

### Speed

# mod\_security Future

**Apache 2.2 unsupported**

**New version**

# Problems & Troubleshooting

- **Configuration**
- **Upgrades**
- **Tools**

# Configuration Problems

- **MaxClients**
- **VirtualHost:**
  - **NameVirtualHost** directive
  - **ServerName** directive
- **Redirects**



# Upgrade Problems

- **Module Recompile**
- **Library Mismatch**

# Tools

- **Error Messages**
  - **400 Series**
    - 400
    - 401
    - 403
    - 404
  - **500 Series**

# The Log Files

***/usr/local/apache/logs***

***access\_log***

***error\_log***





# Log File Example

***access\_log:***

***127.0.0.1 - - [02/Jun/2006:12:16:50 -0500]***

***"GET /~kpower/test.php HTTP/1.1" 500***

***697 "-" "Mozilla/5.0 (X11; U; Linux i686;  
en-US; rv:1.8.0.***

***3) Gecko/20060523 Ubuntu/dapper  
Firefox/1.5.0.3"***



# Log File Example

***error\_log:***

***[Fri Jun 02 12:16:50 2006] [alert] [client  
127.0.0.1] /***

***home/kpower/public\_html/.htaccess:  
php\_flag not allowed here***



# Configuration Testing

***/usr/local/apache/bin***

***httpd -t -f file***

# Server Info



- **Status**
- **Information**

# Server Status

```
Current Time: Tuesday, 06-Jun-2006 14:30:32 CDT
Restart Time: Thursday, 01-Jun-2006 14:02:13 CDT
Parent Server Generation: 0
Server uptime: 5 days 28 minutes 19 seconds
Total accesses: 1457 - Total Traffic: 11.2 MB
CPU Usage: u2.48438 s.75 cu0 cs0 - .000746% CPU load
.00336 requests/sec - 27 B/second - 7.9 kB/request
1 requests currently being processed, 7 idle servers
```

# Server Status

Srv	PID	Acc	M	CPU	SS	Req	Conn	Child	Slot	Host	VHost	Request
0-0	41687	0/181/181	W	0.41	330639	0	0.0	1.40	1.40	127.0.0.1	miracle54.cpanel.net	GET /whm-server-status/ HTTP/1.0
1-0	41688	0/182/182	_	0.41	433308	2	0.0	1.39	1.39	127.0.0.1	miracle54.cpanel.net	GET /whm-server-status HTTP/1.0
2-0	41689	0/182/182	_	0.41	434006	2	0.0	1.40	1.40	127.0.0.1	miracle54.cpanel.net	GET /whm-server-status HTTP/1.0
3-0	41690	0/186/186	_	0.41	433585	2	0.0	1.40	1.40	127.0.0.1	miracle54.cpanel.net	GET /whm-server-status/ HTTP/1.0
4-0	41691	0/185/185	_	0.41	290139	2	0.0	1.40	1.40	127.0.0.1	miracle54.cpanel.net	GET /whm-server-status HTTP/1.0
5-0	41724	0/181/181	_	0.41	156939	2	0.0	1.40	1.40	127.0.0.1	miracle54.cpanel.net	GET /whm-server-status HTTP/1.0
6-0	41725	0/181/181	_	0.40	433584	2	0.0	1.40	1.40	127.0.0.1	miracle54.cpanel.net	GET /whm-server-status HTTP/1.0
7-0	41726	0/181/181	_	0.40	180339	10	0.0	1.40	1.40	127.0.0.1	miracle54.cpanel.net	GET /whm-server-status HTTP/1.0

**Srv** Child Server number - generation

**PID** OS process ID

**Acc** Number of accesses this connection / this child / this slot

**M** Mode of operation

**CPU** CPU usage, number of seconds

**SS** Seconds since beginning of most recent request

**Req** Milliseconds required to process most recent request

**Conn** Kilobytes transferred this connection

**Child** Megabytes transferred this child

**Slot** Total megabytes transferred this slot

# Configuration Roll-back

## Revision Control



The image shows a screenshot of the cPanel interface. At the top, there is a 'Backup' menu with a folder icon. The menu items are: Configuration File Rollback, Configure Backup, Restore Backups, Restore Multiple Backups, Restore a Full, and Backup/cpmove file. Below the menu is a dialog box titled 'Please select a file to rollback:'. It contains four radio button options: /usr/local/apache/conf/httpd.conf, /etc/namedb/named.conf, /usr/local/etc/proftpd.conf, and /usr/local/etc/pure-ftpd.conf.

# Configuration Roll-back

Config File Rollback

```
/usr/local/apache/conf/httpd.conf
```

```
#-
#Rlimit added by apachelimits.pl
#-
RlimitMEM 0
RlimitCPU 240
##
Alias /bandwidth/ /usr/local/andmin/htdocs/
## httpd.conf -- Apache HTTP server configuration file
##

#
# Based upon the NCSA server configuration files originally by Rob McCool.
#
# This is the main Apache server configuration file. It contains the
# configuration directives that give the server its instructions.
# See <URL:http://httpd.apache.org/docs/> for detailed information about
# the directives.
```

Revision:  current  Date:



# Conclusion

Question  
&  
Answer