



PHP 7.0.X TO PHP 7.1.X

New features

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Nullable types

```
function testReturn(): ?string
{
    return 'elePHPant';
}
```

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Void functions

```
function swap(&$left, &$right): void
{
    if ($left === $right) {
        return;
    }

    $tmp = $left;
    $left = $right;
    $right = $tmp;
}
```

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Symmetric array destructuring

```
$data = [  
    [1, 'Tom'],  
    [2, 'Fred'],  
];  
[$id1, $name1] = $data[0];  
  
foreach ($data as [$id, $name])
```

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Class constant visibility

```
class ConstDemo
{
    const PUBLIC_CONST_A = 1;
    public const PUBLIC_CONST_B = 2;
    protected const PROTECTED_CONST = 3;
    private const PRIVATE_CONST = 4;
}
```

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iterable pseudo-type

```
function iterator(iterable $iter)
{
    foreach ($iter as $val) {
        //
    }
}
```

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Multi catch exception handling

```
try {  
    // some code  
} catch (FirstException | SecondException $e) {  
    // handle first and second exceptions  
}
```


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Support for keys in list()

```
list("id" => $id1, "name" => $name1) = $data[0];  
["id" => $id1, "name" => $name1] = $data[0];
```


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Support for negative string offsets

```
var_dump("abcdef"[-2]);  
var_dump(strpos("aabbcc", "b", -3));
```

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Support for AEAD in ext/openssl

Support for AEAD (modes GCM and CCM) have been added by extending the `openssl_encrypt()` and `openssl_decrypt()` functions with additional parameters.

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openssl_encrypt

```
openssl_encrypt ( string $data , string $method , string  
$key [, int $options = 0 [, string $iv = "" [, string &$tag =  
NULL [, string $aad = "" [, int $tag_length = 16 ]]]] ) :  
string
```


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Convert callables to Closures with
`Closure::fromCallable()`

```
<?php
class Test
{
    public function exposeFunction()
    {
        return Closure::fromCallable([$this, 'private
    ]

    private function privateFunction($param)
    {
        var_dump($param);
    }
}

$privFunc = (new Test)->exposeFunction();
$privFunc('some value');
```

The above example will output:

```
string(10) "some value"
```

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Asynchronous signal handling

```
pcntl_signal(SIGUSR1, function($signal) {  
    // do something when signal is called  
});  
pcntl_async_signals ([ bool $on = NULL ] ) : bool  
pcntl_async_signals(TRUE);
```

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HTTP/2 server push support in ext/curl

`curl_multi_setopt (resource $mh , int $option , mixed $value) :`
`bool`

New value option: `CURLMOPT_PUSHFUNCTION`