Installing phpMyAdmin on a Linux EC2 instance



PhpMyAdmin is a web-based MySQL administration tool. You can follow the following instructions to install phpMyAdmin on a Linux EC2 instance.

1. Download phpMyAdmin onto your Linux EC2:

- SSH into your EC2 instance using Putty.
- Navigate to the Apache document root directory:

```
cd /var/www/html
```

- Download phpMyAdmin source file:

```
wget https://files.phpmyadmin.net/phpMyAdmin/5.2.1/phpMyAdmin-5.2.1-english.zip
```

- Unzip the downloaded zip file:

```
unzip phpMyAdmin-5.2.1-english.zip
```

- Change the directory name to phpmyadmin:

```
mv phpMyAdmin-5.2.1-english phpmyadmin
```

2. Reconfigure phpMyAdmin:

- Open WinSCP and navigate to phpmyadmin directory (var/www/html/phpmyadmin)
- Change the name of config.sample.inc.php file to config.inc.php
- Open config.inc.php file and look for this line:

```
$cfg['Servers'][$i]['host'] = 'localhost';
```

- Replace 'localhost' with the endpoint of your RDS instance.

```
$cfg['Servers'][$i]['host'] = 'your_rds_endpoint';
```

3. Access phpMyAdmin from your local machine:

- From a browser on your local machine, visit:

```
http://[your-ec2-public-dns.compute.amazonaws.com]/phpmyadmin/
```

- Enter the username and password of your DB to login to PHPMyAdmin, running on your Web Server instance:

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Figure 1: phpMyAdmin Login Page

4. Create Appropriate table on your RDS Database:

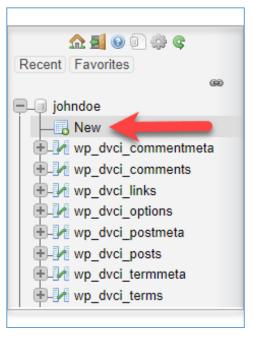


Figure 2: New Table

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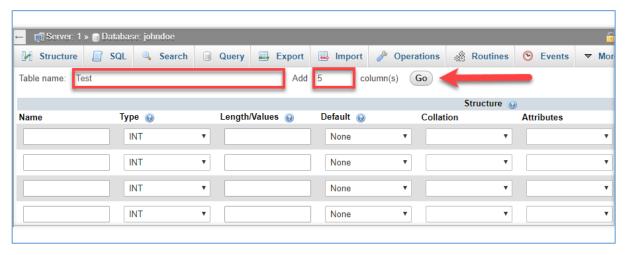


Figure 3: Adding Necessary Table Columns

Select the **Type** of data that the column will hold. Some common types include:

- INT = Integer (a number without a decimal point)
- CHAR = Characters (can hold text up to a specific length)
- VARCHAR = Variable Length Characters (a text field that is not a fixed-width).
- TEXT = For holding large amounts of text.
- DATE = Can only hold dates.
- DATETIME = Can hold both a date and a time.

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