

SPL

Standard PHP Library

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- ☑ Discuss overloadable engine features
- ☑ Learn about SPL aka Standard PHP Library



From engine overloading . . .

- ☑ Zend engine 2.0+ allows to overload the following
 - ☑ by implementing interfaces
 - ☑ Foreach by implementing **Iterator**, **IteratorAggregate**
 - ☑ Array access by implementing **ArrayAccess**
 - ☑ Serializing by implementing **Serializable**
 - ☑ by providing magic functions
 - ☑ Function invocation by method **__call()**
 - ☑ Property access by methods **__get()** and **__set()**
 - ☑ Automatic loading of classes by function **__autoload()**

. . . to SPL

It is easy in a complex way

*- Lukas Smith
php conference 2004*

- ☑ A collection of standard interfaces and classes
Most of which based around engine overloading
- ☑ A few helper functions

What is SPL about & what for

- ✓ Captures some common patterns
- ✓ Advanced Iterators
- ✓ Functional programming
- ✓ File and directory handling
- ✓ Makes `__autoload()` useable
- ✓ Exception hierarchy with documented semantics



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 - ☑ Database query results ext: PDO, SQLite, MySQLi
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- Classes and Interfaces provided by SPL:
 - `AppendIterator`, `CachingIterator`, `LimitIterator`,
`FilterIterator`, `EmptyIterator`, `InfiniteIterator`,
`NoRewindIterator`, `OuterIterator`, `ParentIterator`,
`RecursiveIterator`, `RecursiveIteratorIterator`,
`SeekableIterator`, `SplFileObject`, ...



Array vs. Iterator

- | | |
|---|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☑ An array in PHP <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☑ can be rewound: ☑ is valid unless it's key is NULL: ☑ have current values: ☑ have keys: ☑ can be forwarded:
 ☑ Something that is traversable <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☑ may know how to be rewound:
 (does not return the element) ☑ should know if there is a value: ☑ may have a current value: ☑ may have a key:
 (may return NULL at any time) ☑ can forward to its next element: | <pre> \$ar = array() reset(\$ar) ! is_null (key(\$ar)) current(\$ar) key(\$ar) next(\$ar) \$it = new Iterator; \$it->rewind() \$it->valid() \$it->current() \$it->key() \$it->next() </pre> |
|---|---|

How Iterators work

- ☑ Iterators can be used manually

```
<?php
$o = new ArrayIterator(array(1, 2, 3));
$o->rewind();
while ($o->valid()) {
    $key = $o->key();
    $val = $o->current();
    // some code
    $o->next();
}
?>
```

- ☑ Iterators can be used implicitly with **foreach**

```
<?php
$o = new ArrayIterator(array(1, 2, 3));
foreach($o as $key => $val) {
    // some code
}
?>
```

The big difference



Arrays

- ✓ require memory for all elements
- ✓ allow to access any element directly



Iterators

- ✓ only know one element at a time
- ✓ only require memory for the current element
- ✓ forward access only
- ✓ Access done by method calls



Containers

- ✓ require memory for all elements
- ✓ allow to access any element directly
- ✓ can create external Iterators or are internal Iterators



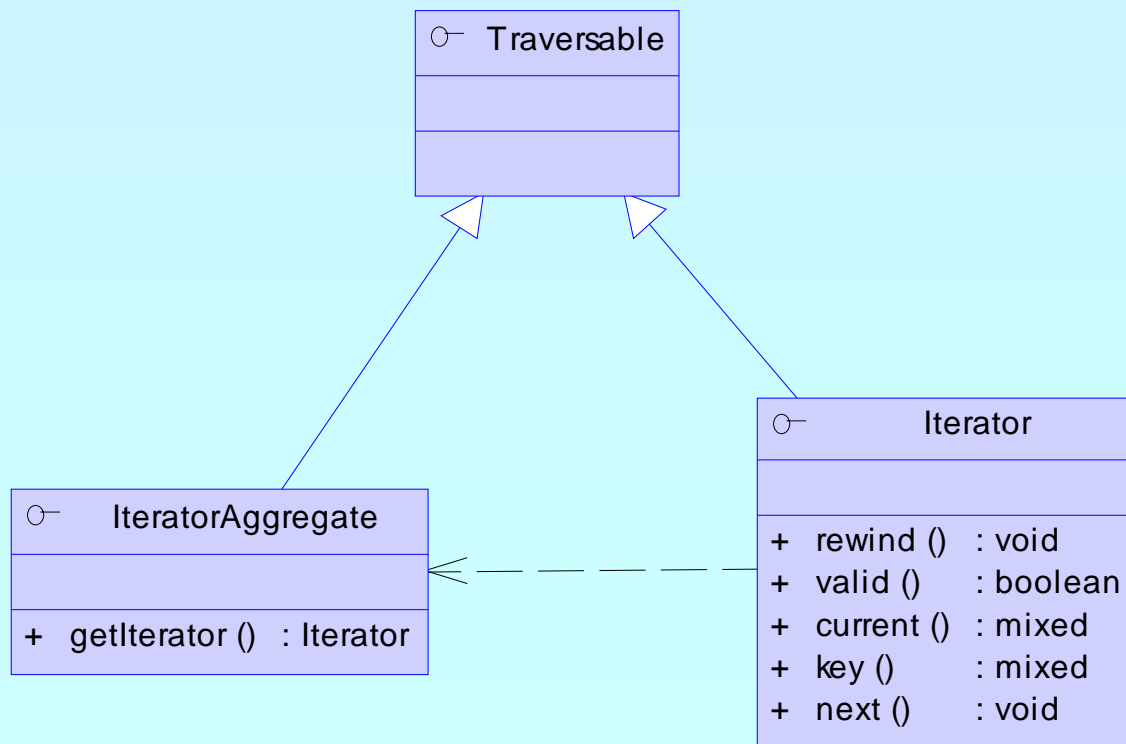
The basic concepts

- ☑ Iterators can be internal or external
also referred to as active or passive
- ☑ An internal iterator modifies the object itself
- ☑ An external iterator points to another object
without modifying it
- ☑ PHP always uses external iterators at engine-level
- ☑ Iterators **may** iterate over other iterators

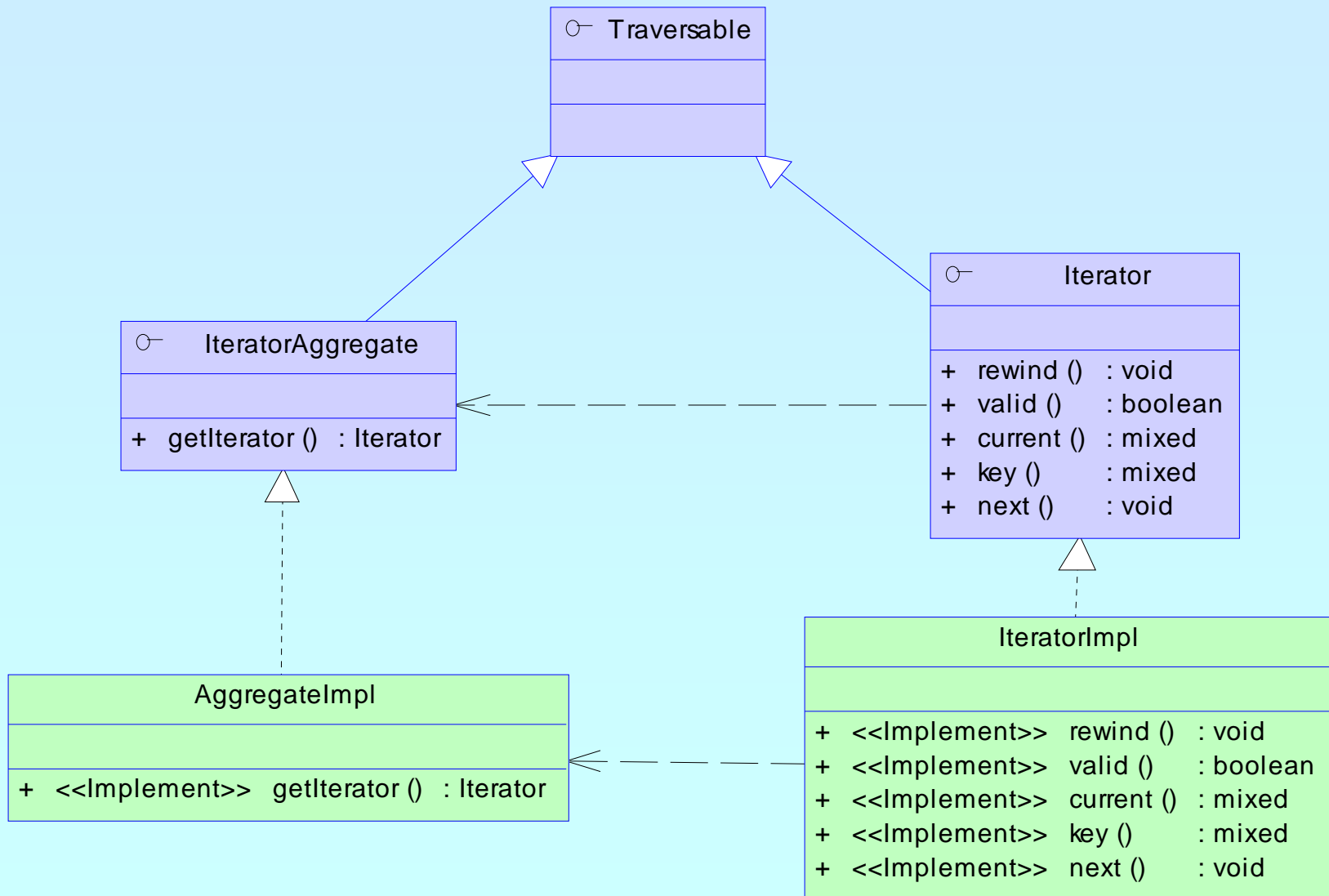


PHP Iterators

- ☑ Anything that can be iterated implements `Traversable`
- ☑ Objects implementing `Traversable` can be used in `foreach`
- ☑ User classes cannot implement `Traversable`
- ☑ `IteratorAggregate` is for objects that use external iterators
- ☑ `Iterator` is for internal traversal or external iterators



Implementing Iterators



Overloading Array access

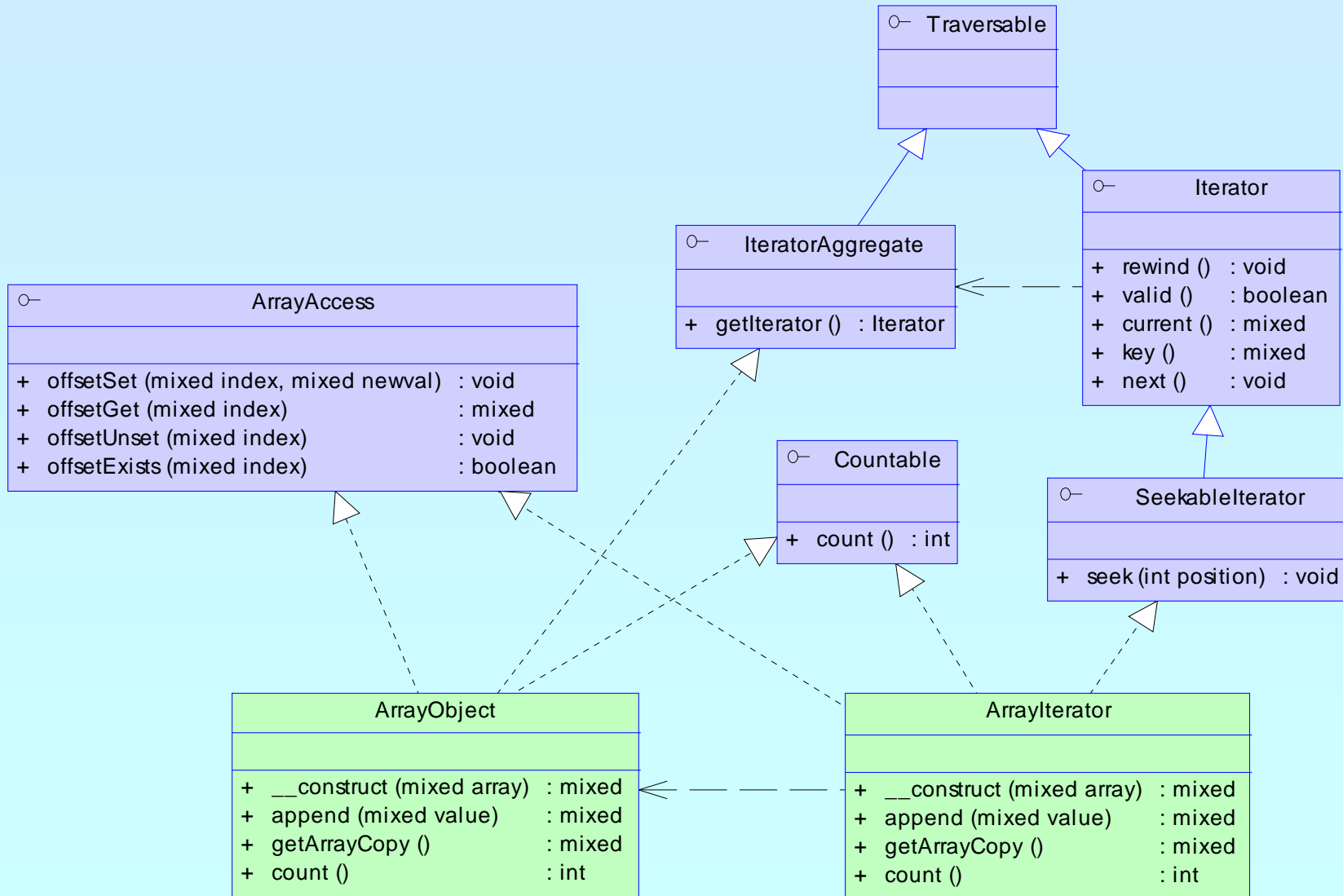
- ☑ PHP provides interface `ArrayAccess`
 - ☑ Objects that implement it behave like normal arrays (only in terms of syntax though)
 - ☑ `ArrayAccess` does not allow references (the following is an error)

```
interface ArrayAccess {  
    function &offsetGet($offset);  
    function offsetSet($offset, &$value);  
    function offsetExists($offset);  
    function offsetUnset($offset);  
}
```

Array and property traversal

- ☑ **ArrayObject** allows external traversal of arrays
- ☑ **ArrayObject** creates **ArrayIterator** instances
- ☑ Multiple **ArrayIterator** instances can reference the same target with different states
- ☑ Both implement **SeekableIterator** which allows to 'jump' to any position in the Array directly.

Array and property traversal



Functional programming?

- ☑ Abstract from the actual data (types)
- ☑ Implement algorithms without knowing the data

Example: Sorting

- ☞ Sorting requires a container for elements
- ☞ Sorting requires element comparison
- ☞ Containers provide access to elements

- ☞ Sorting and Containers must not know data

An example

- ☑ Reading a menu definition from an array
- ☑ Writing it to the output

Problem

- ☞ Handling of hierarchy
- ☞ Detecting recursion
- ☞ Formatting the output

Recursion with arrays



A typical solution is to directly call array functions



No code reuse possible

```
<?php
function recurse_array($ar)
{
    // do something before recursion
    reset($ar);
    while (!is_null(key($ar))) {
        // probably do something with the current element
        if (is_array(current($ar))) {
            recurse_array(current($ar));
        }
        // probably do something with the current element
        // probably only if not recursive
        next($ar);
    }
    // do something after recursion
}
?>
```

Detecting Recursion

- ☑ An array is recursive
 - ☑ If the current element itself is an Array
 - ☑ In other words `current()` has children
 - ☑ This is detectable by `is_array()`
 - ☑ Recursing requires creating a new wrapper instance for the child array
 - ☑ `RecursiveIterator` is the interface to unify Recursion
 - ☑ `RecursiveIteratorIterator` handles the recursion

```
class RecursiveArrayIterator
    extends ArrayIterator implements RecursiveIterator
{
    function hasChildren() {
        return is_array($this->current());
    }
    function getChildren() {
        return new RecursiveArrayIterator($this->current());
    }
}
```



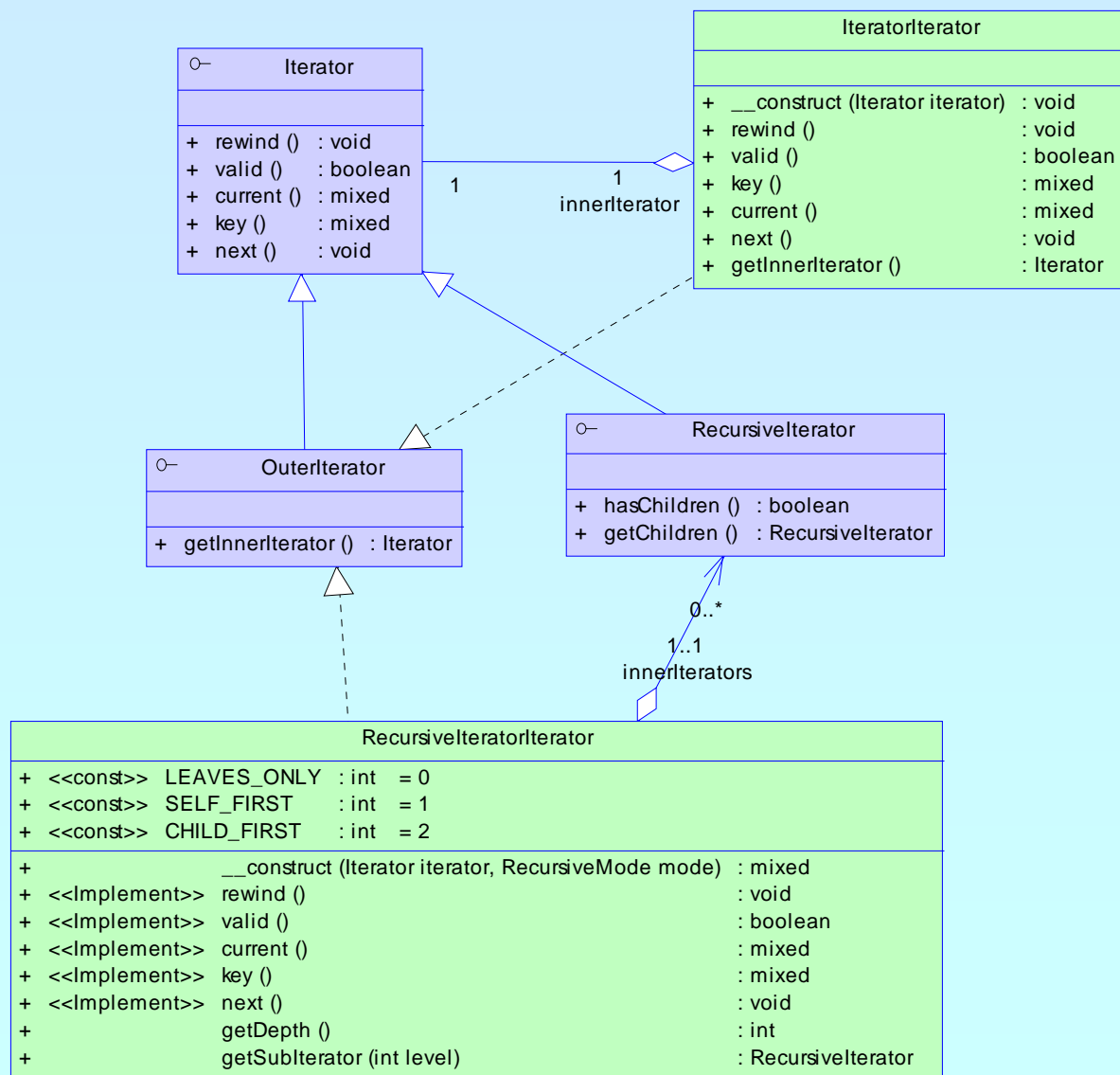
```
<?php
$a = array(' 1' , ' 2' , array(' 31' , ' 32' ) , ' 4' );
$o = new RecursiveArrayIterator($a);
$i = new RecursiveIteratorIterator($o);
foreach($i as $key => $val) {
    echo "$key => $val \n";
}
?>
```

```
0 => 1
1 => 2
0 => 31
1 => 32
3 => 4
```

```
<?php
class RecursiveArrayIterator implements RecursiveIterator {
    protected $ar;
    function __construct(Array $ar) {
        $this->ar = $ar; }
    function rewind() {
        reset($this->ar); }
    function valid() {
        return !is_null(key($this->ar)); }
    function key() {
        return key($this->ar); }
    function current() {
        return current($this->ar); }
    function next() {
        next($this->ar); }
    function hasChildren() {
        return is_array(current($this->ar)); }
    function getChildren() {
        return new RecursiveArrayIterator($this->current()); }
}
?>
```



RecursiveIteratorIterator



Making ArrayObject recursive

- ☑ Change class type of ArrayObjects Iterator

☞ We simply need to change getIterator()

```
<?php
class RecursiveArrayObject extends ArrayObject
{
    function getIterator() {
        return new RecursiveArrayIterator($this);
    }
}
?>
```


How does our Menu look?

- ✓ The basic interface is `MenuItem`
- ✓ A `MenuItem` is the basic element of class `Menu`
- ✓ A `Menu` stores one or more `MenuItem` objects
- ✓ A `SubMenu` stores one or more `MenuItem` objects
- ✓ A `SubMenu` is a `Menu` and a `MenuItem`
- ✓ A `MenuItem` shall iterate `Menu` and `SubMenu`
- `Menu` can store `MenuItem` and `SubMenu`
- `SubMenu` can store in a `MenuItem` or `SubMenu`
- `MenuItem` should know whether it has children
- `Menu` is a `IteratorAggregate` `MenuItem` iterator
- `MenuItem` iterator is a `RecursiveIterator`

How does our Menu look?



The general interface for menu entries

- Only talking to entries through this interface ensures the code works no matter what we later add or change

```
interface MenuItem
{
    /** @return string representation of item (e.g. name/link) */
    function __toString();

    /** @return whether item has children */
    function getChildren();

    /** @return children of the item if any available */
    function hasChildren();

    /** @return whether item is active or grayed */
    function isActive();

    /** @return whether item is visible or should be hidden */
    function isVisible();

    /** @return the name of the entry if any */
    function getName();
}
```



How does our Menu look?

- ☑ We need a storage for the items
 - ☑ Either extend RecursiveArrayIterator
 - ☑ Or use an array and implement IteratorAggregate

```
class Menu implements IteratorAggregate
{
    public $_ar = array(); // PHP does not support friend

    function addItem(Menuitem $item) {
        $this->_ar[$item->getName()] = $item;
        return $item;
    }

    function getIterator() {
        return new MenuIterator($this);
    }
}
```



How does our Menu look?

- ✓ Extend RecursiveArrayIterator but be typesafe
- ✓ Elements are non arrays

```
class RecursiveArrayIterator
    extends ArrayIterator implements RecursiveIterator
{
    function hasChildren() {
        return is_array($this->current());
    }
    function getChildren() {
        return new RecursiveArrayIterator($this->current());
    }
}
```



How does our Menu look?

- ☑ Extend RecursiveArrayIterator but be typesafe
 - ☑ Ensure getChildren() returns the correct type
- ☑ Elements are non arrays

```
class RecursiveArrayIterator
    extends ArrayIterator implements RecursiveIterator
{
    function hasChildren() {
        return is_array($this->current());
    }
    function getChildren() {
        if (empty($ref)) $this->ref = new ReflectionClass($this);
        return $ref->newInstance($this->current());
    }
    protected $ref;
}
```



How does our Menu look?

- ✓ Extend RecursiveArrayIterator but be typesafe
 - ✓ Ensure getChildren() returns the correct type
- ✓ Elements are non arrays
 - ✓ Recursion works slightly different
 - ✓ Override hasChildren() to not use is_array()
 - ✓ Keep existing getChildren() and other iterator methods

```
class MenuItem extends RecursiveArrayIterator
{
    function __construct(Menu $menu) {
        parent::__construct($menu->_ar);
    }
    function hasChildren() {
        return $this->current()->hasChildren();
    }
}
```

How does our Menu look?

```

class MenuItem implements MenuItem
{
    protected $name, $link, $active, $visible;

    function __construct($name, $link = NULL) {
        $this->name = $name;
        $this->link = is_numeric($link) ? NULL : $link;
        $this->active = true;
        $this->visible = true;
    }
    function __toString() {
        if (strlen($this->link)) {
            return '<a href="' . $this->link . '>' . $this->name . '</a>';
        } else {
            return $this->name;
        }
    }
    function hasChildren() { return false; }
    function getChildren() { return NULL; }
    function isActive() { return $this->active; }
    function isVisible() { return $this->visible; }
    function getName() { return $this->name; }
}
    
```



How does our Menu look?

```

class SubMenu extends MenuItem implements MenuItem
{
    protected $name, $link, $active, $visible;

    function __construct($name = NULL, $link = NULL) {
        $this->name = $name;
        $this->link = is_numeric($link) ? NULL : $link;
        $this->active = true;
        $this->visible = true;
    }

    function __toString() {
        if (strlen($this->link)) {
            return '<a href="' . $this->link . '>' . $this->name . '</a>';
        } else if (strlen($this->name)) {
            return $this->name;
        } else return '';
    }

    function hasChildren() { return true; }
    function getChildren() { return new MenuItemIterator($this); }
    function isActive() { return $this->active; }
    function isVisible() { return $this->visible; }
    function getName() { return $this->name; }
}
    
```



How to create a menu

- ☑ To create a Menu we manually call `addItem()`
 - ☑ We need to keep track of the level in local temp vars

```
<?php
```

```
$menu = new Menu();
```

```
$menu->addItem(new MenuItem(' Home' ));
```

```
$sub = new SubMenu(' Downloads' );
```

```
$sub->addItem(new MenuItem(' ' ));
```

```
$menu->addItem($sub);
```

```
?>
```

Reading a menu from an array

- ✓ We'd need to foreach the array and do recursion
- ✓ RecursiveIterator helps with events

```
class RecursiveIterator
{
    /** @return $this->getInnerIterator()->hasChildren() */
    function callHasChildren()

    /** @return $this->getInnerIterator()->getChildren() */
    function callGetChildren()

    /** Called if recursing into children */
    function beginChildren()

    /** called after last children */
    function endChildren()

    /** called if a new element is available */
    function nextElement()

    // ...
}
```

Reading a menu from array

```
class MenuLoadArray extends RecursiveIteratorIterator {
    protected $sub = array();
    function __construct(Menu $menu, Array $def) {
        $this->sub[0] = $menu;
        parent::__construct(
            new RecursiveArrayIterator($def, self::LEAVES_ONLY));
    }
    function callGetChildren() {
        $child = parent::callGetChildren();
        $this->sub[] = end($this->sub)->addItem(new SubMenu());
        return $child;
    }
    function endChildren() {
        array_pop($this->sub);
    }
    function nextElement() {
        end($this->sub)->addItem(
            new MenuItem($this->current(), $this->key()));
    }
}
```

Provide some storage for the menu, its sub menus and their sub menus.

```
$def = array('1', '2', array('31', '32'), '4');
$menu = new Menu();
foreach(new MenuLoadArray($menu, $def) as $v);
```

Reading a menu from array

```

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    protected $sub = array();
    function __construct(Menu $menu, Array $def) {
        $this->sub[0] = $menu;
        parent::__construct(
            new RecursiveArrayIterator($def, self::LEAVES_ONLY);
        )
    }
    function callGetChildren() {
        $child = parent::callGetChildren();
        $this->sub[] = end($this->sub)->addItem(new SubMenu());
        return $child;
    }
    function endChildren() {
        array_pop($this->sub);
    }
    function nextElement() {
        end($this->sub)->addItem(
            new MenuItem($this->current(), $this->key()));
    }
}

```

MenuLoadArray controls the recursive iteration...

...a recursive structure.

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        array_pop($this->sub);
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}
```

When recursing we create a new unnamed SubMenu and make it the new top level element of our 'level' storage.

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    }
    function callGetChildren() {
        $child = parent::callGetChildren();
        $this->sub[] = end($this->sub)->addItem(new SubMenu());
        return $child;
    }
    function endChildren() {
        array_pop($this->sub);
    }
    function nextElement() {
        end($this->sub)->addItem(
            new MenuItem($this->current(), $this->key()));
    }
}
```

At the end of a sub array in our case representing a sub menu when pop that sub menu thus going to it's parent menu.

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        parent::__construct(
            new RecursiveArrayIterator($def, self::LEAVES_ONLY));
    }
    function callGetChildren() {
        $child = parent::callGetChildren();
        $this->sub[] = end($this->sub)->addItem(new SubMenu());
        return $child;
    }
    function endChildren() {
        array_pop($this->sub);
    }
    function nextElement() {
        end($this->sub)->addItem(
            new MenuItem($this->current(), $this->key()));
    }
}
```

All elements in our definition that are not sub arrays are meant to end up as entries so we only want leaves as elements.

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    }
    function callGetChildren() {
        $child = parent::callGetChildren();
        $this->sub[] = end($this->sub)->addItem(new SubMenu());
        return $child;
    }
    function endChildren() {
        array_pop($this->sub);
    }
    function nextElement() {
        end($this->sub)->addItem(
            new MenuItem($this->current(), $this->key()));
    }
}
```

Now let us use the thing to fill in the menu from the definition in the array \$def.

```
$def = array('1', '2', array('31', '32'), '4');
$menu = new Menu();
foreach(new MenuLoadArray($menu, $def) as $v);
```


Output HTML

- ☑ Problem how to format the output using ``
 - ☞ Detecting recursion begin/end

```
class MenuOutput
    extends RecursiveIteratorIterator
{
    function __construct(Menu $menu) {
        parent::__construct($menu);
    }
    function beginChildren() {
        // called after childs rewind() is called
        echo str_repeat(' &nbsp; ', $this->getDepth()). "<ul >\n";
    }
    function endChildren() {
        // right before child gets destructed
        echo str_repeat(' &nbsp; ', $this->getDepth()). "</ul >\n";
    }
}
```

Output HTML

- ✓ Problem how to write the output
 - ☞ Echo the output within foreach
- ✓ The following works for our Array def

```

class MenuOutput
    extends RecursiveIteratorIterator
{
    function __construct(RecursiveIterator $ar) {
        parent::__construct($ar);
    }
    function beginChildren() {
        echo str_repeat(' &nbsp; ', $this->getDepth()). "<ul >\n";
    }
    function endChildren() {
        echo str_repeat(' &nbsp; ', $this->getDepth()). "</ul >\n";
    }
}
$def = array('1', '2', array('31', '32'), '4');
$menu = new RecursiveArrayIterator($def);

$it = new MenuOutput($menu);
echo "<ul >\n"; // for the intro
foreach($it as $m) {
    echo str_repeat(' &nbsp; ', $it->getDepth()+1)' <li >', $m, "</li >\n";
}
echo "</ul >\n"; // for the outro
    
```

```

<ul >
<li >1</li >
<li >2</li >
    <ul >
        <li >31</li >
        <li >32</li >
    </ul >
<li >4</li >
</ul >
    
```



Output HTML

- ✓ Problem how to write the output
 - ☞ Echo the output within foreach
- ✓ The following works for our Menu

```

class MenuOutput
    extends RecursiveIteratorIterator
{
    function __construct(Menu $ar) {
        parent::__construct($ar);
    }
    function beginChildren() {
        echo str_repeat(' &nbsp; ', $this->getDepth()). "<ul >\n";
    }
    function endChildren() {
        echo str_repeat(' &nbsp; ', $this->getDepth()). "</ul >\n";
    }
}

$def = array('1', '2', array('31', '32'), '4');
$menu = new Menu();
foreach(new MenuLoadArray($menu, $def) as $v);
$it = new MenuOutput($menu);
echo "<ul >\n"; // for the intro
foreach($it as $m) {
    echo str_repeat(' &nbsp; ', $it->getDepth()+1)' <li >', $m, "</li >\n";
}
echo "</ul >\n"; // for the outro
    
```

```

<ul >
<li >1</li >
<li >2</li >
    <ul >
        <li >31</li >
        <li >32</li >
    </ul >
<li >4</li >
</ul >
    
```



Wow - but why?

- ☑ Why did we use SPL here?
 - ☑ More reliability
 - ☑ Fix one time – no problem in finding all incarnations
 - ☑ Easier to change something without touching other stuff
 - ☑ Functional separation
 - ☑ Code reuse
 - ☑ Responsibility control

OuterIterator

- ☑ OuterIterator is the interface for iterator wrapper
 - ☑ Allows read access to its inner iterator

```
interface OuterIterator extends Iterator
{
    function getInnerIterator();
}
```

IteratorIterator

- ☑ IteratorIterator is an unspecified iterator wrapper

```
class IteratorIterator implements OuterIterator {
    function __construct(Traversable $iter, $classname)
    {
        $this->iterator = $iter;
    }
    function getInnerIterator() { return $this->iterator; }
    function valid()           {return $this->iterator->valid(); }
    function key()             {return $this->iterator->key();   }
    function current()         {return $this->iterator->current();}
    function next()            {return $this->iterator->next();  }
    function rewind()          {return $this->iterator->rewind();}
    function __call($func, $params) {
        return call_user_func_array(
            array($this->iterator, $func), $params);
    }
    private $iterator;
}
```

Filtering

Problem

- ☞ Only recurse into active MenuItem elements
- ☞ Only show visible MenuItem elements
- ☠ Changes prevent recurse_array from reuse

```

<?php
class MenuItem
{
    function isActive() // return true if active
    function isVisible() // return true if visible
}
function recurse_array($ar)
{
    // do something before recursion
    while (!is_null(key($ar))) {
        if (is_array(current($ar)) && current($ar)->isActive()) {
            recurse_array(current($ar));
        }
        if (current($ar)->current()->isActive()) {
            // do something
        }
        next($ar);
    }
    // do something after recursion
}
?>
    
```

Filtering

Solution to filter the incoming data

- ☞ Unaccepted data simply needs to be skipped
- ☞ Do not accept inactive menu elements
- ☞ Using a FilterIterator

```
interface MenuItem
{
    // ...

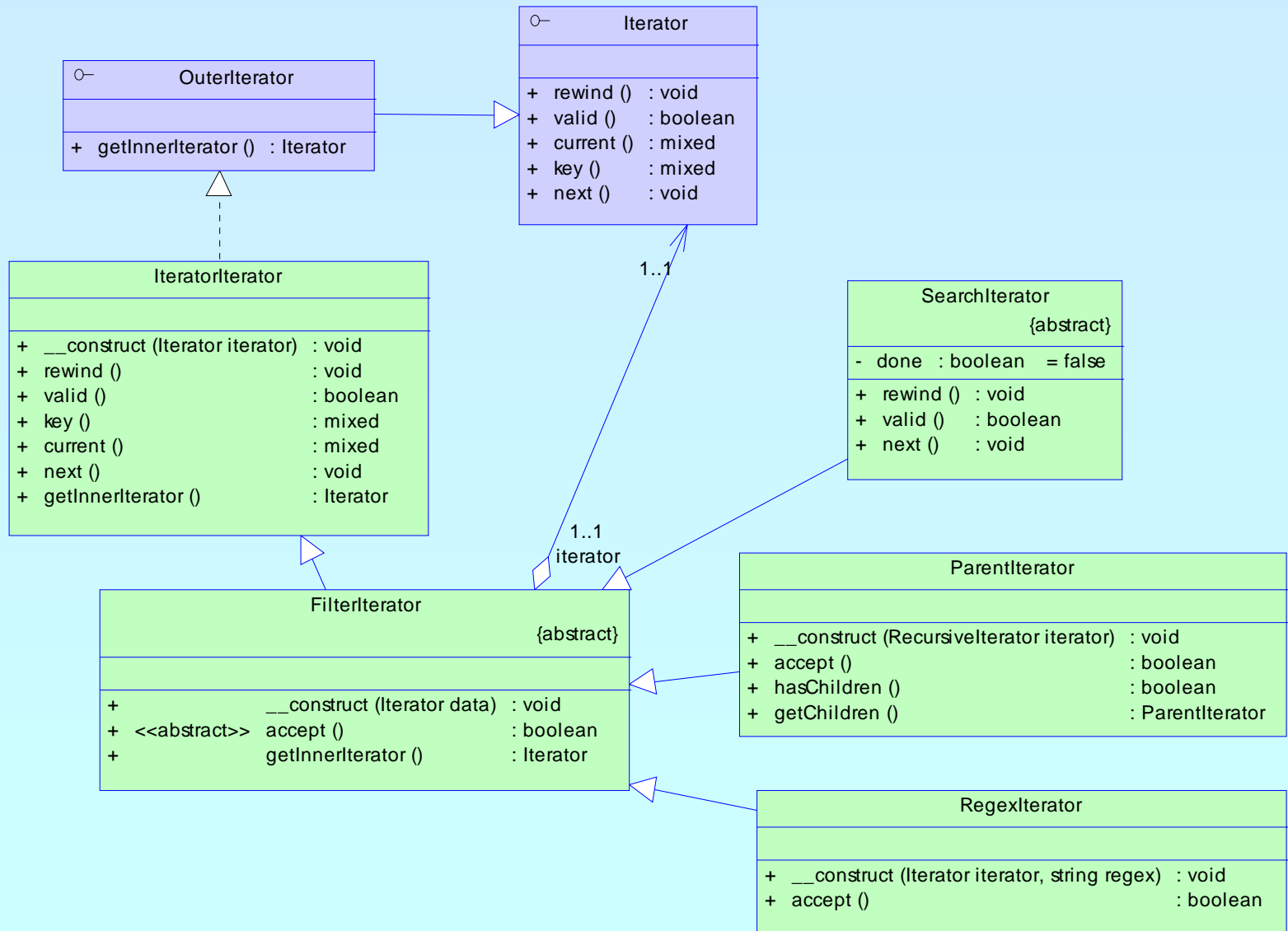
    function isActive() // return true if active
    function isVisible() // return true if visible
}
```


FilterIterator

- ☑ FilterIterator is an abstract OuterIterator
 - ☑ Constructor takes an Iterator (called inner iterator)
 - ☑ Any iterator operation is executed on the inner iterator
 - ☑ For every element `accept()` is called
Inside the call `current()/key()` are valid
 - ➔ All you have to do is implement `accept()`

- ☑ RecursiveFilterIterator is also available

FilterIterator



```
<?php
$a = array(1, 2, 5, 8);
$i = new EvenFilter(new MyIterator($a));
foreach($i as $key => $val) {
    echo "$key => $val \n";
}
?>
```

```
1 => 2
3 => 8
```

```
<?php
class EvenFilter extends FilterIterator {
    function __construct(Iterator $i) {
        parent::__construct($i); }
    function accept() {
        return $this->current() % 2 == 0; }
}
class MyIterator implements Iterator {
    function __construct($ar) {
        $this->ar = $ar; }
    function rewind() {
        reset($this->ar); }
    function valid() {
        return !is_null(key($this->ar)); }
    function current() {
        return current($this->ar); }
    function key() {
        return key($this->ar); }
    function next() {
        next($this->ar); }
}
?>
```



Filtering



Using a Filter Iterator

```
<?php
class MenuFilter extends RecursiveFilterIterator
{
    function __construct(Menu $m) {
        parent::__construct($m);
    }
    function accept() {
        return $this->current()->isVisible();
    }
    function hasChildren() {
        return $this->current()->hasChildren()
            && $this->current()->isActive();
    }
    function getChildren() {
        return new MenuFilter(
            $this->current()->getChildren());
    }
}
?>
```

Putting it together



Make MenuOutput operate on MenuItem

- ☞ Pass a Menu to the constructor (guarded by type hint)
- ☞ Create a MenuItem from the Menu
- ☞ MenuItem implements RecursiveIterator
- ☞ We could also use a special MenuItem/Menu proxy
- ☞ We could also have Menu as an interface of MenuItem

```
class MenuOutput extends RecursiveIteratorIterator
{
    function __construct(Menu $m) {
        parent::__construct(new MenuItem($m));
    }
    function beginChildren() {
        echo "<ul >\n";
    }
    function endChildren() {
        echo "</ul >\n";
    }
}
```



What now

- ☑ If your menu structure comes from a database
- ☑ If your menu structure comes from XML
 - ☞ You have to change Menu or provide an alternative to MenuLoadArray
 - ☞ Detection of recursion works differently

 - ☞ No single change in MenuOutput needed
 - ☞ No single change in MenuFilter needed

Using PDO

☑ Change Menu to read from database

- ☞ PDO supports Iterator based access
- ☞ PDO can create and read into objects
- ☞ PDO is integrated since PHP 5.1

```
<?php
$db = new PDO("mysql://...");
$stmt = $db->prepare("SELECT ... FROM Menu ...", "Menu");
foreach($stmt->execute() as $m) {
    // fetch now returns Menu instances
    echo $m; // call $m->__toString()
}
?>
```

Using XML

- ☑ Change Menu to inherit from SimpleXMLIterator
 - ☑ Which is already a RecursiveIterator
 - ☑ We need to make it create Menu instances for children

```

class Menu extends SimpleXMLIterator
{
    static function factory($xml)
    {
        return simplexml_load_string($xml, 'Menu');
    }
    function isActive() {
        return $this['active']; // access attribute
    }
    function isVisible() {
        return $this['visible']; // access attribute
    }
    // getChildren already returns Menu instances
}
    
```



Speaking of XML

- ☑ SPL makes SimpleXML recursion aware
 - ☑ Use `simpl exml _l oad_(fi l e|stri ng)` with 2nd param

```
<?php
```

```
$xml = simpl exml _l oad_fi l e($argv[1], ' Si mpl eXm l I t e r a t o r ' );
```

```
foreach(new Re c u r s i v e l t e r a t o r I t e r a t o r ($xml ) as $e)
```

```
{
```

```
    i f (i s s e t ($e[ ' h r e f ' ]))
```

```
    {
```

```
        e c h o $e[ ' h r e f ' ] . "\n";
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```

```
?>
```

Speaking of XML

- ☑ SPL makes SimpleXML recursion aware
 - ☑ Use `simplexml_load_(file|string)` with 2nd param
 - ☑ Or `SimpleXMLElement` direct by constructor

```
<?php
```

```
$xml = new SimpleXMLElement($argv[1], 0, true);
```

```
foreach(new RecursiveIteratorIterator($xml) as $e)
{
    if (isset($e['href']))
    {
        echo $e['href'] . "\n";
    }
}
```

```
?>
```

Another example

- ☑ An OuterIterator may not pass data from its InnerIterator directly

- ☑ Provide a 404 handler that looks for similar pages
 - ☑ Use RecursiveDirectoryIterator to test all files
 - ☑ Use FileIterator to skip all files with low similarity

 - ☑ Sort by similarity -> convert iterated data into an array

Looking for files

- ☑ In PHP 4 you would use standard directory funcs

```
function search($path, $search, $limit, &$files) {
    if ($dir = @opendir($path)) {
        while (($found = readdir($dir) !== false) {
            switch filetype("$path/$found")) {
                case 'file':
                    if (($s = similarity($search, $found)) >= $limit) {
                        $files["$path/$found"] = $s;
                    }
                    break;
                case 'dir':
                    if ($found != '.' && $found != '..') {
                        search("$path/$found", $search, $limit, $files);
                    }
                    break;
            }
        }
        closedir($dir);
    }
}
```

Looking for files

- ☑ PHP 5 offers RecursiveDirectoryIterator

```

class FindSimilar extends FilterIterator {
    protected $search, $limit, $key;
    function __construct($root, $search, $limit) {
        parent::__construct(
            new RecursiveIteratorIterator(
                new RecursiveDirectoryIterator($root)));
        $this->search = $search;
        $this->limit = min(max(0, $limit), 100); // percentage
    }
    function current() {
        return similarity($this->search, $this->current());
    }
    function key() {
        return $this->getSubPathname(); // $root stripped out
    }
    function accept() {
        return $this->isFile() && $this->current() >= $this->limit;
    }
}
    
```

Looking for files

☑ Filtering the RecursiveDirectoryIterator

```

class FindSimilar extends FilterIterator {
    protected $search, $limit, $key;
    function __construct($root, $search, $limit) {
        parent::__construct(
            new RecursiveIteratorIterator(
                new RecursiveDirectoryIterator($root)));
        $this->search = $search;
        $this->limit = min(max(0, $limit), 100); // percentage
    }
    function current() {
        return similarity($this->search, $this->current());
    }
    function key() {
        return $this->getSubPathname(); // $root stripped out
    }
    function accept() {
        return $this->isFile() && $this->current() >= $this->limit;
    }
}
    
```



Error404.php

- ☑ Displaying alternatives in an error 404 handler

```
<html >
<head><title>File not found</title></head>
<body>
<?php
if (array_key_exists('missing', $_REQUEST)) {
    $missing = urldecode($_REQUEST['missing']);
    url_split($missing, $protocol, $host, $path, $ext, $query);
    $it = new FindSimilar($path);
    $files = iterator_to_array($it, $missing, 35);
    asort($files);
    foreach($files as $file => $similarity) {
        echo "<a href=' " . $file . "' >";
        echo $file . " [" . $similarity . "%]</a><br/>";
    }
    if (!count($files)) {
        echo "No alternatives were found\n";
    }
}
?>
</body>
</html >
```

Error404.php

- ☑ Sorting requires iterator to array conversion

```

<html >
<head><title>File not found</title></head>
<body>
<?php
if (array_key_exists('missing', $_REQUEST)) {
    $missing = urldecode($_REQUEST['missing']);
    url_split($missing, $protocol, $host, $path, $ext, $query);
    $it = new FindSimilar($path);
    $files = iterator_to_array($it, $missing, 35);
    asort($files);
    foreach($files as $file => $similarity) {
        echo "<a href=' " . $file . "' >";
        echo $file . " [" . $similarity . "%]</a><br/>";
    }
    if (!count($files)) {
        echo "No alternatives were found\n";
    }
}
?>
</body>
</html >
    
```



More Iterators pliezzze

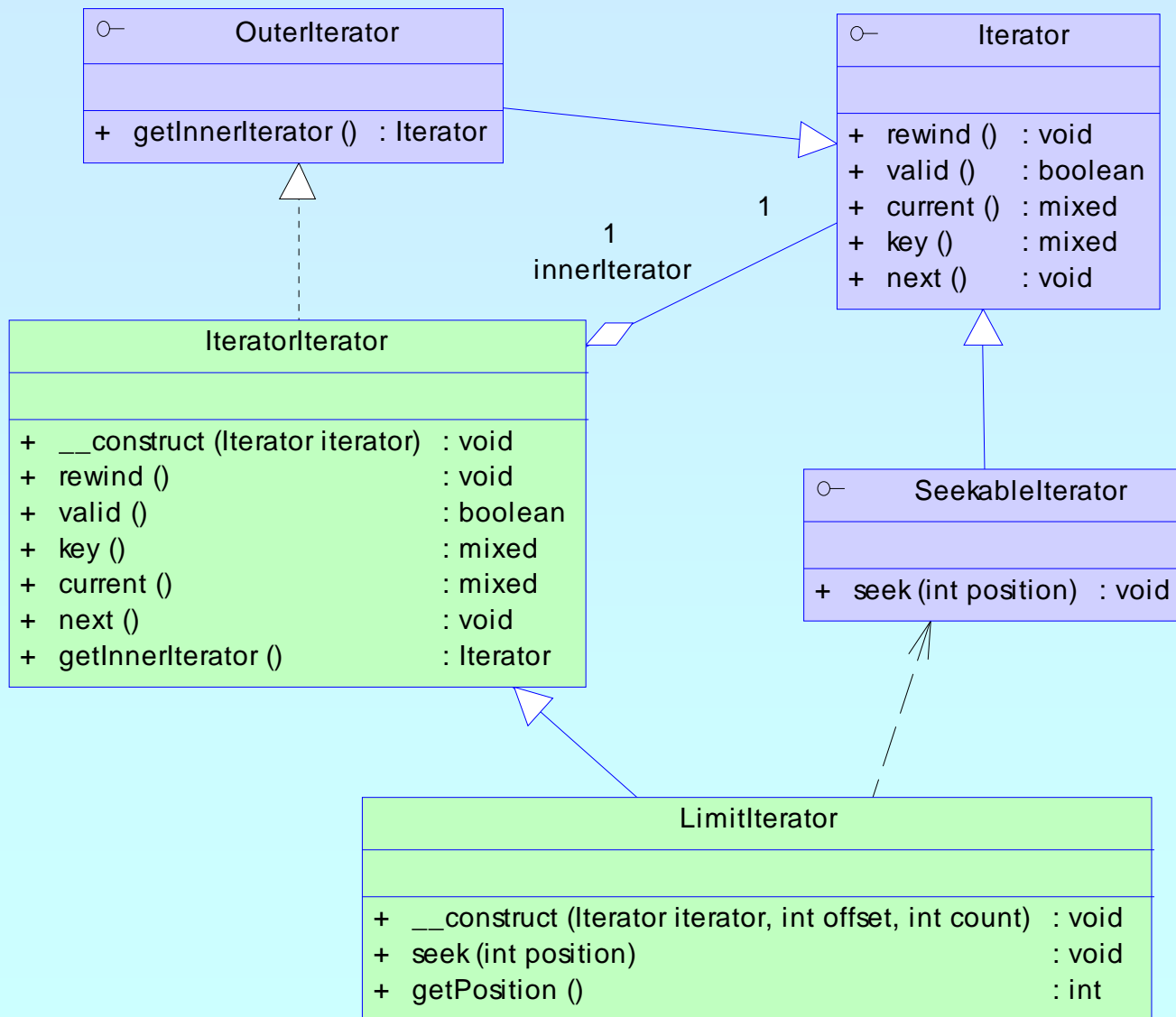
Limiting iterators

- ☑ **LimitIterator** allows to limit the returned values

Compareable to **LIMIT** of some SQL dialects

- ☑ You can specify the start offset
- ☑ You can specify the number of returned values
- ☑ When the inner Iterator is a **SeekableIterator** then method `seek` will be used. Otherwise seek operation will be manually.

Limiting iterators



Limits of the LimitIterator

- ☑ Here using LimitIterator != limited use

```
<html >
<head><title>File not found</title></head>
<body>
<?php
if (array_key_exists('missing', $_REQUEST)) {
    $missing = urldecode($_REQUEST['missing']);
    url_split($missing, $protocol, $host, $path, $ext, $query);
    $it = new FindSimilar($path);
    $it = new LimitIterator($it, 10);
    $files = iterator_to_array($it, $missing, 35);
    asort($files);
    foreach($files as $file => $similarity) {
        echo "<a href=' " . $file . "' >";
        echo $file . " [" . $similarity . "%]</a><br/>";
    }
    if (!count($files)) {
        echo "No alternatives were found\n";
    }
}
?>
</body>
</html >
```

Appending Iterators

- ☑ **AppendIterator** allows to concatenate Iterators

Comparable to SQL clause **UNION**

- ☑ Uses a private **ArrayIterator** to store Iterators

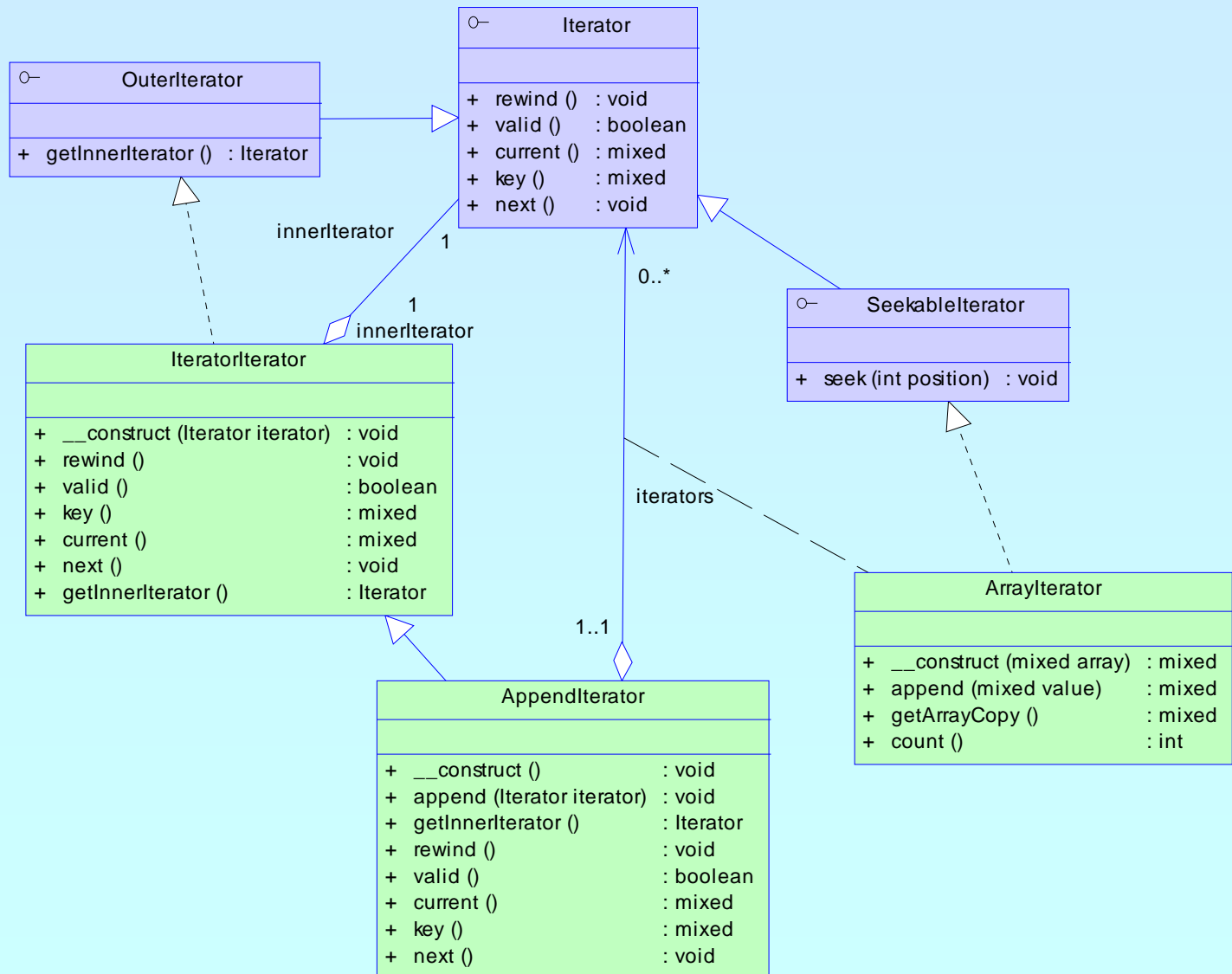
- ☑ **AppendIterator::append(\$it)**

- ☑ allows to append iterators

- ☑ does not call `rewind()`

- ☑ if `$this` is invalid `$this` will move to appended iterator

Appending Iterators



Getting rid of rewind

- ☑ **NoRewindIterator** allows to omit rewind calls

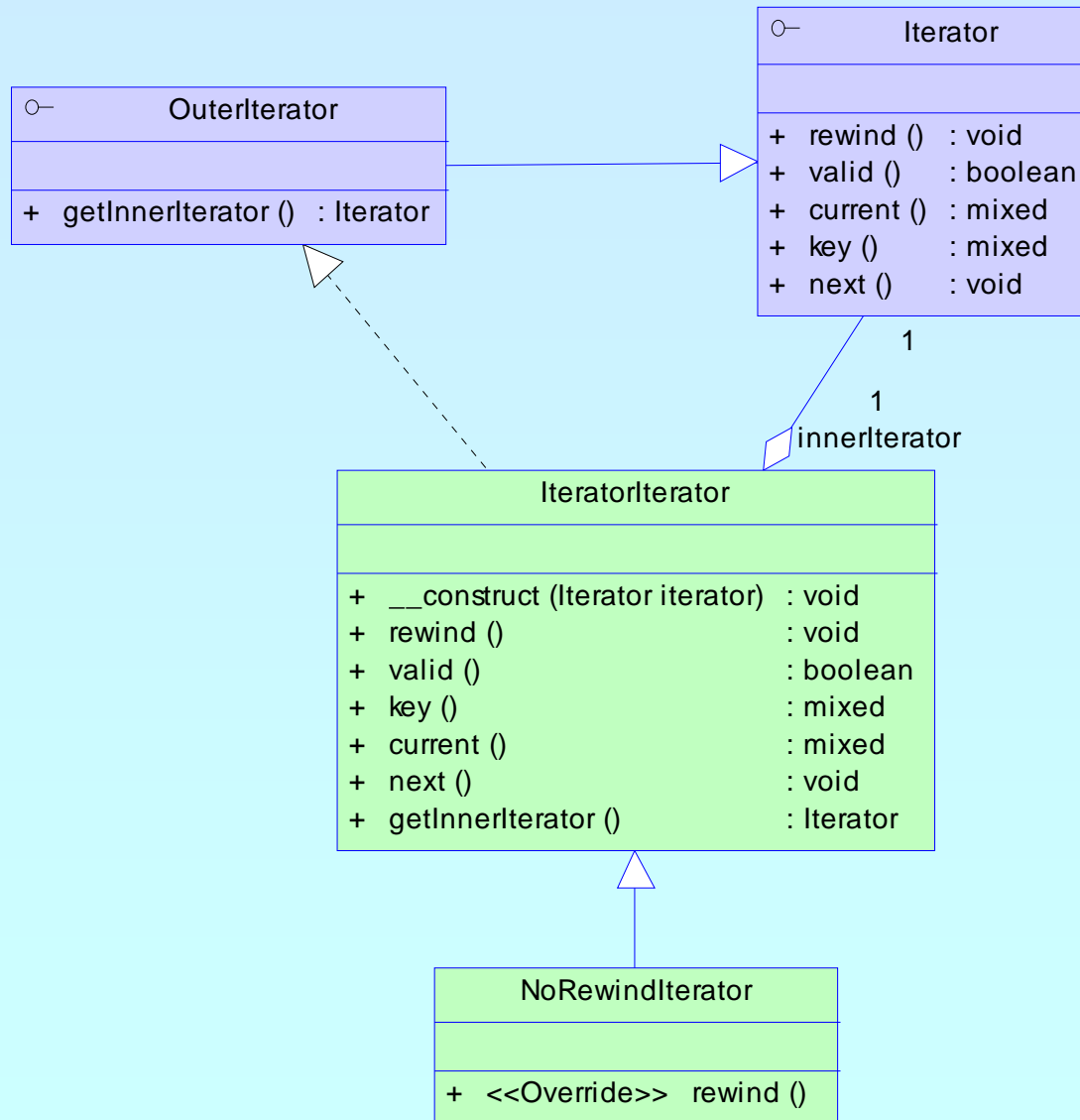
Especially helpful when appending with

- ☑ **ArrayObject::append()**
- ☑ **ArrayIterator::append()**
- ☑ **AppendIterator::append()**

if your code would otherwise force a `rewind()`

Also helpful when skipping a head part of iteration

Getting rid of rewind()



Limit and no rewind

- ☑ Example: Show the n-th set of filtered data

```
$input = array(0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9); $len = 2; $set = 1;
```

```
class EvenFilter extends FilterIterator
{
    function accept() {
        return $this->current() % 2 == 0;
    }
}
```

```
$ar = new EvenFilter(new ArrayIterator($input));
$ar->rewind();
$ar = new NoRewindIterator($ar);
while(--$set >= 0) {
    foreach(new LimitIterator($ar, 0, $len) as $v) ;
}
```

```
foreach(new LimitIterator($ar, 0, $len) as $v) {
    echo "$v\n";
}
```



Limit and no rewind

- ☑ Provide Input data and a filter

```
$input = array(0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9); $len = 2; $set = 1;
```

```
class EvenFilter extends FilterIterator
{
    function accept() {
        return $this->current() % 2 == 0;
    }
}
```

```
$ar = new EvenFilter(new ArrayIterator($input));
$ar->rewind();
$ar = new NoRewindIterator($ar);
while(--$set >= 0) {
    foreach(new LimitIterator($ar, 0, $len) as $v) ;
}
```

```
foreach(new LimitIterator($ar, 0, $len) as $v) {
    echo "$v\n";
}
```



Limit and no rewind

- ☑ Must rewind before wrapping in NoRewindIterator

```
$input = array(0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9); $len = 2; $set = 1;
```

```
class EvenFilter extends FilterIterator
{
    function accept() {
        return $this->current() % 2 == 0;
    }
}
```

```
$ar = new EvenFilter(new ArrayIterator($input));
```

```
$ar->rewind();
```

```
$ar = new NoRewindIterator($ar);
```

```
while(--$set >= 0) {
    foreach(new LimitIterator($ar, 0, $len) as $v) ;
}
```

```
foreach(new LimitIterator($ar, 0, $len) as $v) {
    echo "$v\n";
}
```



Limit and no rewind

☑ Skip top n-1 sets

```
$input = array(0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9); $len = 2; $set = 1;
```

```
class EvenFilter extends FilterIterator
{
    function accept() {
        return $this->current() % 2 == 0;
    }
}
```

```
$ar = new EvenFilter(new ArrayIterator($input));
$ar->rewind();
$ar = new NoRewindIterator($ar);
while(--$set >= 0) {
    foreach(new LimitIterator($ar, 0, $len) as $v) ;
}
```

```
foreach(new LimitIterator($ar, 0, $len) as $v) {
    echo "$v\n";
}
```



Limit and no rewind

☑ Showing/Using remaining data (n-th set)

```
$input = array(0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9); $len = 2; $set = 1;
```

```
class EvenFilter extends FilterIterator
{
    function accept() {
        return $this->current() % 2 == 0;
    }
}
```

```
$ar = new EvenFilter(new ArrayIterator($input));
$ar->rewind();
$ar = new NoRewindIterator($ar);
while(--$set >= 0) {
    foreach(new LimitIterator($ar, 0, $len) as $v) ;
}
```

```
foreach(new LimitIterator($ar, 0, $len) as $v) {
    echo "$v\n";
}
```

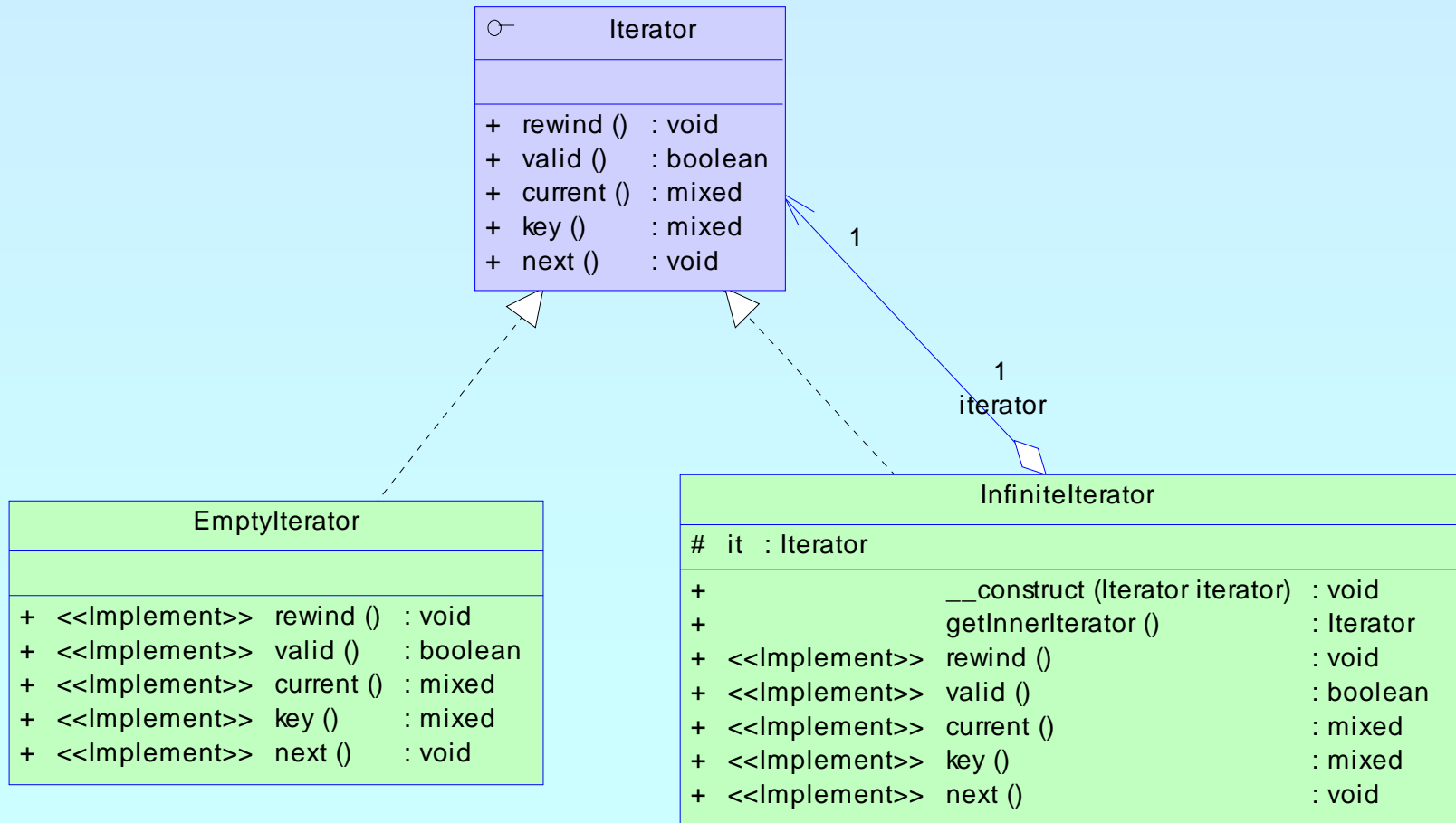


Vacuity & Infinity

Sometimes it is helpful to have

- ☑ **EmptyIterator** as a placeholder for no data
- ☑ **InfiniteIterator** to endlessly repeat data in an iterator

Vacuity & Infinity



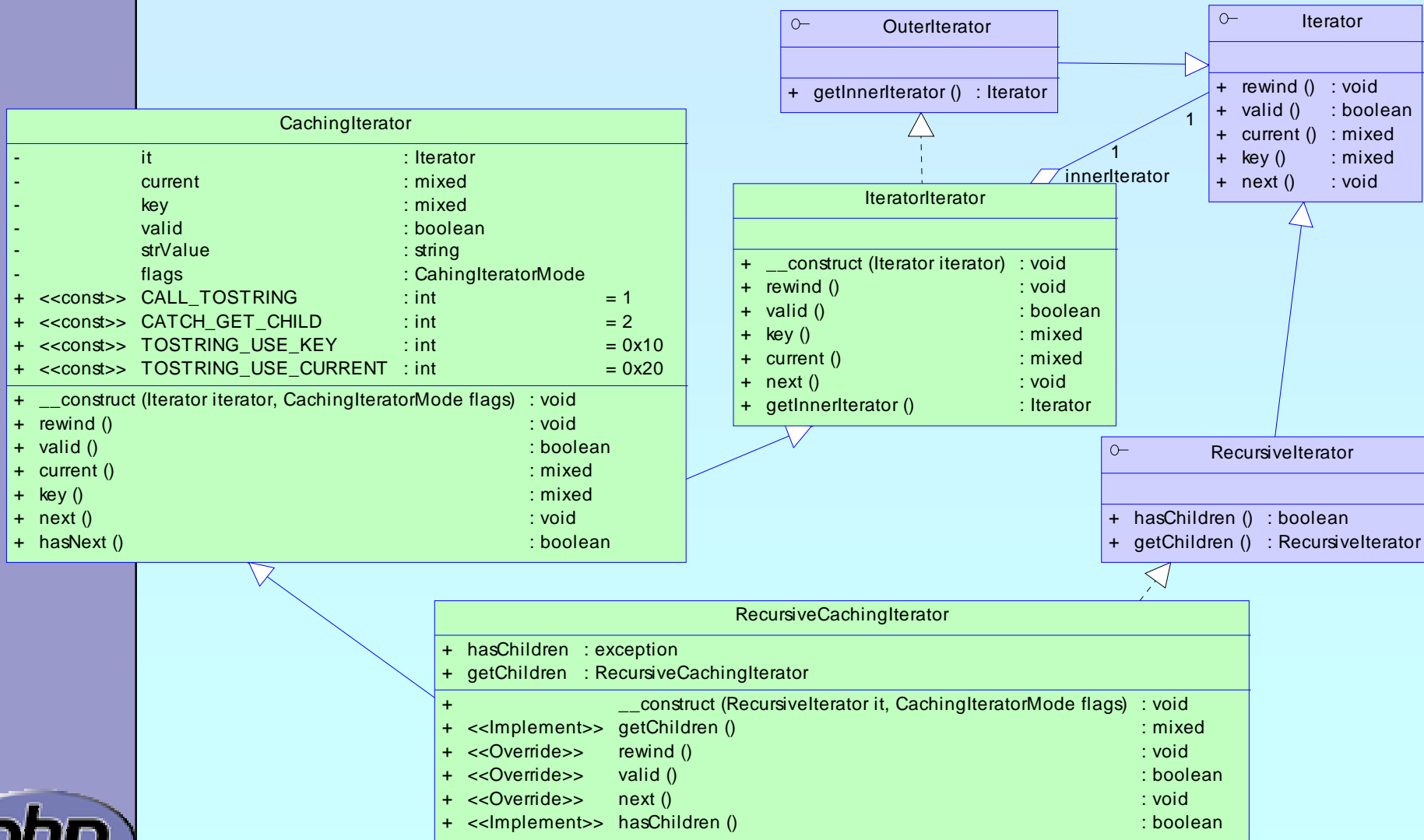
hasNext ?

- ☑ **CachingIterator** caches the current element
 - ☑ This allows to know whether one more value exists

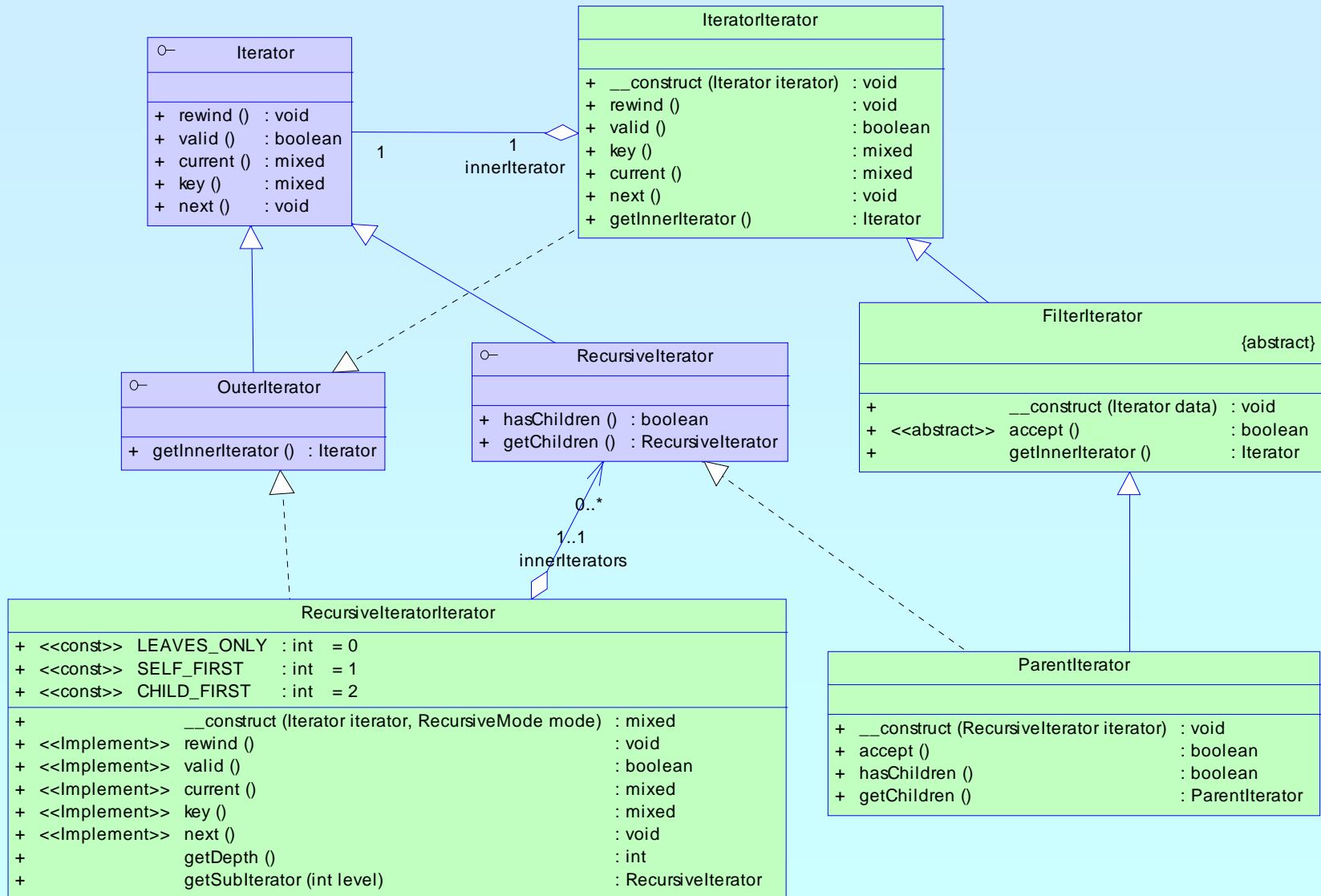
- ☑ **RecursiveCachingIterator** does this recursively
 - ☑ This allows to draw tree graphics

```
marcus@frodo /usr/src/php-cvs $ php ext/spl/examples/tree.php ext/spl
ext/spl
|-CVS
|-examples
|  |-CVS
|  \-tests
|     \-CVS
\--tests
    \-CVS
```


hasNext ?



Parents only



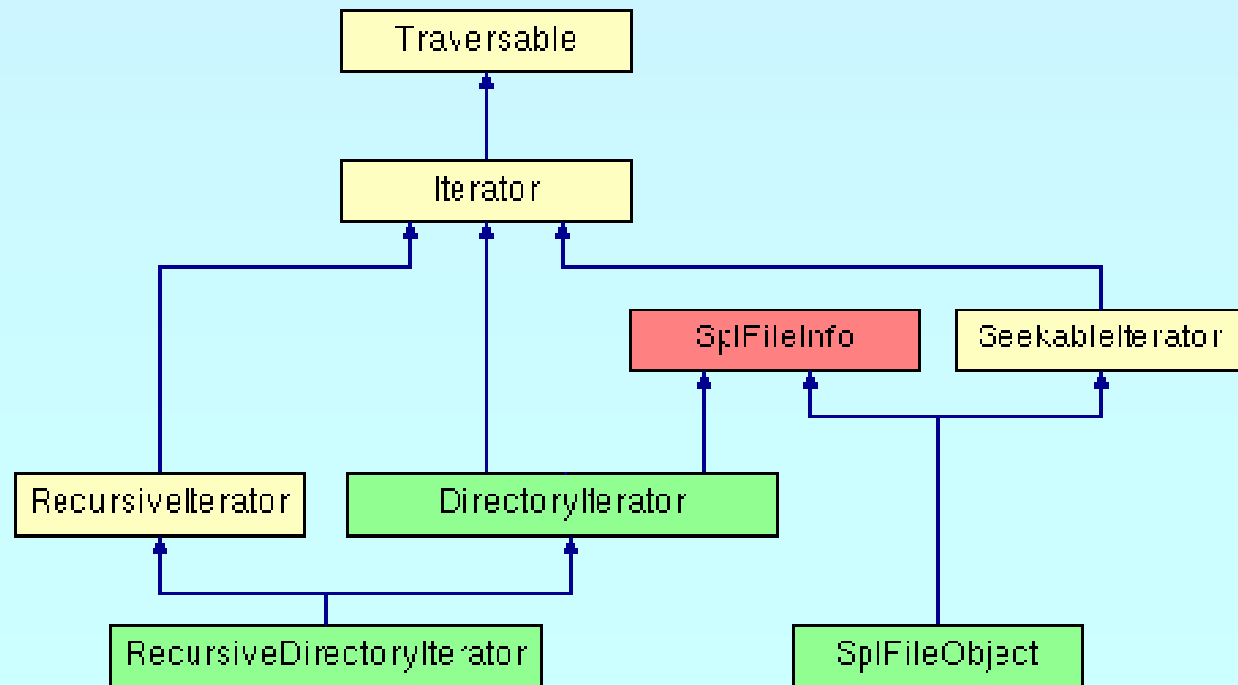
Conclusion so far

- ☑ Iterators require a new way of programming
- ☑ Iterators allow to implement algorithms abstracted from data
- ☑ Iterators promote code reuse
- ☑ Some things are already in SPL
 - ☑ Filtering
 - ☑ Handling recursion
 - ☑ Limiting

Files & Directories

File and directory handling

- ☑ SplFileInfo is the *filesystem information* base class
 - ☑ getATime, getCTime, getMTime, isDir, isFile, isLink
 - ☑ getFilename, getPath, getPathname
 - ☑ getPerms, getOwner, getINode, getType
 - ☑ getFileInfo, getPathInfo
 - ☑ openFile



File and directory handling

```

class SplFileInfo {
    private $fname;

    function __construct($file_name) {
        $this->fname = $file_name;
    }

    function getFilename() {return basename($this->fname); }
    function getPath()      {return dirname($this->fname); }
    function getPathname() {return $this->fname; }
    function __toString()  {return $this->getPathname(); }

    function isDir()        {return is_dir($this->fname); }
    function isFile()       {return is_file($this->fname); }
    function isLink()       {return is_link($this->fname); }
    function getATime()     {return fileATime($this->fname); }
    function getCTime()     {return fileCTime($this->fname); }
    function getMTime()     {return fileMTime($this->fname); }
    function getSize()      {return filesize($this->fname); }
    // more file functions

```



File and directory handling

```
class SplFileInfo {
    // continued
    private $info_class = 'SplFileInfo';
    private $file_class = 'SplFileObject';

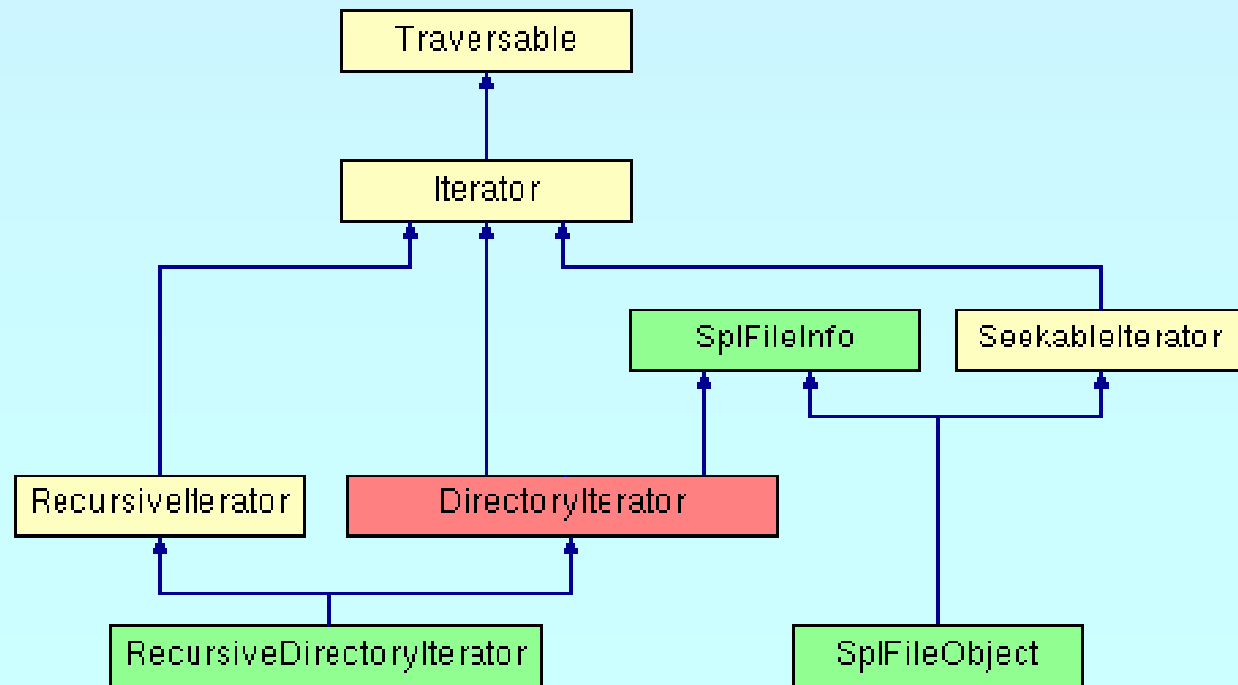
    function getFileInfo($class_name = NULL) {
        if (!isset($class)) $class = $this->info_class;
        $r = new ReflectionClass($class);
        return $r->newInstance($this->getFilename());
    }

    function openFile($mode = 'r') {
        $r = new ReflectionClass($this->file_class);
        return $r->newInstance($this->getFilename(), $mode);
    }

    function setFileClass($class_name) {
        if ($class_name instanceof SplFileInfo)
            $this->file_class = $class_name;
    }
}
```

File and directory handling

- ☑ DirectoryIterator for non recursive dir handling
 - ☑ `current()` returns `$this`
 - ☑ `key()` returns numeric index
 - ☑ `isDot()` returns whether current entry is `'.'` or `'..'`



File and directory handling

☑ RecursiveDirectoryIterator goes into subdirs

☑ Supports different modes for key() and current()

CURRENT_AS_SELF = 0

KEY_AS_PATHNAME = 0

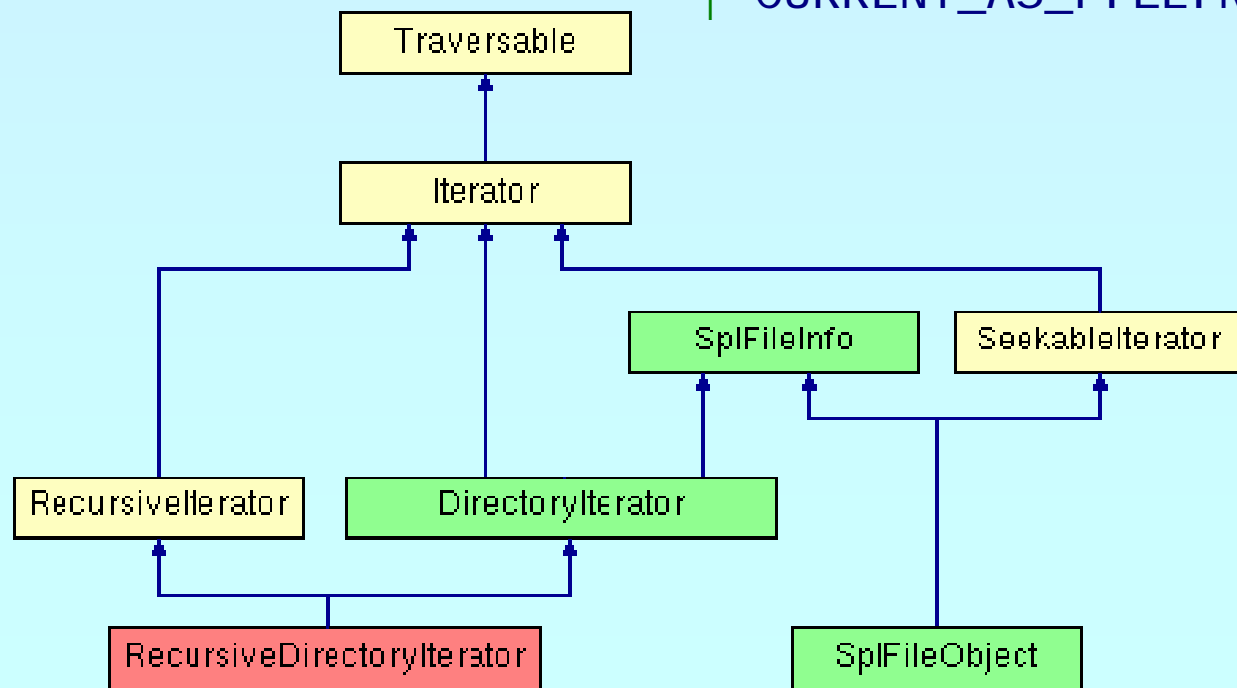
CURRENT_AS_PATHNAME

KEY_AS_FILENAME

CURRENT_AS_FILEINFO

NEW_CURRENT_AND_KEY = KEY_AS_FILENAME

CURRENT_AS_FILEINFO



Putting it to the tree?

- ☑ Example: Retrieving the hierarchy of a filesystem

```
marcus@frodo /usr/src/php-cvs $ php ext/spl/examples/tree.php ext/spl
ext/spl
|-CVS
|-examples
|  |-CVS
|  \-tests
|     \-CVS
\--tests
    \-CVS
```

- ☑ Need to recursively iterate over the filesystem
 - ➔ RecursiveDirectoryIterator
- ☑ Efficiently ignore files
 - ➔ ParentIterator
- ☑ On each level check whether more elements exist
 - ➔ CacheIterator

Providing structure

```

class DirectoryTreeIterator
    extends RecursiveIteratorIterator
{
    function __construct($path) {
        parent::__construct(new RecursiveCachingIterator(
            new RecursiveDirectoryIterator($path,
                RecursiveDirectoryIterator::KEY_AS_FILENAME),
            CachingIterator::CALL_TOSTRING),
            parent::SELF_FIRST);
    }

    function current() {
        $cur = "";
        for ($i = 0; $i < $this->getDepth(); $i++) {
            $cur .= $this->getSubIterator($i)->hasNext()
                ? "|" : " ";
        }
        $i = $this->getSubIterator($i);
        return $cur . ($i->hasNext() ? "|-" : "\-") . (string)$i;
    }
}
    
```

Like pieces of a puzzle

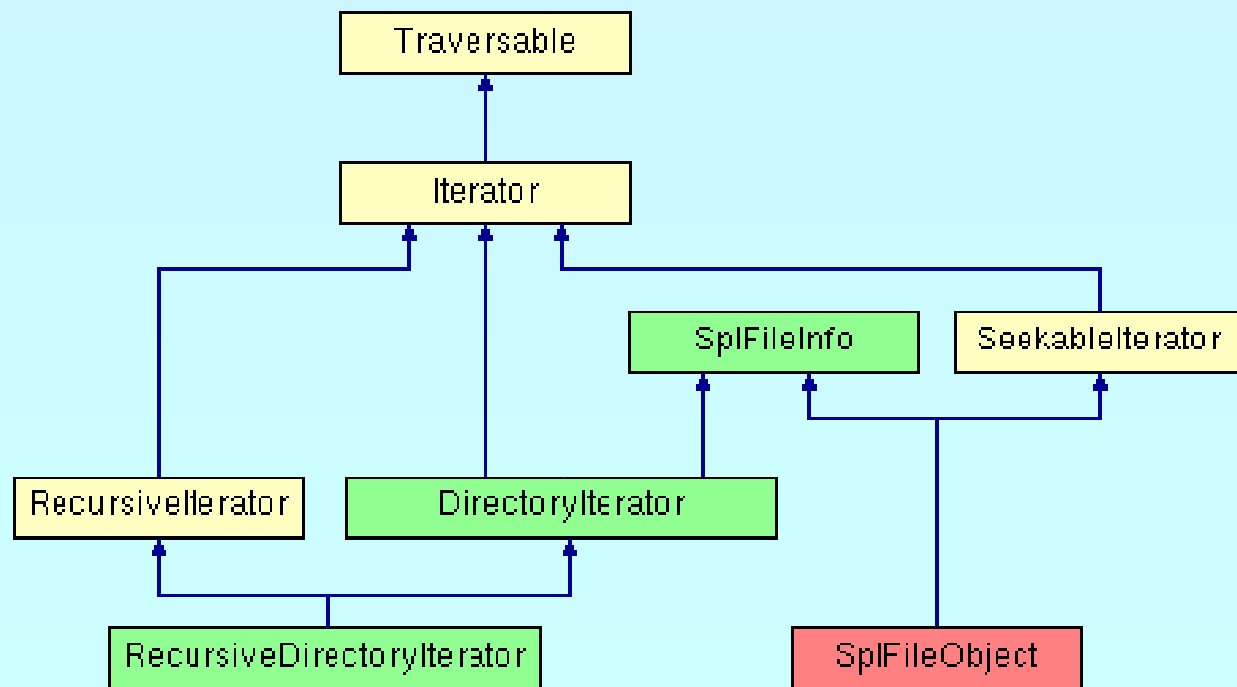
- ☑ Apply ParentIterator as filter

```
class DirectoryGraphIterator
    extends DirectoryTreeIterator
{
    function __construct($path)
    {
        parent::__construct(new RecursiveCachingIterator(
            new ParentIterator(
                new RecursiveDirectoryIterator($path,
                    RecursiveDirectoryIterator::KEY_AS_FILENAME),
                CachingIterator::CALL_TOSTRING),
            parent::SELF_FIRST);
    }
}

foreach(new DirectoryGraphIterator($argv[1]) as $file) {
    echo $file . "\n";
}
```

File and directory handling

- ☑ SplFileObject allows to access files as an iterator
 - ☑ Allows to skip empty lines
 - ☑ Allows to retrieve lines as csv (5.2, 5.1.4?)



At Last some Hints

- ✓ Reflection of a built-in class
`php --rc <Class>`

- ✓ Reflection of a loaded extension
`php --re <Extension>`

- ✓ List of all SPL classes
`php -r 'print_r(array_keys(spl_classes()));'`

THANK YOU



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SPL Documentation

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