MySQL Library



MySQL Library for use with CoDeSys Control v3

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You will be able to connect to a MySQL-Server, which is directly running on the same system, as your PLC (local) *or* you can also connect to a remote hosted MySQL-Server, anywhere in the world.

MySQL is a fast, easy-to-handle, and lightweight database system and compatible with most of the well-known operating systems.

Functional Description

With the Library you can perform most of the common MySQL Commands. For Example: *INSERT*, *UPDATE*, *SELECT*, *DELETE*, *ALTER*, *DROP*, etc.

The following topic will describe the different function boxes and functions, which you can use within your application.

All function boxes are built on best practice coding guidelines and are very easy to use. We've tried to design this library as simple as possible. For "worry free" troubleshooting we've defined meaningful error categories and output messages.



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Function Box "MySQL_Open"

Short Description:

This function block opens the MySQL connection.

Detailed Description:

The opening process starts on a raising edge of "xStart". The "xStart" var will be resetted at the end of the process.

If an error occurs during the closing process, you will see an ERROR code and the current execute state, this helps you to identify the problem.

Scope	Name	Туре	Initial	Comment
	sHost	STRING		MySQL-Server hostname or IP-Address
	uiPort	UINT	3306	MySQL-Server port (Default: 3306)
Input	sDatabase	STRING		MySQL database name
	sUsername	STRING		MySQL database user
	sPassword	STRING		MySQL user password
	xStart	BOOL		Start execution on a rising edge
Inout	MySQL_Connection	MySQL ConnectionS- tring		MySQL connection string which holds the server and login information
	xConnected	BOOL		TRUE when connected
Output	eError	<u>ERROR</u>		Error type
	sExeute_State	STRING(200)		Current execute state



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Function Box "MySQL_Close"

Short Description:

This function block closes the MySQL connection.

Detailed Description:

The closing process starts on a raising edge of "xStart". The "xStart" var will be resetted at the end of the process.

If an error occurs during the closing process, you will see an ERROR code and the current execute state, which helps you to identify the problem.

Scope	Name	Туре	Comment
	xStart	BOOL	Start execution on a rising edge
Inout	MySQL_Connection	MySQL ConnectionS- tring	MySQL connection string which holds the server and login information
Output	eError	<u>ERROR</u>	Error type
Carput	sExeute_State	STRING(200)	Current execute state



Function Box "MySQL_Exec"

Short Description:

This function block executes a MySQL command without no result like INSERT, UPDATE, DELETE, ALTER, DROP, etc.

Detailed Description:

The MySQL commands needs to be built with an array. The length of the array is defined by the GLOBAL CONSTANTS. The FBox is built on the common behavior model "Etrig" so, you are able to handle and see the current process state within your application.

Info about MySQL_Command:

Non-Numeric SQL parameter values must be marked with a quote (apostrophe = '). To use an apostrophe inside a CODESYS String you need do declare it with a dollar char + apostrophe' (\$) or with \$27.

e.g.:

MySQL_Command[0] := 'SELECT * FROM table WHERE name ='

MySQL_Command[1] := '\$27nonNumberValue\$27 ';

Caution: Maximum length for identifiers are 250 bytes.

Scope	Name	Туре	Comment	Inherited from
Input	xExecute	BOOL	Rising edge: Action start Falling edge: Resets outputs If a falling edge occurs before the function block has completed its action, the outputs operate in the usual manner and are only reset if either the action is completed or in the event of an error. In this case, the corresponding output values (xDone, xError, iError) are present at the outputs for exactly one cycle.	ETrig
Output	xDone	BOOL	Action successfully completed	ETrig
	xBusy	BOOL	Function block active	ETrig



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Scope	Name	Туре	Comment	Inherited from
	xError	BOOL	TRUE: error occurred, function block aborts action FALSE: no error	ETrig
Inout	MySQL_Con- nection	MySQL ConnectionString	MySQL connection string which holds the server and login information	
Input	MySQL_Com- mand	ARRAY [0 gc_MySQL_iStatementMax] OF STRING(gc_MySQL_iStatementLength)	MySQL command	
Output	eError	<u>ERROR</u>	Error type	
	sExe- cute_State	STRING(200)	Current execute state	



Function Box "MySQL_Query"

Short Description:

This function block executes a MySQL command with results like SELECT, etc.

Detailed Description:

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e.g.:

MySQL_Command[0] := 'SELECT * FROM table WHERE name ='

MySQL_Command[1] := '\$27nonNumberValue\$27 ';

Caution: Maximum length for identifiers are 250 bytes and for field data 500 bytes,

Scope	Name	Туре	Comment	Inherited from
Input	xExecute	BOOL	Rising edge: Action start Falling edge: Resets outputs If a falling edge occurs before the function block has completed its action, the outputs operate in the usual manner and are only reset if either the action is completed or in the event of an error. In this case, the corresponding output values (xDone, xError, iError) are present at the outputs for exactly one cycle.	ETrig
	xDone	BOOL	Action successfully completed	ETrig
Output	xBusy	BOOL	Function block active	ETrig
	xError	BOOL	TRUE: error occurred, function block aborts action	ETrig



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			FALSE: no error
Input	MySQL_Com- mand	ARRAY [0 gc_MySQL_iState- mentMax] OF STRING(gc_MySQL_iState- mentLength)	MySQL command
Inout	MySQL_Connection	MySQL ConnectionString	MySQL connection string which holds the server and login information
	stResultSet	MySQL DataSet	Query result
Output	eError	<u>ERROR</u>	Error type
	sExecute_State	STRING(200)	Current execute state



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Function Box "MySQL_ConnectionString"

Short Description:

This function block holds the login and server information.

Detailed Description:

The function block needs to be defined one time in the PLC Program. It holds all the parameters from the other MySQL-FBoxes instances.

Caution: For stable functionality, please do not "call" this functionblock inside the PLC Program

Scope	Name	Туре	Comment
	xConnected	BOOL	TRUE: Successfully connected and logged in.
	sHost	STRING	MySQL-Server host address as hostname or IP-address
	uiPort	UINT	MySQL-Server port (Default: 3306)
	sUsername	STRING	MySQL database username
	sPassword	STRING	MySQL database user password
	sDatabase	STRING	MySQL database schema name
Input	stServerInfo	MySql ServerInfo	MySQL-Server information which are stored in the MySQL_ServerInfo structure
	internal_Socket- Handle	DWORD	Socket handler
	internal_Se- maBuffer	DWORD	sema buffer
	abTxBuffer	ARRAY [0 gc_MySQL_dwTxBufferSize] OF BYTE	Transmit buffer
	abRxBuffer	ARRAY [0gc_ gc_MySQL_dwRxBufferSize] OF BYTE	Receive buffer



Function "MySQL_GetStringValue"

Short Description:

This function converts the requested field data and returns it as readable value in "sValue".

Detailed Description:

To select the data from the response DataSet, you have to declare the iRow number and the iColumn number. If you specified an existing row and column, you will get the result as string in "sValue".

Caution: Fields are limited to 500 bytes

Scope	Name	Туре	Comment
Return	MySql_GetStringValue	DWORD	
lanut	iRow	INT	Row index (First index starts at 1)
Input	iColumn	INT	Column index (First index starts at 1)
la a t	stQueryResult	MySQL_DataSet	MySql query set
Inout	sValue	STRING(500)	Query string value (Limited to 500 Bytes)



Global Parameter list

Detailed Description:

This parameters can be changed for configure optional settings. Please only change the parameters, if you know what you do. The default parameters are tested and are for best practise use.

Scope	Name	Туре	Initial	Comment
	gc_MySQL_wClientFlag	WORD	16#8601	Used in: MySQL_Open Desc: Client Flag Default: 16#8601
	gc_MySQL_wExtClientFlag	WORD	16#3	Used in: MySQL_Open Desc: Extended Client Flag (For More Information see documentation Default:
	gc_MySQL_dwMaxPackets	DWORD	1024	Used in: MySQL_Open Desc: Number of maximum bytes in a client packet Default: 1024
	gc_MySQL_tConnTimeOut	TIME	TIME#10s0 ms	Used in: MySQL_Open, MySQL_Close Desc: Timeout for Open and Close Pro- cess Default: 10 Sec
	gc_MySQL_iStatementMax	INT	10	Used in: MySQL_Exec, MySQL_Query Desc: Upper Bound of the arrSQLState- ment Default: 10
	gc_MySQL_iStatementLength	INT	100	Used in: MySQL_Exec, MySQL_Query Desc: Size in Bytes of the arrSQLState- ment Default: 100
	gc_MySQL_xClearDataSet	BOOL	FALSE	Used in: MySQL_Query Desc: Clear Result Set before Use (Caution: needs a lot of cycles) Default: FALSE
Constant	gc_MySQL_tReceiveRespon- seTime	TIME	TIME#50ms	Used in: MySQL_Query Desc: Wait time before processing received response data (Info: expand this value for slow Servers) Default: 50MS
	gc_MySQL_dwMaxColumns	DWORD	25	Used in: MySQL_DataSet Desc: Number of maximum columns which can be processed Default: 25 columns
	gc_MySQL_dwMaxRows	DWORD	40	Used in: MySQL_DataSet Desc: Number of maximum rows which can be processed Default: 40 rows
	gc_MySQL_dwMaxRowSize	DWORD	500	Used in: MySQL_DataSet Desc: Maximum lenght in bytes of one row which can be processed Default: 500 bytes
	gc_MySQL_dwTxBufferSize	DWORD	8000	Used in: MySQL_ConnectionString Desc: Transmit Buffer Size Default: 8000
	gc_MySQL_dwRxBufferSize	DWORD	40000	Used in: MySQL_ConnectionString Desc: Receive Buffer Size Default 40000
	gc_MySQL_bCharsetNumber	BYTE	16#8	Used in: MySQL_GetStringValue Desc: Character Set Default: 16#08 for Latin1
	gc_MySQL_dwMaxColumn- NameLength	DWORD	80	Used in: <private> Desc: Maximum lenght of a column name in bytes Default: 80</private>



Example applications

This topic describes the demo project. It's made for you, to get directly started with the MySQL-Library.

Example application with CFC and web visualisation

This example brings a visualisation, which shows you how easy it is to use the MySQL-Library. You can open and close a MySQL connection directly from the visu. You are also able to perform MySQL execute commands and MySQL execute commands with data results, like SELECT.

MySQL Library simple visu example

MySQL Library V1.0 for CODESYS V3.5

Connection (MySQL_Ope	en and MySQL_Close)		
IP Address/Host	128.1.67.8	Current step:	
Port	3306		TED WITH DATABASE - "testdb"
Username	root		
	root	Error:	
Password			0
Database	testdb		
Connect MySQL	Disconnect MySQL		
Execute MySQL comman	d (MySQL_Exec)		
• •	T INTO data (Column_1, Column_2, Column_3) V	ALUES (1,2,3)	Current step:
E[1]			Successful executed - affected rows: 1
E[2]			Error:
E[3]			
E[4]			0
Execute Command	ommand (MySQL_Query)		
Q[0]	SELECT * FROM data		rows 2
Q[1]	WHERE Column_3 = 3		collumns 4
Q[2]	WHERE COMMITS = 3		
Q[3]			Current step:
			Successful executed - affected rows: 2
Q[4]			Error:
Query	1		0
Get String from DataSet	Result (MySQL_GetStringValue)		
row 1			
1000	Selected value from cell:		
column 1		dt#2016-08-07-14:54:25	
Get String	I		



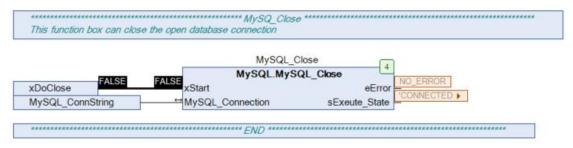
The first group box holds the parameters for the opening process. By clicking on "Connect MySQL" it tries to open the MySQL connection. If it was successfully, the current step will show the connection state and the lamp will switch on.

To perform this process, the following FBox is used in the program:

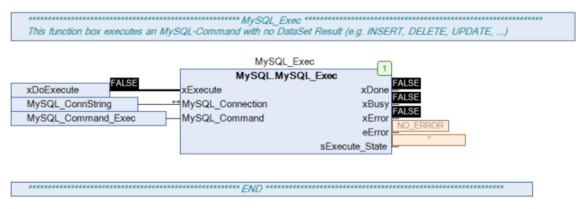


By clicking on "Disconnect MySQL" the MySQL session will be destroyed, the MySQL connection will be closed and the lamp will switch off.

For this step, the MySQL_Close Fbox is used:



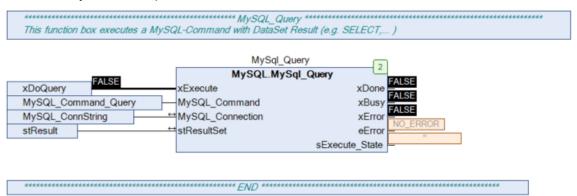
To perform a MySQL execute command, we first have to create the MySQL command string, and this can be done, by creating an array. We are using the textboxes E[0] to E[4] to do this. After the MySQL command was created, we can perform the execute command, by clicking on "Execute Command".



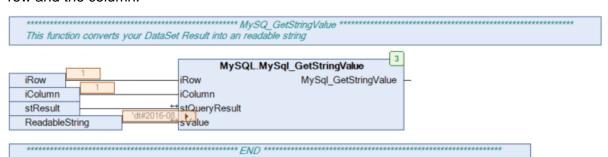


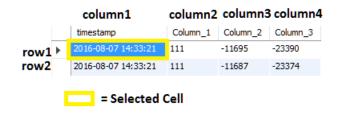
It's also possible to query data from the database. To do this, we are using the FBox "MySQL_Query". But first at all we also need to create the MySQL command string, by creating an array. This is the same step as creating an execute command.

If the "Query" button is pressed in the visu, than it will execute the SELECT command.



Now we want to read the queried DataSet. To do this, use the function MySQL_GetStringValue. To select the data from a cell in a readable string, just define the row and the column.







Example application with Structured Text (ST)

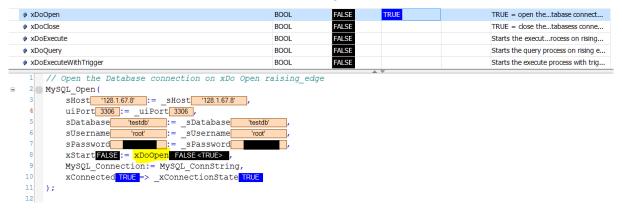
The example application with structured text is programmed for demo purposes. With the demo application, you can do quick function tests. Here is a list of tests, which are described in this topic:

- Open the MySQL-Server connection
- Close the MySQL-Server connection
- Execute a MySQL command with no response result
- Execute a MySQL command with response result

Open the MySQL-Server connection

First at all, you need to configure the host parameters. To do this, configure the parameters under Section "//** Connection Parameters".

To open the database connection with the specified parameters, you need to change "xDoOpen" to TRUE. If the FB finished the opening process, the "xStart" var will be resetted.



If the output "xConnected" changes his state to TRUE, than your PLC is successful connected with the database Server. Otherwise, please check the output eError, to identify the problem.

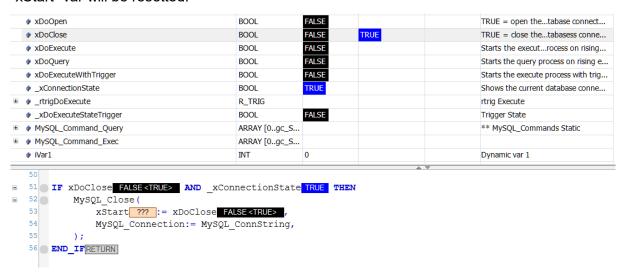


Close the MySQL-Server Connection

Closing a currently opened MySQL-Server session is a very easy task. There is only one thing you need to do – use the MySQL_Close function box as described now:

Before closing the connection, you need to check, if the connection is already open. If yes, than you can close it, otherwise it will have no effect.

To start the closing process, just set "xDoClose" to TRUE. If the process is finished, than the "xStart" var will be resetted.



Execute a MySQL command with no response result

You can perform execute commands with static or with dynamically created MySQL Command strings.

To declare a static MySQL command, type in the SQL Command under the VAR declaration section.

```
['INSERT INTO data (Column 1, Column 2, Column 3) VALUES (1, 5, 10)'];
```

For dynamic MySQL commands you are completely free to configure the string with an array:

```
iCounterVar1 := iCounterVar1 +1;
iCounterVar2 := iCounterVar2 +2;

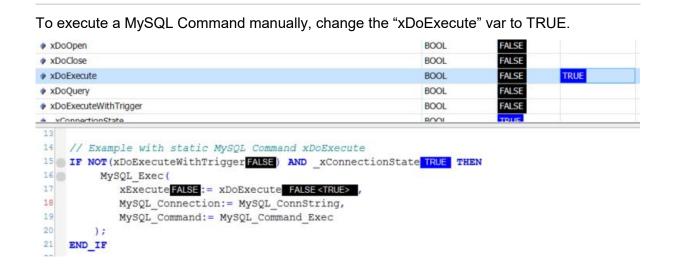
MySQL_Command_Exec_Dyn[0] := 'INSERT INTO data (Column_1, Column_2, Column_3) VALUES (';
MySQL_Command_Exec_Dyn[1] := '111,'; // --> Allways 111

MySQL_Command_Exec_Dyn[2] := CONCAT(INT_TO_STRING(iCounterVar1), ',');
MySQL_Command_Exec_Dyn[3] := CONCAT(INT_TO_STRING(iCounterVar2), ')');
```

Restriction:

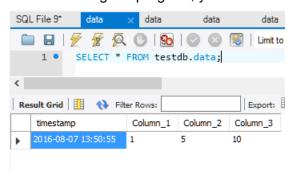
- Array length: gc_StatemantUpBound = Default: 10
- String length: gc_iSqlLength = Default: 100





The executing process will start on raising edge. To handle the process, there is used an ETrig behavior model. To check the current process, you can also monitor the outputs "xBusy", "xError" and "xDone".

After executing the program, you can see that the entry is successfully stored in your db.



If you are new to MySQL, than it's useful to use tools with a graphic interface instead of the MySQL command CLI. There are a lot of tools available to use with MySQL.

For Windows, we are using MySQL Workbench from Oracle, which is free to use. For Linux, we are using phpMyAdmin, its open source and can be directly installed on the MySQL Server machine.

The installation process for phpMyAdmin is also described in this manual. There is also an SQL Query for you, which creates the sample database.

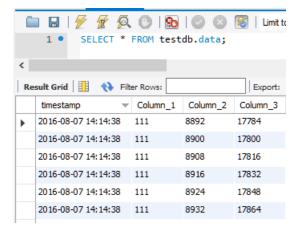


As we described before, you can also do execute commands, with dynamically created SQL commands. You can test it by changing "xDoExecuteWithTrigger" to TRUE.

```
xDoExecuteWithTrigger
                                                          BOOL
23
    // Example with Trigger and dynamic MySQL command (IF xDoExecuteWithTrigger is active) - does
24 IF xConnectionState TRUE AND xDoExecuteWithTrigger TRUE THEN // Check if connection is open
25
        iCounterVar1 3984 := iCounterVar1 3984 +1;
26
        iCounterVar2 7968 := iCounterVar2 7968 +2;
27
        MySQL Command Exec_Dyn[0] INSERTINT > := 'INSERT INTO data (Column_1, Column_2, Column_3)
28
        29
                                        := CONCAT(INT_TO_STRING(iCounterVar1 3984), ',');
        MySQL_Command_Exec_Dyn[2]
 30
                                   '3984,'
31
        MySQL Command Exec Dyn[3]
                                   '7968)'
                                          := CONCAT(INT_TO_STRING(iCounterVar2 7968 ), ')');
 32
33
        IF MySQL_Exec.xDone TRUE OR MySQL_Exec.xError FALSE THEN
34
            _xDoExecuteStateTriggerFALSE := FALSE;
35
36
            IF MySQL_Exec.xExecute FALSE OR MySQL_Exec.xBusy FALSE THEN
37
                xDoExecuteStateTriggerFALSE := FALSE;
38
 39
                xDoExecuteStateTriggerFALSE := TRUE;
40
            END IF
 41
        END IF
42
         rtrigDoExecute(CLKFALSE:= xDoExecuteStateTriggerFALSE);
43
        MySQL_Exec (
44
            xExecute FALSE := rtrigDoExecute.QFALSE,
 45
            MySQL_Connection:= MySQL_ConnString,
 46
            MySQL_Command:= MySQL_Command_Exec_Dyn,
 47
        ):
 48
    END IF
```

This example shows you, how to perform a MySQL Command with dynamic MySQL Commands. The execute process is active as long you deactivate the "xDoExecuteWithTrigger".

So check your database after a few seconds, and you will see a lot of entries. This also shows you, that the execute process is very fast (depending on your task speed, MySQL-Server and network speed).





Execute a MySQL command with response result

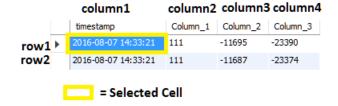
To execute a command with result, like an SELECT Statement, you have to switch "xDoQuery" to True.



```
51 IF xConnectionState TRUE THEN
       MySql Query(
53
           xExecute FALSE := xDoQuery FALSE <TRUE>
54
            MySQL_Command:= MySQL_Command_Query,
55
           MySQL Connection:= MySQL ConnString,
56
           stResultSet:= stResult
57
       ):
58
       MySql_GetStringValue(_iRow 1 ,_iColumn 1 , stResult, ReadableString 'dt#2016-08 );
59
60
   END_IF
61
```

The Default Query in this project is 'SELECT * FROM data' please verify, that the database is not too big, because the result buffer is limited. You can also define dynamic SELECT query here. To do this, check out the FBox description and Info about MySQL_Command.

To display the selected data in a readable String, please use the function MySQL_GetStringValue. As you can see in the picture, we select the data from the cell on row position 1 and column position 1 (index starts at 1).





MySQL-Library compatibility

The MySQL-Library was successfully tested on the following Platforms.

Platform	Runtime Version
CODESYS Control Win V3 (32bit)	3.5.9.0
Raspberry Pi Runtime	3.5.8.0 and 3.5.9.1
BeagleBone Black	3.5.9.0
Wago PFC200	3.5.8.10

For the compatibility test, we've used a lot of different mechanisms.

We've executed a lot of SELECT query's and INSERT, UPDATE, DROP, etc. commands. All tests scenarios were successful. But we cannot guarantee for 100% functionality of all MySQL commands, because our test scenario was limited.

Quick Start - MySQL-Server installation

This Quick Start Tutorial explains you how to install MySQL-Server on raspberry pi, which are supported by the CODESYS v3.5 runtime. It doesn't describe any optimization or security configuration options, which may be required for productive use.

This document describes the installing process, with the last "stable-release" of MySQL-Server on documentation creation date.

Platform	Used Version
Rasbian Jessie (Debian)	5.5.50-0+deb8u1

The Quick Start section describes also the installation of "phpMyAdmin" for Raspberry pi. phpMyAdmin is a program, which allows you to manage MySQL-Server database via an user friendly web frontend.



Install MySQL-Server on Raspberry Pi

Step 1: Preparation for the MySQL-Server installation

Before installing the MySQL-Server, be sure that your System is up-to-date. So the first step you have to do is, updating the System with the command bellow.

pi@raspberrypi:~ \$ sudo apt-get update && sudo apt-get upgrade

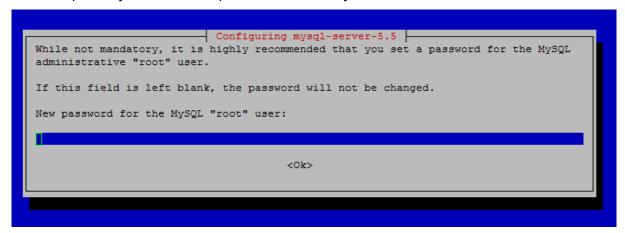
Step 2: Install MySQL-Server package

After updateing the System, you can start to install the MySQL-Server. To do this, just type in the following command:

pi@raspberrypi:~ \$ sudo apt-get install mysql-server --fix-missing

Step 3: MySQL-Server configuration wizard

During the MySQL-Server installation it will show the configuration wizard. The first configuration step asks you to define a password for the MySQL "root" user.



To avoid typing errors it prompts you to type in the "root" password again.





Install phpMyAdmin on Raspberry Pi

Step 1: Preparation for the phpMyAdmin installation

Before installing phpMyAdmin, be sure that your System is up-to-date.

So the first step you have to do is, updating the System with the command bellow.

pi@raspberrypi:~ \$ sudo apt-get update && sudo apt-get upgrade

Step 2: Install phpMyAdmin

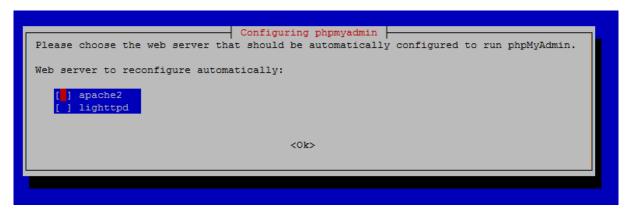
Start the installation process with the following command:

pi@raspberrypi:~ \$ sudo apt-get install phpmyadmin

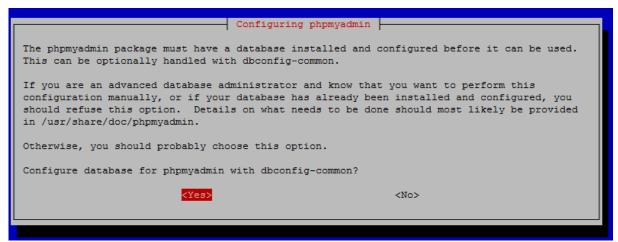
Step 3: phpMyAdmin configuration

Select a webserver of your choice to install for phpMyAdmin and continue with "Ok".

Recommended: apache2

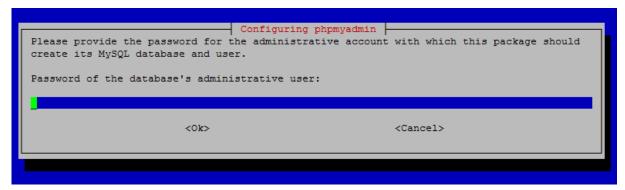


Confirm the next step to create the default database for use phpMyAdmin





The next step prompts you to type in the MySQL-Server password. Type in the password, which you have defined for your MySQL root user.



Step 4: Configure Apache to use phpMyAdmin

Before you can use phpMyAdmin the apache configuration needs to be adjusted. Adding the text "Include /etc/phpmyadmin/apache.conf" (without quations marks) to the end of the "/etc/apache2/apache2.conf" file.

To edit the configuration file, choose an editor of your choice, for example nano.

Open the file:

```
pi@raspberrypi:~ $ sudo nano /etc/apache2/apache2.conf
```

Edit the File:

```
GNU nano 2.2.6
                        File: /etc/apache2/apache2.conf
                                                                     Modified
 Include of directories ignores editors' and dpkg's backup files,
 see README.Debian for details.
 Include generic snippets of statements
ncludeOptional conf-enabled/*.conf
 Include the virtual host configurations:
ncludeOptional sites-enabled/*.conf
 vim: syntax=apache ts=4 sw=4 sts=4 sr noet
nclude /etc/phpmyadmin/apache.conf
  Get Help
               WriteOut
                            Read File
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To save the edited file, press CTRL+X to leave the editor and then press CTRL+Y to override the modified file.



After editing the file, the apache2 service needs to be restarted. To do this, type in the following command:

```
pi@raspberrypi:~ $ sudo /etc/init.d/apache2 restart
[ ok ] Restarting apache2 (via systemctl): apache2.service.
```

Step 5: Accessing phpMyAdmin

To access phpMyAdmin, open the webpage: http://<your-device-ip/phpmyadmin



MySQL database SQL dump:

MySQL database dump for example project.

```
CREATE TABLE `data` (
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`timestamp` timestamp NOT NULL DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP ON UPDATE CURRENT TIMESTAMP,

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`Column_1` int(16) NOT NULL,
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`Column_2` int(255) NOT NULL,

`Column_3` int(32) NOT NULL

) ENGINE=InnoDB DEFAULT CHARSET=latin1;