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PHP not connecting to a MySQL database server

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Q. I have Apache Web server and MySQL configured. Everything works fine except I am not able to connect to a MySQL database server (I am able to connect mysql server with mysql client). So how do I configure or connect PHP scripts?



A. You need to install MySQL module for php4 or php5. Without php-mysql shared object or module, php scripts won't be able to connect to MySQL database server.

Debian / Ubuntu Linux User

To install type the following command:

```
# apt-get install php4-mysql
```

if you are using PHP5, enter:

```
# apt-get install php5-mysql
```

RHEL <= 4 user

If you are using Red Hat Linux:

```
# up2date php-mysql
```

If you are using Fedora / CentOS / RHEL 5 Linux:

```
# yum install php-mysql
```

Restart apache to take effect. Now you will be able to connect MySQL via PHP scripts.

```
# service httpd restart
```

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