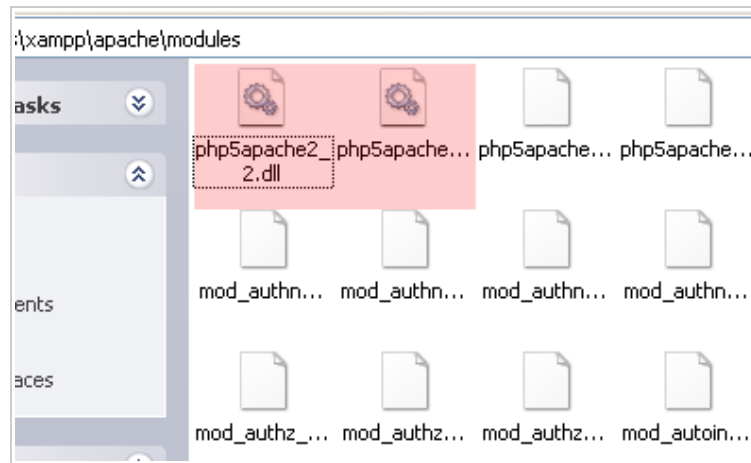


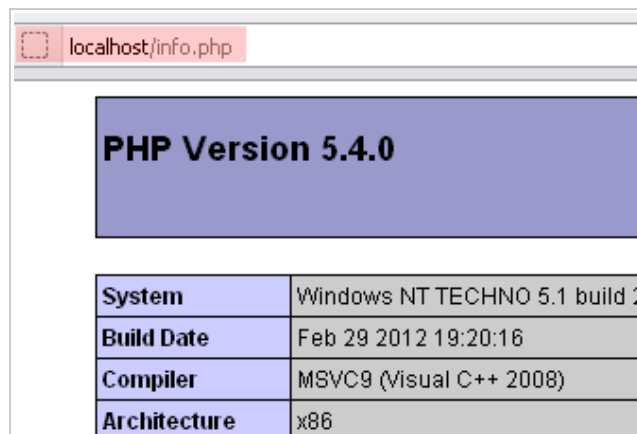
Upgrading to PHP 5.4 on XAMPP

Here's a quick tutorial on how to upgrade you XAMPP installation to use latest version of PHP that is PHP version 5.4 - <http://www.php.net/manual/en/migration53.php> - <http://www.php.net/manual/en/migration54.php>.

1. Download windows build from the official site. (I had used [this link](http://windows.php.net/downloads/releases/php-5.4.0-Win32-VC9-x86.zip) - <http://windows.php.net/downloads/releases/php-5.4.0-Win32-VC9-x86.zip>.)
2. Extract all files from the downloaded archive to a temporary folder say **php_new**.
3. Make sure XAMPP / Apache is not running.
3. Go to the folder where XAMPP is installed and rename the folder XAMPP_ROOT/**php** to **php_old**
4. Now go back to our temporary folder i.e. php_new and copy all files to XAMPP_ROOT/php where XAMPP_ROOT is obviously the folder where XAMPP has been installed.
5. Enter the php folder and locate the file(s) php5apache*.dll (Example php5apache2_2.dll)



6. Copy those files to XAMPP_ROOT/apache/modules/ depending on your version of Apache
7. Optionally delete the folders **php_new** and **php_old**
8. Start Apache again and verify that everything is working smoothly by creating a [phpinfo file](#).



9. Don't forget to rename php.ini-production to php.ini and edit it as per your needs. (**Example:** set **extension_dir** to XAMPP_ROOT/php/ext
10. Check Apache logs for any possible errors.