Mod_rewrite

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About the Speaker

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Eso qué es y con qué se come?

- Es un módulo de Apache que ayuda con urls limpias
- Circa 1998
- Donado inicialmente por Ralf S. Engelschall

Ralf S. Engelschall







Más trabajo

- References
- In his role as a Software Artist and Hacker Ralf S. Engelschall made the following major achievements: founder and developer at OSSP (software components)
- founder and developer at <u>OpenSSL</u> (cryptography toolkit)
- founder and developer at <u>OpenPKG</u> (software distribution)
- founder and developer at <u>RPM5</u> (packaging tool)
- developer of <u>Apache mod ssl</u> (HTTP security)
- developer of <u>Apache mod rewrite</u> (URL manipulation)
- developer of <u>GNU pth</u> (multi-threading facility)
- developer of GNU shtool (development tool)

- developer of <u>WML</u> (webdesign tool)
- developer at FreeBSD (operating system)
- contributor at <u>SQLite</u> (RDBMS)
- contributor at <u>CVSTrac</u> (version control frontend)
- contributor at <u>Monotone</u> (version control system)
- contributor at <u>jQuery</u> (DHTML/AJAX library)
- See also the <u>resume on his major Open</u> <u>Source Software</u> <u>community efforts</u> for additional details.

Cool URIs don't change

- We just reorganized our website to make it better.
- We have so much material that we can't keep track of what is out of date and what is confidential and what is valid and so we thought we'd better just turn the whole lot off.
- Well, we found we had to move the files...
- · We used to use a cgi script for this and now we use a binary program.
- I didn't think URLs have to be persistent that was URNs.
- We would like to, but we just don't have the right tools.

Hall of flame -- story 2: Microsoft Netmeeting

 One of the smarts which came with a growing dependency on the web was that applications could have built-in links back to the manufacturer's web site. This has been used and abused to a great extent, but - you do have to keep the URL the same. Just the other day I tried a link from Microsoft's Netmeeting 2/something client under a menu "Help/Microsoft on the Web/Free stuff" and got an Error 404 - not found response from the server. They have probably fixed it by now...

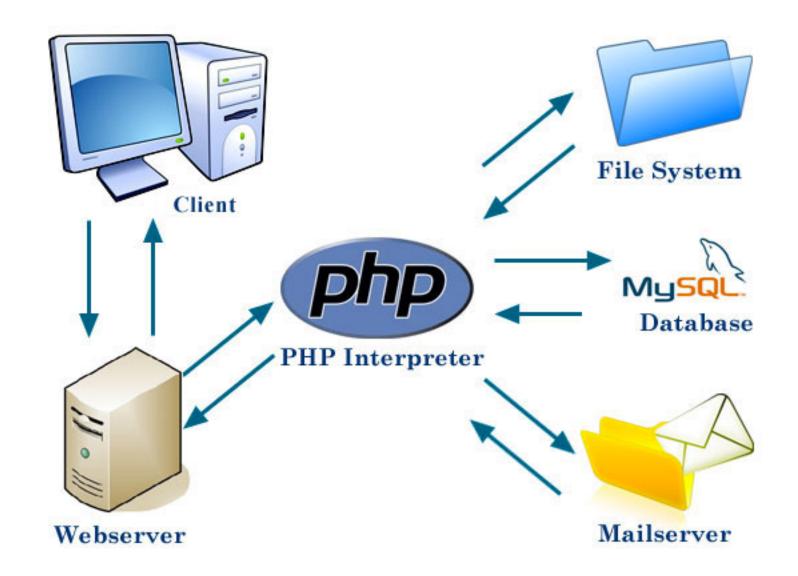
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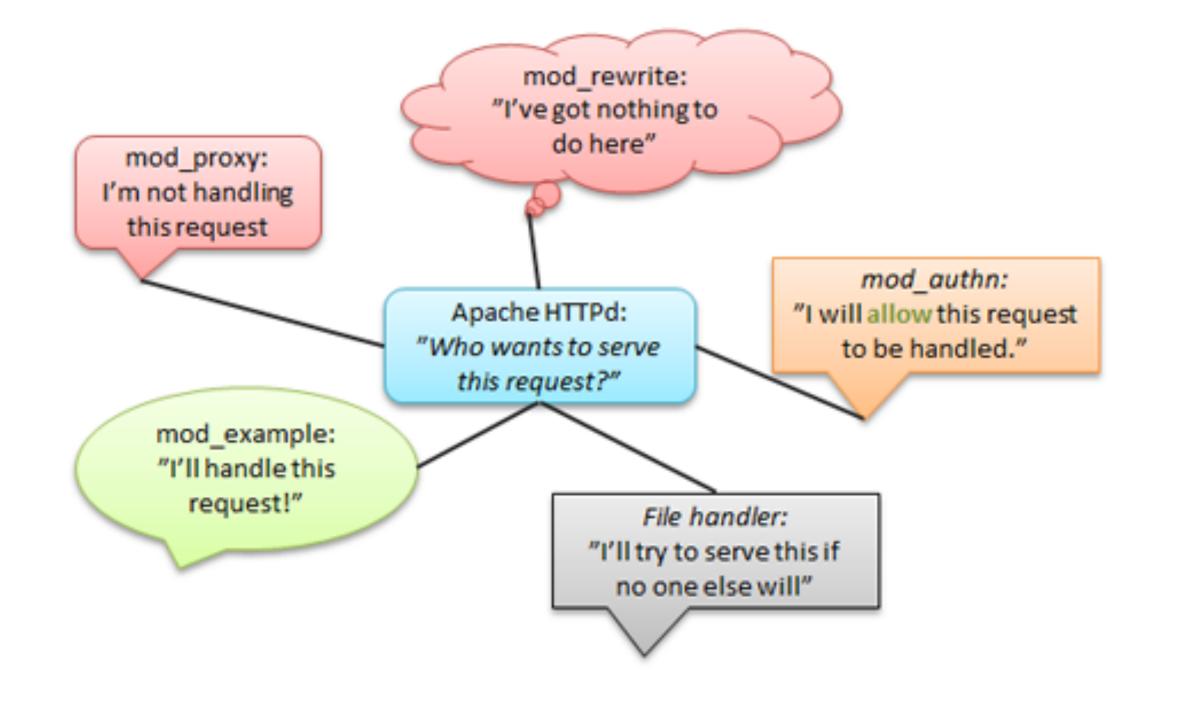
Rants

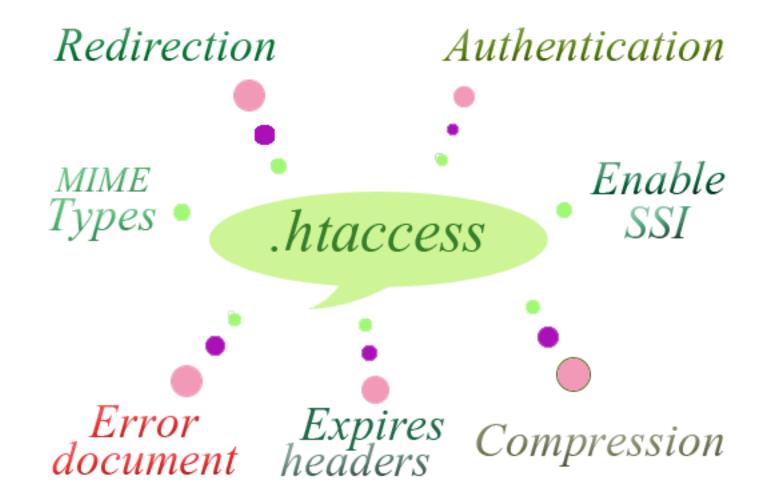
- mldk: Aargh! .htaccess and mod_rewrite can be such a pain in the ---!
- <u>bsterzenbach</u>: Man do I love mod_rewrite. I could work with it the rest of my life and still not master it - so powerful
- <u>mikemackay</u>: Still loving the total flexibility of mod_rewrite coming to the rescue again. Often so overlooked...and easier than you might think too!
- hostpc: I hate mod_rewrite. Can't get this dang application to work properly:(
- <u>awanderingmind</u>: Oh Wordpress and Apache, how thou dost vex me.
 Mod_rewrite be damned!
- danielishiding: Why won't mod_rewrite work! Damn it!

Rants

Despite the tons of examples and docs, mod_rewrite is voodoo.
 Damned cool voodoo, but still voodoo." — <u>Brian Moore</u>







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Basics

http://www.pets.com/pet_care_info_07_07_2008.php

http://www.pets.com/pet-care/

Basics

- RewriteEngine On
- # Turn on the rewriting engine
- RewriteRule ^pet-care/?\$ pet_care_info_01_02_2008.php [NC,L]
- # Handle requests for "pet-care"

Installation

• LoadModule rewrite_module modules/mod_rewrite.so

• sudo a2enmod rewrite

Installation Testing

• <?php phpinfo(); ?>

apache2handler

Apache Version	Apache/2.0.59 (Unix) PHP/5.2.3 DAV/2
Apache API Version	20020903
Server Administrator	you@example.com
Hostname:Port	localhost:8888
User/Group	joe(501)/-1
Max Requests	Per Child: 0 - Keep Alive: on - Max Per Connection: 100
Timeouts	Connection: 300 - Keep-Alive: 15
Virtual Server	No
Server Root	/Applications/MAMP/Library
Loaded Modules	core prefork http_core mod_so mod_access mod_auth mod_auth_anon mod_auth_dbm mod_auth_digest mod_file_cache mod_echo mod_charset_lite mod_cache mod_disk_cache mod_mem_cache mod_example mod_case_filter mod_case_filter_in mod_ext_filter mod_include mod_deflate mod_log_config mod_env mod_mime_magic mod_cern_meta mod_expires mod_headers mod_usertrack mod_setenvif mod_proxy proxy_connect proxy_ftp proxy_http mod_bucketeer mod_mime mod_dav mod_status mod_autoindex mod_asis mod_info mod_cgi mod_cgid mod_dav_fs mod_vhost_alias mod_negotiation mod_dir mod_imap mod_actions mod_speling mod_userdir mod_alias mod_rewrite_mod_php5

Basics

```
RewriteCond %{DOCUMENT_ROOT}/$1 !-f

RewriteCond %{HTTP_HOST} ^(admin.example.com)$

RewriteRule ^/?([a-z]+)/(.*)$ /admin.foo?page=$1&id=$2&host=%1 [PT]
```

Wordpress Example

Q why is wordpress so Q why is wordpress so - Google Search why is wordpress so slow why is wordpress so popular why is wordpress so hard why is wordpress so difficult to use why is wordpress so confusing

- # BEGIN WordPress
- <IfModule mod_rewrite.c>
- RewriteEngine On
- RewriteBase /
- RewriteRule ^index\.php\$ [L]
- RewriteCond %{REQUEST_FILEN_ME} !-f
- RewriteCond %{REQUEST_FILEN_ME} !-d

Why...

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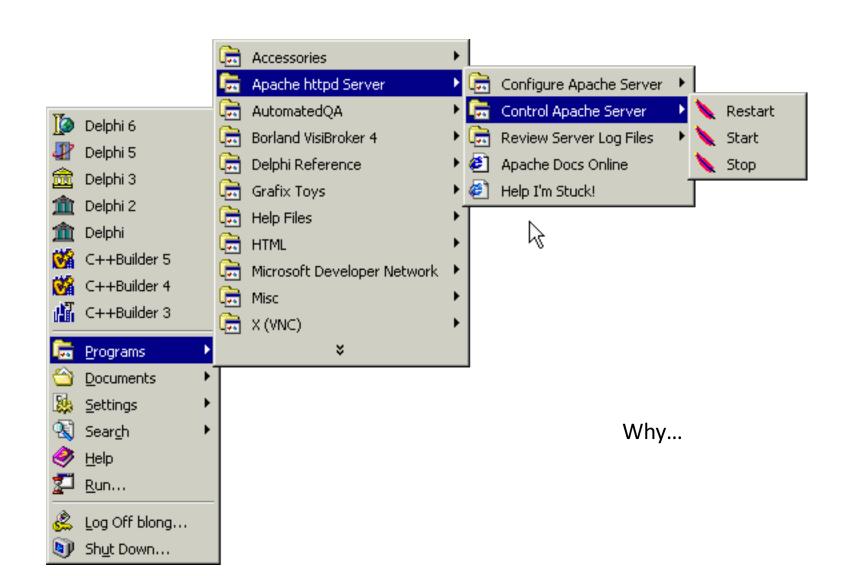
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Why...

Syntax of a RewriteRule:

Regular Expression checked against the requested URI, which is the part after http://hostname Optional: All kinds of special actions: Define variables, Control

headers, Redirect, Deny...

RewriteRule Pattern Substitution [Flags]

One of the following:

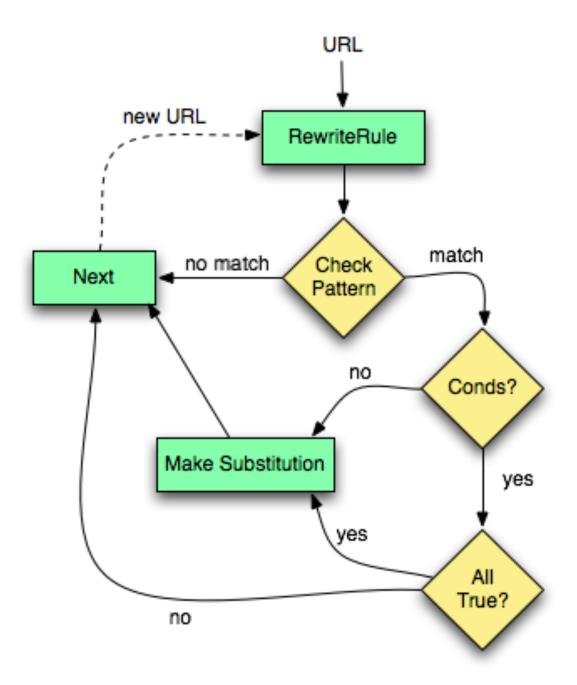
- 1. Modification to the part matched by the Pattern
- 2. Absolute path to a file
- 3. Full URL to redirect to
- 4. A dash "-" to do nothing

RewriteRule

```
• typedef struct {
     apr array header t *rewriteconds;/* the corresponding RewriteCond entries */
                                 /* the RegExp pattern string
     char
              *pattern;
                                 /* the RegExp pattern compilation
                                                                       * /
     ap regex t *regexp;
                               /* the Substitution string
                                                                      * /
     char
            *output;
            flags; /* Flags which control the substitution
     int
         *forced mimetype; /* forced MIME type of substitution
                                                                      * /
     char
     char
         *forced handler; /* forced content handler of subst.
                                                                      * /
     int forced responsecode; /* forced HTTP response status
                                                                      * /
     data item *env;
                                /* added environment variables
                                                                      * /
                                                                       * /
     data item *cookie;
                                 /* added cookies
              skip;
                               /* number of next rules to skip
                                                                      * /
     int
          maxrounds;
                               /* limit on number of loops with N flag
     int
     char *escapes;
                                 /* specific backref escapes
                                                                       */
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```
# Enable Rewriting
                                                        URL
RewriteEngine on
# Rewrite profile URLs
    Input: profile/NAME/
    Output: profile.php?id=NAME
RewriteRule ^profile/(\w+)/?$ profile.php?id=$1
                                                      Rule #1
# Prevent Direct Access to profile.php
# THE_REQUEST is the whole original request,
# if the original request has "profile.php"
# send back a 403 Forbidden Warning
RewriteCond %{THE_REQUEST} profile\.php
                                                       Rule #2
RewriteRule ^profile\.php - [F]
```

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- RewriteCona %{REQUEST_FILENAME} !-f
- RewriteCond (REQUEST_FILENAME) !-d
- Kewriterule . /index.php [L]
- </lfModule>
- # END WordPress

Why...

Syntax of a RewriteCond:

Typically a Server Variable which is of the form %{VARIABLE}

Optional:

NC - Ignore Case

OR - Logical "or"

NV - No Vary



One of the following:

- 1. Regular Expression
- 2. String Comparison
- 3. File/Path Test

RewriteCond

```
• typedef struct {
         *input; /* Input string of RewriteCond
    char
                                                          * /
              *pattern; /* the RegExp pattern string
                                                          * /
    char
    ap regex t *regexp; /* the precompiled regexp
                                                          * /
    ap expr info t *expr; /* the compiled ap expr
                                                          * /
    int
                   flags; /* Flags which control the match */
    pattern type ptype; /* pattern type
                                                          * /
                 pskip; /* back-index to display pattern */
    int.
} rewritecond entry;
```

.htaccess

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Why...

- API VERSION
- AUTH TYPE
- CONTENT LENGTH
- CONTENT TYPE
- DOCUMENT ROOT
- GATEWAY INTERFACE
- IS_SUBREQ
- ORIG PATH INFO
- ORIG PATH TRANSLATED
- ORIG SCRIPT FILENAME
- ORIG SCRIPT NAME

- PATH
- PATH_INFO
- PHP_SELF
- QUERY_STRING
- REDIRECT QUERY STRING
- REDIRECT REMOTE USER
- REDIRECT_STATUS
- REDIRECT URL
- REMOTE_ADDR
- REMOTE_HOST
- REMOTE_IDENT
- REMOTE_PORT
- REMOTE_USER

- REQUEST FILENAME
- REQUEST METHOD
- REQUEST TIME
- REQUEST URI
- SCRIPT FILENAME
- SCRIPT GROUP
- SCRIPT NAME
- SCRIPT URI
- SCRIPT URL
- SCRIPT_USER

- SERVER ADDR
- SERVER ADMIN
- SERVER_NAME
- SERVER_PORT
- SERVER_PROTOCOL
- SERVER SIGNATURE
- SERVER_SOFTWARE

- THE REQUEST
- TIME
- TIME DAY
- TIME HOUR
- TIME MIN
- TIME MON
- TIME SEC
- TIME WDAY
- TIME YEAR
- <u>TZ</u>
- UNIQUE ID

- HTTP_ACCEPT
- HTTP_ACCEPT_CHARSET
- HTTP_ACCEPT_ENCODING
- HTTP_ACCEPT_LANGUAGE
- HTTP_CACHE_CONTROL
- HTTP_CONNECTION
- HTTP_COOKIE
- HTTP_FORWARDED
- HTTP_HOST
- HTTP_KEEP_ALIVE
- HTTP_PROXY_CONNECTION
- HTTP_REFERER
- HTTP_USER_AGENT

- HTTPS
- SSL CIPHER
- SSL_CIPHER_ALGKEYSIZE
- SSL CIPHER EXPORT
- SSL CIPHER USEKEYSIZE
- SSL CLIENT VERIFY
- SSL_PROTOCOL

Variable Handling

```
    case 'E':

• case 11:
                                                                                    if (*var == 'H' && !strcmp(var, "HTTP_ACCEPT")) {
         switch (var[8]) {
         case 'A':
                                                                                       result = lookup_header("Accept", ctx);
            if (!strcmp(var, "SERVER_NAME")) {
              result = ap get server name for url(r);
                                                                                     else if (!strcmp(var, "THE_REQUEST")) {
                                                                                       result = r->the_request;
            break;
                                                                                    break;
         case 'D':
            if (*var == 'R' && !strcmp(var, "REMOTE_ADDR")) {
                                                                                  case 'I':
                                                                                    if (!strcmp(var, "API_VERSION")) {
              result = r->useragent_ip;
                                                                                       return apr_psprintf(r->pool, "%d:%d",
            else if (!strcmp(var, "SERVER_ADDR")) {
                                                                                                  MODULE MAGIC NUMBER MAJOR,
              result = r->connection->local_ip;
                                                                                                  MODULE MAGIC NUMBER MINOR);
            break;
                                                                                     break;
```

!-f ??

• !-f : no such file

• !-d: no such directory

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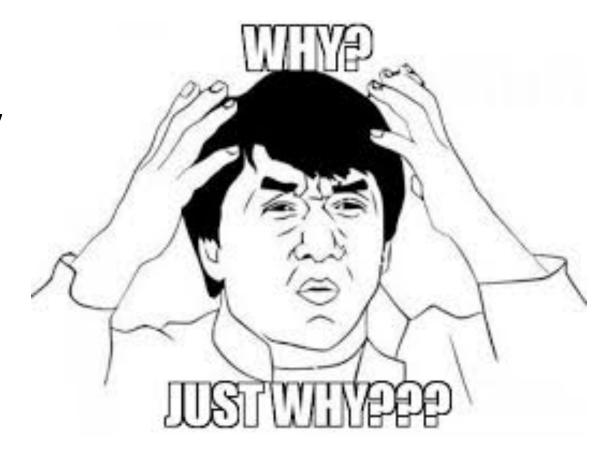
• !-d: no such directory



!-f ??

• !-f : no such file

• !-d: no such directory



Because bash, that's why

```
• if [!-f/tmp/foo.txt];
```

- then
- echo "File not found!"
- fi

Bash File Testing

```
• -b filename - Block special file
 -c filename - Special character file
 -d directoryname - Check for directory Existence -e filename - Check for file existence, regardless of type
                 (node, directory, socket, etc.)
 -f filename - Check for regular file existence not a directory
 -G filename - Check if file exists and is owned by effective group ID
 -G filename set-group-id - True if file exists and is set-group-id
 -k filename - Stickv bit
 -L filename - Symbolic link
 -O filename - True if file exists and is owned by the effective user id
 -r filename - Check if file is a readable
 -S filename - Check if file is socket
 -s filename - Check if file is nonzero size
 -u filename - Check if file set-user-id bit is set
 -w filename - Check if file is writable
 -x filename - Check if file is executable
```

Supported:

```
• static const char *cmd rewritecond(cmd_parms *cmd, void *in_dconf,
  const char *in str) {
• // . . .
                  case 'f': newcond->ptype = CONDPAT FILE EXISTS; break;
                  case 's': newcond->ptype = CONDPAT FILE SIZE;
                                                                   break;
                  case 'd': newcond->ptype = CONDPAT FILE DIR;
                                                                   break;
                  case 'x': newcond->ptype = CONDPAT FILE XBIT;
                                                                   break;
                  case 'h': newcond->ptype = CONDPAT FILE LINK;
                                                                   break;
                  case 'L': newcond->ptype = CONDPAT FILE LINK;
                                                                   break;
                  case 'l': newcond->ptype = CONDPAT FILE LINK;
                                                                   break;
                  case 'U': newcond->ptype = CONDPAT LU URL;
                                                                   break;
                  case 'F': newcond->ptype = CONDPAT LU FILE;
                                                                   break;
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- RewriteRule . /index.php [L]
- /IfModule>
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- </lfModule>
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Why...

Rewrite Flags

_	#dofine CONDELAC NONE	(1 < < 0)	 #define RULEFLAG_PROXY 	(1 << 7)
	#define CONDFLAG_NONE	(1<<0)	• #define RULEFLAG PASSTHROUGH	(1<<8)
•	#define CONDFLAG_NOCASE	(1<<1)	- #define RULEFLAG QSAPPEND	(1<<9)
•	#define CONDFLAG_NOTMATCH	(1<<2)	• #define RULEFLAG NOCASE	(1<<10)
•	#define CONDFLAG_ORNEXT	(1<<3)	-	
•	#define CONDFLAG_NOVARY	(1<<4)	 #define RULEFLAG_NOESCAPE 	(1<<11)
			 #define RULEFLAG_NOSUB 	(1<<12)
	" 1 C' DITTELL C NOVE	(1 ((0)	 #define RULEFLAG_STATUS 	(1<<13)
	#define RULEFLAG_NONE	(1<<0)	• #define RULEFLAG ESCAPEBACKREF	(1<<14)
•	#define RULEFLAG_FORCEREDIRECT	(1<<1)	 #define RULEFLAG DISCARDPATHINFO 	(1<<15)
•	#define RULEFLAG_LASTRULE	(1<<2)	-	
•	#define RULEFLAG NEWROUND	(1<<3)	 #define RULEFLAG_QSDISCARD 	(1<<16)
	#define RULEFLAG CHAIN	(1<<4)	 #define RULEFLAG_END 	(1<<17)
	_		 #define RULEFLAG_ESCAPENOPLUS 	(1<<18)
•	#define RULEFLAG_IGNOREONSUBREQ	(1<<5)	• #define RULEFLAG QSLAST	(1<<19)
•	#define RULEFLAG NOTMATCH	(1<<6)	<u>_</u>	(= ' ' ' = ' ' '

Rewrite Flags: F|forbidden

• RewriteRule "\.exe" "-" [F]

Rewrite Flags: L|last

- RewriteBase "/"
- RewriteCond "%{REQUEST_URI}" "!=/index.php"
- RewriteRule "^(.*)" "/index.php?req=\$1" [L,PT]
- The [L] flag causes mod_rewrite to stop processing the rule set. In most contexts, this means that if the rule matches, no further rules will be processed.

Rewrite Flags: N | next

• RewriteRule "(.*)A(.*)" "\$1B\$2" [N]

- # Be willing to replace 1 character in each pass of the loop RewriteRule "(.+)[><;]\$" "\$1" [N=64000]
- # ... or, give up if after 10 loops
- RewriteRule "(.+)[><;]\$" "\$1" [N=10]

Rewrite Flags: NC | nocase

• RewriteRule "(.*\.(jpg|gif|png))\$" "http://images.example.com\$1" [P,NC]

•

Rewrite Flags: P|proxy

- RewriteRule "/(.*)\.(jpg|gif|png)\$" "http://images.example.com/\$1.\$2" [P]
- Use of the [P] flag implies [L] that is, the request is immediately pushed through the proxy, and any following rules will not be considered.

Rewrite Flags: QSA | qsappend

- RewriteRule "/pages/(.+)" "/page.php?page=\$1" [QSA]
- With the [QSA] flag, a request for /pages/123?one=two will be mapped to /page.php?page=123&one=two. Without the [QSA] flag, that same request will be mapped to /page.php?page=123 - that is, the existing query string will be discarded.

Rewrite Flags: R | redirect

- Any valid HTTP response status code may be specified, using the syntax [R=305], with a 302 status code being used by default if none is specified. The status code specified need not necessarily be a redirect (3xx) status code. However, if a status code is outside the redirect range (300-399) then the substitution string is dropped entirely, and rewriting is stopped as if the L were used.
- You will almost always want to use [R] in conjunction with [L] (that is, use [R,L]) because on its own, the [R] flag prepends http://thishost[:thisport]to the URI, but then passes this on to the next rule in the ruleset, which can often result in 'Invalid URI in request' warnings.

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Rewrite Flags: S|skip

- # Is the request for a non-existent file?
- RewriteCond "%{REQUEST_FILENAME}" "!-f"
- RewriteCond "%{REQUEST_FILENAME}" "!-d"
- # If so, skip these two RewriteRules
- RewriteRule ".?" "-" [S=2]

- RewriteRule "(.*\.gif)" "images.php?\$1"
- RewriteRule "(.*\.html)" "docs.php?\$1"

Rewrite Flags: T|type

- # Serve .pl files as plain text
- RewriteRule "\.pl\$" "-" [T=text/plain]

Rewrite Flags: E | env

- [E=VAR:VAL]
- [E=!VAR]
- RewriteRule "\.(png|gif|jpg)\$" "-" [E=image:1]
- CustomLog "logs/access_log" combined env=!image
- Note that this same effect can be obtained using SetEnvIf. This technique is offered as an example, not as a recommendation.

Usage Examples

Mod_rewrite: Canonical URLs

On some webservers there are more than one URL for a resource.
 Usually there are canonical URLs (which should be actually used and distributed) and those which are just shortcuts, internal ones, etc.
 Independent of which URL the user supplied with the request he should finally see the canonical one only.

Mod_rewrite Canonical URLs

 Solution:We do an external HTTP redirect for all non-canonical URLs to fix them in the location view of the Browser and for all subsequent requests. In the example ruleset below we replace /~user by the canonical /u/user and fix a missing trailing slash for /u/user.

- RewriteRule $^/\sim([^/]+)/?(.*)/\mathbf{u}/\$1/\$2$ [**R**]
- RewriteRule ^/([uge])/([^/]+)\$ /\$1/\$2/ [R]

Mod_rewrite: Canonical Hostnames

 The goal of this rule is to force the use of a particular hostname, in preference to other hostnames which may be used to reach the same site. For example, if you wish to force the use of www.example.com instead of example.com, you might use a variant of the following recipe.

Mod_rewrite: Canonical Hostnames

```
* # For sites running on a port other than 80

RewriteCond %{HTTP_HOST} !^www\.example\.com [NC]

RewriteCond %{HTTP_HOST} !^$

RewriteCond %{SERVER_PORT} !^80$

RewriteRule ^/(.*) http://www.example.com:%{SERVER_PORT}/$1 [L,R]

# And for a site running on port 80

RewriteCond %{HTTP_HOST} !^www\.example\.com [NC]

RewriteCond %{HTTP_HOST} !^$

RewriteRule ^/(.*) http://www.example.com/$1 [L,R]
```

Forbid Hotlinking

- # Give Hotlinkers a 403 Forbidden warning.
- RewriteEngine on
- RewriteCond %{HTTP_REFERER} !^http://example\.net/?.*\$ [NC]
- RewriteCond %{HTTP_REFERER} !^http://example\.com/?.*\$ [NC]
- RewriteRule \.(gif|jpe?g|png|bmp)\$ [F,NC]

Give Hotlinkers a Warning Image

- # Redirect Hotlinkers to "warning.png"
- RewriteEngine on
- RewriteCond %{HTTP_REFERER} !^http://example\.net/?.*\$
- RewriteCond %{HTTP_REFERER} !^http://example\.com/?.*\$ [NC]
- RewriteRule \.(gif|jpe?g|png|bmp)\$ http://example.com/warning.png[R,NC]

Custom 404

- # Generic 404 to show the "custom_404.html" page
- # If the requested page is not a file or directory
- # Silent Redirect: the user's URL bar is unchanged.
- RewriteEngine on
- RewriteCond %{REQUEST_FILENAME} !-f
- RewriteCond %{REQUEST_FILENAME} !-d
- RewriteRule .* custom_404.html [L]

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Final look

- # BEGIN WordPress
- <IfModule mod_rewrite.c>
- RewriteEngine On
- RewriteBase /
- RewriteRule ^index\.php\$ [L]
- RewriteCond %{REQUEST_FILENAME} !-f
- RewriteCond %{REQUEST_FILENAME} !-d
- RewriteRule . /index.php [L]
- </lfModule>
- # END WordPress

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