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MySQL: Find Out Which Table is Consuming Resources

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Q. How do I find out which table is consuming resources under MySQL Database server from UNIX shell prompt?

A. You can use mytop command a console-based (non-gui) tool for monitoring the threads and overall performance of a MySQL.

Install mytop

First install required perl modules:

```
cpan -i Term::ReadKey
cpan -i Term::ANSIColor
cpan -i Time::HiRes
```

Next, install mytop, enter:

```
wget http://jeremy.zawodny.com/mysql/mytop/mytop-1.6.tar.gz
tar -zxvf mytop-1.6.tar.gz
cd mytop-1.6
perl Makefile.PL
make
make test
make install
```

To view information about database called foo, enter:

```
$ mytop -u dba -p 'password' -h 10.2.4.5 -d foo
```

Where,

- -u : Database username.
- -p : Database password.
- -h : Database server IP address.
- -d : Database name.

Read mytop man page for further information:

```
perldoc mytop
```

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