

Going Further

Modelling Desired State

4. Model desired states 'absent' and 'present' for the web server

- handler/main.yml - start or stop the web server
- Install and start, or stop and delete

`tasks/present.yml`

`tasks/absent.yml`

`tasks/main.yml`

- defaults/main.yml:
`desired_state: present`
`package: httpd`
- vars/main.yml:
`service: "{{ package }}"`

Invoke State Change

If we use variables in a good way we can drive the whole thing with extra vars.

```
$ molecule converge -- -e package=httpd  
$ molecule converge -- -e desired_state=absent  
$ molecule converge -- -e package=nginx
```