

# 1 Apache::Symdump - Symbol table snapshots

## 1.1 Synopsis

```
PerlLogHandler Apache::Symdump
```

## 1.2 Description

Apache::Symdump will record snapshots of the Perl symbol table for you to look at later.

It records them in `ServerRoot/logs/symdump.$$.$n`. Where `$$` is the process id and `$n` is incremented each time the handler is run. The `diff` utility can be used to compare snapshots and get an idea of what might be making a process grow. Normally, new symbols come from modules or scripts that were not preloaded, the Perl method cache, etc.

```
% diff -u symdump.$$.$0 symdump.$$.$1
```

## 1.3 Caveats

Apache::Symdump does not cleanup up its snapshot files, do so simply by:

```
% rm logs/symdump.* logs/incdump.*
```

## 1.4 See Also

Devel::Symdump, Apache::Leak

## 1.5 Maintainers

Maintainer is the person(s) you should contact with updates, corrections and patches.

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