

# PHP Extension Writing

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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*  
*YOUREXT*  
*YourExt*

Extension name in lowercase

Extension name in uppercase

Extension name in mixed case (camel Caps)

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;
```

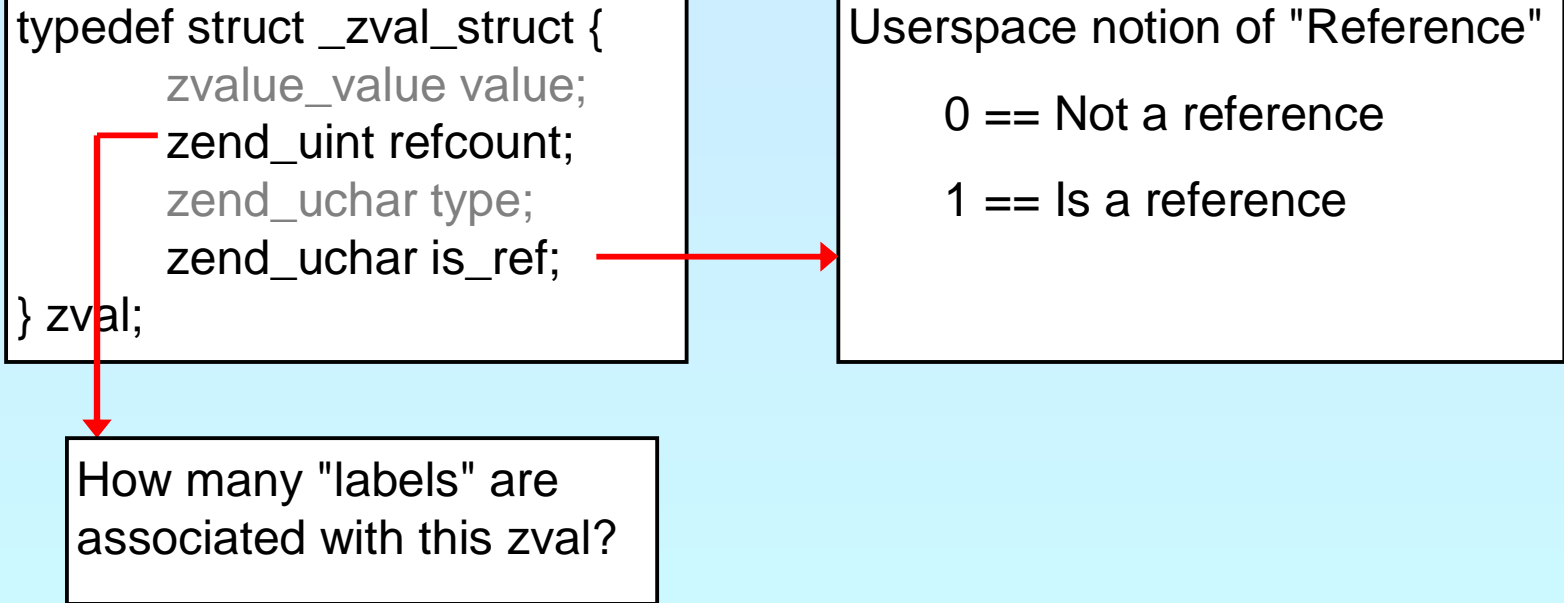
IS\_NULL  
IS\_LONG  
IS\_DOUBLE  
IS\_BOOL  
IS\_ARRAY  
IS\_OBJECT  
IS\_STRING  
IS\_RESOURCE

```
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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    zend_uchar is_ref;  
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```
graph LR; A["typedef struct _zval_struct {  
    zvalue_value value;  
    zend_uint refcount;  
    zend_uchar type;  
    zend_uchar is_ref;  
} zval;"] -- red arrow --> B["Userspace notion of 'Reference'  
  
0 == Not a reference  
1 == Is a reference"]; A -- red arrow --> C["How many 'labels' are  
associated with this zval?"];
```

Userspace notion of "Reference"

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How many "labels" are  
associated with this zval?



# Copy On Write

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- Has a value of 0 (zero)
- zval shared by 1 or more labels
- If one label wants to make a change, it must leave other labels with the original value.

\$a = 123;

\$b = \$a;

\$b = 456;

\$a

\$b

value.lval = 123  
refcount = 2  
type = IS\_LONG  
is\_ref = 0



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    zend_uint refcount;  
    zend_uchar type;  
    zend_uchar is_ref;  
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value.lval = 123  
refcount = 1  
type = IS\_LONG  
is\_ref = 0

\$b

value.lval = 456  
refcount = 1  
type = IS\_LONG  
is\_ref = 0



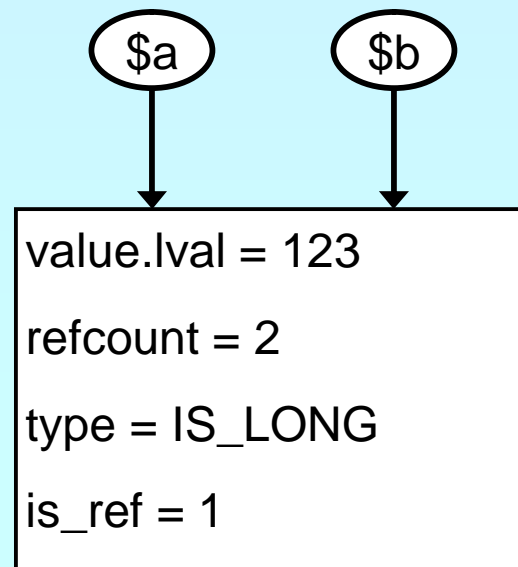


# Full Reference

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    zend_uchar type;  
    zend_uchar is_ref;  
} zval;
```

- Has a value of 1 (one)
- zval shared by 1 or more labels
- 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;
```

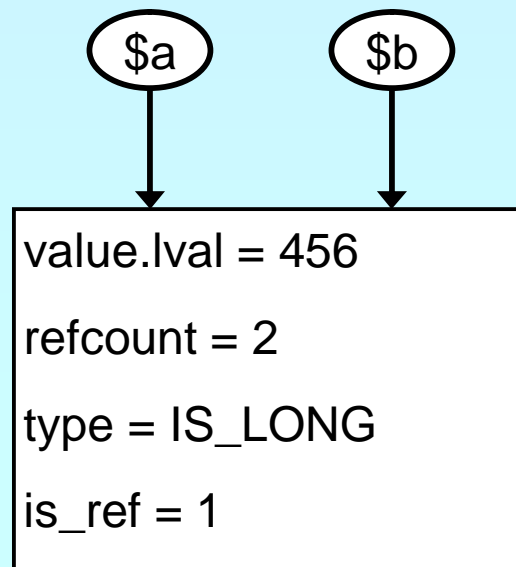


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    zend_uint refcount;  
    zend_uchar type;  
    zend_uchar is_ref;  
} zval;
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$b = 456;
```



# 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.phpt 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. `$ ./sapi/cli/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

```
dnl $Id: $
dnl 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

**p** You can prevent the ext from becoming shared

```

dnl $Id: $
dnl config.m4 for extension YOUREXT
PHP_ARG_ENABLE(yourext, enable YourExt support,
[ --enable-yourext Enable YourExt ], no)
if test "$PHP_YOUREXT" != "no"; then
    if test "$sxt_shared" = "yes"; then
        AC_MSG_ERROR(Cannot build YOUREXT as a shared module)
    fi
    AC_DEFINE(HAVE_YOUREXT, 1, [Whether YourExt is present])
    PHP_NEW_EXTENSION(yourext, php_yourext.c, $sxt_shared)
fi
```



# config.w32

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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

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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 youext_module_entry;
#define phpext_youext_ptr &youext_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

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Include path:

↳ <PHP Root>/

↳ <PHP Root>/Zend

↳ <PHP Root>/main

↳ <PHP Root>/ext/<Your Extension>

```
#i f d e f  H A V E _ C O N F I G _ H
#i n c l u d e  " c o n f i g . h "
#e n d i f
```

```
#i n c l u d e  " p h p . h "
#i n c l u d e  " p h p _ i n i . h "
#i n c l u d e  " e x t / s t a n d a r d / i n f o . h "
#i n c l u d e  " e x t / s t a n d a r d / p h p _ s t r i n g . h "
#i n c l u d e  " p h p _ y o u r e x t . h "
```



# Structures and defines not in header

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What ever you want

↳ Local storage structures?

↳ Constants?

↳ Macros?

```
typedef struct _php_youext_data {  
    int type;
```

```
    char *name;  
    int name_len;
```

```
    php_stream *stream;  
} php_youext_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

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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

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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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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 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
```

Diagram: A red box highlights the function pointers in the module entry structure. A line connects this box to another red box labeled "or NULL", indicating that these functions can be NULL.





# Function List

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Exports your functions to userspace

↳ Must be terminated by NULL triplet

```
zend_function_entry yourex_functions[] = { /* {{{ */  
    PHP_FE(yourex_func1,          yourex_args_func1)  
    PHP_FE(yourex_func2,          NULL)  
    PHP_FALIAS(yourex_func3,      yourex_func2, NULL)  
    PHP_NAMED_FE(yourex_func4,    _yourex_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(yourest_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 youext_hello_world()  
   Say Hello */  
PHP_FUNCTION(youext_hello_world)  
{  
    char *greeting = "Hello World";  
  
    php_printf("%s!\n", greeting);  
  
    PHPWRITE(greeting, strlen(greeting));  
    php_printf("!\n");  
}  
/* }}} */
```



# Parsing parameters

**p** 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 **
0	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 youext_hello(string name)
   Greet by name */
PHP_FUNCTION(youext_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

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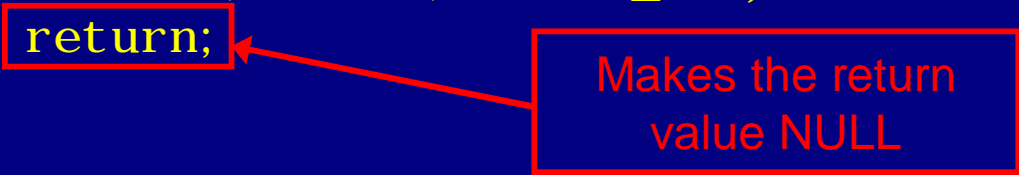
## Marking success

```
/* {{{ proto bool youext_hello(string name)
   Greet by name */
PHP_FUNCTION(youext_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);

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





# Returning Values

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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)

```
#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)
```



# Example 1

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Inverting a single boolean parameter

```
/* {{{ proto bool youext_invert(bool b)
   Invert a boolean parameter */
PHP_FUNCTION(youext_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

b

## Incrementing a value with an optional maximum

```
/* {{{ proto int yourex_increment(int v [, int max])
   Increment a value with optional maximum */
PHP_FUNCTION(yourex_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

b

Returning some generated string

```
#define YOUEXT_VERSION_MAJOR    0
#define YOUEXT_VERSION_MINOR  1

/* {{{ proto string youext_version()
   Retrieve youext version */
PHP_FUNCTION(youext_version)
{
    char * ver;
    int len;

    len = sprintf(&ver, 0, "%d. %d (%s)",
        YOUEXT_VERSION_MAJOR, YOUEXT_VERSION_MINOR,
        "$Id: $");

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

Never use sprintf,  
use either snprintf or sprintf

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);
```



# Dealing with arrays

- ⌚ To convert a zval into an array: `array_init(pzval)`
  - ⌚ To return an array use: `array_init(return_value)`
- ⌚ To add elements use the following
  - ⌚ `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);
```



# Dealing with arrays

- ▮ To convert a zval into an array: `array_init(pzval)`
  - ▮ To return an array use: `array_init(return_value)`
- ▮ To add elements use the following
  - ▮ `add_assoc_<type>(ar, key, ...)`
  - ▮ `add_index_<type>(ar, index, ...)`
  - ▮ `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

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## Returning an array

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

    array_init(return_value); ← make return_value an array
    add_assoc_long(return_value, "major",
        YOUREXT_VERSION_MAJOR);
    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 existence** 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

<code>Z_REFCOUNT(zval)</code>	Retrieve reference count
<code>Z_SET_REFCOUNT(zval, rc)</code>	Set reference count to <rc>
<code>Z_ADDREF(zval)</code>	Increment reference count
<code>Z_DELREF(zval)</code>	Decrement reference count
<code>Z_ISREF(zval)</code>	Whether zval is a reference
<code>Z_SET_ISREF(zval)</code>	Makes zval a reference variable
<code>Z_UNSET_ISREF(zval)</code>	Resets the is-reference flag
<code>Z_SET_ISREF_T0(zval, is)</code>	Make zval a reference is <is> != 0
<code>Z*_P(zp)</code>	<code>Z_*( *zp)</code>
<code>Z*_PP(zpp)</code>	<code>Z_*( **zpp)</code>



# 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

<code>ALLOC_ZVAL(zp)</code>	Allocate a zval using <code>emalloc()</code>
<code>INIT_PZVAL(zp)</code> <code>INIT_ZVAL(zval)</code>	Set reference count and <code>isref</code> 0 Initialize and set NULL, no pointer
<code>ALLOC_INIT_ZVAL(zp)</code>	Allocate and initialize a zval
<code>MAKE_STD_ZVAL(zp)</code>	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

## b 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

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

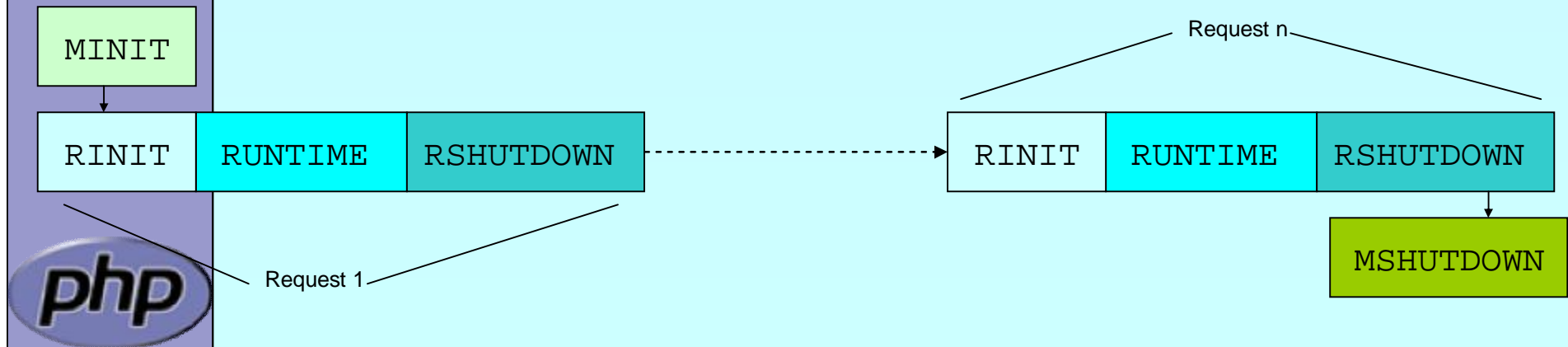
- ↳ Upon `exit()`, `die()`, `E_ERROR`, or end of last script execution.
- ↳ Call user-defined shutdown functions.
- ↳ Destroy object instances.
- ↳ Flush output.
- ↳ Deactivate (RSHUTDOWN) modules (in reverse of activation order)
- ↳ Clean up environment
- ↳ Implicitly free remaining non-persistent memory.





# 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

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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 adtl);  
void *STR_EMPTY_ALLOC(void);
```



# Memory Allocation

- ┆ Traditionall malloc() family may be used
- ┆ Non-persistent allocators prefixed with *e*
- ┆ Selective allocators prefixed with *pe*
  - ┆ `pestrndup()` not available
  - ┆ `safe_pemalloc()` requires PHP  $\geq 5.1$

```
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 *pestrdup(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 *errmsg = NULL;

PHP_FUNCTION(youext_unthreadsafe) {
    long ret;

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



# Global struct in .h

p Provide a structure and access macros

```
ZEND_BEGIN_MODULE_GLOBALS(youext)
    char          *str;
    int           strlen;
    long          counter;
ZEND_END_MODULE_GLOBALS(youext)
#ifdef ZTS
# define YOUEXT_G(v) \
    TSRMLSMG(youext_globals_id, zend_youext_globals*, v)
extern int youext_globals_id;
#else
# define YOUEXT_G(v) (youext_globals.v)
extern zend_youext_globals youext_globals;
#endif
```



# Global Handling in .c

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

```
ZEND_DECLARE_MODULE_GLOBALS(youext)
```

```
static void youext_globals_ctor(  
    zend_youext_globals *globals) {  
    /* Initialize your global struct */  
    globals->str      = NULL;  
    globals->strlen    = 0;  
    globals->counter   = 0;  
}
```

```
static void youext_globals_dtor(  
    zend_youext_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(youext) {  
    ZEND_INIT_MODULE_GLOBALS(youext,  
        youext_globals_ctor, youext_globals_dtor);  
    return SUCCESS;  
}  
  
PHP_MSHUTDOWN_FUNCTION(youext) {  
#ifndef ZTS  
    youext_globals_dtor(&youext_globals TSRMLS_CC);  
#endif  
    return SUCCESS;  
}
```





# RINIT/RSHUTDOWN

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

```
PHP_RINIT_FUNCTION(yourex) {  
    /* Track number of times this thread/process  
     * has serviced requests */  
    YOUREXT_G(counter)++;  
    return SUCCESS;  
}  
  
PHP_RSHUTDOWN_FUNCTION(yourex) {  
    if (YOUREXT_G(str)) {  
        efree(YOUREXT_G(str));  
        YOUREXT_G(str) = NULL;  
    }  
    return SUCCESS;  
}
```



# Globals Access

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Access global values using *YOUEXT\_G(v)* macro

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



# Globals Access

↳

Access global values using *YOUEXT\_G(v)* macro

```
PHP_FUNCTION(youext_get_string) {  
    if (YOUEXT_G(str)) {  
        RETURN_STRINGL(YOUEXT_G(str), YOUEXT_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(" YOUREXT_CONSTNAME", 42,  
                           CONST_CS | CONST_PERSISTENT);  
    REGISTER_STRING_CONSTANT(" YOUREXT_VERSION", "$ID: $",  
                             CONST_CS | CONST_PERSISTENT);  
    return SUCCESS;  
}
```

```
PHP_RINIT_FUNCTION(yourext) {  
    REGISTER_LONG_CONSTANT(" YOUREXT_COUNTER",  
                           YOUREXT_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", "SID: $");

    php_info_print_table_row(2,
        "Somestring", YOUREXT_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



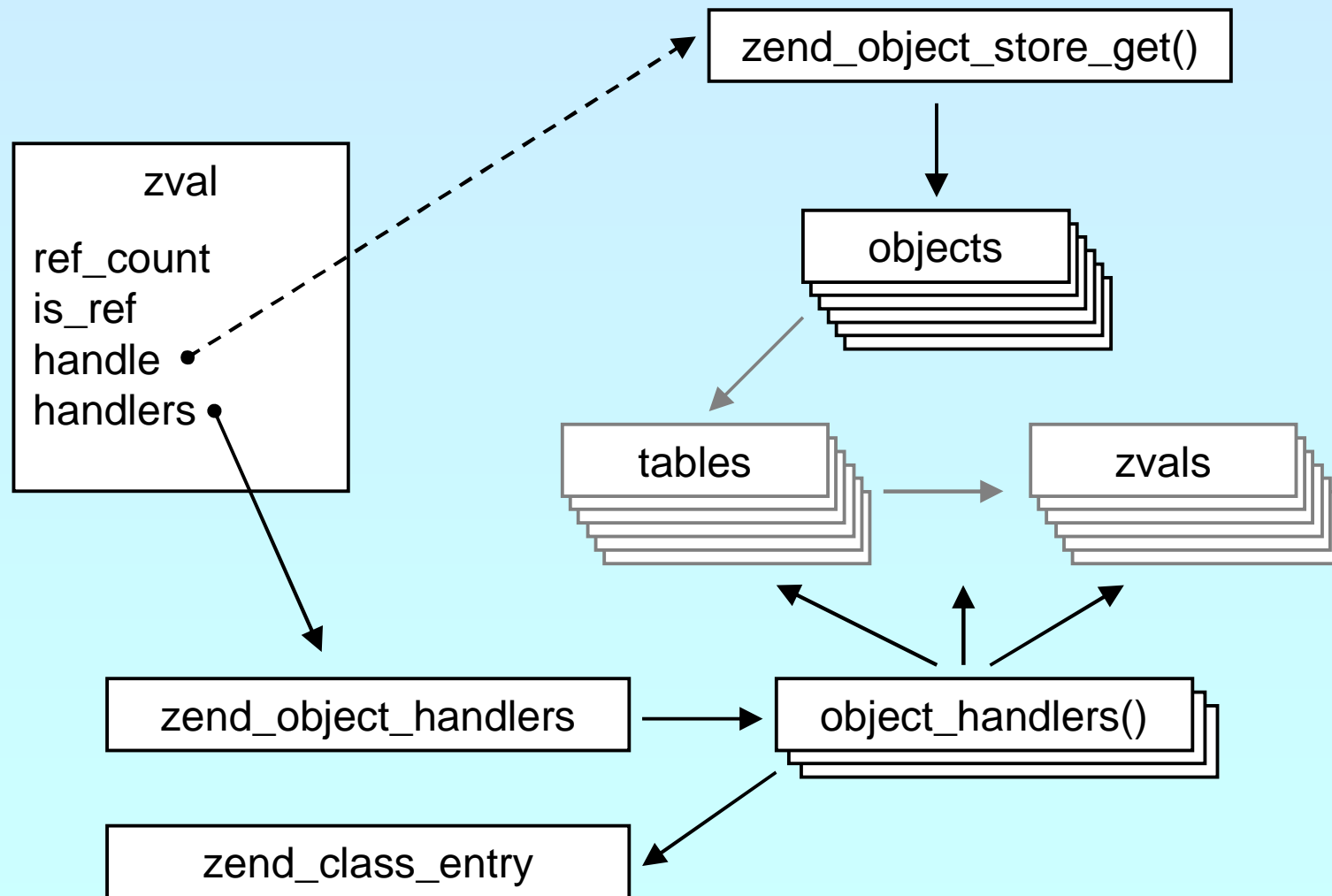


# What is needed?

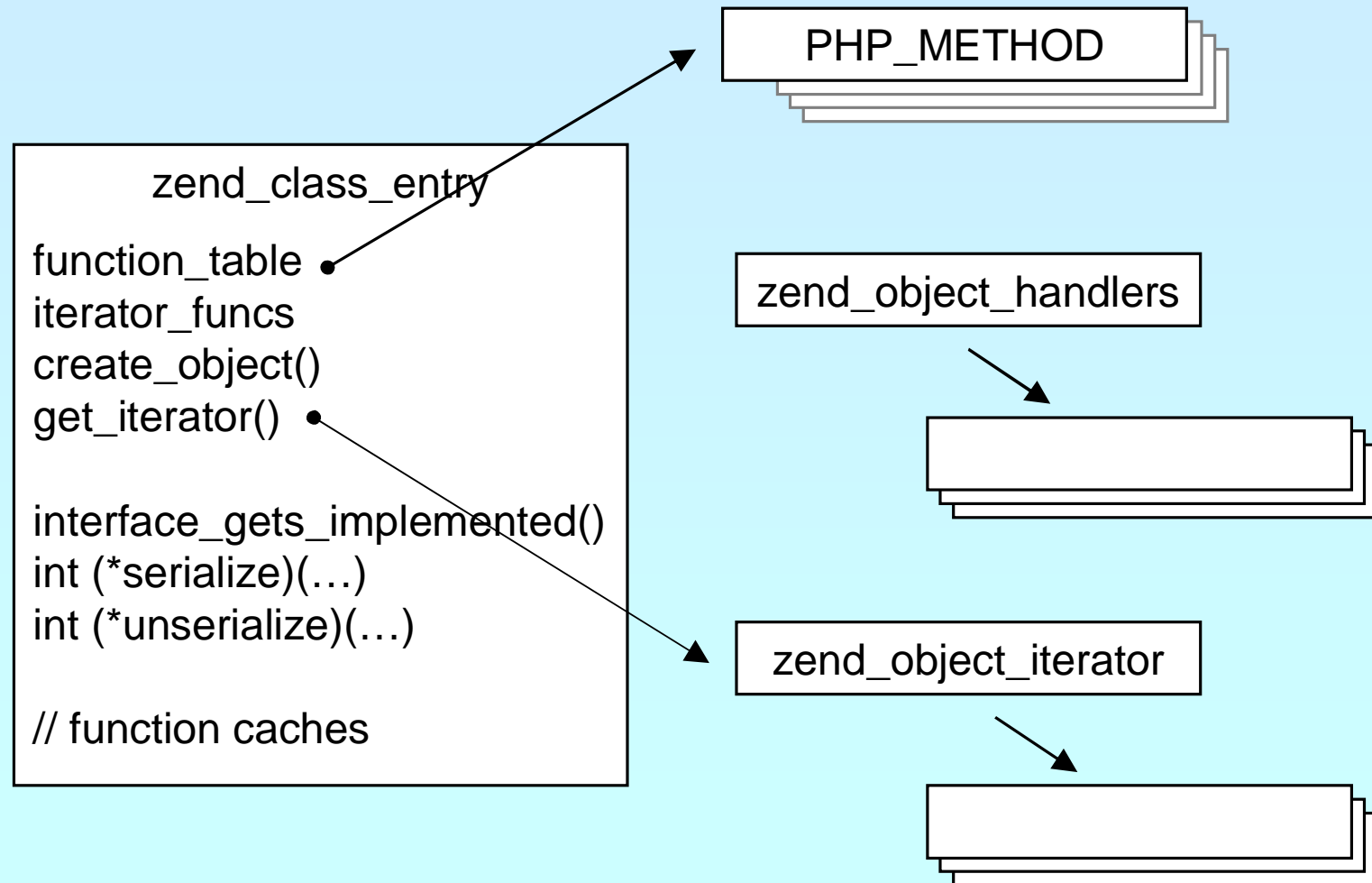
- ↳ Providing methods
- ↳ Providing a `zend_class_entry` pointer
- ↳ Providing object handlers
- ↳ Registering the class



# 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
- ↳ Finally implement interfaces, set class flags, specify iterator

```
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_stringl(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_ACC_CTOR | 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, ZEND_ACC_PUBLIC)
    {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;
```

```
/* declare the class entry */  
static zend_class_entry *util_ce_dir;
```

```
/* the overloaded class structure */
```

```
/* overloading the structure results in the need of having  
dedicated creation/cloning/destruction functions */
```

```
typedef struct _util_dir_object {  
    zend_object      std;  
    php_stream       *dirp;  
    php_stream_entry 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 `ecalloc()`)
- ▮ 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 = calloc(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 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

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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;      Don't touch these  
    zend_object_del_ref_t      del_ref;  
    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;
```



# What else ?

**p** 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;
} /* }}} */
```



# Destructing 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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