

# Extending PHP

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Creating PHP 5 Extension



PHP Lifecycle



Adding objects



Adding iterators to objects



# How the slides work

- ✓ Upper part contains some *helpful* hints
- ✓ Lower part shows c code on blue background

**Text in yellow** Text you should use as presented

***Text in green*** Text that you have to replace

***yourext***

Extension name in lowercase

***YOUREXT***

Extension name in uppercase

***YourExt***

Extension name in mixed case (camelCaps)

Some special explanation  
use red text boxes



# Part I

# Creating PHP 5 Extensions

- How PHP handles data
- How to create your own extension skeleton
- How to create your own functions
- How to work with arrays and hash tables



# In PHP all values are zval's

```
typedef struct _zval_struct {  
    zvalue_value value;  
    zend_uint refcount;  
    zend_uchar type;  
    zend_uchar is_ref;  
} zval;
```

```
IS_NULL  
IS_LONG  
IS_DOUBLE  
IS_BOOL  
IS_ARRAY  
IS_OBJECT  
IS_STRING  
IS_RESOURCE
```

```
typedef union _zvalue_value {  
    long lval;  
    double dval;  
    struct {  
        char *val;  
        int len;  
    } str;  
    HashTable *ht;  
    zend_object_value obj;  
} zvalue_value;
```



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Userspace notion of "Reference"

0 == Not a reference

1 == Is a reference

How many "labels" are associated with this zval?

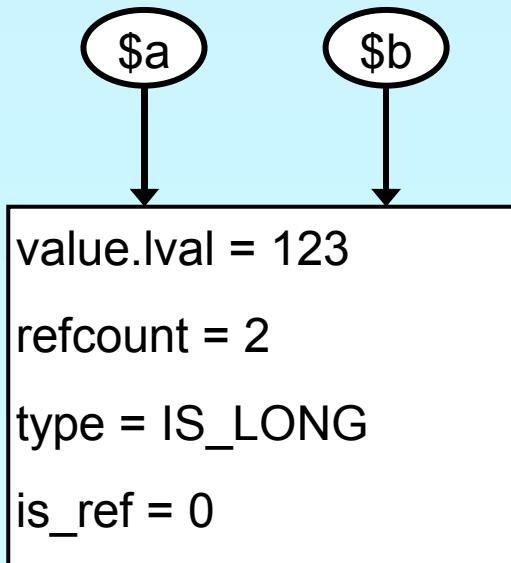


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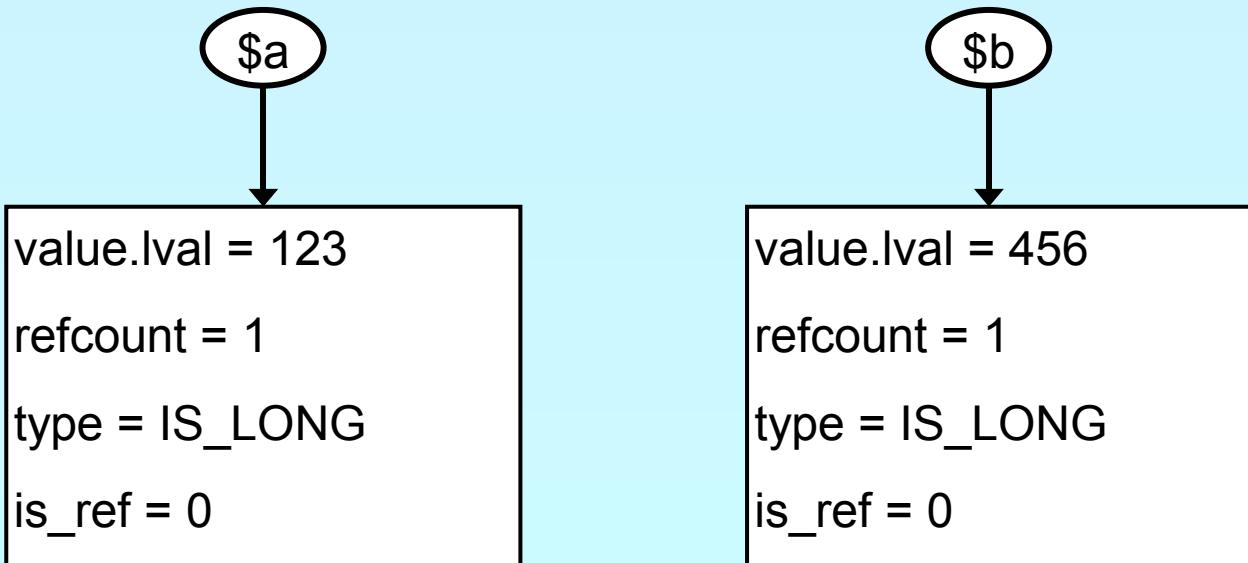


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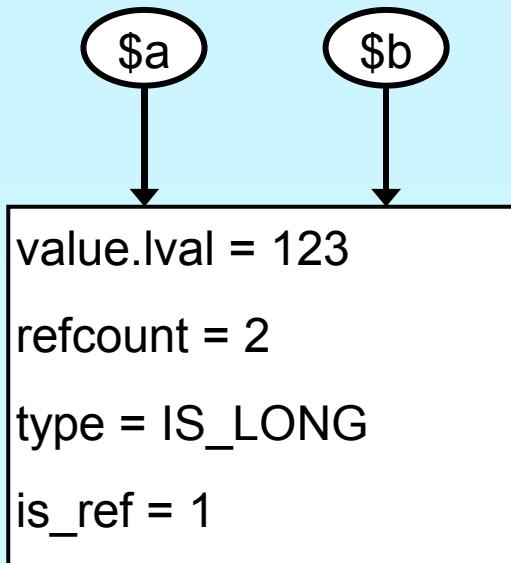


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```

- Has a value of 1 (one)
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- If one label wants to make a change, it does so, causing other labels to see the new value.

```
$a = 123;  
$b = &$a;  
  
$b = 456;
```

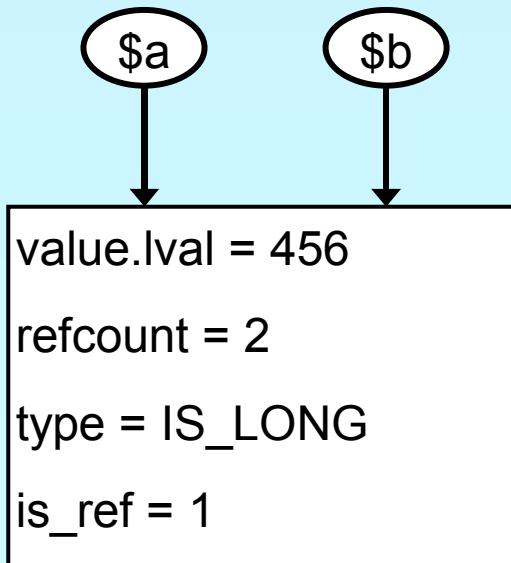


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# Creating PHP 5 Extensions



Most PHP 4 exts will build in PHP5 w/o Changes  
ext\_skel can be used to generate a basic skeleton

```
marcus@zaphod src/php5/ext $ ./ext_skel --extname=util
Creating directory util
Creating basic files: config.m4 .cvsignore util.c php_util.h CREDITS
EXPERIMENTAL tests/001.php util.php [done].
```

To use your new extension, you will have to execute the following steps:

1. \$ cd ..
2. \$ vi ext/util/config.m4
3. \$ ./buildconf **--force**
4. \$ ./configure --[with|enable]-util
5. \$ make
6. \$ ./php -f ext/util/util.php
7. \$ vi ext/util/util.c
8. \$ make

Necessary for non cvs source  
(e.g. release packages)

Repeat steps 3-6 until you are satisfied with ext/util/config.m4 and step 6 confirms that your module is compiled into PHP. Then, start writing code and repeat the last two steps as often as necessary.



# Files in your extension



You need at least two code files

- `php_yourext.h` The header needed by php
- `php_yourext.c` The main extension code ('`php_`' prefix for `.c` is not necessary)



You need two configuration files

- `config.m4` Used under \*nix
- `config.w32` Used under windows



Optional files

- `.cvsignore` List of files to be ignored by CVS
- `CREDITS` First line ext name 2nd line all authors
- `EXPERIMENTAL` If available the API is not yet stable
- `package2.xml` Required for PECL extensions
- `README` Probably good to provide some lines



# config.m4

- ☒ PHP Dev is picky about coding style
  - ☒ Read CODING\_STANDARDS in php-src
  - ☒ Watch your whitespace
  - ☒ Align your PHP\_ARG\_ENABLE output
- ☒ Make your extension default disabled
  - ☒ 'phpize' or 'pear install' will enable it automatically

```
dn1 $Id: $  
dn1 config.m4 for extension YOUREXT  
PHP_ARG_ENABLE(yourext, enable YourExt support,  
[ --enable-yourext           Enable YourExt], no)  
if test "$PHP_YOUREXT" != "no"; then  
    AC_DEFINE(HAVE_YOUREXT, 1, [whether YourExt is present])  
  
    PHP_NEW_EXTENSION(yourext, php_yourext.c, $ext_shared)  
fi
```



# config.m4



You can prevent the ext from becoming shared

```
dn1 $Id: $  
dn1 config.m4 for extension YOURS EXT  
PHP_ARG_ENABLE(yourext, enable YourExt support,  
    [ --enable-yourext      Enable YourExt], no)  
if test "$PHP_YOURS EXT" != "no"; then  
    if test "$ext_shared" = "yes"; then  
        AC_MSG_ERROR(Cannot build YOURS EXT as a shared module)  
    fi  
    AC_DEFINE(HAVE_YOURS EXT,1,[whether YourExt is present])  
    PHP_NEW_EXTENSION(yourext, php_yourext.c, $ext_shared)  
fi
```



# config.w32



Windows configuration uses JScript

```
// $Id: $  
// vim:ft=javascript  
ARG_ENABLE("yourext", "YourExt support", "yes");  
  
if (PHP_YOUREXT == "yes") {  
  
    if (PHP_YOUREXT_SHARED) {  
        ERROR("YOUREXT cannot be compiled as a shared ext");  
    }  
  
    AC_DEFINE("HAVE_YOUREXT", 1, "YourExt support");  
    EXTENSION("yourext", "php_yourext.c");  
}  
}
```



# Extension .h file

- ✓ Declares data for static linking and symbol exports

```
/* License, Author, CVS-Tag, Etc... */

#ifndef PHP_YOUREXT_H
#define PHP_YOUREXT_H
#include "php.h"

extern zend_module_entry yourext_module_entry;
#define phpext_yourext_ptr &yourext_module_entry

/* Only needed if you'll be exporting symbols */
#ifdef PHP_WIN32
# define YOUREXT_API __declspec(dllexport)
#else
# define YOUREXT_API
#endif

/* Place for globals definition */
#endif /* PHP_YOUREXT_H */
```



# Layout of the .c file

- Header: License, Authors, CVS-Tag, ...
- Includes
- Structures and defines not in header
- Helper Functions
- PHP Functions
- Globals Handling
- MINFO
- MINIT, MSHUTDOWN
- RINIT, RSHUTDOWN
- Function table
- Module Entry



# Includes



Include path:

- <PHP Root>/
- <PHP Root>/Zend
- <PHP Root>/main
- <PHP Root>/ext/<Your Extension>

```
#ifdef HAVE_CONFIG_H
#include "config.h"
#endif

#include "php.h"
#include "php_ini.h"
#include "ext/standard/info.h"
#include "ext/standard/php_string.h"
#include "php_yourext.h"
```



# Structures and defines not in header



What ever you want

- Local storage structures?
- Constants?
- Macros?

```
typedef struct _php_yourext_data {  
    int type;  
  
    char *name;  
    int name_len;  
  
    php_stream *stream;  
} php_yourext_data;  
  
#define PHP_YOUREXT_MEANING        42  
#define PHP_YOUREXT_COLOR          "purple"  
  
#define PHP_YOUREXT_STRLEN(v)      (v ? strlen(v) : 0)
```



# Helper Functions

- Use **TSRMLS\_xx** as last function parameter
  - When dealing with PHP Data
  - Use **--enable-maintainer-zts** when building PHP
- Use **static** or **inline**
  - If you need the function only in your .c file
- Use **PHPAPI** / **YOREXT\_API**
  - If you plan to use the functions in other extensions



# Helper Functions

- ✓ Use **TSRMLS\_xx** as last function parameter  
When dealing with PHP Data

TSRMLS\_D      in declarations as only param

TSRMLS\_C      in uses (calls) as only param

```
static void my_helper(TSRMLS_D);  
  
static void some_function(TSRMLS_D) {  
    my_helper(TSRMLS_C);  
}
```



# Helper Functions

- ✓ Use **TSRMLS\_xx** as last function parameter  
When dealing with PHP Data

TSRMLS_D	in declarations as only param
TSRMLS_DC	in declarations after last param w/o comma
TSRMLS_C	in uses (calls) as only param
TSRMLS_CC	in uses after last param w/o comma

```
static void my_helper(void * p TSRMLS_DC);

static void some_function(void * p TSRMLS_DC) {
    my_helper(p TSRMLS_CC);
}
```



# Helper Functions

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When dealing with PHP Data

TSRMLS_D	in declarations as only param
TSRMLS_DC	in declarations after last param w/o comma
TSRMLS_C	in implementations as only param
TSRMLS_CC	in impl. after last param w/o comma
TSRMLS_FETCH	create a TSRM key, must follow last local var

```
static void my_helper(char *p, int p_len TSRMLS_DC);

static void some_function(char *p) {
    int p_len;
    TSRMLS_FETCH();

    p_len = strlen(p);
    my_helper(p, p_len TSRMLS_CC);
}
```



# Module Entry

- ✓ Keeps everything together
- ✓ Tells PHP how to (de)initialize the extension

```
zend_module_entry yourext_module_entry = { /* {{{ */
    STANDARD_MODULE_HEADER,
    "YourExt",
    yourext_functions,
    PHP_MINIT(yourext),
    PHP_MSHUTDOWN(yourext),
    PHP_RINIT(yourext),
    PHP_RSHUTDOWN(yourext),
    PHP_MINFO(yourext),
    "0.1",
    STANDARD_MODULE_PROPERTIES
}; /* }}} */  
  
#if COMPILE_DL_YOUREXT
ZEND_GET_MODULE(yourext)
#endif
```



# Function List



Exports your functions to userspace

✓ Must be terminated by NULL triplet

```
zend_function_entry yourext_functions[] = { /* {{{ */
    PHP_FE(yourext_func1,           yourext_args_func1)
    PHP_FE(yourext_func2,           NULL)
    PHP_FALIAS(yourext_func3,       yourext_func2, NULL)
    PHP_NAMED_FE(yourext_func4,    _yourext_func4_impl,
                  NULL)
    {NULL, NULL, NULL}
};
```



# ArgInfo / Signatures



The function table allows specifying the signature

`ZEND_BEGIN_ARG_INFO_EX:`

`name, pass_rest_by_ref, return_ref, required_args`

`ZEND_ARG_INFO:`

`pass_by_ref, name`

`ZEND_ARG_PASS_INFO:`

`pass_by_ref`

`ZEND_ARG_ARRAY_INFO:`

`pass_by_ref, name`

`ZEND_ARG_OBJ_INFO:`

`pass_by_ref, name, classname, allow_null`

```
static ZEND_BEGIN_ARG_INFO_EX(yourext_args_func1,0,0,2)
    ZEND_ARG_INFO(0, param_name1)
    ZEND_ARG_ARRAY_INFO(1, param_name2)
ZEND_END_ARG_INFO();
```



# PHP Functions



Namespace your functions with your ext's name



Documentation is your friend

- Avoid // style C++ comments
- Avoid declarations inline with code

```
/* {{{ proto type youext_name(params)
   Short description */}
PHP_FUNCTION(youext_name)
{
    /* Local declarations */

    /* Parameter parsing */

    /* Actual code */

    /* Return value */
}
/* }}} */
```



# Outputting Content

- Do not send content to stdout
- use PHP's output buffering mechanisms
  - `php_printf()` works just like `printf()`
  - `PHPWRITE()` respects binary safety

```
/* {{{ proto null yourest_hello_world()
   Say Hello */
PHP_FUNCTION(yourest_hello_world)
{
    char *greeting = "Hello World";

    php_printf("%s!\n", greeting);

    PHPWRITE(greeting, strlen(greeting));
    php_printf("!\n");
}
/* }}} */
```



# Parsing parameters



zend\_parse\_parameters is the easy way of parsing

```
int zend_parse_parameters(
    int num_args TSRMLS_DC, char *type_spec, ...);
```

```
int zend_parse_parameters_ex(int flags,
    int num_args TSRMLS_DC, char *type_spec, ...);
```

flags	0 or ZEND_PARSE_PARAMS_QUIET
num_args	use ZEND_NUM_ARGS()
type_spec	sscanf like typelist (though no %)
...	References to the types given in type_spec
returns	SUCCESS or FAILURE in case of failure an error is already issued so no need for ZEND_WRONG_PARAM_COUNT() unless using ZEND_PARSE_PARAMS_QUIET



# Parsing parameters

```
type_spec    sscanf like typelist (though no %)
l            long      long *
d            double     double *
b            boolean    zend_bool *
a            array      zval **
o            object     zval **
o            object     zval **, zend_class_entry *
                           Object must be derived from given class
s            string     char **, int *
                           You receive string and length
r            resource   zval **
z            zval      zval **
z            zval-ref  zval ***
|            right part is optional
/            next param gets separated if not reference
!            Next param returns NULL if param type IS_NULL
```



# Parsing Parameters

```
/* {{{ proto null yourest_hello(string name)
   Greet by name */
PHP_FUNCTION(yourest_hello)
{
    char *name;
    int name_len;

    if (zend_parse_parameters(ZEND_NUM_ARGS() TSRMLS_CC,
                             "s", &name, &name_len) == FAILURE) {
        return;
    }

    php_printf("Hello %s!\n", name);
}
/* }}} */
```



# Returning Values



## Marking success

```
/* {{{ proto bool yourest_hello(string name)
   Greet by name */
PHP_FUNCTION(yourest_hello)
{
    char *name;
    int name_len;

    if (zend_parse_parameters(ZEND_NUM_ARGS() TSRMLS_CC,
                             "s", &name, &name_len) == FAILURE) {
        return; // Makes the return value NULL
    }

    php_printf("Hello %s!\n", name);

    RETURN_TRUE;
}
/* }}} */
```



# Returning Values

- ✓ Simple scalars use intuitive RETURN\_\*() macros

```
RETURN_NULL();  
RETURN_BOOL(b);  
RETURN_TRUE;  
RETURN_FALSE;  
RETURN_LONG(l);  
RETURN_DOUBLE(d);
```

b: 0 => FALSE, non-0 => TRUE  
RETURN\_BOOL(1)  
RETURN\_BOOL(0)  
l: Integer value  
d: Floating point value



# Returning Values

- Strings are slightly more complex
- The string value must "belong" to the engine
  - Will not survive the destruction of the zval
  - Will be freed using efree()
- Pass 0 (zero) for *dup* to give it the string
- Pass 1 (one) for *dup* to make a copy (*duplicate*)

```
RETURN_STRING(str, dup)      str: char* string value
                             dup: 0/1 flag, duplicate string?  
RETURN_STRINGL(str, len, dup)  
                           len: Predetermined string length  
  
RETURN_STRING("Hello World", 1);  
RETURN_STRING(estrdup("Hello World"), 0);  
RETURN_EMPTY_STRING();
```



# Setting Returning Values



RETURN\_\*() macros automatically exit function

```
#define RETURN_NULL()          { RETVAL_NULL();      return; }
#define RETURN_TRUE             { RETVAL_TRUE;       return; }
#define RETURN_FALSE            { RETVAL_FALSE;     return; }
#define RETURN_BOOL(b)           { RETVAL_BOOL(b);   return; }
#define RETURN_LONG(l)           { RETVAL_LONG(l);   return; }
#define RETURN_DOUBLE(d)         { RETVAL_DOUBLE(d); return; }

#define RETURN_STRING(str, dup)  \
    { RETVAL_STRING(str, dup);  \
      return; }
#define RETURN_STRINGL(str, len, dup) \
    { RETVAL_STRINGL(str, len, dup); \
      return; }
#define RETURN_EMPTY_STRING()    \
    { RETVAL_EMPTY_STRING();   \
      return; }
```



# Setting Returning Values

- ✓ RETURN\_\*() macros automatically exit function
- ✓ RETVAL\_\*() family work the same without exiting

```
#define RETVAL_NULL()          ZVAL_NULL(return_value)
#define RETVAL_TRUE             ZVAL_TRUE(return_value)
#define RETVAL_FALSE            ZVAL_FALSE(return_value)
#define RETVAL_BOOL(b)           ZVAL_BOOL(return_value, b)
#define RETVAL_LONG(l)           ZVAL_LONG(return_value, l)
#define RETVAL_DOUBLE(d)         ZVAL_DOUBLE(return_value, d)

#define RETVAL_STRING(str, dup)   \
    ZVAL_STRING(return_value, str, dup)
#define RETVAL_STRINGL(str, len, dup) \
    ZVAL_STRINGL(return_value, str, len, dup)
#define RETVAL_EMPTY_STRING()     \
    ZVAL_EMPTY_STRING(return_value)
```



# Setting Returning Values

- RETURN\_\*() macros automatically exit function
- RETVAL\_\*() family work the same without exiting
- ZVAL\_\*() family work on specific zval (later)

```
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#define RETVAL_TRUE             ZVAL_TRUE(return_value)
#define RETVAL_FALSE            ZVAL_FALSE(return_value)
#define RETVAL_BOOL(b)           ZVAL_BOOL(return_value, b)
#define RETVAL_LONG(l)           ZVAL_LONG(return_value, l)
#define RETVAL_DOUBLE(d)         ZVAL_DOUBLE(return_value, d)

#define RETVAL_STRING(str, dup)  \
    ZVAL_STRING(return_value, str, dup)
#define RETVAL_STRINGL(str, len, dup) \
    ZVAL_STRINGL(return_value, str, len, dup)
#define RETVAL_EMPTY_STRING()     \
    ZVAL_EMPTY_STRING(return_value)
```



# Example 1



## Inverting a single boolean parameter

```
/* {{{ proto bool yourest_invert(bool b)
   Invert a boolean parameter */}
PHP_FUNCTION(yourest_invert)
{
    zend_bool b;

    if (zend_parse_parameters(ZEND_NUM_ARGS() TSRMLS_CC,
                             "b", &b) == FAILURE) {
        return;
    }

    b = b ? 0 : 1;

    RETURN_BOOL(b);
}
/* }}} */
```



# Example 2



## Incrementing a value with an optional maximum

```
/* {{{ proto bool yourest_increment(int v [, int max])
   Increment a value with optional maximum */
```

PHP\_FUNCTION(yourest\_increment)

```
{
```

long n, nmax = LONG\_MAX;

```
    if (zend_parse_parameters(ZEND_NUM_ARGS() TSRMLS_CC,
        "l|l", &n, &nmax) == FAILURE) {
        RETURN_FALSE();
    }
```

n = (n+1) % nmax;

```
    RETURN_LONG(n);
}
```

```
/* }}} */
```

Initialize  
optional  
values

Use brackets  
for optional  
values

A vertical bar separates  
optional and required  
parameters



# Example 3



Returning some generated string

```
#define YOUREXT_VERSION_MAJOR      0
#define YOUREXT_VERSION_MINOR      1

/* {{{ proto string yourext_version()
   Retrieve yourext version */
PHP_FUNCTION(yourext_version)
{
    char * ver;
    int len;

    len = spprintf(&ver, 0, "%d.%d (%s)",
                   YOUREXT_VERSION_MAJOR, YOUREXT_VERSION_MINOR,
                   "$Id: $");

    RETURN_STRINGL(ver, len, 0);
}
/* }}} */
```

Never use sprintf,  
use either snprintf or spprintf

No need to  
copy the string



# Dealing with arrays

- ✓ To initialize a zval as an array: `array_init(pzv)`
  - ✓ To return an array use: `array_init(return_value)`
- ✓ To add elements use the following
  - ✓ `add_assoc_<type>(ar, key, ...)`
  - ✓ `add_assoc_<type>_ex(ar, key, key_len, ...)`

```
int add_assoc_long(zval *arg, char *key, long n);
int add_assoc_null(zval *arg, char *key);
int add_assoc_bool(zval *arg, char *key, int b);
int add_assoc_resource(zval *arg, char *key, int r);
int add_assoc_double(zval *arg, char *key, double d);
int add_assoc_string(zval *arg, char *key, char *str,
                     int dup);
int add_assoc_stringl(zval *arg, char *key, char *str,
                      uint len, int dup);
int add_assoc_zval(zval *arg, char *key, zval *value);
```



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  - ☒ `add_assoc_<type>(ar, key, ...)`
  - ☒ `add_index_<type>(ar, index, ...)`

```
int add_index_long(zval *arg, uint idx, long n);
int add_index_null(zval *arg, uint idx);
int add_index_bool(zval *arg, uint idx, int b);
int add_index_resource(zval *arg, uint idx, int r);
int add_index_double(zval *arg, uint idx, double d);
int add_index_string(zval *arg, uint idx, char *str,
                     int duplicate);
int add_index_stringl(zval *arg, uint idx, char *str,
                      uint length, int duplicate);
int add_index_zval(zval *arg, uint idx, zval *value);
```



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  - ☒ `add_next_index_<type>(ar, ...)`

```
int add_next_index_long(zval *arg, long n);
int add_next_index_null(zval *arg);
int add_next_index_bool(zval *arg, int b);
int add_next_index_resource(zval *arg, int r);
int add_next_index_double(zval *arg, double d);
int add_next_index_string(zval *arg, char *str,
                           int duplicate);
int add_next_index_stringl(zval *arg, char *str,
                           uint length, int duplicate);
int add_next_index_zval(zval *arg, zval *value);
```



# Example 4



## Returning an array

```
/* {{{ proto array yourext_version_array()
   Retrieve yourext version as array */
PHP_FUNCTION(yourext_version_array)
{
    char *ver;
    int len = sprintf(&ver, 0, "%d.%d",
                      YOUREXT_VERSION_MAJOR, YOUREXT_VERSION_MINOR);

    array_init(return_value);
    add_assoc_long(return_value, "major", YOUREXT_VERSION_MAJOR); make return_value an array
    add_assoc_long(return_value, "minor",
                  YOUREXT_VERSION_MINOR);
    add_assoc_string(return_value, "cvs", "$Id: $", 1);
    add_assoc_stringl(return_value, "ver", ver, len, 0);
}
/* }}} */
```



# Dealing with a HashTable

- Multiple values stored in key/value pairs
- Arrays are special HashTables (Symbol tables)
  - Numeric keys get converted to strings
  - All values are zval\* pointers.

```
/* arKey hashed using DJBX33A */  
ulong zend_get_hash_value(char *arKey, uint nKeyLength);  
  
/* count($ht) */  
int zend_hash_num_elements(HashTable *ht);  
  
/* Removes all elements from the HashTable */  
int zend_hash_clean(HashTable *ht);
```



# Adding to HashTables

- ✓ add\_assoc/index\_\*() functions wrap zend\_symtable\_update()
- ✓ Symbol table keys **include** terminating NULL byte sizeof(key) vs. strlen(key)

```
add_assoc_zval(arr, "foo", val);
add_assoc_zval_ex(arr, "foo", sizeof("foo"), val);

zend_symtable_update(Z_ARRVAL_P(arr),
                      "foo", sizeof("foo"),
                      &val, sizeof(zval*), NULL);
```



# Deleting from HashTables



You can **delete** elements (SUCCESS/FAILURE)

- by key
- by hash index
- by symbol

```
int zend_hash_del(HashTable *ht, char *arKey,  
                  uint nKeyLen);  
  
int zend_hash_index_del(HashTable *ht, ulong h);  
  
int zend_symtable_del(HashTable *ht, char *arkey,  
                      uint nKeyLength);
```



# Searching HashTables



You can **check for existance** of elements (0/1)

- by key
- by hash index
- by automatic preference of hash index over key (len=0)
- by symbol

```
int zend_hash_exists(HashTable *ht, char *arKey,  
                     uint nKeyLength);
```

```
int zend_hash_quick_exists(HashTable *ht, char *arKey,  
                           uint nKeyLength, ulong h);
```

```
int zend_hash_index_exists(HashTable *ht, ulong h);
```

```
int zend_symtable_exists(HashTable *ht, char *arkey,  
                        uint nKeyLength);
```



# Searching HashTables



You can **lookup** elements (SUCCESS/FAILURE)

- by key
- by hash index
- by automatic preference of hash index over key (len=0)
- by symbol

```
int zend_hash_find(HashTable *ht,
    char *arKey, uint nKeyLength, void **pData);

int zend_hash_quick_find(HashTable *ht, char *arKey,
    uint nKeyLength, ulong h, void **pData);

int zend_hash_index_find(HashTable *ht,
    ulong h, void **pData);

int zend_symtable_find(HashTable *ht,
    char *arKey, uint nKeyLength, void **pData);
```



# Searching HashTables

- ✓ Symbol Tables store zval\* pointers
- ✓ When fetching, a reference to a zval\*\* is passed

```
zval **tmp;

if (zend_symtable_find(ht, "key", sizeof("key"),
                      (void**)&tmp) == SUCCESS) {

    /* Do something with tmp */
    if (Z_TYPE_PP(tmp) == IS_STRING) {
        PHPWRITE(Z_STRVAL_PP(tmp), Z_STRLEN_PP(tmp));
    }
}
```



# Accessing a zval

Z_LVAL(zval)	long	value
Z_BVAL(zval)	zend_bool	value
Z_DVAL(zval)	double	value
Z_STRVAL(zval)	char*	value
Z_STRLEN(zval)	int	length
Z_ARRVAL(zval)	HashTable*	only array
Z_OBJ_HANDLE(zval)	int	obj id
Z_OBJ_HT(zval)	zend_object_handlers*	obj handlers
Z_OBJCE(zval)	zend_class_entry*	obj class
Z_OBJPROP(zval)	HashTable*	properties
Z_OBJ_HANDLER(zval, hf)	Z_OBJ_HT((zval))->hf	obj handler
Z_RESVAL(zval)	int	resource id
Z_TYPE(zval)	int	IS_*
HASH_OF(zval)	HashTable*	array+props
Z_*_P(zp)	Z_*(zp)	
Z_*_PP(zpp)	Z_*(**zpp)	



# Reference count and is-ref

Z_REFCOUNT(zval)	Retrieve reference count
Z_SET_REFCOUNT(zval, rc)	Set reference count to <rc>
Z_ADDREF(zval)	Increment reference count
Z_DELREF(zval)	Decrement reference count
Z_ISREF(zval)	whether zval is a reference
Z_SET_ISREF(zval)	Makes zval a reference variable
Z_UNSET_ISREF(zval)	Resets the is-reference flag
Z_SET_ISREF_TO(zval, is)	Make zval a reference is <is> != 0
Z_*_P(zp)	Z_*(zp)
Z_*_PP(zpp)	Z_*(**zpp)



# Setting types and values

ZVAL_NULL(zp)	IS_NULL	Just set the type
ZVAL_RESOURCE(zp, l)	IS_RESOURCE	Set to resource <l>
ZVAL_BOOL(zp, b)	IS_BOOL	Set to boolean <b>
ZVAL_FALSE(zp)	IS_BOOL	Set to false
ZVAL_TRUE(zp)	IS_BOOL	Set to true
ZVAL_LONG(zp, l)	IS_LONG	Set to long <l>
ZVAL_DOUBLE(zp, d)	IS_DOUBLE	Set to double <d>
ZVAL_STRING(zp, s, dup)	IS_STRING	Set string
ZVAL_STRINGL(zp, s, l, dup)	IS_STRING	Set string and length
ZVAL_EMPTY_STRING(zp)	IS_STRING	Set as empty string

ZVAL\_ZVAL(zp, zv, copy, dtor)

Copy the zval and its type.

Allows to call copying, necessary for strings etc.

Allows to destruct (delref) the original zval.



# Allocate and Initialize a zval

ALLOC\_ZVAL(zp)

Allocate a zval using emalloc()

INIT\_PZVAL(zp)

Set reference count and isref 0

INIT\_ZVAL(zval)

Initialize and set NULL, no pointer

ALLOC\_INIT\_ZVAL(zp)

Allocate and initialize a zval

MAKE\_STD\_ZVAL(zp)

Allocate, initialize and set NULL

Example:

```
zval *val;  
ALLOC_INIT_ZVAL(val);  
ZVAL_STRINGL(val, "Myval", sizeof("myval")-1, 1)
```



# Dealing with a HashTable

- ✓ Hash tables have builtin "foreach" functions

```
/* array_walk($ht, $apply_func) */
void zend_hash_apply(HashTable *ht,
                     apply_func_t apply_func TSRMLS_DC);

/* array_walk($ht, $apply_func, $data) */
void zend_hash_apply_with_argument(HashTable *ht,
                                   apply_func_arg_t apply_func, void * TSRMLS_DC);

/* Multiple argument version,
 * This is also the only variant which provides
 * the key to the callback */
void zend_hash_apply_with_arguments(HashTable *ht,
                                    apply_func_args_t apply_func, int, ...);
```



# Dealing with a HashTable

- ✓ Hash tables have builtin "foreach" functions
- ✓ Each function requires a different type of callback

```
/* pDest contains a pointer to
 * what's stored in the HashTable
 * Since there is a zval* in SymbolTables
 * we wind up with a zval** being passed as pDest*
typedef int (*apply_func_t)(void **pDest TSRMLS_DC);

typedef int (*apply_func_arg_t)(void *pDest,
                               void *argument TSRMLS_DC);

typedef int (*apply_func_args_t)(void *pDest,
                                int num_args,
                                va_list args,
                                zend_hash_key *hash_key);
```



# Dealing with a HashTable

- ✓ Hash tables have builtin "foreach" functions
- ✓ Each function requires a different type of callback
- ✓ Callbacks return one of three status values
  - ✓ Prior to 5.2.1 all non zero return values result in deletion

```
/* Continue iterating the HashTable */  
#define ZEND_HASH_APPLY_KEEP          0  
  
/* Remove this element, but continue processing */  
#define ZEND_HASH_APPLY_REMOVE        1<<0  
  
/* Terminate the loop (break;) */  
#define ZEND_HASH_APPLY_STOP         1<<1
```



# Example 5 a

## Using zend\_hash\_apply\_with\_arguments()

```
/* {{{ proto void youext_foreach( array names,
                                string greeting)
Say hello to each person */
PHP_FUNCTION(youext_foreach)
{
    zval *names;
    char *greet;
    int greet_len;

    if (zend_parse_parameters(ZEND_NUM_ARGS() TSRMLS_CC,
                            "as", &names, &greet, &greet_len) == FAILURE) {
        return;
    }

    zend_hash_apply_with_argument(Z_ARRVAL_P(names),
                                (apply_func_arg_t)youext_foreach, greet
                                TSRMLS_CC);
} /* }}} */
```



# Example 5 b



Calling a function for each element

```
/* {{{ youext_foreach
   callback for outputting a greeting
   for each name in a user-provided array */
int youext_foreach(zval **param, char *greeting TSRMLS_DC)
{
    if (Z_TYPE_PP(param) == IS_STRING) {
        php_printf("%s %s\n", greeting,
Z_STRVAL_PP(param));

        return ZEND_HASH_APPLY_KEEP;
    } else {
        php_error_docref(NULL TSRMLS_CC, E_WARNING,
                      "Non-string value passed in $names array");

        return ZEND_HASH_APPLY_STOP;
    }
} /* }}} */
```



# Part II

# PHP Lifecycle

- The PHP Lifecycle
- Memory Allocation and Garbage Collection
- Globals
- Constants



# STARTUP

- Initial startup of a PHP process space
- Initialize engine and core components
- Parse php.ini
- Initialize (MINIT) statically built modules
- Initialize (MINIT) shared modules  
(loaded by php.ini)
- Finalize Initialization



# ACTIVATION

- Triggered upon receiving a new request (page hit)
- Initialize environment and variables  
(symbol\_table, EGPCS)
- Activate (RINIT) static built modules
- Activate (RINIT) shared modules



# RUNTIME

- Actual execution of scripts happens here.
- Compile and execute auto-prepend\_file.
- Compile and execute main\_file.
- Compile and execute auto-append\_file.



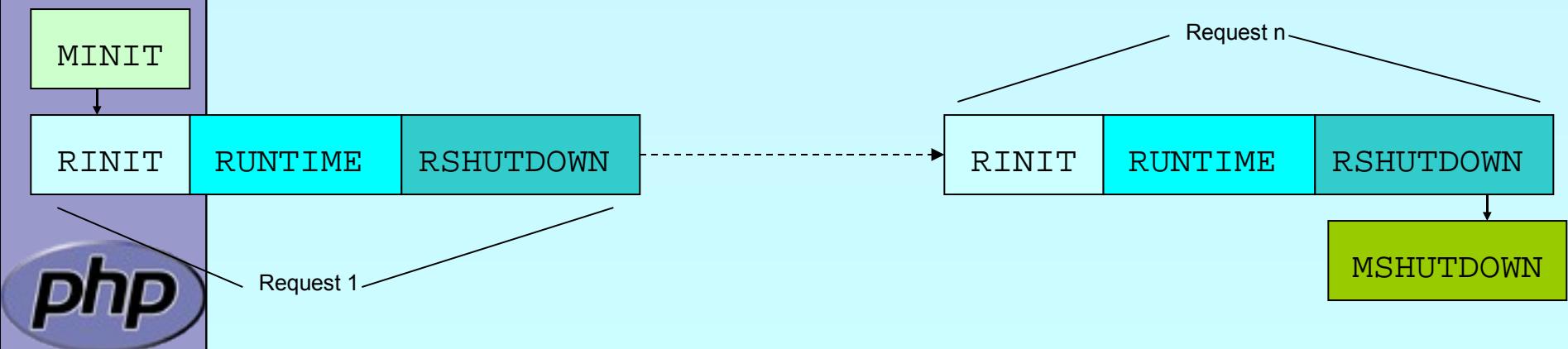
# DEACTIVATION

- Upon exit(), die(), E\_ERROR, or end of last script execution.
- Call user-defined shutdown functions.
- Destroy object instances.
- Flush output.
- Deactivate (RSHUTDOWN) modules  
(in reverse of activation order)
- Clean up environment
- Implicitly free remaining non-persistent memory.



# SHUTDOWN

- Final good-night. Called as process space is terminating (apache child termination).
- Shutdown (MSHUTDOWN) all modules (rev. startup order)
- Shutdown the engine



# Memory Allocation

- ✓ Traditionall malloc() family may be used

```
void * malloc(size_t size);
void * calloc(size_t nmemb, size_t size);
void * realloc(void *ptr, size_t size);
void * strdup(char *str);
void * strndup(char *str, size_t len);
void free(void *ptr);
```



# Memory Allocation

- Traditionall malloc() family may be used
- Non-persistent allocators prefixed with e
  - Additional helpers provided by engine
  - Automatically freed by engine during DEACTIVATION

```
void * emalloc(size_t size);
void * ecalloc(size_t nmemb, size_t size);
void * erealloc(void *ptr, size_t size);
void * estrdup(char *str);
void * estrndup(char *str, size_t len);
void *efree(void *ptr);

void *safe_emalloc(size_t nmemb, size_t size,
                   size_t adt1);
void *STR_EMPTY_ALLOC(void);
```



# Memory Allocation

- Traditional malloc() family may be used
- Non-persistent allocators prefixed with `e`
- Selective allocators prefixed with `pe`
  - `pestrndup()` not available
  - `safe_pemalloc()` requires PHP >= 5.1

```
void *pemalloc(size_t size, int persist);
void *pecalloc(size_t nmemb, size_t size, int persist);
void *perealloc(void *ptr, size_t size, int persist);
void *pestrndup(char *str, int persist);

void pefree(void *ptr, int persist);

void *safe_pemalloc(size_t nmemb, size_t size,
                    size_t addtl, int persist);
```



# Storing Global Values

- ✓ Do **NOT** store transient data in the global scope!
  - ✓ Threaded SAPIs **will** break

```
static char *errormsg = NULL;

PHP_FUNCTION(yourext_unthreadsafe) {
    long ret;

    ret = do_something("value", &errormsg);
    if (errormsg) {
        php_error_docref(NULL TSRMLS_CC, E_WARNING,
                         "do_something() failed with: %s", errormsg);
        free(errormsg);
        errormsg = NULL;
    }
}
```



# Global struct in .h



Provide a structure and access macros

```
ZEND_BEGIN_MODULE_GLOBALS(yourext)
    char          *str;
    int           strlen;
    long          counter;
ZEND_END_MODULE_GLOBALS(yourext)
#ifndef ZTS
# define YOUREXT_G(v) \
    TSRMLSyourext_globals_id, zend_yourext_globals*, v)
extern int yourext_globals_id;
#else
# define YOUREXT_G(v) (yourext_globals.v)
extern zend_yourext_globals yourext_globals;
#endif
```



# Global Handling in .c

- ☒ Provide the storage/id and ctor/dtor functions
  - ☒ Initializer called once at (thread) startup
  - ☒ Destructor called once at (thread) shutdown
  - ☒ Allocations made here must be persistent (malloc'd)

```
ZEND_DECLARE_MODULE_GLOBALS(yourext)  
  
static void yourext_globals_ctor(  
    zend_yourext_globals *globals) {  
    /* Initialize your global struct */  
    globals->str      = NULL;  
    globals->strlen   = 0;  
    globals->counter  = 0;  
}  
  
static void yourext_globals_dtor(  
    zend_yourext_globals *globals) {  
    /* Clean up any allocated globals */  
}
```



# MINIT/MSHUTDOWN

- Allocate local storage for globals in ZTS mode
- Call globals initialization and destruction as needed

```
PHP_MINIT_FUNCTION(yourext) {
    ZEND_INIT_MODULE_GLOBALS(yourext,
        yourext_globals_ctor, yourext_globals_dtor);
    return SUCCESS;
}
```

```
PHP_MSHUTDOWN_FUNCTION(yourext) {
#ifndef ZTS
    yourext_globals_dtor(&yourext_globals TSRMLS_CC);
#endif
    return SUCCESS;
}
```



# RINIT/RSHUTDOWN

- Initialize request specific settings at RINIT
- Clean up their values at RSHUTDOWN

```
PHP_RINIT_FUNCTION(yourext) {
    /* Track number of times this thread/process
     * has serviced requests */
    YOUREXT_G(counter)++;
    return SUCCESS;
}

PHP_RSHUTDOWN_FUNCTION(yourext) {
    if (YOUREXT_G(str)) {
        efree(YOUREXT_G(str));
        YOUREXT_G(str) = NULL;
    }
    return SUCCESS;
}
```



# Globals Access

- Access global values using `YOU'REXT_G(v)` macro

```
PHP_FUNCTION(yourext_set_string) {
    char *str;
    int str_len;
    if (zend_parse_parameters(ZEND_NUM_ARGS(), "s",
                             &str, &str_len) == FAILURE) {
        return;
    }
    if (YOU'REXT_G(str)) {
        efree(YOU'REXT_G(str));
    }
    YOU'REXT_G(str) = estrndup(str, str_len);
    YOU'REXT_G(strlen) = str_len;
    RETURN_TRUE;
}
```



# Globals Access

- Access global values using `YOU'REXT_G(v)` macro

```
PHP_FUNCTION(you'rext_get_string) {
    if (YOU'REXT_G(str)) {
        RETURN_STRINGL(YOU'REXT_G(str), YOU'REXT_G(strlen), 1);
    } else {
        RETURN_EMPTY_STRING();
    }
}
```



# Registering consts

✓ Register constants during MINIT (usually)

- ✓ name\_len here is sizeof()
- ✓ Thus name must be a real string  
Do **not** use string variables!

```
int zend_get_constant(char *name, uint name_len,  
                      zval *result TSRMLS_DC);  
  
REGISTER_LONG_CONSTANT(name, lval, flags)  
REGISTER_DOUBLE_CONSTANT(name, dval, flags)  
REGISTER_STRING_CONSTANT(name, str, flags)  
REGISTER_STRINGL_CONSTANT(name, str, len, flags)  
  
int zend_register_constant(zend_constant *c TSRMLS_DC);  
  
/* Case-sensitive */  
#define CONST_CS           (1<<0)  
/* Persistent */  
#define CONST_PERSISTENT   (1<<1)
```



# Registering consts

- ✓ Persistent constants require CONST\_PERSISTENT
- ✓ Non-persistent string constants must be estrdup'd

```
PHP_MINIT_FUNCTION(yourext) {
    REGISTER_LONG_CONSTANT("YOUTREXT_CONSTNAME", 42,
                           CONST_CS | CONST_PERSISTENT);
    REGISTER_STRING_CONSTANT("YOUTREXT_VERSION", "$ID: $",
                           CONST_CS | CONST_PERSISTENT);
    return SUCCESS;
}

PHP_RINIT_FUNCTION(yourext) {
    REGISTER_LONG_CONSTANT("YOUTREXT_COUNTER",
                           YOUTREXT_G(counter), CONST_CS);
    return SUCCESS;
}
```



# MINFO

- ✓ Provide some information about your extension
  - ✓ MINFO has no return value

```
PHP_MINFO_FUNCTION(yourext)
{
    php_info_print_table_start();
    php_info_print_table_header(2, "YourExt", "enabled");

    php_info_print_table_row(2,
        "Version", "$ID: $");

    php_info_print_table_row(2,
        "Somestring", YOREXT_G(str));
}

    php_info_print_table_end();
}
```



# What else ?

- INI Handling
- Dealing with resources and streams
- Object support



# Part III

## Adding objects

- How to create your own classes
- How to create interfaces
- How to create methods
- What can be overloaded

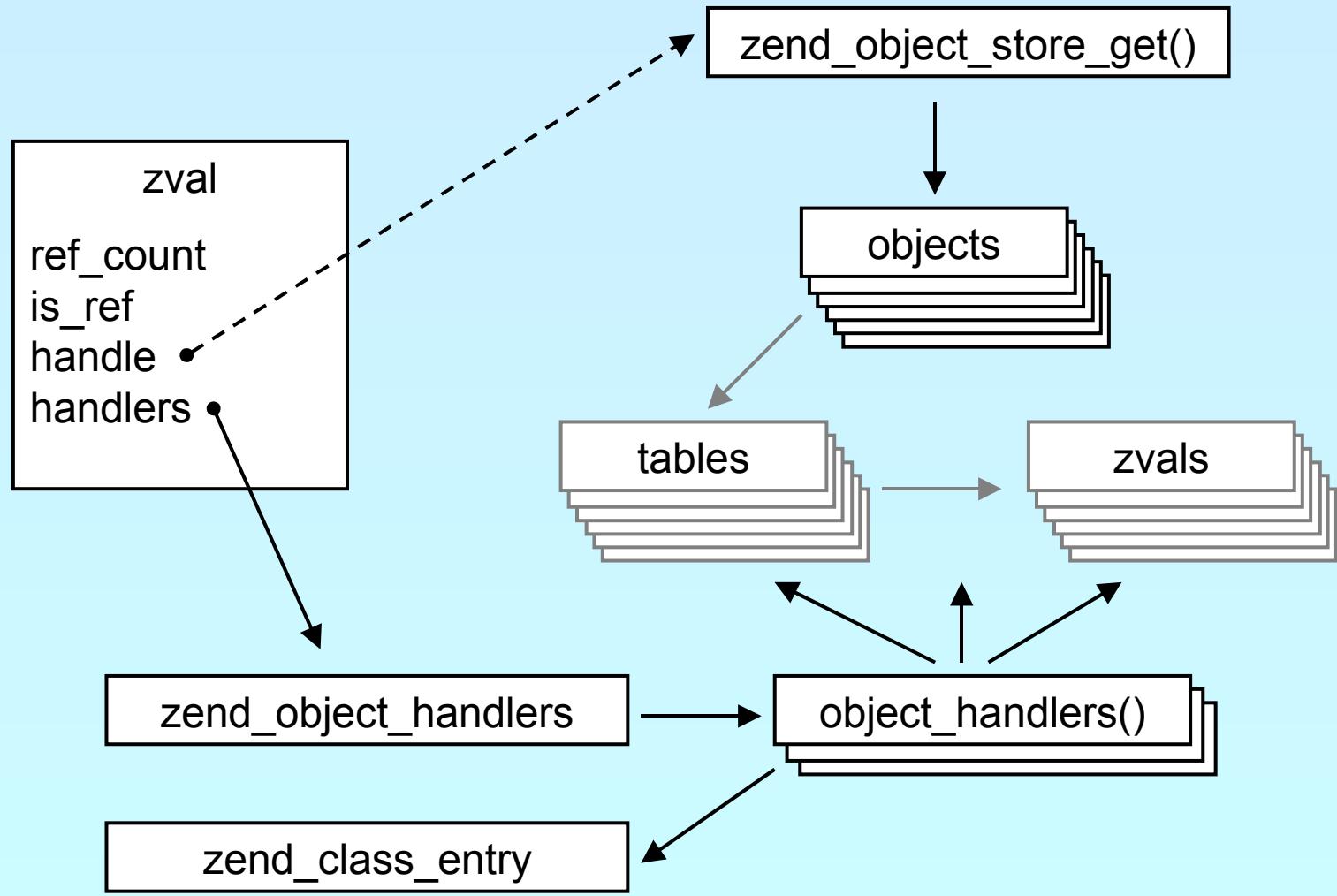


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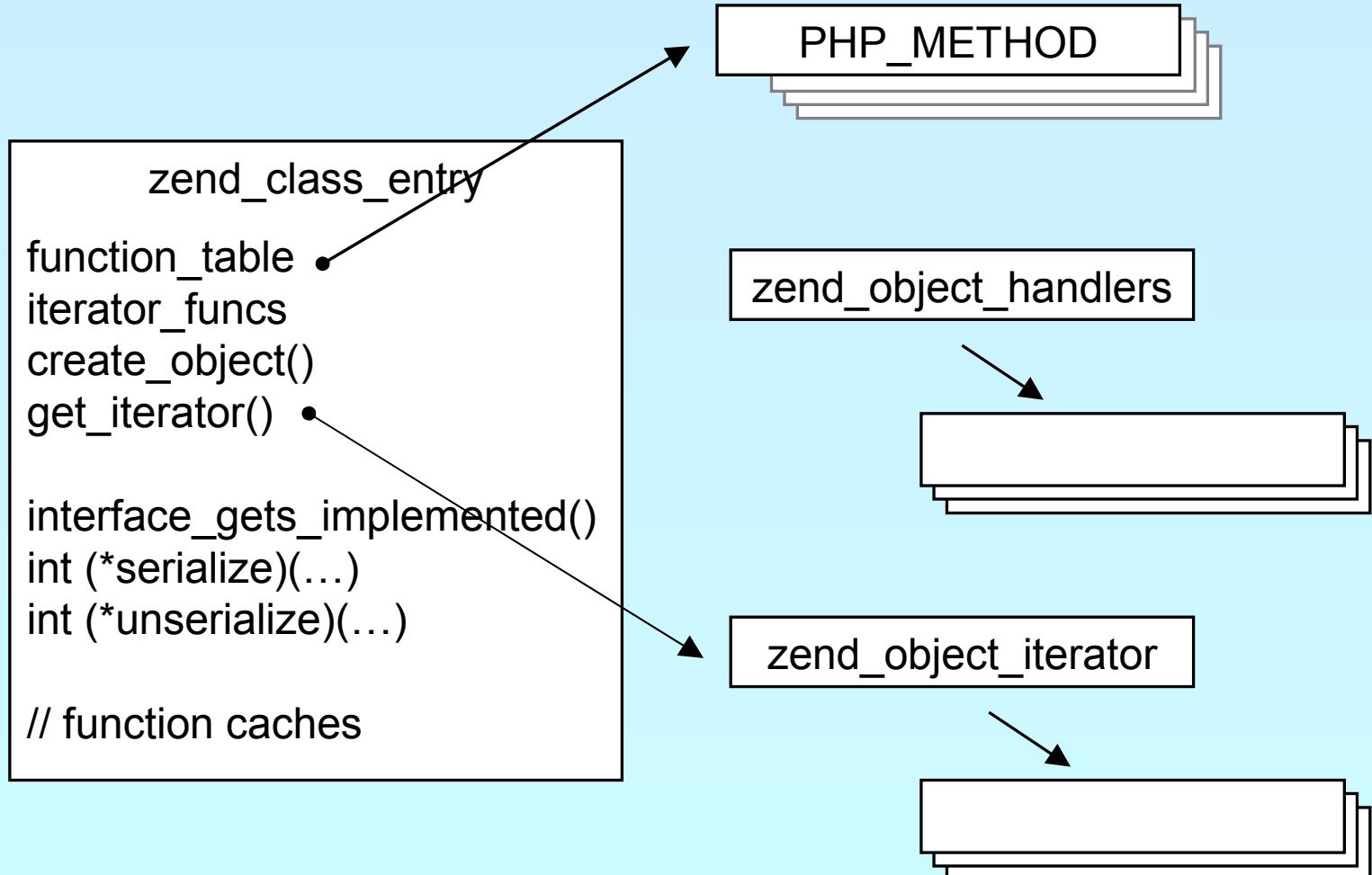
- Providing methods
- Providing a zend\_class\_entry pointer
- Providing object handlers
- Registering the class



# General class layout



# General class layout

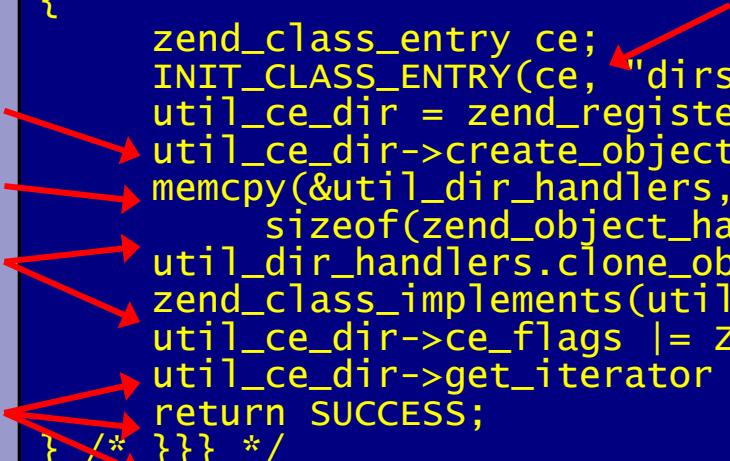


# Registering

✓ Obviously you have to register your class

- ✓ A temporary zend\_class\_entry is necessary first
- ✓ After basic registering you have a dedicated pointer
- ✓ Now you have to specify the c-level constructor function
- ✓ Provide your own handler funcs or copy and modify defaults

```
zend_class_entry *util_ce_dir;
PHP_MINIT_FUNCTION(util) /* {{{ */
{
    zend_class_entry ce;
    INIT_CLASS_ENTRY(ce, "dirs", util_dir_class_functions);
    util_ce_dir = zend_register_internal_class(&ce TSRMLS_CC);
    util_ce_dir->create_object = util_dir_object_new;
    memcpy(&util_dir_handlers, zend_get_std_object_handlers(),
           sizeof(zend_object_handlers));
    util_dir_handlers.clone_obj = util_dir_object_clone;
    zend_class_implements(util_ce_dir TSRMLS_CC, 1, zend_ce_iterator);
    util_ce_dir->ce_flags |= ZEND_ACC_FINAL_CLASS;
    util_ce_dir->get_iterator = util_dir_get_iterator;
    return SUCCESS;
} /* }}} */
```



# Declaring class constants



You can register class constants

- ✓ Use target zend\_class\_entry pointer
- ✓ Use sizeof() not strlen() for const name

```
int zend_declare_class_constant(zend_class_entry *ce,
    char *name, size_t name_len, zval *value TSRMLS_DC);

int zend_declare_class_constant_long(zend_class_entry *ce,
    char *name, size_t name_len, long value TSRMLS_DC);

int zend_declare_class_constant_bool(zend_class_entry *ce,
    char *name, size_t name_len, zend_bool value TSRMLS_DC);

int zend_declare_class_constant_double(zend_class_entry *ce,
    char *name, size_t name_len, double value TSRMLS_DC);

int zend_declare_class_constant_string1(zend_class_entry *ce,
    char *name, size_t name_len, char *val, size_t val_len TSRMLS_DC);

int zend_declare_class_constant_string(zend_class_entry *ce,
    char *name, size_t name_len, char *value TSRMLS_DC);
```



# Declaring methods

```
/* declare method parameters, */
static ZEND_BEGIN_ARG_INFO(arginfo_dir__construct, 0)
    ZEND_ARG_INFO(0, path) /* parameter name */
ZEND_END_ARG_INFO();

/* each method can have its own parameters and visibility */
static zend_function_entry util_dir_class_functions[] = {
    PHP_ME(dir, __construct, arginfo_dir__construct,
           ZEND_ACCCTOR | ZEND_ACC_PUBLIC)
    PHP_ME(dir, rewind,
           NULL, ZEND_ACC_PUBLIC)
    PHP_ME(dir, hasMore,
           NULL, ZEND_ACC_PUBLIC)
    PHP_ME(dir, key,
           NULL, ZEND_ACC_PUBLIC)
    PHP_ME(dir, current,
           NULL, ZEND_ACC_PUBLIC)
    PHP_ME(dir, next,
           NULL, ZEND_ACC_PUBLIC)
    PHP_ME(dir, getPath,
           {NULL, NULL, NULL})
};
```



# class/object structs

✓ It is a good practice to 'inherit' zend\_object

- ✓ That allows your class to support normal properties
- ✓ Thus you do not need to overwrite all handlers

```
/* declare the class handlers */
static zend_object_handlers util_dir_handlers;

/* decalre the class entry */
static zend_class_entry *util_ce_dir;

/* the overloaded class structure */

/* overloading the structure results in the need of having
   dedicated creatin/cloning/destruction functions */
typedef struct _util_dir_object {
    zend_object           std;
    php_stream            *dirp;
    php_stream_dirent    entry;
    char                  *path;
    int                   index;
} util_dir_object;
```

Inherit zend\_object by placing it as  
first member of your object struct



# Object creation/cloning

- Allocate memory for your struct
- Initialize the whole struct (probably by using ealloc())
- Initialize the base Zend object
- Copy default properties
- Store the object
- Assign the handlers

```
zend_object_value util_dir_object_new(zend_class_entry *ce TSRMLS_DC) {  
    zend_object_value retval;  
    util_dir_object *intern;  
  
    intern = ealloc(1, sizeof(util_dir_object));  
    zend_object_std_init(&(intern->std), ce TSRMLS_CC);  
    zend_hash_copy(intern->std.properties,  
                  &ce->default_properties, (copy_ctor_func_t) zval_add_ref,  
                  NULL, sizeof(zval *));  
  
    retval.handle = zend_objects_store_put(intern,  
                                           util_dir_object_dtor, NULL TSRMLS_CC);  
    retval.handlers = &util_dir_handlers;  
    return retval;  
}
```



# Object destruction

- Free properties
- Free all resources and free all allocated memory
- Free memory for object itself

```
/* {{{ util_dir_object_dtor */  
/* close all resources and the memory allocated for the object */  
static void  
util_dir_object_dtor(void *object, zend_object_handle TSRMLS_DC)  
{  
    util_dir_object *intern = (util_dir_object *)object;  
  
    zend_object_std_dtor(&(intern->std) TSRMLS_CC);  
  
    if (intern->path) {  
        efree(intern->path);  
    }  
    if (intern->dirp) {  
        php_stream_close(intern->dirp);  
    }  
    efree(object);  
} /* }}} */
```



# A simple method

- ✓ Macro `getThis()` gives you access to `$this` as zval
- ✓ The returned zval is used to get your struct

```
/* {{{ proto string dir::key()
   Return current dir entry */}
PHP_METHOD(dir, key)
{
    zval *object = getThis();
    util_dir_object *intern = (util_dir_object*)
        zend_object_store_get_object(object TSRMLS_CC);

    if (intern->dirp) {
        RETURN_LONG(intern->index);
    } else {
        RETURN_FALSE;
    }
} /* }}} */
```



# The constructor



Remember that your object is already fully initialized  
In this case we chose to either finish initialization in the constructor or throw an exception.

```
/* {{{ proto void dir::__construct(string path)
Constructs a new dir iterator from a path. */}
PHP_METHOD(dir, __construct)
{
    util_dir_object *intern;
    char *path;
    int len;

    if (zend_parse_parameters(ZEND_NUM_ARGS() TSRMLS_CC, "s", &path,
        &len) == SUCCESS) {
        intern = (util_dir_object*)
            zend_object_store_get_object(getThis() TSRMLS_CC);
        util_dir_open(intern, path TSRMLS_CC);
    }
} /* }}} */
```



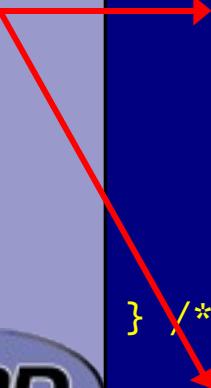
# The constructor

- ✓ Remember that your object is already fully initialized  
In this case we chose to either finish initialization in the constructor or throw an exception.
- ✓ Change errors to exceptions to support constructor failure

```
/* {{{ proto void dir::__construct(string path)
Constructs a new dir iterator from a path. */}
PHP_METHOD(dir, __construct)
{
    util_dir_object *intern;
    char *path;
    int len;

    php_set_error_handling(EH_THROW, zend_exception_get_default()
                           TSRMLS_CC);

    if (zend_parse_parameters(ZEND_NUM_ARGS() TSRMLS_CC, "s", &path,
                             &len) == SUCCESS) {
        intern = (util_dir_object*)
            zend_object_store_get_object(getThis() TSRMLS_CC);
        util_dir_open(intern, path TSRMLS_CC);
    }
    php_set_error_handling(EH_NORMAL, NULL TSRMLS_CC);
} /* }}} */
```



# Object casting

```
/* {{{ */
static int zend_std_cast_object_tostring(zval *readobj, zval *writeobj,
    int type TSRMLS_DC)
{
    zval *retval == NULL;
    if (type == IS_STRING) {
        zend_call_method_with_0_params(&readobj, NULL, NULL,
            "__tostring", &retval);
        if (retval) {
            if (Z_TYPE_P(retval) != IS_STRING) {
                zend_error(E_ERROR, "Method %s::__toString() must"
                    " return a string value", Z_OBJCE_P(readobj)->name);
            }
        } else {
            MAKE_STD_ZVAL(retval);
            ZVAL_EMPTY_STRING(retval);
        }
        ZVAL_ZVAL(writeobj, retval, 1, 1);
        INIT_PZVAL(writeobj);
    }
    return retval ? SUCCESS : FAILURE;
} /* }}} */
```



# Other handlers to overload

- ✓ Objects can overload several handlers
  - ✓ Array access
  - ✓ Property access
  - ✓ Serializing



# zend\_object\_handlers

```
typedef struct _zend_object_handlers {  
    /* general object functions */  
    zend_object_add_ref_t add_ref;  
    zend_object_del_ref_t del_ref;      Don't touch these  
    zend_object_delete_obj_t delete_obj;  
    /* individual object functions */  
    zend_object_clone_obj_t clone_obj;  
    zend_object_read_property_t read_property;  
    zend_object_write_property_t write_property;  
    zend_object_read_dimension_t read_dimension;  
    zend_object_write_dimension_t write_dimension;  
    zend_object_get_property_ptr_ptr_t get_property_ptr_ptr;  
    zend_object_get_t get;  
    zend_object_set_t set;  
    zend_object_has_property_t has_property;  
    zend_object_unset_property_t unset_property;  
    zend_object_unset_dimension_t unset_dimension;  
    zend_object_get_properties_t get_properties;  
    zend_object_get_method_t get_method;  
    zend_object_call_method_t call_method;  
    zend_object_get_constructor_t get_constructor;  
    zend_object_get_class_entry_t get_class_entry;  
    zend_object_get_class_name_t get_class_name;  
    zend_object_compare_t compare_objects;  
    zend_object_cast_t cast_object;  
    zend_object_count_elements_t count_elements;  
} zend_object_handlers;
```

**Keep or  
inherit**



# What else ?



Iterator support



# Part IV

## Adding Iterators to objects

- Provide an iterator structure
- Provide the handlers
- Provide an iterator creation function



# Iterators

```
/* define an overloaded iterator structure */
typedef struct {
    zend_object_iterator  intern;
    zval                  *current;
} util_dir_it;

static void util_dir_it_dtor(zend_object_iterator *iter TSRMLS_DC);
static int util_dir_it_valid(zend_object_iterator *iter TSRMLS_DC);
static void util_dir_it_current_data(zend_object_iterator *iter,
                                     zval ***data TSRMLS_DC);
static int util_dir_it_current_key(zend_object_iterator *iter,
                                   char **str_key, uint *str_key_len, ulong *int_key TSRMLS_DC);
static void util_dir_it_move_forward(zend_object_iterator *iter
                                      TSRMLS_DC);
static void util_dir_it_rewind(zend_object_iterator *iter TSRMLS_DC);

/* iterator handler table */
zend_object_iterator_funcs util_dir_it_funcs = {
    util_dir_it_dtor,
    util_dir_it_valid,
    util_dir_it_current_data,
    util_dir_it_current_key,
    util_dir_it_move_forward,
    util_dir_it_rewind,
    NULL /* invalidate current */
}; /* }}} */
```



# Creating the iterator

- ✓ Allocate and initialize the iterator structure
- ✓ It is a good idea to increase the original zvals refcount

```
/* {{{ util_dir_get_iterator */
zend_object_iterator *util_dir_get_iterator(zend_class_entry *ce,
                                             zval *object, int by_ref TSRMLS_DC)
{
    util_dir_it *iterator = emalloc(sizeof(util_dir_it));

    if (by_ref) {
        zend_error(E_ERROR, "Iterator invalid in foreach by ref");
    }

    Z_ADDREF_P(object);
    iterator->intern.data = (void*)object;
    iterator->intern.funcs = &util_dir_it_funcs;
    iterator->current = NULL;

    return (zend_object_iterator*)iterator;
} /* }}} */
```



# Destructuring the iterator

- Free allocated memory and resources
- Don't forget to reduce refcount of referenced object

```
/* {{{ util_dir_it_dtor */
static void util_dir_it_dtor(zend_object_iterator *iter TSRMLS_DC)
{
    util_dir_it *iterator = (util_dir_it *)iter;
    zval           *intern = (zval*)iterator->intern.data;

    if (iterator->current) {
        zval_ptr_dtor(&iterator->current);
    }
    zval_ptr_dtor(&intern);

    → efree(iterator);
} /* }}} */
```



# Getting the data

- ✓ Data is read on rewind() and next() calls
- ✓ A zval\* is stored inside the iterator
- ✓ Release current zval
- ✓ Create a new zval and assign the value

```
/* {{{ util_dir_it_current */
static void
util_dir_it_current(util_dir_it *iterator, util_dir_object *object
    TSRMLS_DC)
{
    if (iterator->current) {
        zval_ptr_dtor(&iterator->current);
    }
    MAKE_STD_ZVAL(iterator->current);
    if (object->dirp) {
        ZVAL_STRING(iterator->current, object->entry.d_name, 1);
    } else {
        ZVAL_FALSE(iterator->current);
    }
} /* }}} */
```



# Iterator valid()



Check whether data is available

Note: Return **SUCCESS** or **FAILURE** not typical boolean

```
/* {{{ util_dir_it_valid */
static int
util_dir_it_valid(zend_object_iterator *iter TSRMLS_DC)
{
    util_dir_it    *iterator = (util_dir_it *)iter;
    util_dir_object *object = (util_dir_object*)
        zend_object_store_get_object(
            (zval*)iterator->intern.data TSRMLS_CC);

    return object->dirp
        && object->entry.d_name[0] != '\0' ? SUCCESS : FAILURE;
} /* }}} */
```



# Iterator key()



The key may be one of:

Integer:

**HASH\_KEY\_IS\_LONG**

Set **ulong \*** to the integer value

String: **HASH\_KEY\_IS\_STRING**

Set **uint \*** to string length + 1

Set **char \*\*** to copy of string (**estr[n]dup**)

```
/* {{{ util_dir_it_current_key */
static int util_dir_it_current_key(zend_object_iterator *iter, char
**str_key, uint *str_key_len, ulong *int_key TSRMLS_DC)
{
    util_dir_it *iterator = (util_dir_it *)iter;
    zval             *intern = (zval*)iterator->intern.data;
    util_dir_object  *object = (util_dir_object*)
        zend_object_store_get_object(intern TSRMLS_CC);

    *int_key = object->index;
    return HASH_KEY_IS_LONG;
} /* }}} */
```



# Iterator current()

- ✓ The data was already fetched on rewind() / next()

```
/* {{{ util_dir_it_current_data */
static void util_dir_it_current_data(zend_object_iterator *iter, zval
    ***data TSRMLS_DC)
{
    util_dir_it *iterator = (util_dir_it *)iter;

    *data = &iterator->current;
} /* }}} */
```



# Iterator current()

The data was already fetched on rewind() / next()

Alternatively

- Reset the cached current/key value in rewind() / next()
- Check the cache on access and read if not yet done

```
/* {{{ util_dir_it_current_data */
static void util_dir_it_current_data(zend_object_iterator *iter, zval
    ***data TSRMLS_DC)
{
    util_dir_it *iterator = (util_dir_it *)iter;
    util_dir_object *object;

    if (!iterator->current) {
        object = (util_dir_object*)zend_object_store_get_object(
            (zval*)iterator->intern.data TSRMLS_CC);
        util_dir_it_current(iterator, object TSRMLS_CC);
    }
    *data = &iterator->current;
} /* }}} */
```



# Iterator next()

- Move to next element
- Fetch new current data

```
/* {{{ util_dir_it_move_forward */
static void
util_dir_it_move_forward(zend_object_iterator *iter TSRMLS_DC)
{
    util_dir_it      *iterator = (util_dir_it *)iter;
    zval              *intern = (zval*)iterator->intern.data;
    util_dir_object   *object = (util_dir_object*)
                           zend_object_store_get_object(intern TSRMLS_CC);

    object->index++;
    if (!object->dirp
        || !php_stream_readdir(object->dirp, &object->entry))
    {
        object->entry.d_name[0] = '\0';
    }

    util_dir_it_current(iterator, object TSRMLS_CC);
} /* }}} */
```



# Iterator rewind()



Rewind to first element



Fetch first current data

```
/* {{{ util_dir_it_rewind */
static void
util_dir_it_rewind(zend_object_iterator *iter TSRMLS_DC)
{
    util_dir_it    *iterator = (util_dir_it *)iter;
    zval           *intern = (zval*)iterator->intern.data;
    util_dir_object *object = (util_dir_object*)
                                zend_object_store_get_object(intern TSRMLS_CC);

    object->index = 0;
    if (object->dirp) {
        php_stream_rewinddir(object->dirp);
    }
    if (!object->dirp
    || !php_stream_readdir(object->dirp, &object->entry))
    {
        object->entry.d_name[0] = '\0';
    }
    util_dir_it_current(iterator, object TSRMLS_CC);
} /* }}} */
```



# Iterator drawbacks

- Either implement native iterators at c-level
- Or provide iterator methods and inherit Iterator
- If you want both
  - Your PHP methods call a specialized C-Level handler
  - Provide a cache for your method pointers
  - C-Level iterator functions check this cache
    - On a match call C-Level handler
    - Else call the method
  - Have the iterator struct part of your object struct
    - Use offset\_of() for pointer conversion



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