



# Apache Project Part-III

420-635-AB-Network Installation and Administration I

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## *Objective:*

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- ✓ *Optimize the performance of an Apache Server.*
- ✓ *View usage statistics and create scripts with `cgi` and `php`.*
- ✓ *Configure a secure server*

## TASK 1 – MULTI-PROCESS MODULE (MPM)

- The web pages for this project should be in the directory:  
**/var/www/html\_project3**

```
[root@server18 www]# mkdir html_project3
DocumentRoot "/var/www/html_project3"

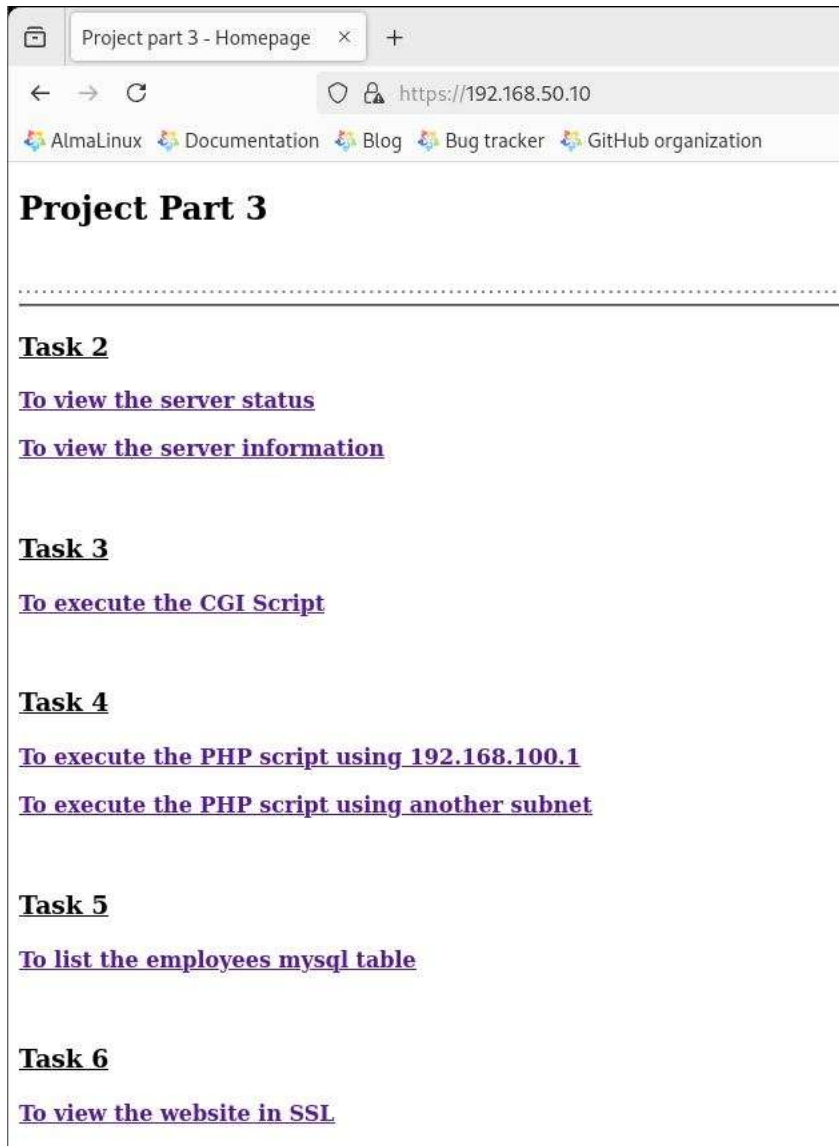
<Directory "/var/www/html_project3">
    Options Indexes FollowSymLinks
    AllowOverride None
    Require all granted
</Directory>
```

- Add links to all the web pages of this project in the following file:  
**var/www/html\_project3/master\_project3.html.**

```
[root@server18 www]# cd html_project3
[root@server18 html_project3]# vim master_project3.html
```

```
<!doctype html>
<html>
  <head>
    <title> Project part 3 - Homepage</title>
  </head>
  <body>
    <h2 class="title">Project Part 3</h2>
    <br>
    <hr style="border:1px dashed gray">
    <hr>

    <h3 class="subtitle"><u><b>Task 2</b></u></h3>
    <p><b><u><a href=http://192.168.50.10/server-status/>To view the server status</a></u></b></p>
    <p><b><u><a href=http://192.168.50.10/server-info/>To view the server information</a></u></b></p>
    <br>
    <h3 class="subtitle"><u><b>Task 3</b></u></h3>
    <p><b><u><a href=http://server18.local.itmt.qc.ca/cgi-bin/>To execute the CGI Script</a></u></b></p>
    <br>
    <h3 class="subtitle"><u><b>Task 4</b></u></h3>
    <p><b><u><a href=http://192.168.100.1/php/>To execute the PHP script using 192.168.100.1</a></u></b></p>
    <p><b><u><a href=http://server18.local.itmt.qc.ca/php/>To execute the PHP script using another subnet</a></u></b></p>
    <br>
    <h3 class="subtitle"><u><b>Task 5</b></u></h3>
    <p><b><u><a href=http://server18.local.itmt.qc.ca/employees/>To list the employees mysql table</a></u></b></p>
    <br>
    <h3 class="subtitle"><u><b>Task 6</b></u></h3>
    <p><b><u><a href=https://192.168.50.10/>To view the website in SSL</a></u></b></p>
  </body>
</html>
```



- Configure your Apache web server with the following parameters:
- Start with 12 httpd server processes when the service starts.
- Maintain a minimum of 6 idle server processes at all times.
- Allow a maximum of 12 idle server processes.
- Handle up to 180 simultaneous client requests.
- Queue a maximum of 100 pending requests when the maximum of 180 simultaneous requests is reached.
- Enable persistent (KeepAlive) connections, with:

- A maximum of 50 consecutive requests per connection.
- A 20-second timeout between two consecutive requests from the same client.
- Limit the maximum request duration to 55 seconds per client request.

```
<IfModule mpm_prefork_module>
StartServers 12
MinSpareServers 6
MaxSpareServers 12
MaxRequestWorkers 180
ListenBackLog 100
KeepAlive On
MaxKeepAliveRequests 50
KeepAliveTimeout 20
Timeout 55
</IfModule>
```

Conf file:

```
[root@server18 conf.modules.d]# vim 00-mpm.conf
#
LoadModule mpm_prefork_module modules/mod_mpm_prefork.so
```

### TASK 2 – APACHE SERVER MONITORING

- Enable **ExtendedStatus** to allow detailed monitoring of Apache server activity.

```
<IfModule status_module>
ExtendedStatus On
</IfModule>
```

- Configure the **server-status** and **server-info** handlers so that they are accessible only to users on the **192.168.50.0/24** subnet.

```
<Location "/server-status">
    SetHandler server-status
    Require ip 192.168.50
</Location>

<Location "/server-info">
    SetHandler server-info
    Require ip 192.168.50
</Location>
```



Apache Status

192.168.50.10/server-status/

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## Apache Server Status for 192.168.50.10 (via 192.168.50.10)

Server Version: Apache/2.4.62 (AlmaLinux) OpenSSL/3.2.2  
Server MPM: prefork  
Server Built: Jan 10 2025 00:00:00

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Current Time: Friday, 25-Apr-2025 09:27:15 EDT  
Restart Time: Friday, 25-Apr-2025 00:34:06 EDT  
Parent Server Config. Generation: 6  
Parent Server MPM Generation: 5  
Server uptime: 8 hours 53 minutes 8 seconds  
Server load: 0.00 0.05 0.10  
Total accesses: 73 - Total Traffic: 2.0 MB - Total Duration: 494  
CPU Usage: u7.55 s14.16 cu3.48 cs6.27 - .0983% CPU load  
.00228 requests/sec - 64 B/second - 27.7 kB/request - 6.76712 ms/request  
1 requests currently being processed, 0 workers gracefully restarting, 11 idle workers

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Scoreboard Key:  
" " Waiting for Connection, "s" Starting up, "r" Reading Request,  
"w" Sending Reply, "k" Keepalive (read), "b" DNS Lookup,  
"c" Closing connection, "L" Logging, "G" Gracefully finishing,  
"I" Idle cleanup of worker, "." Open slot with no current process

Srv	PID	Acc	M	CPU	SS	Req	Dur	Conn	Child	Slot	Client	Protocol	VHost	Request
0-5	21139	0/5/8	-	1.54	25398	0	29	0.0	0.01	0.44	192.168.50.10	http/1.1	server18.local.itmt.ca:80	GET / HTTP/1.1
1-5	21141	0/4/7	-	2.03	1781	6	48	0.0	0.01	0.43	192.168.50.10	http/1.1	server18.local.itmt.ca:80	GET /php/ HTTP/1.1
2-5	21142	0/4/7	-	2.03	1783	33	81	0.0	0.01	0.29	192.168.50.10	http/1.1	server18.local.itmt.ca:80	GET / HTTP/1.1
3-5	21143	0/6/9	-	2.60	109	1	112	0.0	0.01	0.30	192.168.50.10	http/1.1	server18.local.itmt.ca:80	GET /server-status/ HTTP/1.1
4-5	21137	0/4/4	-	1.33	25492	0	4	0.0	0.01	0.01	192.168.50.10	http/1.1	server18.local.itmt.ca:80	GET / HTTP/1.1
5-5	21159	0/9/11	-	2.22	570	0	176	0.0	0.16	0.30	192.168.50.10	http/1.1	server18.local.itmt.ca:80	GET /favicon.ico HTTP/1.1
6-5	21171	0/6/6	W	1.20	0	0	12	0.0	0.15	0.15	192.168.50.10	http/1.1	server18.local.itmt.ca:80	GET /server-status/ HTTP/1.1

Server Information

192.168.50.10/server-info/

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## Apache Server Information

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### Loaded Modules

core.c, http\_core.c, mod\_access\_compat.c, mod\_actions.c, mod\_alias.c, mod\_allowmethods.c, mod\_auth\_basic.c, mod\_auth\_digest.c, mod\_authn\_anon.c, mod\_authn\_core.c, mod\_authn\_file.c, mod\_authn\_socache.c, mod\_authz\_core.c, mod\_authz\_dbm.c, mod\_authz\_dbm.c, mod\_authz\_groupfile.c, mod\_authz\_host.c, mod\_authz\_owner.c, mod\_authz\_user.c, mod\_cache.c, mod\_cache\_disk.c, mod\_cache\_socache.c, modcgi.c, mod\_data.c, mod\_dav.c, mod\_dav\_fs.c, mod\_dav\_lock.c, mod\_dbd.c, mod\_deflate.c, mod\_dir.c, mod\_dumpio.c, mod\_expires.c, mod\_ext\_filter.c, mod\_filter.c, mod\_headers.c, mod\_http2.c, mod\_include.c, mod\_info.c, mod\_lbmethod\_bybusyness.c, mod\_lbmethod\_byrequests.c, mod\_lbmethod\_bytraffic.c, mod\_lbmethod\_byweight.c, mod\_lbmethod\_heartbeat.c, mod\_log\_config.c, mod\_logio.c, mod\_lua.c, mod\_macro.c, mod\_mime.c, mod\_mime\_magic.c, mod\_negotiation.c, mod\_proxy.c, mod\_proxy\_ajp.c, mod\_proxy\_balancer.c, mod\_proxy\_connect.c, mod\_proxy\_fcgi.c, mod\_proxy\_fdpass.c, mod\_proxy\_ftp.c, mod\_proxy\_hcheck.c, mod\_proxy\_http.c, mod\_proxy\_http2.c, mod\_proxy\_http2.c, mod\_proxy\_scgi.c, mod\_proxy\_uwsgi.c, mod\_remotepip.c, mod\_reqtimeout.c, mod\_request.c, mod\_rewrite.c, mod\_setenvif.c, mod\_slotmem\_plain.c, mod\_slotmem\_shm.c, mod\_soc.c, mod\_socache\_dbm.c, mod\_socache\_memcache.c, mod\_socache\_shmcb.c, mod\_ssl.c, mod\_status.c, mod\_substitute.c, mod\_suexec.c, mod\_systemd.c, mod\_unique\_id.c, mod\_unixd.c, mod\_userdir.c, mod\_version.c, mod\_vhost\_alias

### Server Settings

Server Version: Apache/2.4.62 (AlmaLinux) OpenSSL/3.2.2  
Server Built: Jan 10 2025 00:00:00  
Server loaded APR Version: 1.7.0  
Compiled with APR Version: 1.7.0  
Server loaded APU Version: 1.6.1  
Compiled with APU Version: 1.6.1  
Server loaded PCRE Version: 8.44 2020-02-12  
Compiled with PCRE Version: 8.44 2020-02-12

## TASK 3 – CGI

- Configure your web server to use **cgi-bins**.

```
<IfModule alias_module>
ScriptAlias /cgi-bin/ "/var/www/cgi-bin/"
</IfModule>

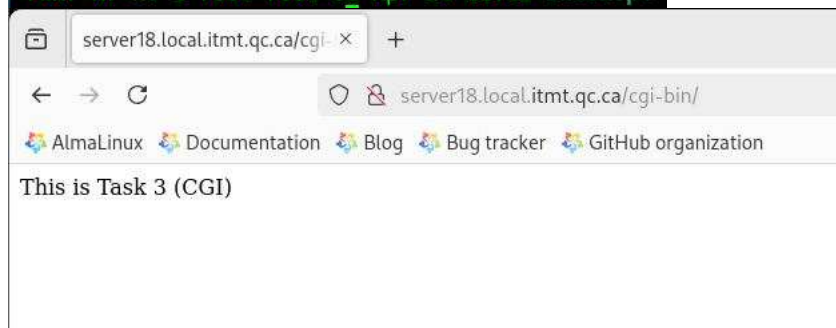
<Directory "/var/www/cgi-bin">
    AllowOverride None
    Options +ExecCGI
    AddHandler cgi-script .cgi .pl .py
    Require all granted
</Directory>
```

- Create a **Perl script** that displays the text **“This is Task 3 (CGI)”** in the web browser.
- Place this script in the **/var/www/cgi-bin** directory.

```
[root@server18 cgi-bin]# vim index.pl
#!/usr/bin/perl

print "content-type: text/html\n\n";
print "This is Task 3 (CGI)";

[root@server18 cgi-bin]# chmod a+x index.pl
[root@server18 cgi-bin]# ls -l index.pl
-rwxr-xr-x. 1 root root 86 Apr 24 11:32 index.pl
```





## TASK 4 – PHP

- Configure your web server to use PHP.

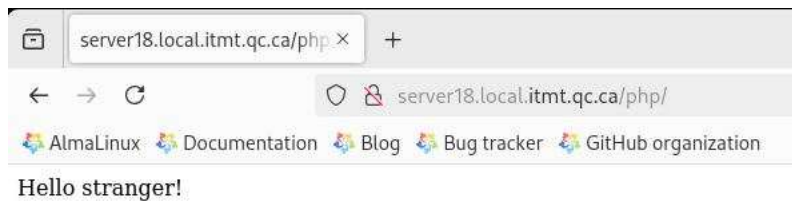
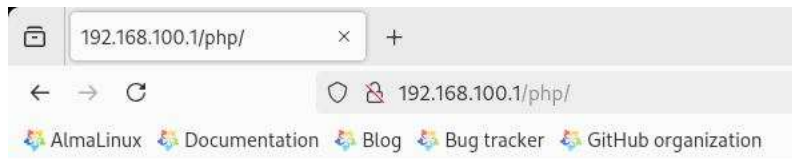
```
[root@server18 ~]# dnf install -y php
Last metadata expiration check: 1:46:01 ago on Tue 22 Apr 2025 10:36:10 AM.
Dependencies resolved.
=====
Package                Arch      Version              Repository           Size
=====
Installing:
php                    x86_64    8.0.30-1.el9_2      appstream            7.7 k
Installing dependencies:
nginx-filessystem      noarch    2:1.20.1-20.el9.alma.1 appstream            8.3 k
php-common             x86_64    8.0.30-1.el9_2      appstream            665 k
Installing weak dependencies:
php-cli               x86_64    8.0.30-1.el9_2      appstream            3.1 M
php-fpm               x86_64    8.0.30-1.el9_2      appstream            1.6 M
php-mbstring          x86_64    8.0.30-1.el9_2      appstream            468 k
php-opcache            x86_64    8.0.30-1.el9_2      appstream            509 k
=====
```

- Create a **PHP script** that displays the message **"Hello my friend!"** in the **web browser** for users whose IP address belongs to the **192.168.100.0/24** subnet and displays **"Hello stranger!"** for all other users outside this subnet.
- Place this PHP script in the **/var/www/html\_project3/q4** directory.

```
[root@server18 html_project3]# mkdir q4
[root@server18 html_project3]# vim q4/index.php
<?php
$user_ip = $_SERVER['REMOTE_ADDR'];

$subnet = '192.168.100';
$ip_parts = explode('.', $user_ip);

if ($ip_parts[0] == 192 && $ip_parts[1] == 168 && $ip_parts[2] == 100) {
    echo "Hello my friend!";
} else {
    echo "Hello stranger!";
}
?>
```



### TASK 5 – MYSQL/PHP

1. Install **MySQL** and create a database **company**.

```
[root@server18 ~]# dnf -y install mysql-server
Last metadata expiration check: 3:23:51 ago on Thu 24 Apr 2025 08:33:23 AM.
Dependencies resolved.
=====
Package                                Arch      Version      Repository    Size
=====
Installing:
mysql-server                           x86_64     8.0.41-2.el9_5  appstream    17 M
Installing dependencies:
mariadb-connector-c-config             noarch     3.2.6-1.el9_0  appstream     9.7 k
mecab                                   x86_64     0.996-3.el9_4  appstream    346 k
mysql                                   x86_64     8.0.41-2.el9_5  appstream     2.8 M
mysql-common                           x86_64     8.0.41-2.el9_5  appstream     68 k
mysql-errmsg                           x86_64     8.0.41-2.el9_5  appstream    499 k
=====

[root@server18 ~]# systemctl enable --now mysqld
Created symlink /etc/systemd/system/multi-user.target.wants/mysqld.service → /usr/lib/systemd/system/mysqld.service.
[root@server18 ~]# systemctl status mysqld
● mysqld.service - MySQL 8.0 database server
   Loaded: loaded (/usr/lib/systemd/system/mysqld.service; enabled; preset: disabled)
   Active: active (running) since Thu 2025-04-24 11:58:34 EDT; 23s ago
     Process: 10841 ExecStartPre=/usr/libexec/mysql-check-socket (code=exited, status=0)
     Process: 10863 ExecStartPre=/usr/libexec/mysql-prepare-db-dir mysqld.service (code=exited, status=0)
    Main PID: 10937 (mysqld)
      Status: "Server is operational"
```

```
[root@server18 ~]# mysql -u root
Welcome to the MySQL monitor.  Commands end with ; or \g.
Your MySQL connection id is 8
Server version: 8.0.41 Source distribution
```

```
mysql> create database company;
Query OK, 1 row affected (0.01 sec)

mysql> show databases;
+-----+
| Database |
+-----+
| company |
| information_schema |
| mysql |
| performance_schema |
| sys |
+-----+
5 rows in set (0.01 sec)
```

2. Create in this database an “**employees**” table that contains two fields: **name** and **salary**.

```
mysql> use company
Database changed
mysql> create table employees(
-> id int not null auto increment,
-> name varchar(100) not null,
-> salary varchar(100) not null,
-> primary key (id)
-> );
Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.02 sec)
```

```
mysql> describe employees;
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| Field | Type          | Null | Key | Default | Extra          |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| id    | int           | NO   | PRI | NULL    | auto_increment |
| name  | varchar(100)  | NO   |     | NULL    |                |
| salary | varchar(100)  | NO   |     | NULL    |                |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
3 rows in set (0.01 sec)
```

3. Insert several records into the table, then verify the contents.

```
mysql> insert into employees (name, salary)
-> values ("Adam", "10000"),
-> ("Tony", "20000"),
-> ("Emile", "50000");
Query OK, 3 rows affected (0.01 sec)
Records: 3 Duplicates: 0 Warnings: 0

mysql> select * from employees;
+----+-----+-----+
| id | name  | salary |
+----+-----+-----+
| 1  | Adam  | 10000  |
| 2  | Tony  | 20000  |
| 3  | Emile | 50000  |
+----+-----+-----+
3 rows in set (0.00 sec)
```

4. Create a **PHP script** that connects to this database and displays the contents of the **employees** table in the web browser as an **HTML table**.
5. Place this PHP script in the **/var/www/html\_project3/q5** directory.

```
mysql> create user 'root'@'server18.local.itmt.qc.ca' identified by 'alma';
Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.01 sec)

mysql> grant all privileges on *.* to 'root'@'server18.local.itmt.qc.ca' with
grant option;
Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.00 sec)

mysql> flush privileges;
Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.00 sec)

[root@server18 ~]# dnf install -y php-mysqldb
Last metadata expiration check: 0:52:35 ago on Thu 24 Apr 2025 12:11:50 PM.
Dependencies resolved.
=====
Package                Architecture Version                      Repository      Size
=====
Installing:
php-mysqldb             x86_64      8.0.30-1.el9_2              appstream      148
Transaction Summary
=====
Install 1 Package
Total download size: 148 kB
Total transaction size: 148 kB
Installed size: 148 kB
Ready to install: php-mysqldb-8.0.30-1.el9_2.x86_64.rpm

[root@server18 ~]# systemctl restart php-fpm
[root@server18 ~]# setsebool -P httpd_can_network_connect 1

[root@server18 html_project3]# mkdir q5
[root@server18 q5]# pwd
/var/www/html_project3/q5
[root@server18 q5]# vim index.php
```

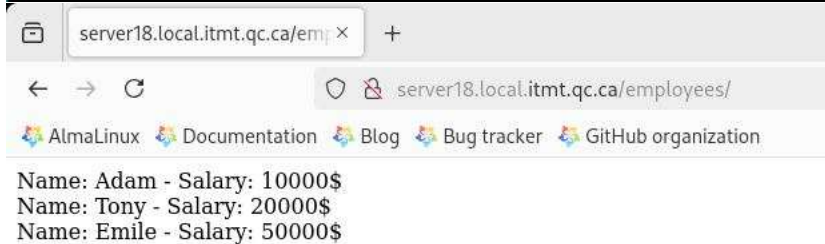


```
<?php
// To debug
ini_set('display_errors', 1);
ini_set('display_startup_errors', 1);
error_reporting(E_ALL);

// Variables
$servername = "192.168.50.10";
$username = "root";
$password = "alma";
$dbname = "company";

// Create the connection
$conn = new mysqli($servername, $username, $password, $dbname);
// Verify the connexion
if ($conn->connect_error) {
    die("Connection failed: " . $conn->connect_error);
}

$sql = "select * from employees";
$result = $conn->query($sql);
if ($result->num_rows > 0) {
    // Results
    while($row = $result->fetch_assoc()) {
        echo "Name: " . $row["name"]. " - Salary: " .
        $row["salary"]. "$" . "<br>";
    }
} else {
    echo "0 results";
}
$conn->close();
?>
```



## TASK 6 – SSL

## 1. Configure your web server to use SSL.

```
[root@server18 ~]# dnf install -y mod_ssl
Last metadata expiration check: 1:26:23 ago on Thu 24 Apr 2025 12:11:50 PM.
Dependencies resolved.
=====
Package                Architecture    Version                               Repository    Size
=====
Installing:
mod_ssl                 x86_64         1:2.4.62-1.el9_5.2                  appstream    109 k
=====
Transaction Summary
=====
Install 1 Package
```

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```
[root@server18 conf.d]# vim ssl.conf
```

```
# SSL Engine Switch:
# Enable/Disable SSL for this virtual host.
SSLEngine on
```

```
SSLCertificateFile /etc/pki/tls/certs/server.crt

# Server Private Key:
# If the key is not combined with the certificate, use the
# directive to point at the key file. Keep in mind that if
# you've both a RSA and a DSA private key you can configure the
# both in parallel (to also allow the use of DSA ciphers) if
# ECC keys, when in use, can also be configured in parallel.
SSLCertificateKeyFile /etc/pki/tls/private/server.key
```

2. Test access to your server using the **https** security protocol by navigating to: **https://serverX** (where **X** is your assigned server number).



