

# Re: php dependency hell

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On Wed, 22 Mar 2006 11:15:38 -0600 (CST)  
Philip Hallstrom <[freebsd@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:freebsd@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)> wrote:

Plus, this...

```
[msoulier@kanga php4-cli]$ sudo pkg_delete -n mod_php4-4.4.1,1
pkg_delete: package 'mod_php4-4.4.1,1' is required by these other packages
and may not be deinstalled:
cacti-0.8.6h_41
php4-ctype-4.4.1
php4-extensions-1.0
php4-mysql-4.4.1
php4-overload-4.4.1
php4-pcre-4.4.1
php4-posix-4.4.1
php4-session-4.4.1
php4-tokenizer-4.4.1
php4-xml-4.4.1
php4-zlib-4.4.1
pkg_delete: 1 package deletion(s) failed
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How do I resolve this? This looks like a huge mess.

If it were me, I'd remove all of those and start over. Otherwise add a `-f` option to `pkg_delete` to forcibly remove `mod_php4`.

You should be able to use `portupgrade` with the `-o` option to replace `mod_php4` with `php4`. See the man page for `portupgrade` for examples (the `EXAMPLES` section in particular).

In my experience, this works 90%+ of the time. If this is a production system, however, you'll do well to test on a scratch system first.

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