this line sets the environment, set it to either "development", "testing" or "production"

SetEnv APPLICATION_ENVIRONMENT development

OPTIONS DIRECTIVE
disallow directory content listing
Options -Indexes

disallow server side includes, disallows also use of exec command
Options -Includes

disallow execution of cgi files in this folder
Options -ExecCGI

to allow rewrite rules, apache will only resolve symlinks where the user owns the target
of the symlink
Options -FollowSymLinks +SymLinksIfOwnerMatch

REWRITE RULES
start mod_rewrite, this directive enables rewrite rules
RewriteEngine On
Redirect domain.tld to www.domain.tld
RewriteCond %(HTTP_HOST) ^myapp\.dev\$ [NC]
RewriteRule ^(.*)\$ http://www.myapp.dev/\$1 [R=301,L]
zf rewrite rules, all requests except the ones that point to an existing file get
redirected to index.php which will dispatch the request
RewriteCond %(REQUEST_FILENAME) -s [OR]
RewriteCond %(REQUEST_FILENAME) -1 [OR]
RewriteRule ^.*\$ - [NC,L]
RewriteRule ^.*\$ /index.php [NC,L]

PHP FLAGS
disable magic quotes, as of php 5.3.0 they are deprected
php_flag magic_quotes_gpc off
disable register_globals, as of php 5.3.0 they are deprected
php_flag register_globals off

enabled by default
php_flag short_open_tag off
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<u>alsable auto start of sessions</u> php_value session.auto_start 0

disallow url fopen
php_flag allow_url_fopen off
allow gzip compression
php_flag zlib.output_compression on

disable some php functions we wont use and dont want to be available

php_flag disable_functions show_source

php_flag disable_functions system

php_flag disable_functions shell_exec

php_flag disable_functions passthru

php_flag disable_functions exec

php_flag disable_functions phpinfo

php_flag disable_functions popen

php_flag disable_functions proc_open

deflate output filter that allows output from your server to be compressed before being sent to the client <FilesMatch ".(jslcss)\$"> SetOutputFilter DEFLATE </FilesMatch>

cache expiraten of static files like images, js and css files will be set to 5 days # set etags so that the browser knows which file is new <FilesMatch ".(icolpdflflvljpgljpeglpnglgifljslcsslswf)\$"> Header set Cache-Control "max-age=290304000, public" FileETag MTime Size </FilesMatch>