

# PHP 5

## Extension writing basics

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# Creating PHP 5 Extensions

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

# Creating PHP 5 Extensions

- ✓ PHP 5 extensions are the same as in PHP 4
- ✓ ext\_skel generates the 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. \$ ./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.

# How the slides work

- ☑ Upper part contains some *helpfull* 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*

Extensi on name in lowercase  
 Extensi on name in uppercase  
 Extensi on name in mixed case (camel Caps)

Some special explanation  
 use red text boxes

# 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
- ☑ Additional 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
  - ☑ `package.xml` Required for PECL extensions
  - ☑ `README` Probably good to provide some lines

# config.m4

- ✓ PHP Dev is picky about coding style
  - ✓ 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, disable 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

```

dnl $Id: $
dnl config.m4 for extension YOUEXT
PHP_ARG_ENABLE(youext, disable YourExt support,
  [ --enable-youext Enable YourExt ], no)
if test "$PHP_YOUEXT" != "no"; then
  if test "$ext_shared" = "yes"; then
    AC_MSG_ERROR(Cannot build YOUEXT as a shared module)
  fi
  AC_DEFINE(HAVE_YOUEXT, 1, [Whether YourExt is present])
  PHP_NEW_EXTENSION(youext, php_youext.c, $ext_shared)
fi
```

# config.m4

- ☑ You can add module dependencies (even to libxml)
  - ☑ Optional dependencies are possible (true as 3rd param)

```
dnl $!d: $
PHP_ARG_ENABLE(yourext, disable YourExt support,
[ --enable-yourext Enable YourExt], no)
if test "$PHP_YOUREXT"!="no" -a "$PHP_LIBXML"!="no"; then
  if test "$ext_shared" = "yes"; then
    AC_MSG_ERROR(Cannot build YOUREXT as a shared module)
  fi
  PHP_SETUP_LIBXML(YOUREXT_SHARED_LIBADD, [
    AC_DEFINE(HAVE_YOUREXT, 1, [Whether YourExt is present])
    PHP_NEW_EXTENSION(yourext, php_yourext.c, $ext_shared)
    PHP_SUBST(YOUREXT_SHARED_LIBADD)
  ], [
    AC_MSG_ERROR([xml2-config not found, check libxml2])
  ])
  PHP_ADD_EXTENSION_DEP(yourext, libxml, false)
fi
```



# config.w32

- ☑ Windows configuration uses JScript

```
// $Id: $
// vim: ft=javascript
ARG_WITH("yourex", "YourExt support", "yes");
if (PHP_YOUREXT == "yes" && PHP_LIBXML == "yes") {
    if (PHP_YOUREXT_SHARED) {
        ERROR("YOUREXT cannot be compiled as a shared ext");
    }
    AC_DEFINE("HAVE_YOUREXT", 1, "YourExt support");
    EXTENSION("yourex", "php_yourex.c");
    if (!PHP_YOUREXT_SHARED) {
        ADD_FLAG("CFLAGS_YOUREXT", "/D LIBXML_STATIC");
    }
    ADD_EXTENSION_DEP('yourex', 'libxml', false);
}
```

# Header of .h and .c

- ☑ License, Authors, CVS-Tag
  - ☑ PECL accepts PHP License, (LGPL) and compatible
  - ☑ PECL does **NOT** accept GPL

```

/*
+-----+
| PHP Version 5                                     |
+-----+
| Copyright (c) 1997-2005 The PHP Group           |
+-----+
| This source file is subject to version 3.0 of the PHP license, |
| that is bundled with this package in the file LICENSE, and is  |
| available through the world-wide-web at the following url:    |
| http://www.php.net/license/3_0.txt.                    |
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| to obtain it through the world-wide-web, please send a note to |
| license@php.net so we can mail you a copy immediately.       |
+-----+
| Authors: Marcus Boerger <helly@php.net>           |
+-----+
*/

```

```
/* $Id: $ */
```



# Extension .h file

```
// License Author, CVS-Tag
```

```
#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
```

```
#ifdef PHP_WIN32  
# define YOUREXT_API __declspec(dllexport)  
#else  
# define YOUREXT_API  
#endif
```

```
// Place for global's definition
```

```
#endif /* PHP_YOUREXT_H */  
/* * Local Variables:  
* c-basic-offset: 4  
* tab-width: 4  
* End:  
* vim600: fdm=marker  
* vim: noet sw=4 ts=4  
*/
```

# 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>

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

#include "php.h"
#include "php_ini.h"
#include "php_yourext.h"
```

# Structures and defines not in header



What ever you want



# Helper Functions

- ☑ Use **static**  
If you need the function only in your .c file
- ☑ Use **PHPAPI** / **YOREXT\_API**  
If you plan to use the functions in other extensions
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  - TSRMLS\_D            in declarations as only param
  - TSRMLS\_C            in implementations as only param

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



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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

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

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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(void * p TSRMLS_DC);
```

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



# PHP Functions

- ☑ Always use the layout below

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

    // Parameter parsing

    // Actual code

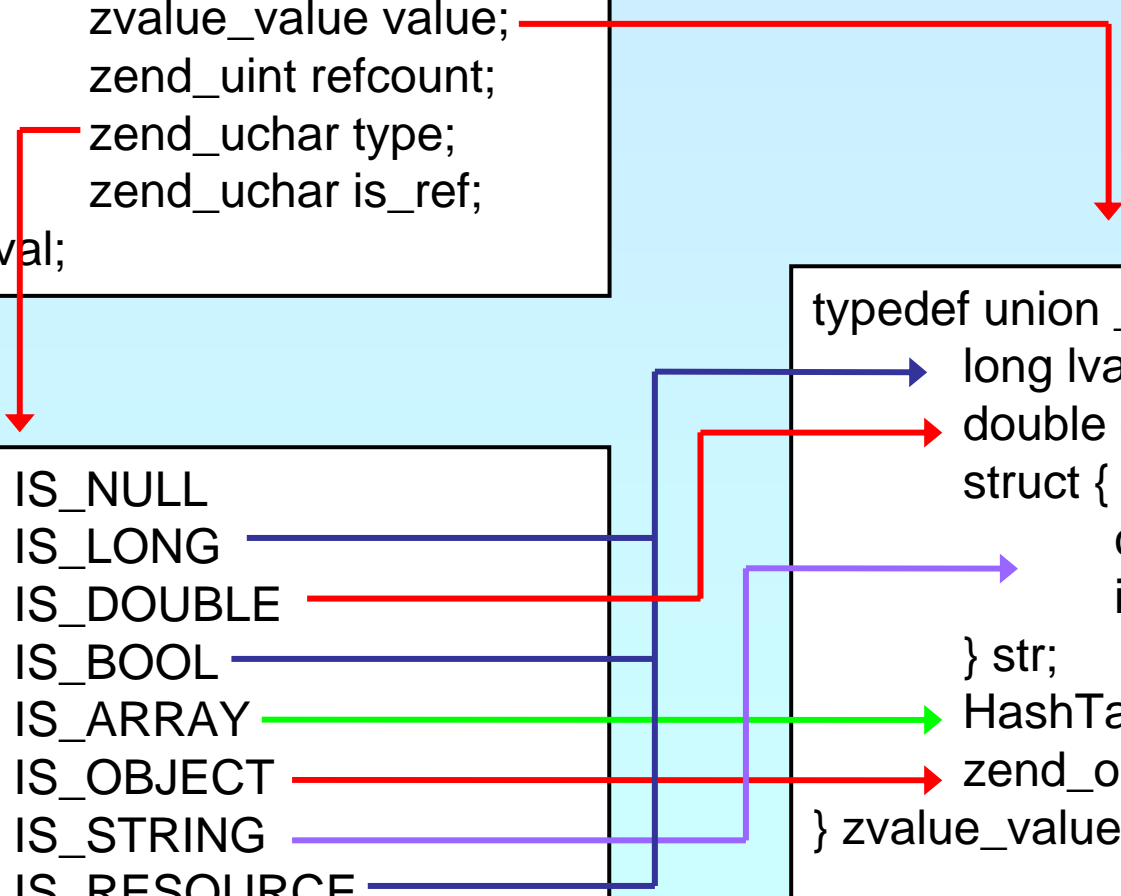
    // Return value
}
/* }}} */
```

# 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;
```

- 0 IS\_NULL
- 1 IS\_LONG
- 2 IS\_DOUBLE
- 3 IS\_BOOL
- 4 IS\_ARRAY
- 5 IS\_OBJECT
- 6 IS\_STRING
- 7 IS\_RESOURCE
- 8 IS\_CONSTANT
- 9 IS\_CONSTANT\_ARRAY

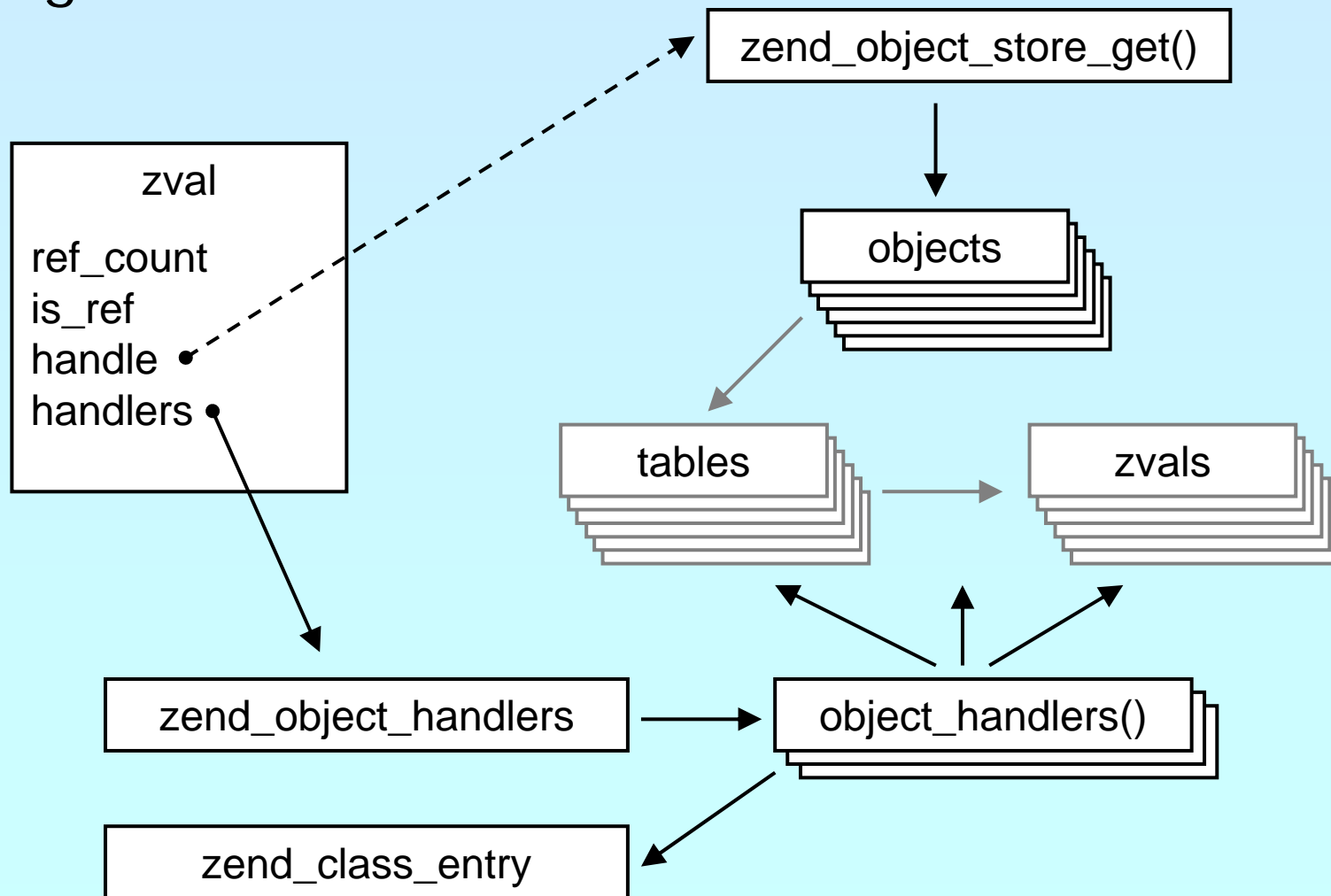
```
typedef union _zvalue_value {
    long lval;
    double dval;
    struct {
        char *val;
        int len;
    } str;
    HashTable *ht;
    zend_object_value obj;
} zvalue_value;
```



# Objects?



Forget about this for now



# 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 %)

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

# Setting a zval

- ☑ Use ZVAL\_<type>() macros
  - ☑ Nothing is freed or destructed
  - ☑ Type is set to IS\_<type>

ZVAL_RESOURCE(z, l)	l: long
ZVAL_BOOL(z, b)	b: 0/1 (not 0)
ZVAL_FALSE(z)	ZVAL_BOOL(z, 0)
ZVAL_TRUE(z)	ZVAL_BOOL(z, 1)
ZVAL_NULL(z)	just sets the type to IS_NULL
ZVAL_LONG(z, l)	l: long
ZVAL_DOUBLE(z, d)	d: double
ZVAL_STRING(z, s, dup)	s: char *, dup: 0/1 (duplicate)
ZVAL_STRINGL(z, s, l, dup)	s: char *, l: length, dup: 0/1
ZVAL_EMPTY_STRING(z)	set z to an empty string
ZVAL_ZVAL(z, zv, dup, dtor)	zv: other zval *, dup: 0/1, dtor: 0/1 (whether to call dtor)



# Setting the return value

- ☑ The return value is already allocated and IS\_NULL
  - ☑ These macros do **not** end the function

RETVAL_RESOURCE(I)	ZVAL_RESOURCE(return_value, I)
RETVAL_BOOL(b)	ZVAL_BOOL(return_value, b)
RETVAL_FALSE	ZVAL_BOOL(return_value, 0)
RETVAL_TRUE	ZVAL_BOOL(return_value, 1)
RETVAL_NULL()	ZVAL_NULL(return_value)
RETVAL_LONG(I)	ZVAL_LONG(return_value, I)
RETVAL_DOUBLE(d)	ZVAL_DOUBLE(return_value, d)
RETVAL_STRING(s, dup)	ZVAL_STRING(return_value, s, dup)
RETVAL_STRINGL(s, l, d)	ZVAL_STRINGL(return_value, s, l, d)
RETVAL_EMPTY_STRING()	ZVAL_EMPTY_STRING(return_value)
RETVAL_ZVAL(zv, dup, dtor)	ZVAL_ZVAL(return_value, zv, dup, dtor)

# Set return value and return

☑ Just like RETVAL\_<type> but returning directly

```
RETURN_RESOURCE(l) {RETVAL_RESOURCE(return_value, l); return; }
RETURN_BOOL(b)      {RETVAL_BOOL(return_value, b); return; }
RETURN_FALSE        {RETVAL_FALSE; return; }
RETURN_TRUE         {RETVAL_TRUE; return; }
RETURN_NULL()       {RETVAL_NULL(return_value); return; }
RETURN_LONG(l)      {RETVAL_LONG(return_value, l); return; }
RETURN_DOUBLE(d)    {RETVAL_DOUBLE(return_value, d); return; }
RETURN_STRING(s, dup)
    {RETVAL_STRING(return_value, s, dup); return; }
RETURN_STRINGL(s, l, d)
    {RETVAL_STRINGL(return_value, s, l, d); return; }
RETURN_EMPTY_STRING()
    {RETVAL_EMPTY_STRING(return_value); return; }
RETURN_ZVAL(zv, dup, dtor)
    {RETVAL_ZVAL(return_value, zv, dup, dtor); return; }
```

# Example 1

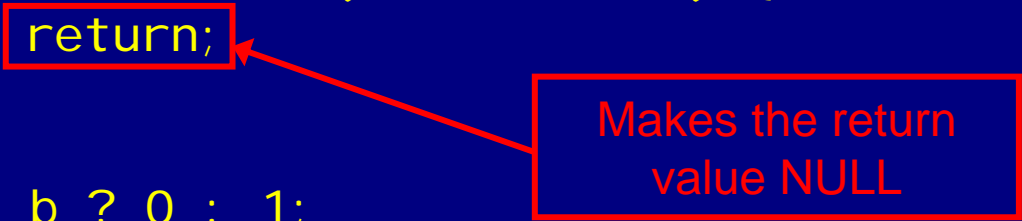
- ☑ Inverting a single boolean parameter

```
/* {{{ proto bool younext_invert(bool b)
   Invert a boolean parameter */
PHP_FUNCTION(younext_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 yourex_increment(int v [, int max])
   Increment a value with optional maximum */
PHP_FUNCTION(yourex_increment)
{
    long l, lmax = LONG_MAX;
    if (zend_parse_parameters(ZEND_NUM_ARGS() TSRMLS_CC,
        "l|l", &l, &lmax) == FAILURE) {
        RETURN_FALSE();
    }

    l = (l+1) % lmax;

    RETURN_LONG(l);
}
/* }}} */

```

Initialize optional values

Use brackets for optional values

A vertical bar separates optional and required parameters

# Example 3



Returning some generated string

```
#define YOUEXT_VERSION_MAJOR    0
#define YOUEXT_VERSION_MINOR  1

/* {{{ proto bool 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

# Dealing with arrays

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

```
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 duplicate);
int add_assoc_stringl(zval *arg, char *key, char *str,
                    uint length, int duplicate);
int add_assoc_zval(zval *arg, char *key, zval *value);
```

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```
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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);
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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 bool younext_version_array()
   Retrieve younext version as array */
PHP_FUNCTION(younext_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

- ☑ PHP Arrays use SymbolTable, a special HashTable
  - ☑ Numeric keys are treated as hash indices
  - ☑ Non number indices are hashed
  - ☑ SymbolTable keys include terminating \0  
sizeof(key) vs. strlen(key)
- ☑ A HashTable knows about its element count

```
ulong zend_get_hash_value(char *arKey, uint nKeyLength);  
int zend_hash_num_elements(HashTable *ht);
```

# Dealing with a HashTable

- ☑ 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);
```

# Dealing with a HashTable

- ☑ 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);
```

# Dealing with a HashTable

- ☑ 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);
```

# Dealing with a HashTable

- ☑ Hash tables support a builtin foreach

```
#define ZEND_HASH_APPLY_KEEP          0
#define ZEND_HASH_APPLY_REMOVE       1<<0
#define ZEND_HASH_APPLY_STOP         1<<1

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);

void zend_hash_apply(HashTable *ht, apply_func_t apply_func
    TSRMLS_DC);
void zend_hash_apply_with_argument(HashTable *ht,
    apply_func_arg_t apply_func, void * TSRMLS_DC);
void zend_hash_apply_with_arguments(HashTable *ht,
    apply_func_args_t apply_func, int, ...);
```

# Example 5 a

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

```

/* {{{ proto void younext_foreach(array ar, mixed func)
   Call a function for all elements: bool apply(mixed param)
PHP_FUNCTION(younext_foreach)
{
    zval *ar, *zfunc;
    char *fname;

    if ((zend_parse_parameters_ex(ZEND_PARSE_PARAMS_QUIET
        ZEND_NUM_ARGS() TSRMLS_CC, "az", &ar, &func)
        == FAILURE &&
        zend_parse_parameters(ZEND_NUM_ARGS(), "oz", &ar, &func)
        == FAILURE)
        || !zend_is_callable(zfunc, 0, fname)) {
        return;
    }
    zend_hash_apply_with_argument(HASH_OF(ar),
        (apply_func_arg_t)younext_foreach, zfunc TSRMLS_CC);
} /* }}} */

```

First check array,  
if that fails try object

zend\_parse\_parameters\_ex(ZEND\_PARSE\_PARAMS\_QUIET  
ZEND\_NUM\_ARGS() TSRMLS\_CC, "az", &ar, &func)  
== FAILURE &&

zend\_parse\_parameters(ZEND\_NUM\_ARGS(), "oz", &ar, &func)  
== FAILURE)

|| !zend\_is\_callable(zfunc, 0, fname)) {

Verify  
function is  
callable



# Example 5 b

- ☑ Calling a function for each element

```
/* {{{ */
int youext_foreach(zval **param, zval *func_name TSRMLS_DC)
{
    zval retval;
    zval *args[1];
    int status;

    args[0] = *param;
    status = call_user_function(EG(function_table), NULL,
                               func_name, &retval, 1, args TSRMLS_CC);

    if (!zend_is_true(&retval)) status = FAILURE;
    zval_dtor(&retval);

    return status == SUCCESS
           ? ZEND_HASH_APPLY_KEEP
           : ZEND_HASH_APPLY_STOP;
} /* }}} */
```

retval must be destructed here but not freed



# Dealing with a HashTable

- ☑ Hash tables need to be initialized
  - ☑ Number of initial elements
  - ☑ Function used to calculate hash indices from keys
    - Though only DJBX33A is ever being used
  - ☑ Function used to destruct elements upon deletion
  - ☑ Whether elements are persistent (valid outside request)

```
typedef unsigned (*hash_func_t)(char *arKey, unsigned nKeyLen);  
typedef void (*dtor_func_t)(void *pDest);
```

```
int zend_hash_init(HashTable *ht, unsigned nSize,  
    hash_func_t pHashFunction, dtor_func_t pDestructor,  
    zend_bool persistent);
```

```
#define ZEND_INIT_SYMTABLE(ht) \  
    ZEND_INIT_SYMTABLE_EX(ht, 2, 0)  
#define ZEND_INIT_SYMTABLE_EX(ht, n, persist) \  
    zend_hash_init(ht, n, NULL, ZVAL_PTR_DTOR, persist)
```

# Dealing with a HashTable

- ☑ Hash tables can be cleaned
  - ☑ Fast removal and destruction of all elements
- ☑ Hash tables must be destroyed
  - ☑ Persistent hash tables in MSHUTDOWN()
  - ☑ Non persistent hash tables in RSHUTDOWN()

```
void zend_hash_clean(HashTable *ht);
```

```
void zend_hash_destroy(HashTable *ht);
```

# Global struct in .h

- ✓ Provide a structure and access macros
- ✓ For hash tables both pointer and member works

```
ZEND_BEGIN_MODULE_GLOBALS(yourext)
    char *      global_string;
    HashTable * global_hash;
ZEND_END_MODULE_GLOBALS(yourext)
```

```
#ifdef ZTS
# define YOUREXT_G(v) \
    TSRMLSMG(yourext_global_s_id, zend_yourext_global_s*, v)
extern int yourext_global_s_id;
#else
# define YOUREXT_G(v) (yourext_global_s.v)
extern zend_yourext_global_s yourext_global_s;
#endif
```

# Global Handling in .c

- ☑ Provide the storage/id and an initializer function
  - ☑ Hash tables need to be initialized in RINIT
  - ☑ Strings must be initialized/copied in RINIT
  - ☑ Strings must be either static or malloc'd

```
#ifndef COMPILE_DL_YOUREXT
ZEND_GET_MODULE(yourex)
#endif

ZEND_DECLARE_MODULE_GLOBALS(yourex)

static void yourex_init_globals(
    zend_yourex_globals *globals) /* {{{ */
{
    // Initialize your global struct
    globals->global_string = "somestring";
    globals->global_hash = NULL;
} /* }}} */
```

# MINIT/MSHUTDOWN

- ✓ MINIT needs to initialize globals
- ✓ MSHUTDOWN
  - ✓ Needs to free malloc'd globals
  - ✓ Needs to destroy all persistent hash tables

```
PHP_MINIT_FUNCTION(youext) /* {{{ */
{
    ZEND_INIT_MODULE_GLOBALS(youext,
        youext_init_globals, NULL);
    return SUCCESS;
} /* }}} */
```

```
PHP_MSHUTDOWN_FUNCTION(youext) /* {{{ */
{
    // free global malloc'ed memory
    return SUCCESS;
} /* }}} */
```

# RINIT/RSHUTDOWN

- ☑ Between RINIT/SHUTDOWN using zval/hash is OK
- ☑ Memory during request time must be ealloc'd
  - ☑ malloc -> emalloc, free -> efree, realloc -> erealloc
  - ☑ strdup -> estrdup, strndup -> estrndup

```
PHP_RINIT_FUNCTION(younext) /* {{{ */
{
    YOUREXT_G(global_string) =
        estrdup(YOUREXT_G(global_string));
    ALLOC_HASHTABLE(YOUREXT_G(global_hash));
    zend_hash_init(YOUREXT_G(global_hash),
        1, NULL, NULL, 0);
    return SUCCESS;
} /* }}} */
```

# RINIT/RSHUTDOWN

- ☑ After RSHUTDOWN no emalloc'd data is allowed
  - ☑ You need to keep track of manual added data
  - ☑ You need to destroy all non persistent hash tables

```
PHP_RSHUTDOWN_FUNCTION(youext) /* {{{ */
{
    efree(YOUREXT_G(global_string));
    zend_hash_destroy(YOUREXT_G(global_hash));
    FREE_HASHTABLE(YOUREXT_G(global_hash));
    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", YOUREXT_G(global_string));

    php_info_print_table_end();
}/* }}} */
```



# Function Table

- ☑ The function table allows to specify the signature
  - ☑ ZEND\_BEGIN\_ARG\_INFO\_EX:
    - name, pass\_rest\_by\_ref, return\_ref, required\_args
  - ☑ ZEND\_ARG\_INFO:
    - pass\_by\_ref, name

```
static
```

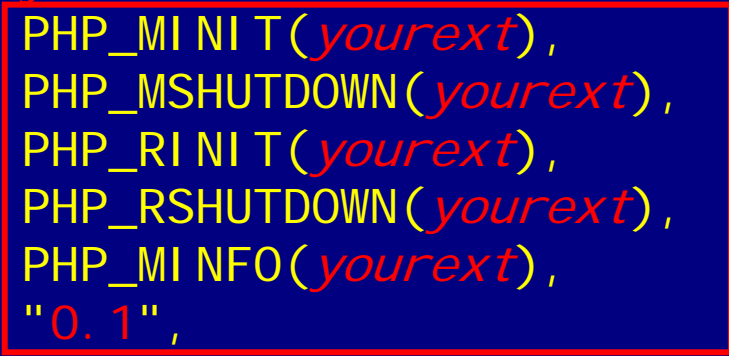
```
ZEND_BEGIN_ARG_INFO_EX(youext_arginfo_name1, 0, 0, 2)
    ZEND_ARG_INFO(0, param_name1)
    ZEND_ARG_INFO(0, param_name2)
ZEND_END_ARG_INFO();
```

```
function_entry youext_functions[] = { /* {{{ */
    PHP_FE(youext_name1, youext_arginfo_name1)
    PHP_FE(youext_name2, NULL)
    PHP_FE(youext_name3, NULL)
    {NULL, NULL, NULL}
}; /* }}} */
```

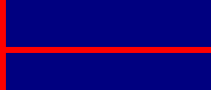
# Module Entry

- ☑ 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
}; /* }}} */
```



or NULL



# What else ?

- ☑ INI Handling – but avoid it by all means
- ☑ Dealing with resources and streams
- ☑ Providing classes and methods
- ☑ Providing Iterators
- ☑ Overloading objects with several handlers
  - ☑ Array access
  - ☑ Property access
  - ☑ Serializing

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