

APACHE - 2 WEB SERVER

Exercises

(English)

Apache in One week (SuSE 9.2)

- **What is Apache** (httpd, MSInformation Server, Netscape, AOL Server etc.)
- **History** of Apache name.
- **Browsers** (MSIE, Mozilla, Opera, Firefox, Netscape, Konqueror, Galeon, lynx, w3m)
- **HTTP Protocol format**, URI, URL (Browser Request content)
- **Install Apache** in SuSE
 apache2, apache2-doc, apache2-mod_php4, apache2-prefork,
 apache2-example-pages (package: libapr0 is also installed as dependency)
- **Preparation to Exercises:**
 - Login as root and create the directory /www
 - Change in /etc/sysconfig/apache2
 APACHE_SERVERNAME="laptop.linux.site"
 - Create the empty file /etc/apache2/conf.d/user.conf
 - Alternative: Change in /etc/sysconfig/apache2:
 APACHE_CONF_INCLUDE_FILES="/etc/apache2/user.conf"
 and create a empty config file: /etc/apache2/user.conf
 - Transfer and install Opera, w3m and lynx from CD
 - Create Multiple root terminals for:

⇒ vi /etc/apache2/conf.d/user.conf	Title: USER.CONF
⇒ rcapache2 reload	Title: RELOAD/RESTART
⇒ tail -f /var/log/apache2/error_log	Title: APACHE FEHLER
⇒ watch -n1 "ps -fc httpd2-prefork"	Title: WATCH_APACHE
⇒ mc / /srv/www/htdocs	Title: ROOT-MC
⇒ less /etc/apache2/default-server.conf	Title: DEFAULTS
⇒	Title: ROOT-BEFEHLE
- **Start/Stop** of Apache (rcapache2, /etc/init.d/apache2, inserv apache2)
- **First Exercise with HTTP Protocol:** telnet localhost 80 (GET /)
- **Where is what** (basic only)
 - Main server /usr/sbin/httpd2-prefork (Behaves like older Apache 1.3)
 or /usr/sbin/httpd2-worker (apache2-mod_php4 doesn't work!)
 - Main Configuration file /etc/apache2/httpd.conf
 - Modules /usr/lib/apache2/xxxx.so
 - Log files /var/log/apache2/xxxx_log
 - Main Home pages /srv/www/htdocs/
- **Configuration files conditions**
 - httpd.conf ...etc, NO unrecognized directives allowed
- **System access rights for:** User **wwwrun** Group **www**
- **Modules : Roles and their Directives (server-info)**
 - Change in /etc/sysconfig/apache2:
 APACHE_MODULES="..... status info"
 APACHE_EXTENDED_STATUS="on"
 - rcapache2 restart
 - In browser: http://localhost/server-info/

- **Apache Server status:** `http://localhost/server-status/`
Documentation: `http://localhost/manual/`
- **Where are the docs:** `/usr/share/apache2/manual` (SuSE9.0/9.1-apache2-doc)
- **Important core directives:**
 - In `/etc/apache2/default-server.conf`
`DocumentRoot /srv/www/htdocs`
 - In `/etc/apache2/httpd.conf`
`DirectoryIndex index.html (~ line 163)`
 - In `/etc/apache2/uid.conf`
`User wwwrun`
`Group www`

-----Practical Exercises-----

- **Students put their names** in the `index.html.de`
- In browser: `http://localhost/`

----- ALIAS -----

Example together:

```
in user.conf:  alias /webicons/  /usr/share/apache2/icons/
in browser:   http://localhost/webicons/
```

Exercise to do:

```
in user.conf:  alias /software/  /usr/share/doc/packages/
               alias /web/    /www/
in browser:   http://localhost/software/
```

Result: *ERROR 403 Access forbidden*

```
in user.conf:  <Directory /usr/share/doc/packages>
               Allow from all
               Options +Indexes
               </Directory>

               <Directory /www>
               Allow from all
               Options +Indexes
               </Directory>
in browser:   http://localhost/software/
               http://localhost/web/
```

----- Containers -----

<Directory> Absolute system path of web documents.

<Location> Relative path to DocumentRoot of server (read last after Dir. and Files)

<Files> Can be nested inside <Directory> or alone (Declares defaults for server)
Note: <Files> cannot be nested in <Location>. Use another <Location> for files.
eg. <Location /usr/local/myprogs/readme.html>

<Limit> Can be anywhere. Used to limit the use of certain HTTP methods

-----Options FollowSymlinks -----

Example together:

In Bash:

```
ln -s /home/[username]/Documents /srv/www/htdocs/userdocs
```

in browser: `http://localhost/userdocs/` **Forbidden!**

```
in user.conf: <Directory /srv/www/htdocs/>
               Options +FollowSymlinks +Indexes
               </Directory>
```

in browser: `http://localhost/userdocs/` **Allowed!**

Note: FollowSymlinks **Does not work inside a <Location> block**

DirectoryIndex

Exercise 1 to do:

In Bash: `ln -s /usr/share/doc/packages/bash /srv/www/htdocs/bash`

```
in user.conf: <Directory /srv/www/htdocs/bash>
               DirectoryIndex bashref.html
               </Directory>
```

in browser: `http://localhost/bash/`

Exercise 2 to do (if needed):

Note: make sure w3m and lynx are installed

Commands to create the symbolic links:

```
ln -s /usr/share/doc/packages/w3m /srv/www/htdocs/w3m
ln -s /usr/share/doc/packages/lynx/lynx_help /srv/www/htdocs/lynx
```

```
in user.conf: <Directory /srv/www/htdocs/w3m>
               DirectoryIndex w3mhelp.html
               </Directory>

               <Directory /srv/www/htdocs/lynx>
               DirectoryIndex Lynx_users_guide.html
               </Directory>
```

----- Allow - Deny-----**Example1 together (deny access to a single file):**

```
in user.conf:  alias /etc/ /etc/
               <Directory /etc>
                 Options +Indexes
                 order allow,deny
                 allow from all
                 deny from localhost hgü[dozent_host]
               <Files fstab>
                 deny from all
               </Files>
               <FilesMatch ".*\.conf">
                 order deny,allow
                 deny from all
                 allow from localhost
               </FilesMatch>
             </Directory>
```

```
in browser:    http://localhost/etc/           Allowed!
From Students: http://localhost/etc/fstab         Not Allowed
               http://localhost/etc/
```

Only Dozent is not allowed: http://[studenthost]/etc

Example 2 together:

Allow access to a full directory(location): /cups/ to 4 consecutive addresses

```
in user.conf:  alias /cups/ /usr/share/doc/packages/cups/de/
               <Location /cups>
                 order deny,allow
                 deny from all
                 allow from 192.168.71.12/30
               </Location>
```

```
in browser:    http://localhost/cups/           Not Allowed!
```

Only Clients Hosts having the address 192.168.71.12 to 192.168.71.15 are allowed .
to the address: http://[studenthost]/cups/

Exercise 1 to do: Allow access to /sambahelp only to this class
and have a specific page come up (DirectoryIndex): smb.conf.5.html

```
In user.conf:  alias /sambahelp/ /usr/share/samba/swat/help/
               <Location /sambahelp>
                 order deny,allow
                 deny from all
                 allow from 192.168.71.0/27 localhost
                 DirectoryIndex smb.conf.5.html
               </Location>
```

Only Clients Hosts having the address 192.168.71.0 to 192.168.71.31 are allowed .
to the address: http://[studenthost]/sambahelp/

----- **Public_html**-----**Example together:**

```
In bash: cp -R /usr/share/doc/packages/htdig/htdocs/* \
         /home/[userlogin]/public_html
```

```
in browser: http://localhost/~[userlogin]
```

----- **Authentication** -----.**Example together:** Authenticate /~user1/ directory.(/home/user1/public_html)

In user.conf:

```
<Location /~user1>
    allow from all
    AuthType Basic
    AuthName "Private Web Page"
    AuthUserFile /etc/apache2/.okusers
    Require valid-user
</Location>
```

```
in bash: touch /etc/apache2/.okusers
         htpasswd2 /etc/apache2/.okusers user1
```

```
in browser: http://localhost/~user1/
```

Exercise 2

In user.conf: alias /doc/ /usr/share/doc/

```
<Location /doc>
    Options +Indexes
    order deny,allow
    allow from all
    AuthType Basic
    AuthName "Private DOCS"
    AuthUserFile /etc/apache2/.okusers
    # AuthGroupFile /etc/apache2/.okgroups
    Require valid-user
    # Require user jennie otto
    # Require group buero admin
    Satisfy any
    # Satisfy all
</Location>
```

```
in bash: htpasswd2 -c /etc/apache2/.okusers jennie
         htpasswd2 /etc/apache2/.okusers paul
         htpasswd2 /etc/apache2/.okusers marie
         htpasswd2 /etc/apache2/.okusers hans
         htpasswd2 /etc/apache2/.okusers otto
         echo"admin: hans otto" >> /etc/apache2/.okgroups
         echo"buero: jennie marie" >> /etc/apache2/.okgroups
         echo"dienst: paul hans" >> /etc/apache2/.okgroups
```

```
in browser: http://localhost/doc/
```

-----INDEXES -----

Note: - Index Directives don't work inside <Location> container. Use <Directory>
 - Alias path can also be controlled by <Directory> using the real system Path.

Example 1 together:

Copy the whole directory from the Dozent computer linuxbuch to /www/linuxbuch.

In user.conf:

```
alias /linuxbuch/ /www/linuxbuch/
<Directory /www/linuxbuch>
    Options +Indexes
    DirectoryIndex dummy
    AddDescription "PDF Datei" .pdf
    AddDescription "<Font color=red>GIF Bilder</Font>" .gif
    AddDescription "<Font color=green>=START=</Font>" online.html
```

----- Extended Index Features -----

```
IndexOptions      +FancyIndexing          \
                  +FoldersFirst          \
                  +IconsAreLinks         \
                  +SuppressSize          \
                  +SuppressLastModified  \
                  +NameWidth=*          \
                  +DescriptionWidth=*    \
                  +ScanHTMLTitles
HeaderName header.html
ReadmeName footer.html
IndexIgnore header.html footer.html *.txt *.log
</Directory>
```

Note: The '\ ' at the end of each line above simulate a long line. They should never have anything else than <Enter> after it. No space or tabs or anything.

header.html

```
<HTML>
  <BODY background="green_paper.gif">
    <!-- KOMENTARE SIND HIER -->
    <H1><FONT color=red><CENTER> L I N U X - B U C H <BR>
    Inhalt</CENTER></FONT></H1>
    <IMG src=penguin.gif>
    <H3><FONT color=blue>Letzte Liste von LinuxBu.ch Dateien
    </FONT></H3>
    <BR>
    <HR><HR><HR>
  </BODY>
</HTML>
```

footer.html

```
<B><I>Bitte schreiben Sie Ihre Kommentare durch email:
<a href="mailto:michel@linuxint.com">michel@linuxint.com
</a></I></B>
```

Example 2 together: (Fill-up Descriptions automatically from HTML files titels)
in user.conf:

```
alias          /howto-de/      /usr/share/doc/howto/de/html/
<Directory /usr/share/doc/howto/de/html>
  Options +Indexes
  DirectoryIndex dummy
  IndexOptions +FancyIndexing          \
              +FolderFirst            \
              +IconsAreLinks          \
              +SuppressSize           \
              +SuppressLastModified   \
              +NameWidth=*            \
              +DescriptionWidth=*     \
              +ScanHTMLTitles
</Directory>
```

in Browser: `http://localhost/howto-de/`

----- Virtual Hosts -----

Create the Virtual Host's ROOT directory and its log files Directory:

```
mkdir /www/virtuall1.de
mkdir /var/log/apache2/www.virtuall1.de/
```

- Enter `www.virtuall1.de` `virtuall1.de` `virtuall1` in `/etc/hosts`
eg. `echo "$(hostname -i) www.virtuall1.de virtuall1.de virtuall1" \`
`>> /etc/hosts`

- Fill in the Virtual host with home pages:

```
cp -v /usr/share/doc/packages/rpm/RPM-Tips/* /www/virtuall1.de/
```

- in user.conf

```
NameVirtualHost 192.168.71.27
<VirtualHost 192.168.71.27>
  ServerName www.virtuall1.de
  ServerAlias virtuall1.de virtuall1
  DocumentRoot /www/virtuall1.de
  TransferLog /var/log/apache2/www.virtuall1.de/access_log
  ErrorLog /var/log/apache2/www.virtuall1.de/error_log
  <Directory /www/virtuall1.de>
    Allow from all
    DirectoryIndex RPM-Tips.html
    # Place extra directives here for this directory
  </Directory>
</VirtualHost>
```

Make sure to set the NoProxy for `www.virtuall1.de` `virtuall1.de` `virtuall1`

----- Verify that the PHP module works -----

1) Create a test php file in current DocumentRoot.

```
echo "<?php" >/srv/www/htdocs/phptest.php
echo "<info()" >/srv/www/htdocs/phptest.php
echo "?>" >/srv/www/htdocs/phptest.php
```

2) In Browser:

```
http://localhost/phptest.php
```


Should give a full home page on the configuration of the PHP module.

----- AllowOverride -----

Directives: AccessFileName .htaccess

Example 1 together:

(Note: valid only in <Directory> and NOT in <Location>)

In bash:

```
mkdir /srv/www/htdocs/override/
cp /srv/www/htdocs/bash/bashref.html /srv/www/htdocs/override/
```

In browser: http://localhost/override/ File is shown in index

in user.conf:

```
<Directory /srv/www/htdocs/override>
    AllowOverride Indexes
</Directory>
```

In bash: touch /www/override/.htaccess
vi /www/override/.htaccess

In .htaccess: DirectoryIndex bashref.html

In browser: http://localhost/override/ Bash page comes up.

----- CGI -----

In bash: mkdir /www/cgittest
echo "192.168.10.50 www.cgittest.net" >> /etc/hosts

In user.conf:

```
NameVirtualHost 192.168.10.50
<VirtualHost 192.168.10.50>
    ServerName www.cgittest.net
    DocumentRoot /www/cgittest
    TransferLog /var/log/apache2/cgittest.access.log
    ErrorLog /var/log/apache2/cgittest.error.log
    <Directory /www/cgittest>
        Allow from all
        Options +execCGI
        AddHandler cgi-script .cgi
        DirectoryIndex cgittest.cgi
    </Directory>
</VirtualHost>
```

```
touch /www/cgittest/cgittest.cgi
chmod 755 /www/cgittest/cgittest.cgi
```

-----**cgitest.cgi**-----

```
#!/bin/sh    <----- These 3 following lines MUST be there
echo Content-type: text/html
echo

# This above header and empty echo after it is VERY important.
# Otherwise Apache shows an error : Content Header missing
# The HTML code enclosed in quotes is also very important.....

echo "<HTML><HEAD><TITLE>CGI TEST Seite</TITLE></HEAD>"
echo "<BODY bgcolor=lightcyan>"

echo "<H1><CENTER>SYSTEM INFO</CENTER></H1><P>"
echo "<H3>Ihre IP Addr. ist :</H3><H2>${REMOTE_ADDR}</H2><BR>"

#---Display content of /etc/fstab
echo "<HR><H3>System /etc/fstab</H3><BR><pre>"
/bin/cat /etc/fstab
echo "</pre><BR><HR>"

#---Display free space of all mounted disks in Linux -----
echo "<Center><H1>DISK SPACE</H1></Center><BR><pre>"
/bin/df -h
echo "</pre><HR>"

#---Display all the system Processes ---
echo "<Center><H3>PROCESS INFO</H3></Center><BR><pre>"
/bin/ps -eo pid,ppid,user,nice,args --sort user

#---Display Apache's user name and group
echo "</pre><BR><HR>"
echo "<H3>Apache ist $(id -nu) Benutzer. Er ist Mitglied von
Gruppe $(id -ng)</H3>"
echo "<BR><HR>"
echo "<Center><H3>Inhalt von /root Verzeichnis</H3></Center><PRE>"
/usr/bin/sudo ls /root    (see SUDO below)
echo "</pre><BR><HR>"
echo "<Center><H3>Inhalt von /etc/shadow Datei</H3></Center><PRE>"
/bin/cat /etc/shadow    (see SUDO below)
echo "</pre><BR><HR>"

echo "</BODY></HTML>"
```

-----**SUDO**-----

Edit /etc/sudoers with the command:

```
visudo
```

```
wwwrun ALL=NOPASSWD:/usr/bin/sudo ls /root,/bin/cat /etc/shadow
```

```
----- Webalizer -----
#----- LOG INFO of homelinux.net -----
<VirtualHost 192.168.10.50>
  DocumentRoot /var/log/apache2/homelinux.net/webalized
  ServerName log1.homelinux.net
  <Directory /var/log/apache2/homelinux.net/webalized>
    DirectoryIndex webalize.html
    AuthName LogFiles
    AuthType Basic
    AuthUserFile /etc/apache2/.okusers
    require user michel elop devesh pierre
  </Directory>
  ErrorLog /var/log/apache2/homelinux.net/Log_error.log
  TransferLog /var/log/apache2/homelinux.net/Log_access.log
</VirtualHost>
```

```
-----
----/var/log/apache2/homelinux.net/webalize/webalize.html
```

```
<html>
<head>
  <Title> Web Access Statistics</Title>
</head>
<body>

<center>&nbsp;
<a href="http://log1.homelinux.net/webalize.cgi">Webalize
NOW !!!</a></center>

</body>
</html>
```

```
-----
----/var/log/apache2/homelinux.net/webalize/webalize.cgi
```

```
#!/bin/sh
#--- Starts the webalizer for the present log file-----
echo "Content-Type: text/html"
echo ""
sudo /usr/bin/webalizer -Q -n homelinux.net -o . \ ../access.log
&>/dev/null
cat index.html
```

```
-----
---- /etc/sudoers -----
# Host alias specification
root    ALL = (ALL) ALL
wwwrun  ALL = NOPASSWD:/usr/bin/webalizer
```

IDS - CGI Installation

1) Install the following Packages from Original SuSE CDs.

```
perl-Image-Info
perl-PerlMagick (Depends on ImageMagick Package)
jpeg (uses jpegtran program)
```

2) Uncompress the the ISD system `ids.tar.gz` into the directory:

```
/srv/www/htdocs/ids/
```

3) Configure a Virtual Host in Apache2 as follows:

```
<VirtualHost 192.168.100.70>
  ServerName pictures.linux.site
  DocumentRoot /srv/www/htdocs/ids
  <Directory /srv/www/htdocs/ids>
    order deny,allow
    allow from all
    DirectoryIndex index.cgi
    Options +ExecCGI +FollowSymLinks
    AddHandler cgi-script .cgi
    AllowOverride AuthConfig Limit
  </Directory>
</VirtualHost>
```

4) Make sure that owners of the ISD directories are as follows:

```
drwxr-xr-x  11 wwwrun root   456 Apr 27  2002 .
drwxr-xr-x  12 root   root   1712 Feb 13 19:44 ..
drwxr-xr-x   3 root   root    208 Apr 27  2002 admin
drwxr-xr-x   2 wwwrun root     48 Mar 23  2002 album-data
drwxr-xr-x   2 wwwrun root     48 Mar 23  2002 albums
-rw-r--r--   1 wwwrun root    737 Mar 23  2002 ids.conf
-rw-r--r--   1 root   root  39426 Dec 16  2001 idsShared.pm
drwxr-xr-x   2 wwwrun root     48 Mar 23  2002 image-cache
-rwxr-xr-x   1 root   root  43790 Oct  6  2001 index.cgi
drwxr-xr-x   2 root   root    392 Apr 27  2002 localizations
drwxr-xr-x   2 wwwrun root     80 Apr 28  2002 logs
drwxr-xr-x   2 wwwrun root    184 Apr 27  2002 postcomment
-rwxr-xr-x   1 root   root  3436 Oct  6  2001 previewmaker.pl
drwxr-xr-x   3 root   root    256 Apr 27  2002 site-images
-rw-r--r--   1 wwwrun root    393 Dec 16  2001 site_news.txt
drwxr-xr-x   9 root   root    232 Apr 27  2002 themes
```

5) Create the IDS's administrator password

```
htpasswd2 -c /etc/apache2/htpasswd.ids admin
```

6) Copy only directories of images into `/srv/www/htdocs/ids/albums`

It supports also subdirectories, but this root directory must contain only directories.

Note: Make sure that the files and directories copied are owned by `wwwrun` user.

7) To test the system locally enter the following entry in `/etc/hosts`:

```
192.168.100.70      pictures.linux.site
```

8) Restart Apache

```
rcapache2 restart
```

9) In browser enter the address:

```
http://pictures.linux.site
```

• ----- **httpd2-prefork command Options** -----

Syntax: `/usr/sbin/httpd2 -options`

Options:

- D *name* Defines a name for use in `<IfDefine name>` directives
`<IfDefine name>` is used to define different server global settings and chose which one will be read at start-up of Apache.
- d *ServerRootDir* Specifies an alternate initial ServerRoot directory.
- f *ConfigFile* Specifies an alternate configuration file.(ServerConfigFile)
- C *Directive* Processes this directive before reading config files
- c *Directive* Processes this directive after reading config files
- v Display Apache's version number
- h List valid command line options
- l (small L) List compiled-in modules
- L List core configuration directives
- S Show virtual hosts settings
- t Run syntax test for configuration files only.

-----**Options Multiviews (Not Valid for SuSE 9.1 and 9.2)**-----

Optional explanation: Sequence of Indexes delivery:

DirectoryIndex ?	yes: send the <i>file.html</i>
no? then Multiviews ?	yes: send the <i>file.de.html</i> etc.
no? then Options Indexes ?	yes: produce and send index of the directory
	no: produce an send a 'Forbidden' message

- Check with browser: `http://localhost`

Result: German Web site

- In Mozilla browser: Change the LanguagePriority between DE and EN

- Check with browser: `http://localhost`

Result: English Web site

- in `user.conf`:

```
<Location />
    Options -Multiviews [-Indexes]
</Location>
```

- Comment the above 3 lines after the test is done.

LAMP - Linux-Apache-MySQL-PHP

1) Install the following packages:

```
apache2          mysql          phpMyAdmin
apache2-prefork  mysql-client  php4-mysql
apache2-mod_php4 mysql-shared
```

phpMyAdmin can be called either via a VirtualHost or direct through the main server:

Via VirtualHost

2a) Either create a Virtualhost pointing to `/srv/www/htdocs/phpMyAdmin` directory including the Directives:

```
NameVirtualHost 192.168.71.10 (only if doesn't already exist)
<VirtualHost 192.168.71.10>
    ServerName phpmyadmin.linux.site
    DocumentRoot /srv/www/htdocs/phpMyAdmin
    <Directory /srv/www/htdocs/phpMyAdmin>
        Allow from all
        DirectoryIndex index.php
    </Directory>
</VirtualHost>
```

2b) Insert the local IP and server name in `/etc/hosts`

```
eg. 129.168.71.10    phpmyadmin.linux.site
```

Via Main Apache server:

(`http://localhost/phpMyAdmin/`)

4) Start the mysql daemon with the command:

```
rcmysql start
```

5) Change the root password in mysql using the commands:

```
mysqladmin -u root password newpasswd
```

```
mysqladmin -p -u root -h localhost password newpasswd
```

Press <Enter> when asked for the password.

6) Change the root password and Absolute URI in

```
/srv/www/htdocs/phpMyAdmin/config.inc.php
```

eg.

```
$cfg['PmaAbsoluteUri'] = 'http://phpmyadmin.linux.site';
```

or

```
$cfg['PmaAbsoluteUri'] = 'http://localhost/phpMyAdmin';
```

```
$cfg['Servers'][$i]['user'] = 'root'; // MySQL user
```

```
$cfg['Servers'][$i]['password'] = 'newpasswd'; // MySQL password
```

7) Start or Restart Apache Server.

```
rcapache2 restart
```

8) Start a browser and write the address:

```
http://phpmyadmin.linux.site OR http://localhost/phpMyAdmin/
```

9) Protecting the access to phpMyAdmin:

Via VirtualHost

in already configured VirtualHost instructions block:

```
<Directory /srv/www/htdocs/phpMyAdmin>
  Allow from all
  DirectoryIndex  index.php
  AuthType Basic
  AuthName "mysql administration"
  AuthUserFile "/etc/apache2/.okmysql"
  require user marie
  satisfy all
</Directory>
```

Via Main Apache server

in any apache configuration file:

```
<Location /phpMyAdmin>
  Allow from all
  DirectoryIndex  index.php
  AuthType Basic
  AuthName "mysql administration"
  AuthUserFile "/etc/apache2/.okmysql"
  require user marie
  satisfy all
</Location>
```

- Give a password to marie (mysql administrator)

```
touch /etc/apache2/.okmysql
htpasswd2 /etc/apache2/.okmysql marie
```

WAMP-Windows-Apache-MySQL-PHP

Installing Apache2, PHP4 and MySQL in Windows2000/XP

There is a web site where you can download an installer which installs all the components of Apache2, PHP4, Mysql, PhpMyAdmin, Webalizer and extras automatically at:

<http://www.apachefriends.org/de/xampp-windows.html>

The latest version at the moment of writing was: V. 1.4.11

Just run the file and all will be done automatically.

Manual installation for the brave!

Note: This installation cuts corners and does things that might not be necessary.

I've used this method and got a working setup.

For other alternatives, please refer to the document:

<http://www.php.net/manual/en/install.apache2.php>

INSTALLING APACHE2

1) Download the latest stable Apache for Windows from the internet:

<http://www.apache.org>

It's a .msi file and can be installed immediately

2) In my case, I kept the recommended install path of Apache:

C:/programm(e)/Apache Group/Apache2/

INSTALLING MYSQL

1) Download the MySQL windows installer from the Internet:

<http://dev.mysql.com/downloads/mysql/4.0.html>

It's a ZIP file

2) Unpack the ZIP file into a temporary directory and run the program SETUP.EXE

I installed it in C:\mysql directory

INSTALLING PHP4(as apache module)

1) Download the ZIP file from:

<http://www.php.net/downloads.php>

2) Unzip the files into C:/php directory

3) copy all the .dll files from C:/php/dlls and C:/php/sapi to C:/php directory

INSTALLING phpMyAdmin

1) Download the latest version of phpMyAdmin ZIP file from:

http://www.phpmyadmin.net/home_page/

2) Unzip the file into the directory:

C:\Programme\Apache Group\Apache2\htdocs\phpmyadmin\

3) Edit the config.inc.php in the phpmyadmin directory and:

- add the proper full URI of the phpMyAdmin:

```
$cfg['PmaAbsoluteUri'] = 'http://localhost/phpmyadmin/';
```

Optional:(If you leave the root password blank in MySQL then leave it blank here also)

- add the MySQL root (administrator) password in clear text in:

```
$cfg['Servers'][$i]['user'] = 'root'; // MySQL user
```

```
$cfg['Servers'][$i]['password'] = ''; // MySQL password
```

(only needed with 'config' auth_type)

CONFIGURATION

1) Edit the `httpd.conf` file and:

- Change to the following settings to:

```
DocumentRoot "C:/Programme/Apache Group/Apache2/htdocs"
DirectoryIndex index.html index.html.var index.php
```

- Add the following settings:

```
LoadModule php4_module c:/php/php4apache2.dll
LoadFile C:/php/php4ts.dll
AddType application/x-httpd-php .php .php3 .php4 .phtml
```

2) Edit the `C:\php\php.ini` file

- You will need to change the `extension_dir` setting to

point to your `php-install-dir`, or where you have placed your '`php_*.dll`' files. eg: `c:\php`
It is located around the line 442

- Set the '`doc_root`' to point to your webserver's `document_root`.
in my case: `C:/Programme/Apache Group/Apache2/htdocs`

3) Create the file `C:\MY.CNF` and insert the following lines in it:

```
[mysqld]
basedir=C:/mysql/
datadir=C:/mysql/data/
```

Note: See the `MY.CNF` example from XAMPP below

OPERATING WAMP

1) Open a DOS window (`cmd`) and give the command:

```
C:\mysql\bin\mysqld.exe
```

When all is ok then an icon can be created to start it either from the autostart area or by hand.

2) start Apache through the Windows start menu

3) Start a browser and give the address:

```
http://localhost/phpmyadmin/
```

You should have a phpMyAdmin web site with full control over the MySQL databases. This would confirm that your Apache, PHP and MySQL are all working...so far go good!

MY.CNF (Example from XAMPP)**# The MySQL client**

```
[client]
#password      = your_password
port           = 3306
socket         = c:/WAMP/xampp/mysql/mysql.sock
```

Here follows entries for some specific programs**# The MySQL server**

```
[mysqld]
port           = 3306
socket         = c:/WAMP/xampp/mysql/mysql.sock
skip-locking
set-variable  = key_buffer=16M
set-variable  = max_allowed_packet=1M
set-variable  = table_cache=64
set-variable  = sort_buffer=512K
set-variable  = net_buffer_length=8K
set-variable  = myisam_sort_buffer_size=8M
log-bin
server-id     = 1
```

```
basedir=c:/WAMP/xampp/mysql
tmpdir=c:/WAMP/xampp/tmp
datadir=c:/WAMP/xampp/mysql/data
```

```
#bind-address=192.168.1.1
#log-update   = /path-to-dedicated-directory/hostname
```

Uncomment the following if you are using BDB tables

```
#set-variable  = bdb_cache_size=4M
#set-variable  = bdb_max_lock=10000
```

```
skip-innodb
```

Uncomment the following if you are using InnoDB tables

```
#innodb_data_home_dir = c:/WAMP/xampp/mysql/
#innodb_data_file_path = ibdata1:10M:autoextend
#innodb_log_group_home_dir = c:/WAMP/xampp/mysql/
#innodb_log_arch_dir = c:/WAMP/xampp/mysql/
# You can set .._buffer_pool_size up to 50 - 80 %
# of RAM but beware of setting memory usage too high
#set-variable = innodb_buffer_pool_size=16M
#set-variable = innodb_additional_mem_pool_size=2M
# Set .._log_file_size to 25 % of buffer pool size
#set-variable = innodb_log_file_size=5M
#set-variable = innodb_log_buffer_size=8M
#innodb_flush_log_at_trx_commit=1
#set-variable = innodb_lock_wait_timeout=50
```

```
[mysqldump]
quick
set-variable      = max_allowed_packet=16M

[mysql]
no-auto-rehash
# Remove the next comment character if you are not familiar with SQL
#safe-updates
[isamchk]
set-variable      = key_buffer=20M
set-variable      = sort_buffer=20M
set-variable      = read_buffer=2M
set-variable      = write_buffer=2M

[myisamchk]
set-variable      = key_buffer=20M
set-variable      = sort_buffer=20M
set-variable      = read_buffer=2M
set-variable      = write_buffer=2M

[mysqlhotcopy]
interactive-timeout

[WinMySQLadmin]
Server=c:/WAMP/xampp/mysql/bin/mysqld-nt.exe
```