

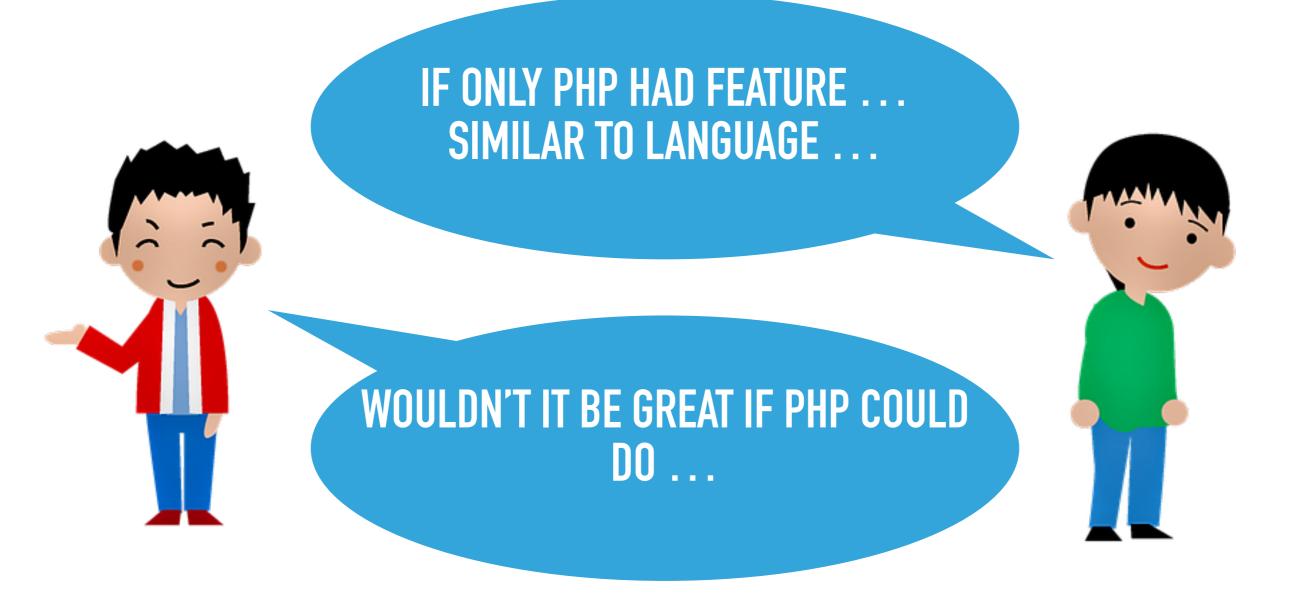
Extending the PHP language with static analysis

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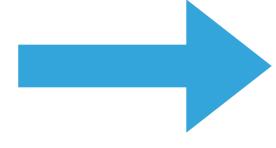
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HOW I BUILT NEW LANGUAGE FEATURES

Very specific constraint



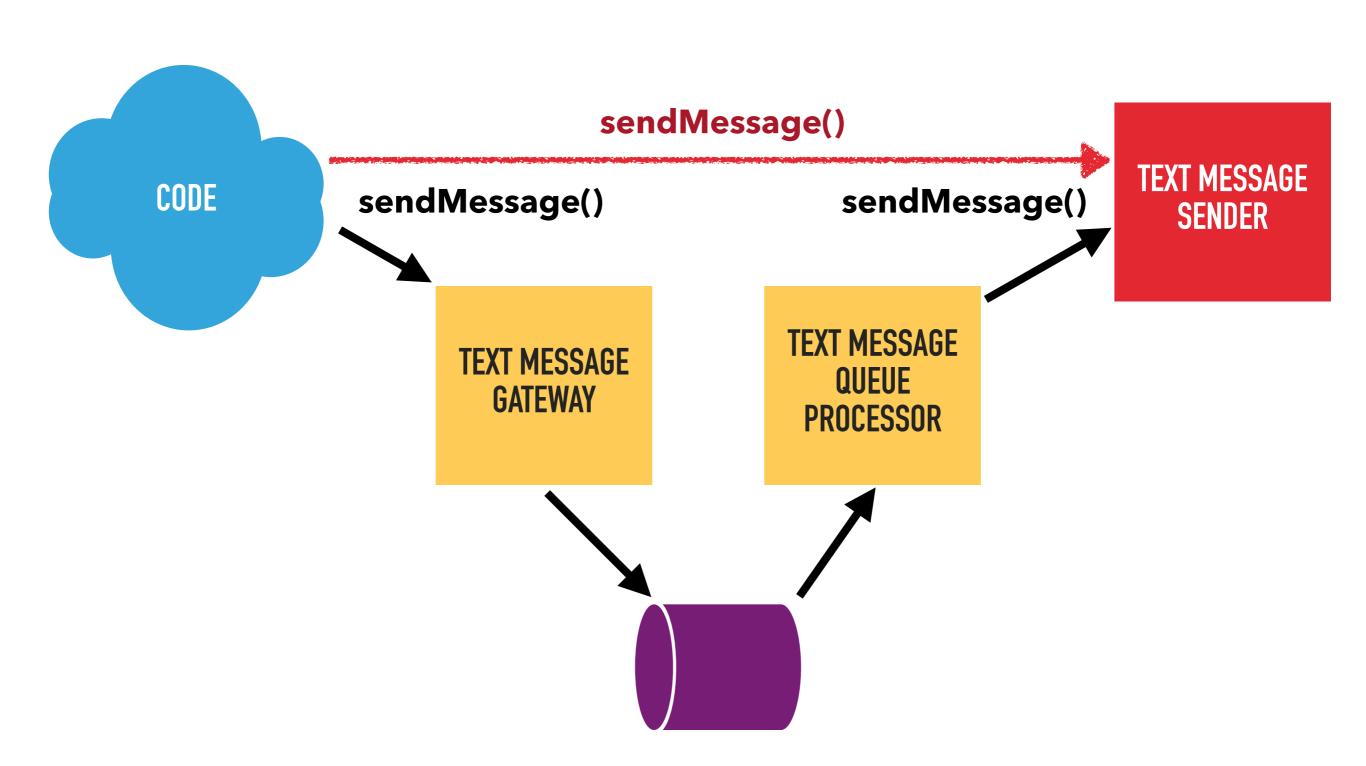
Generalised version that could be a useful on your project

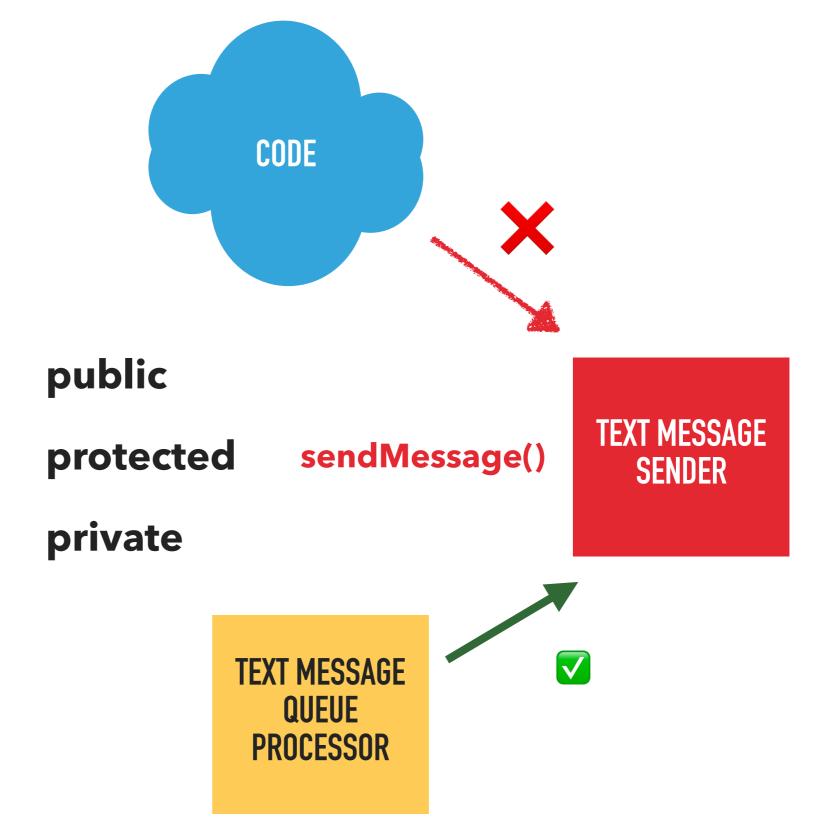
Preconditions





One of many examples...



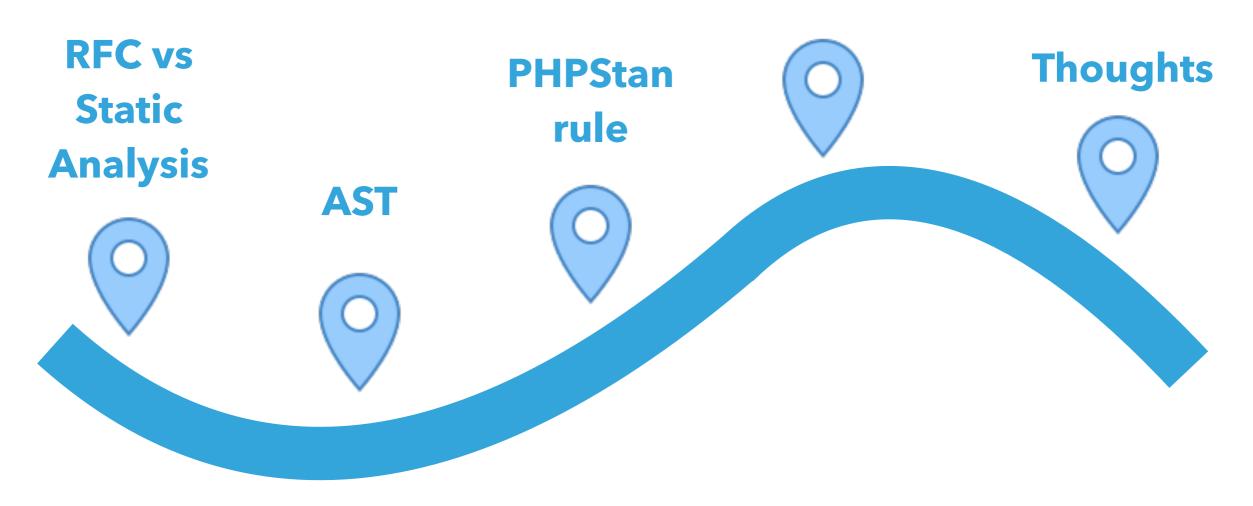


Existing visibility modifiers are not fine grained enough.

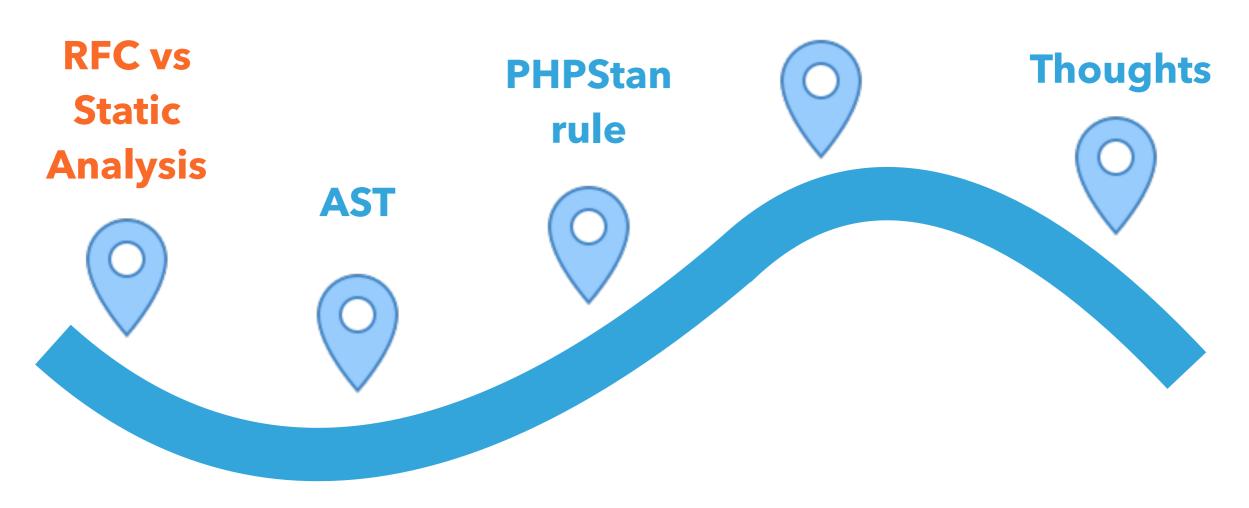
We need more control.

Automate checks to stop me, or other developers, breaking this constraint

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TELL ME ABOUT PHP'S RFC PROCESS





TALK

VOTE

IMPLEMENT



A LONG AND DIFFICULT PROCESS!

THERE IS ANOTHER WAY...

... FOR SOME FUNCTIONALITY

Run time

```
class Person
   private function update()
    // Some code
$person = new Person();
$person->update();
```

Uncaught Error: Call to private
method Person::update()

Static analysis

```
class Person
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```



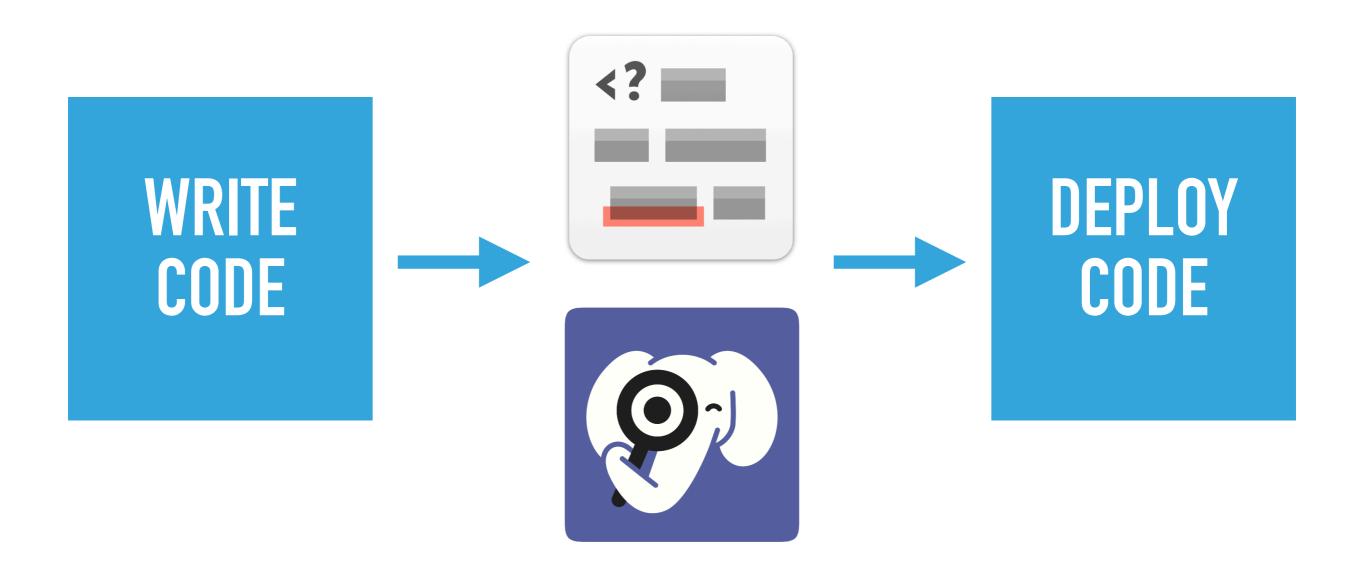




Static analysis gives us generics now

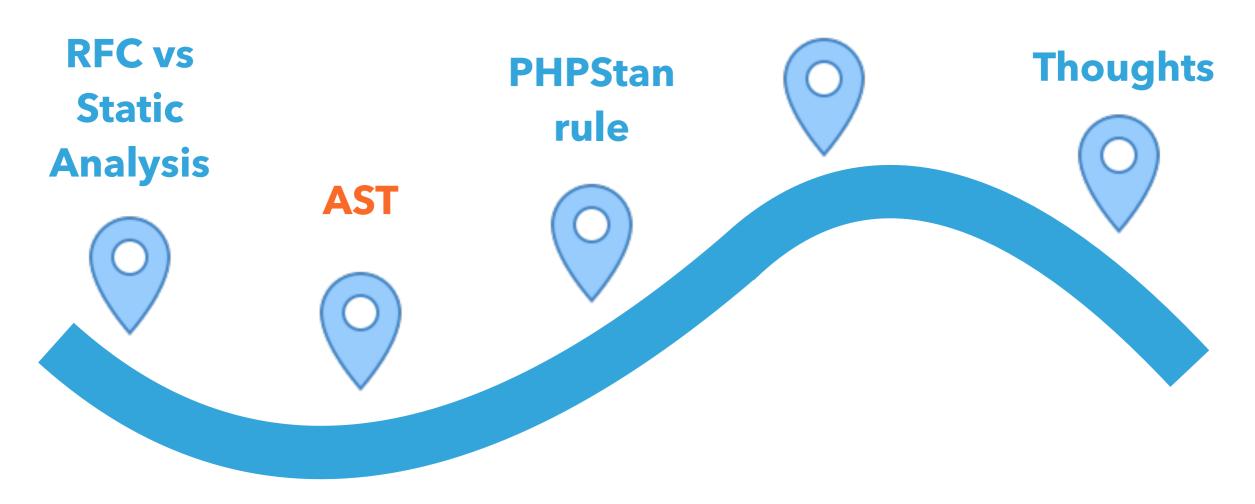
```
/** @return Person[]
function getPeople():array {...}
function process(Car $car) {...}
    (getPeople() as $person)
 process (Sperson);
```

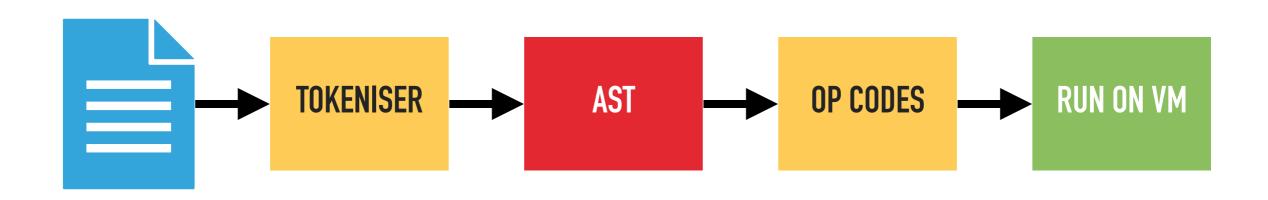
Add static analysis to dev process



Create custom rules to emulate new language features

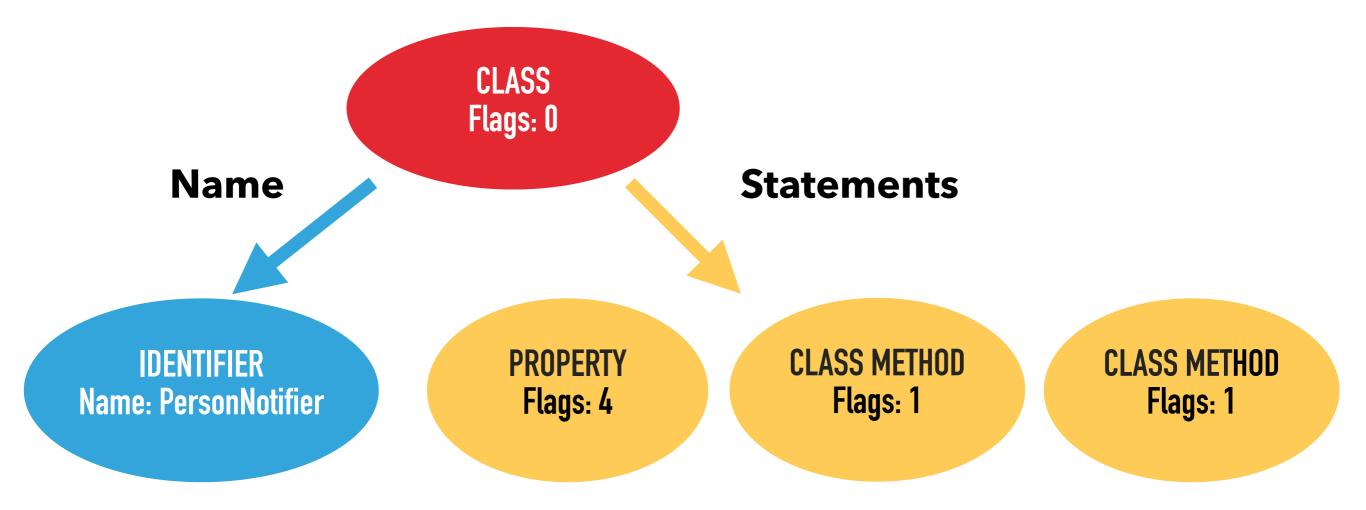
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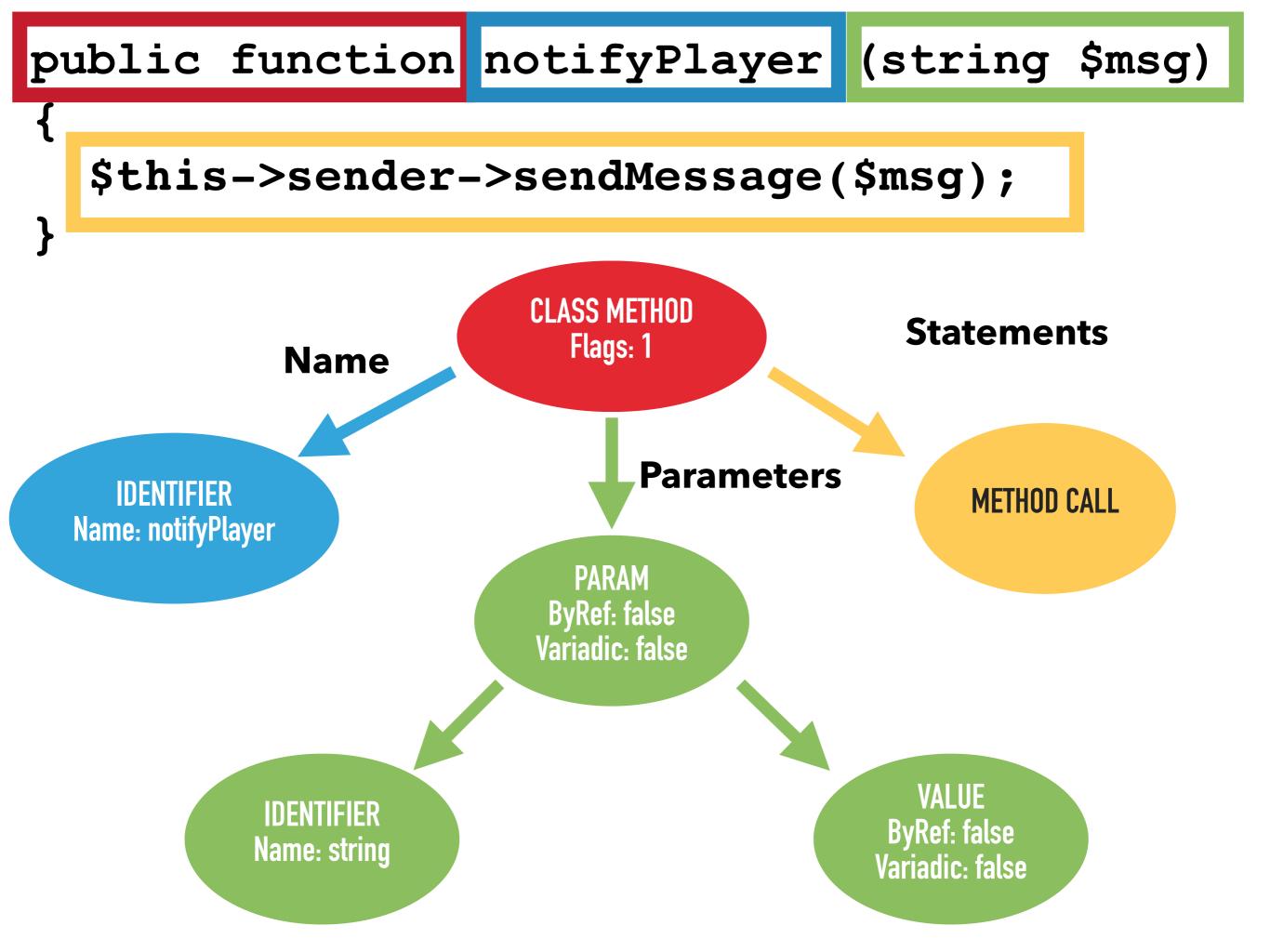




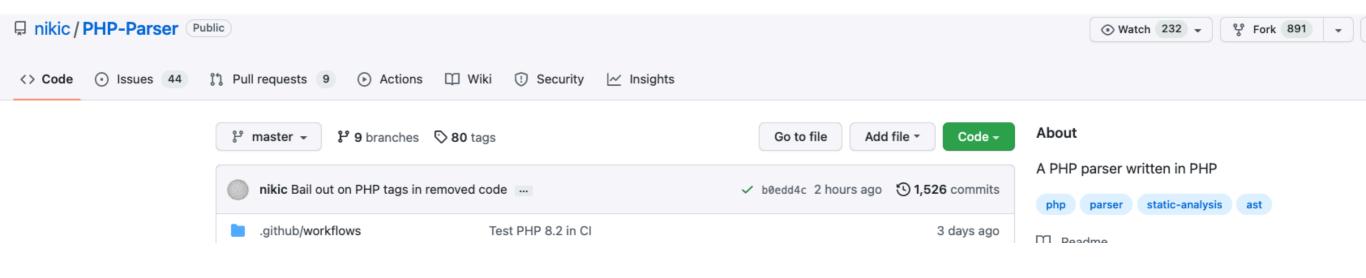
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class PersonNotifier
```

```
private TextMessageSender $sender;
public function __construct() {...}
public function notifyPlayer() {...}
```



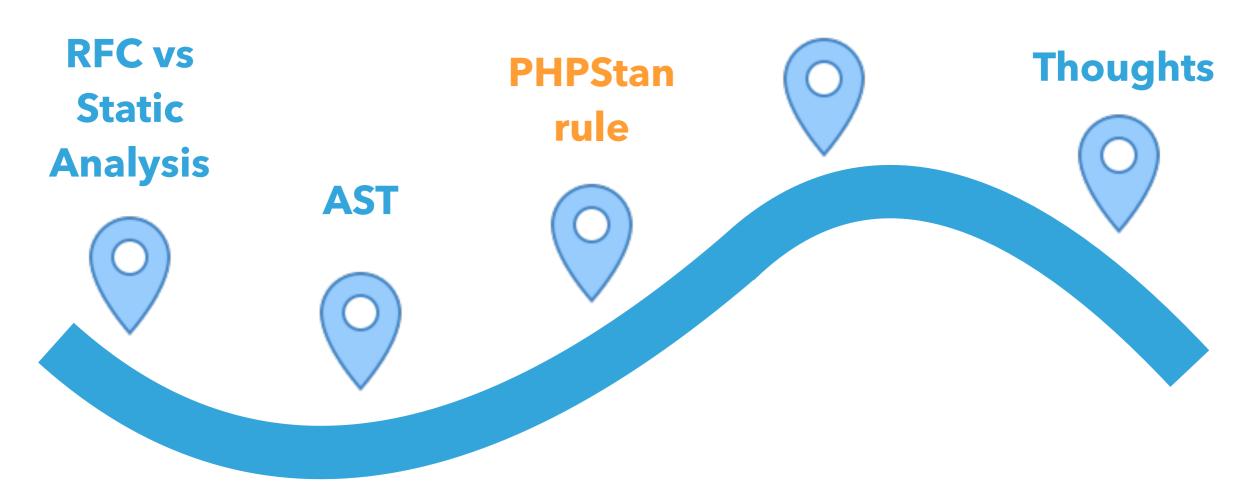


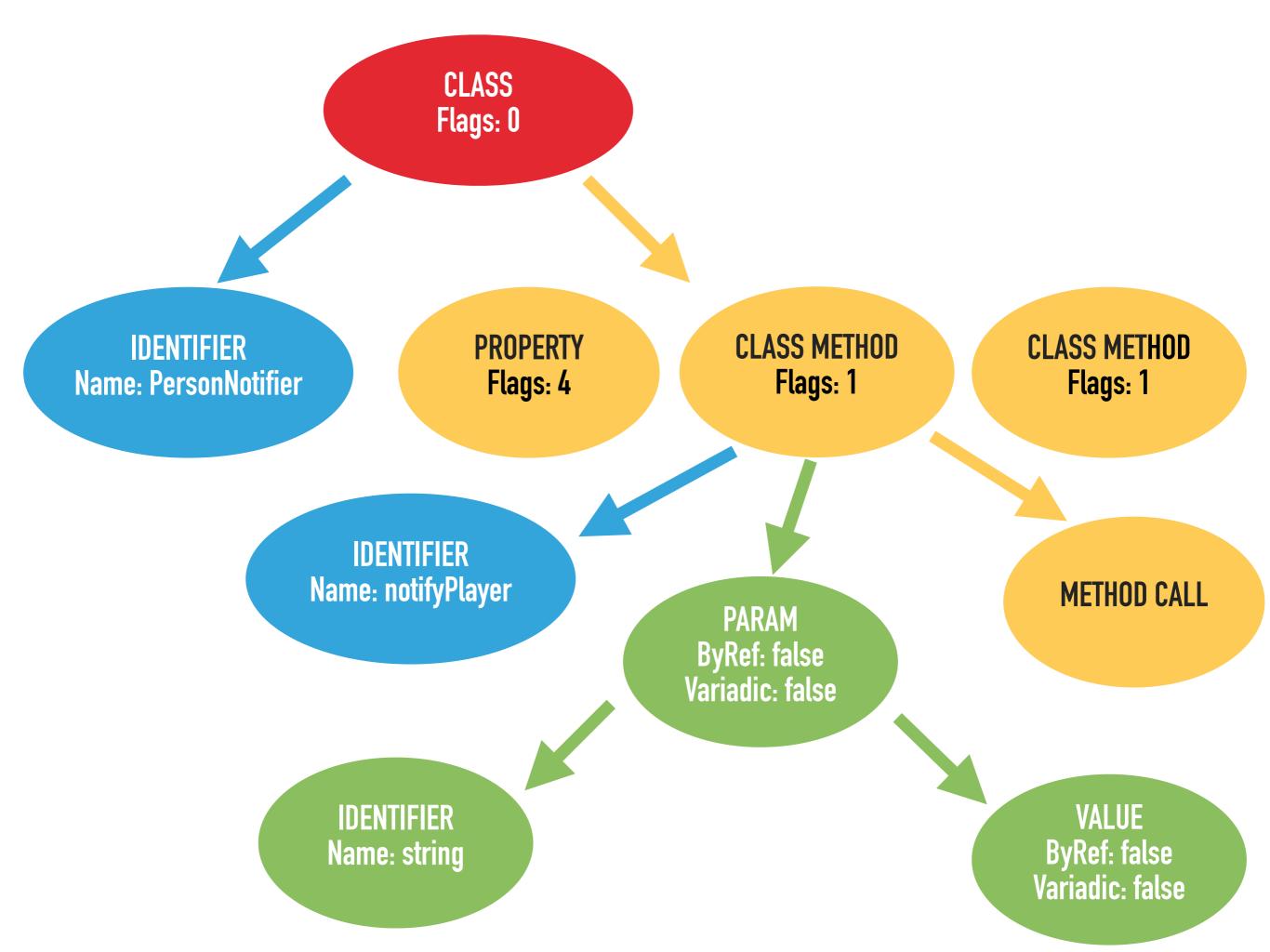
https://github.com/nikic/PHP-Parser



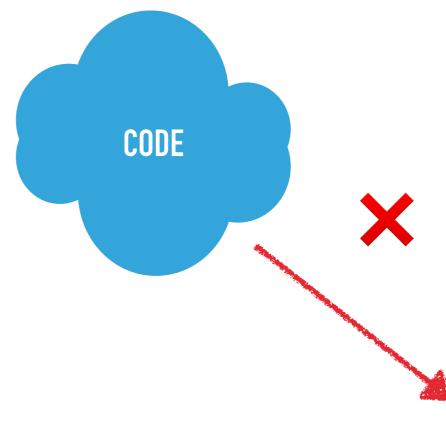
- PHP code can be represented by an AST
- Different types of Node
- Nodes contain information
- Each type of node has different information

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```
interface Rule
 public function getNodeType() : string;
  /**
   * @return (string | RuleError)[] errors
   * /
 public function processNode(
   \PhpParser\Node $node,
   \PHPStan\Analyser\Scope $scope
   : array;
```

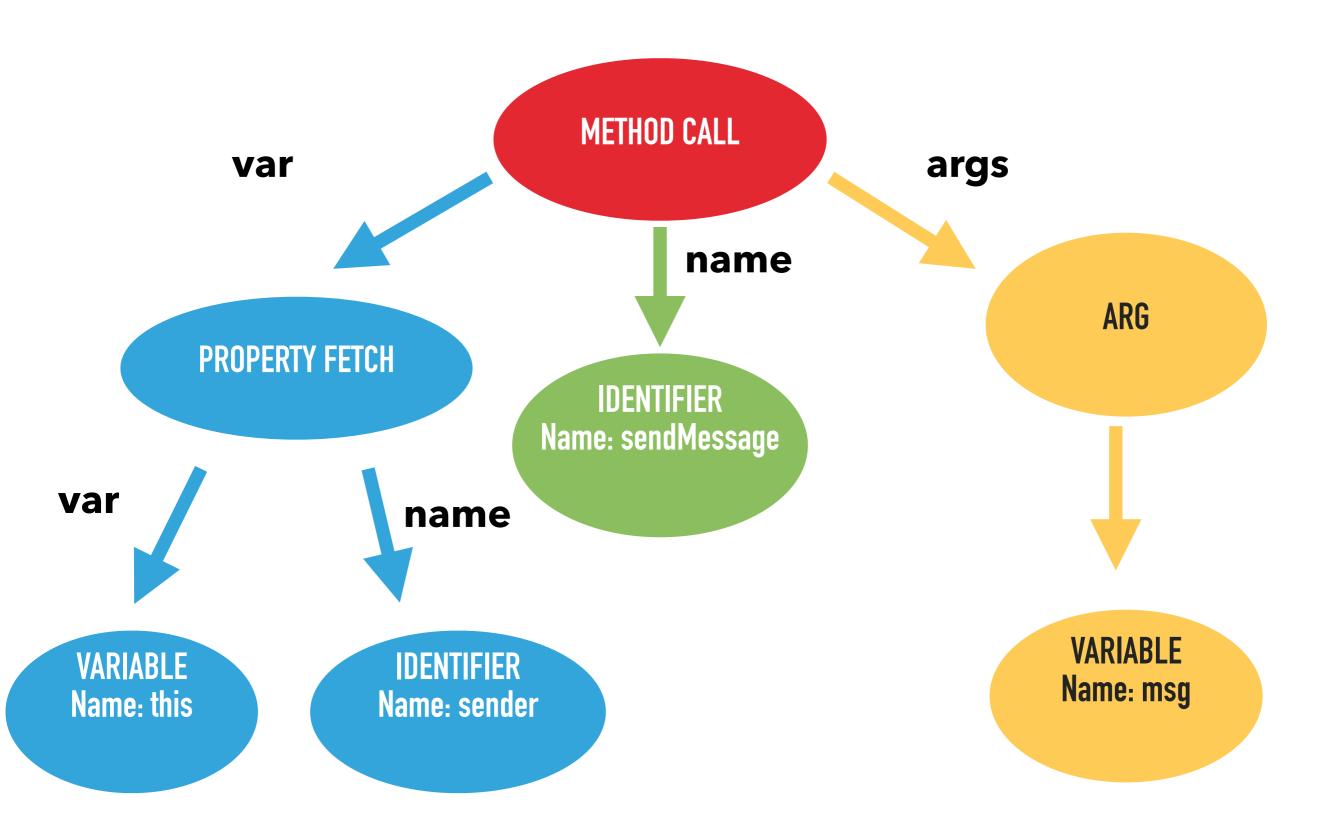


We can only call methods in TextMessageSender from TextMessageQueueProcessor

TEXT MESSAGE SENDER

TEXT MESSAGE QUEUE PROCESSOR

\$this->sender -> sendMessage (\$msg);



```
class MethodCall extends \PhpParser\Node\Expr\CallLike
   /** @var Expr Variable holding object */
   public $var;
   /** @var Identifier | Expr Method name */
   public $name;
   /** @var array<Arg | VariadicPlaceholder> Arguments */
   public $args;
    // Rest of class ...
   $this->sender -> sendMessage ($msg);
```

```
class TextMessageSenderCallerRule
  implements Rule
{
```

```
public function getNodeType() : string
{
    return MethodCall::class;
}
```

```
public function processNode(Node $node, Scope $scope): array
  $callingClass = $scope->getClassReflection()->getName();
  if ($callingClass === TextMessageQueueProcessor::class) {
   return [];
  $type = $scope->getType($node->var);
  foreach ($type->getReferencedClasses() as $targetClass) {
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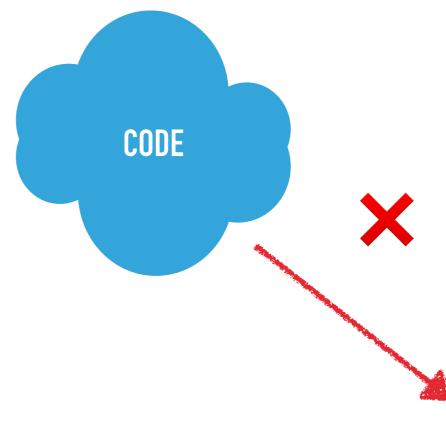
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```

```
class PersonNotifier
private TextMessageSender $sender;
public function notifyPlayer(string $msg): void
  $this->sender->sendMessage($msg);
```

\$this->sender is called from PersonNotifier

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We can only call methods in TextMessageSender from TextMessageQueueProcessor

TEXT MESSAGE SENDER

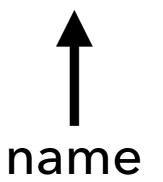
TEXT MESSAGE QUEUE PROCESSOR

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  return [];
```

\$this->sender->notfiyPlayer(\$msg);







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class PersonNotifier
private TextMessageSender $sender;
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\$this->sender is of type TextMessageSender

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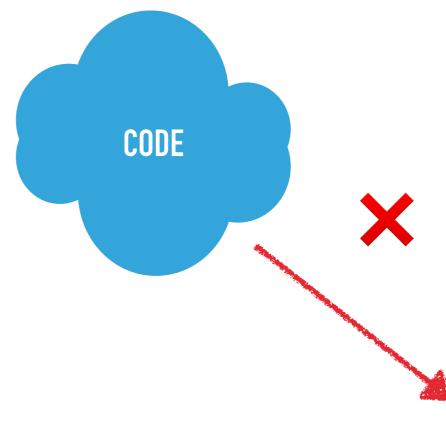
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  return [];
```

```
class PersonNotifier
private TextMessageSender WhatsappSender $sender;
public function notifyPlayer(string $msg): void
   $this->sender->sendMessage($msg);
```

\$this->sender is of type TextMessageSender
or WhatsappSender

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We can only call methods in TextMessageSender from TextMessageQueueProcessor

TEXT MESSAGE SENDER

TEXT MESSAGE QUEUE PROCESSOR

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  foreach ($type->getReferencedClasses() as $targetClass) {
    if ($targetClass === TextMessageSender::class) {
     $msg = "Cant call TextMessageSender from here";
     return [RuleErrorBuilder::message($message)->build()];
  return [];
```

```
public function processNode(Node $node, Scope $scope): array
  // Find the class that method call is in
  $callingClass = $scope->getClassReflection()->getName();
  // If in TextMessageQueueProcessor everything is OK
  if ($callingClass === TextMessageQueueProcessor::class) {
   return [];
  // Get type of the class of the method call
  $type = $scope->getType($node->var);
  // Iterate through all the possible classes
  foreach ($type->getReferencedClasses() as $targetClass) {
   // Trying to call a method in TextMessageSender? Report error
    if ($targetClass === TextMessageSender::class) {
      $msg = "Cant call TextMessageSender from here";
      return [RuleErrorBuilder::message($message)->build()];
  // If we've got this far then there are no errors
  return [];
```

```
build
              | phpstan
               TextMessageSenderCallCheckRule.php
          src
"autoload-dev": {
    "psr-4": {
         "DaveLiddament\\PhpstanRules\\": "build/phpstan/"
services:
   class: DaveLiddament\PhpstanRules\TextMessageSenderCallCheckRule
   tags:
```

- phpstan.rules.rule

AMAZING!



WE CAN DO BETTER...



We can only call methods in target class from a specified allowed calling class

```
class TextMessageSenderCallerRule implements Rule
{
```

```
public function __construct(
    private string $allowedCallingClass,
    private string $targetClass,
) {}
```

```
public function processNode(Node $node, Scope $scope): array
  $callingClass = $scope->getClassReflection()->getName();
  if ($callingClass === $this->allowedCallingClass) {
   return [];
  $type = $scope->getType($node->var);
  foreach ($type->getReferencedClasses() as $targetClass) {
    if ($targetClass === $this->targetClass) {
     $msg = "Can not call {$this->targetClass} from here";
     return [RuleErrorBuilder::message($message)->build()];
  return [];
```

```
class: PhpstanRules\TextMessageSenderCallCheckRule
tags:
    - phpstan.rules.rule
arguments:
    allowedCallingClass: RuleDemo\TextMessageQueueProcessor
    targetClass: RuleDemo\TextMessageSender

class: PhpstanRules\TextMessageSenderCallCheckRule
```

services:

tags:

arguments:

- phpstan.rules.rule

targetClass: Bar

allowedCallingClass: Foo

I WAS AMAZED BEFORE. NOW I'M EVEN MORE AMAZED!



WE CAN DO BETTER...



```
/**
 * Can only be called from TextMessageQueueProcessor
 */
class TextMessageSender
{
```

- Remember to document
- Remember to setup some config
- What happens if we rename a class?

```
#[Attribute(Attribute::TARGET CLASS)]
class Friend
  /** @param class-string $friend */
  public function construct(
    public string $friend,
  ) {}
```

```
#[Friend(TextMessageQueueProcessor::class)]
class TextMessageSender
{
```

```
public function processNode(Node $node, Scope $scope): array
  $callingClass = $scope->getClassReflection()->getName();
  $type = $scope->getType($node->var);
  foreach ($type->getReferencedClasses() as $targetClass) {
     TODO:
  // 1. Does $targetClass have a #[Friend] attribute
  // 2. Yes? Check $callingClass is a friend of $targetClass
  return [];
```

```
public function __construct(
   private ReflectionProvider $reflectionProvider,
   ) {}
```

class TextMessageSenderCallerRule implements Rule

```
foreach ($type->getReferencedClasses() as $targetClass) {
// 1. Does $targetClass have a #[Friend] attribute
$info = $this->reflectionProvider->getClass($targetClass);
 $nativeReflection = $info->getNativeReflection();
 $friendAttributes = $nativeReflection
                           ->getAttributes(Friend::class);
 if (count($friendAttributes) !== 1) {
  continue;
$friendAttribute = $friendAttributes[0];
 $friendArguments = $friendAttribute->getArguments();
 if (count($friendArguments) !== 1) {
  continue;
$friendClass = $friendArguments[0];
```

```
foreach ($type->getReferencedClasses() as $targetClass) {
  // Step 1 see previous slide
  // 2. Yes? Check $callingClass is a friend of $targetClass
  if ($callingClass !== $friendClass) {
    $msg = sprintf(
      "%s can only be called its friend %s and not from %s
      $targetClass,
      $friendClass,
      $callingClass);
   return [RuleErrorBuilder::message($msg)->build()];
```

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class TextMessageSenderCallCheckRule implements Rule
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      $friend = $friendArguments[0];
      if ($callingClass !== $friend) {
       $msg = sprintf("Can not call %s from %s", $targetClass, $callingClass);
       return [RuleErrorBuilder::message($msg)->build()];
```

https://github.com/DaveLiddament/phpstan-rule-demo

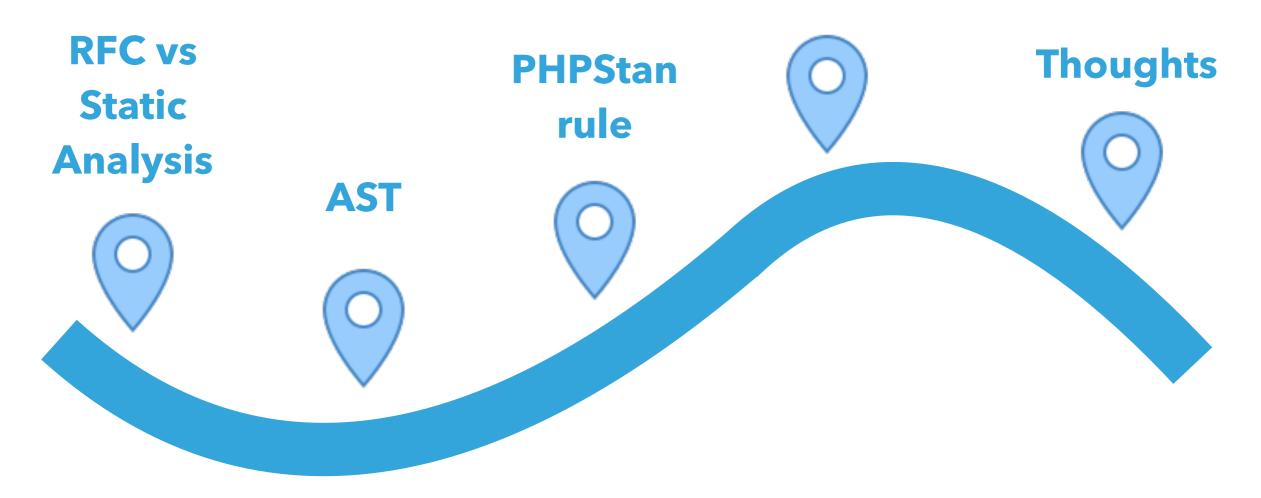
Custom Static Analysis Rules

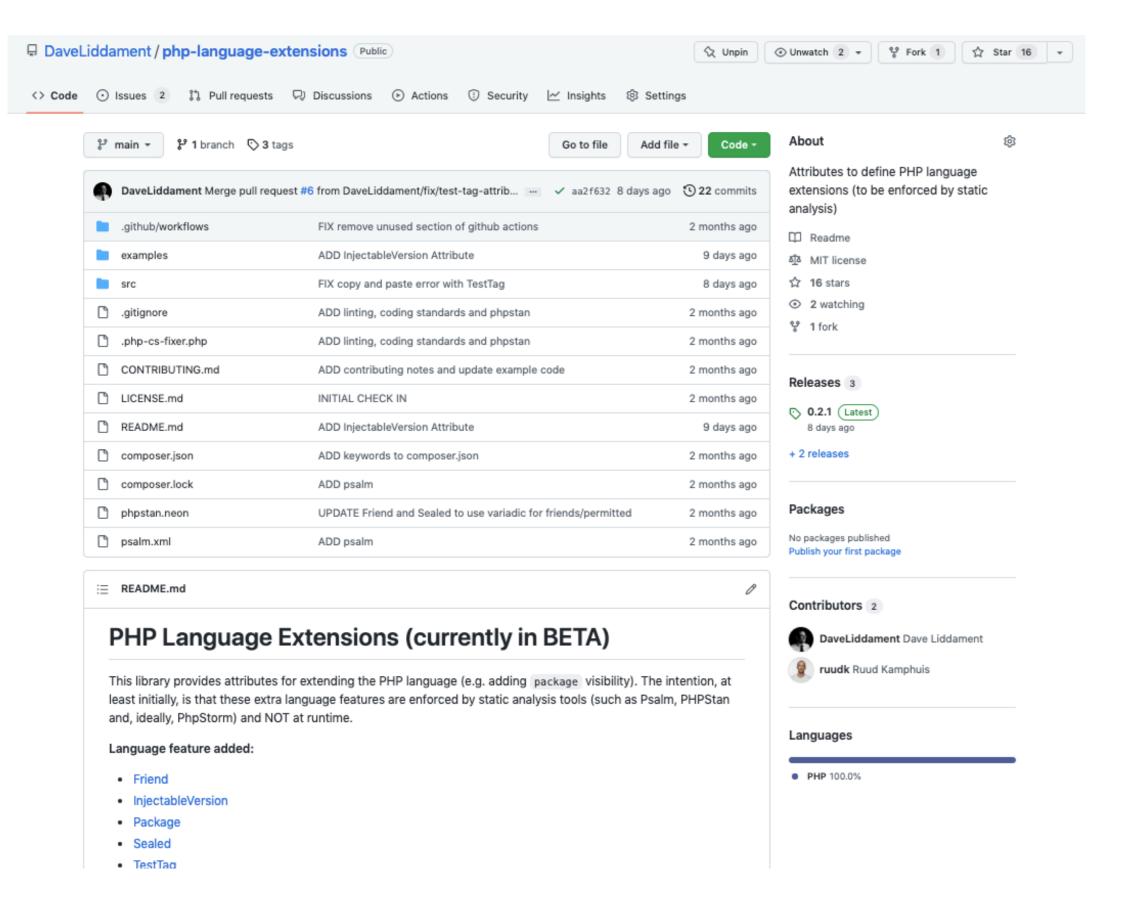
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Attributes

New Language Features

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```
class Person
  #[Friend(PersonBuilder::class)]
 public function construct()
```

```
class DiscountCalculator
  #[NamespaceVisibility]
  public function calculate(): int
```

```
class Person
  #[TestTag]
  public function setId(int $id)
```

```
#[Sealed(Success::class, Failure::class)]
abstract class Result
{
}
```

```
#[InjectableVersion]
interface class PersonRepository {...}
class DoctrinePersonRepository
         implements PersonRepository {...}
class PersonCreator {
  public function __construct(
    PersonRepository $personRepository,
 ) {...}
```

Definition

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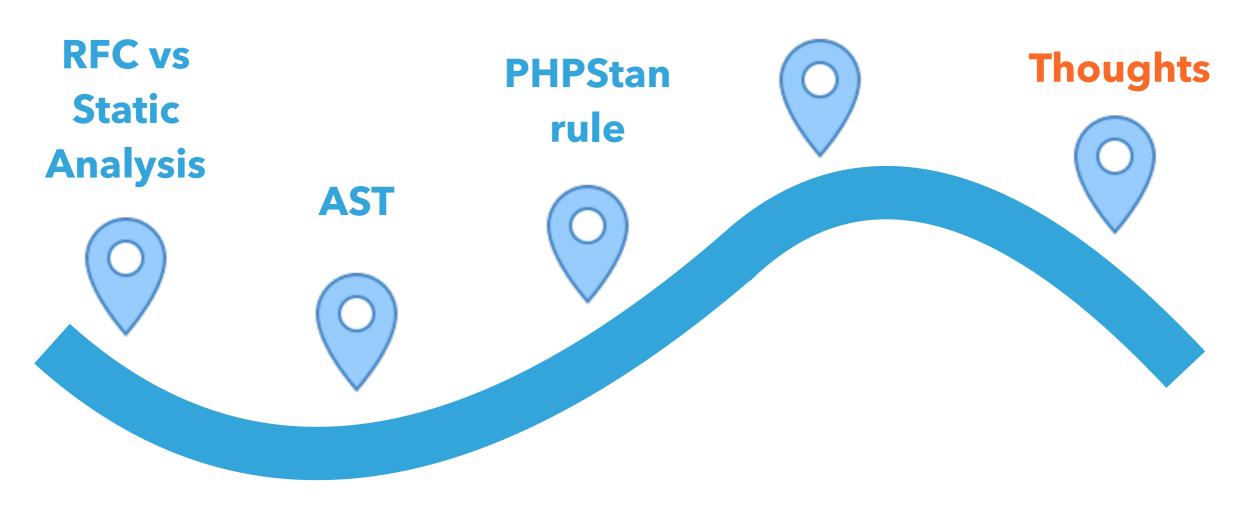


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SECURITY

SYNTACTIC SUGAR

PERFORMANCE

NEW FEATURES

OVERLAP

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public final protected abstract

private readonly

type declarations Friend

type hints Sealed



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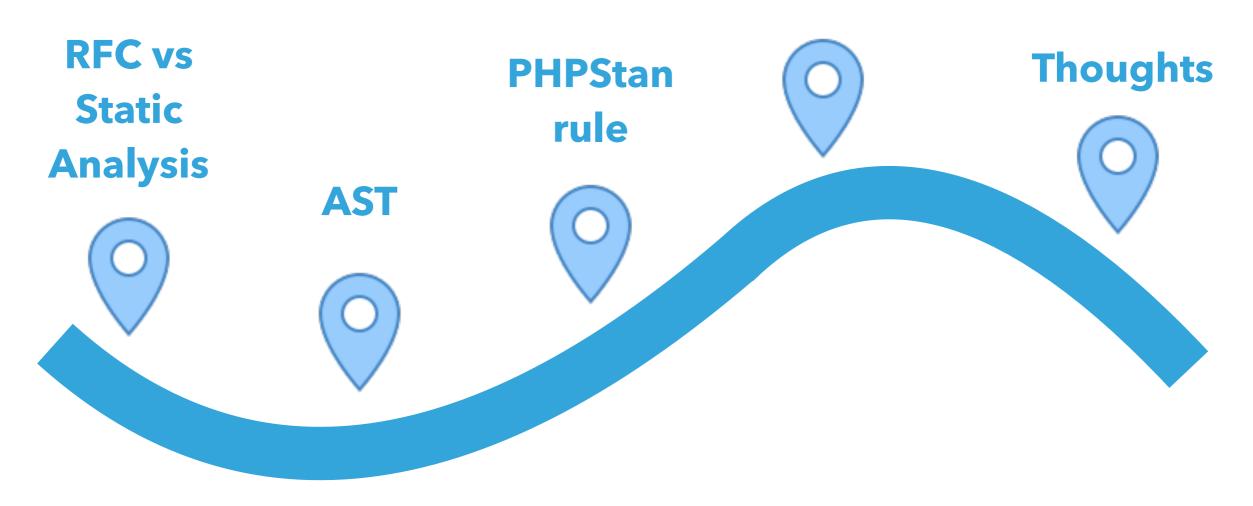
AUTOMATE CHECKS FOR VIOLATIONS

Try out ideas...

Today

```
#[Friend(TextMessageQueueProcessor::class)]
class TextMessageSender
                  PHP 8.3+?
class TextMessageSender
    friend TextMessageQueueProcessor
       never return type (added in PHP 8.1)
```

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Custom static analysis rules allows developers to:

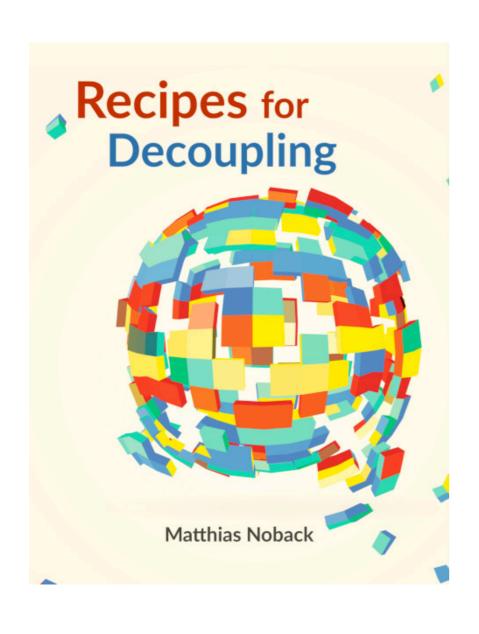
automatically enforce project conventions

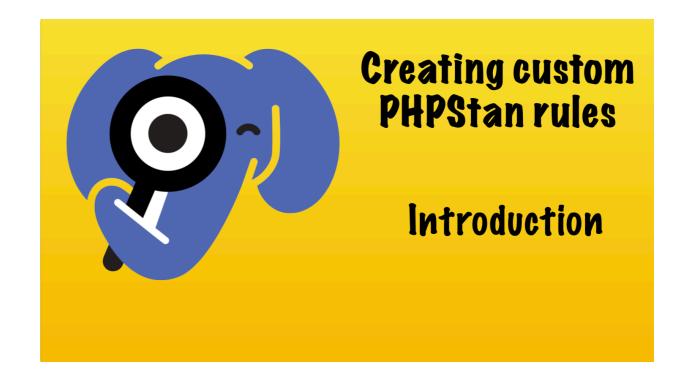
create new language features

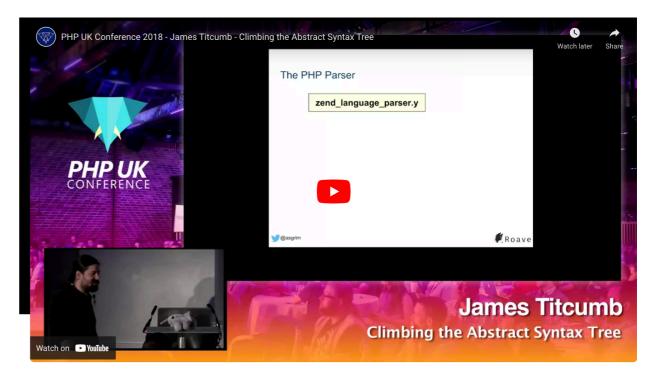


Further information

https://phpstan.org/developing-extensions/rules







PHP LANGUAGE EXTENSIONS LIBRARY

#[Friend]

Only allowed to call method from specified classes

```
class Person
  #[Friend(PersonBuilder::class)]
  public function __construct()
  m{1} \cdot \cdot \cdot m{j}
class PersonBuilder
  public function create(). Person {
    return new Person(): <a></a>
class AnotherClass
  public function doSomething() {
    $person = new Person();
```

#[Friend]

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  public function create(): Person {
    return new Person():
class AnotherClass
    $person = new Person();
```

#[Package]

Only allowed to call methods from the same namespace

```
namespace ShoppingBasket;
class PriceCalculator {
  public function calculatePrice(): Money {
    // Somo codo
   DiscountCaluclator::getDiscount($items);
  #[Package]
  public static function getDiscount($items)
      Sulle code
    return $discount;
```

```
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   // Some code
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  public static function getDiscount($items) {
   return $discount;
                       namespace SomeNamespace;
                       class SomeClass {
                          public function SomeMethod() {
                            // Julie Code
                            DiscountCaluclator::getDiscount($items);
@daveliddament
```

#[TestTag]

Only allowed to call method from test code

```
class Person
 #[TestTag]
 public function setId(int $id) {
function updatePerson(Person $person) {
 $person->setId(3);
  Tests
class MyTest
  nublic function tostComothing() {
    $person = new Person();
    $person->setId(6);
```

#[TestTag]

Only allowed to call method from test code

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```

#[InjectableVersion]

If the class hierarchy contains an interface or class with this attribute only that version maybe injected into constructors

```
#[InjectableVersion]
interface Emailer {
  public runction senurmail();
class PhpMailer implements Emailer {
  public function sendEmail()
  { ... }
class SignunSprvice J
  public function __construct(
    public Emailer $emailer, 
class MarketingService {
  public function __construct(
    public PhpMailer $emailer,
```

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  { ... }
class SignupService {
  public function __construct(
    public Emailer $emailer,
  ) {}
class MarketingService {
  public function __construct(
    public PhpMailer $emailer,
```

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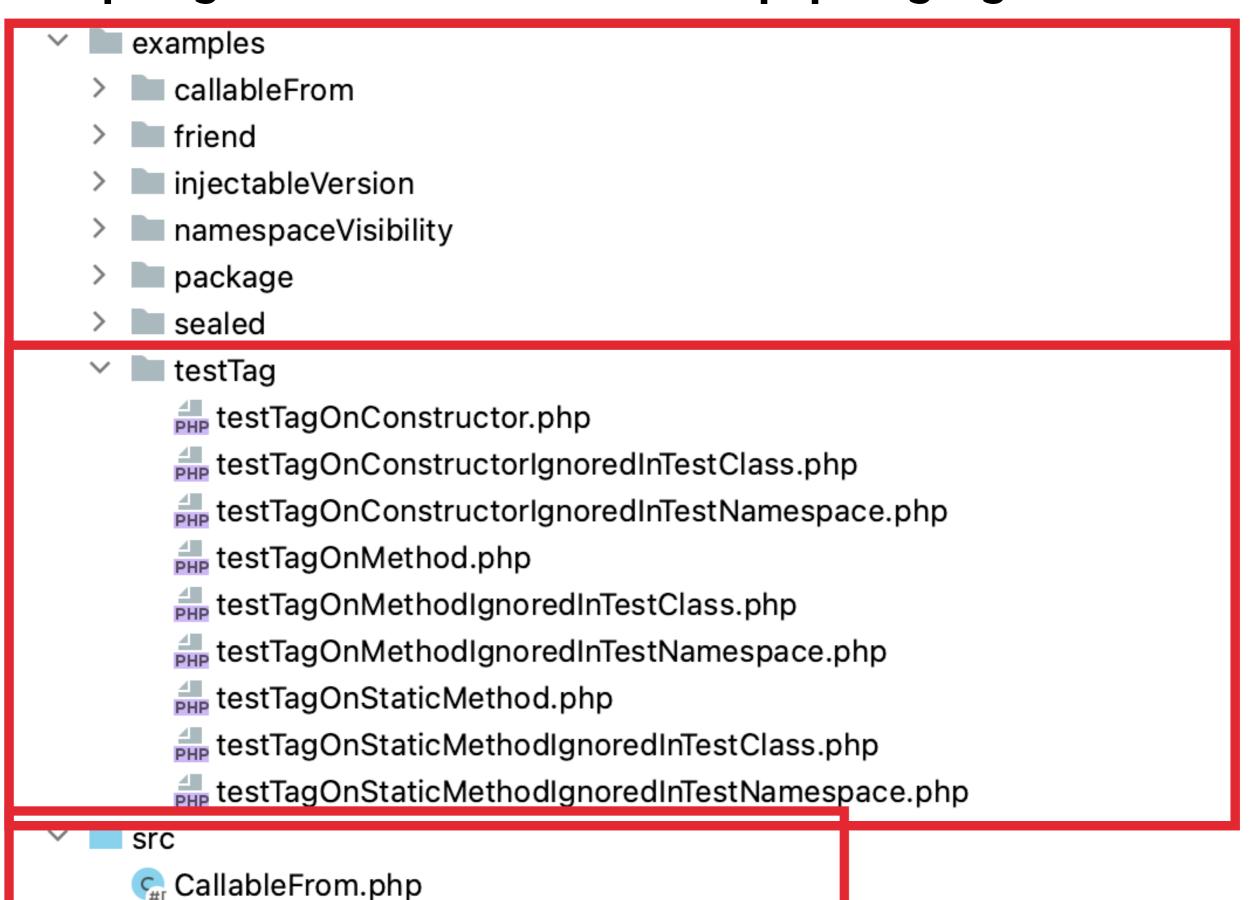
PHPStan

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Psalm and others

Contributions welcome

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