Readme

Summary

This is version 0.1 of the Mono PHP Compiler by Raphael Romeikat. It is licensed under the GNU General Public License and can be obtained at http://sourceforge.net/projects/php4mono.

It comes with the files:
mPHP.exe
mPHPRuntime.dll
readme.pdf
samples.pdf
samples\Geometry.php
samples\MathPHP.php
samples\MathCS.cs

No installation is necessary; just make sure the files mPHP.exe and mPHPRuntime.dll are in the same directory.

Requirements

The only requirement is Mono in version 1.1.8.3. Make sure the Mono binaries directory is in your path to ensure comfortable usage of the Mono PHP Compiler.

Usage

To compile a PHP script, go to the directory where mPHP.exe is located. Then execute

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mono mPHP.exe [options] <source file>
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whereas options may be any of

-out:<file> Specifies output file

(no directories allowed, just filename)

-target:<kind> Specifies the target (short: -t:)

<kind> is one of: exe, library

-nowarn Disables warnings

-help Displays this usage message (short: -?)

Examples

This distribution of the Mono PHP Compiler includes two examples:

example (1) demonstrates the compilation and execution of a PHP script on its own,

example (2) additionally demonstrates how a compiled PHP script can be used from a class written in another .NET language.

For a detailed description of these examples please refer to the file samples.pdf.

Features

The Mono PHP Compiler translates PHP scripts of version 5.0.4 to Common Intermediate Language (CIL). Currently not all features of PHP are supported. See below for a more detailed overview.

PHP feature	included	not included
Types	boolean	resource
	integer	number
	float/double	callback
	string	
	arrays (standard and advanced)	
	object	
	NULL	
	mixed	
casting	explicit with all types	
	implicit with all types	
variables	local, static, global variables	variable variables
		predefined variables
-		superglobals
constants	standard constants	magic constants
expressions	all expressions	except ``
operators	all expressions	except @
control	if else elseif	delcare
structures	while	include/require
	do	
	for	
	foreach	
	switch	
functions	user defined functions	variable functions
		exceptions
		built-in functions
		external modules
classes and	inheritance	abstraction
objects	overloading	interfaces
	cloning	iterators
		reflection

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