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Jane is a set of libraries to generate Models & API Clients based on JsonSchema / OpenAPI specs by following high quality PHP code guidelines and respecting common & advanced PSR.

- *Json Schema*
- *OpenAPI*
- *AutoMapper*

Backwards compatibility

Backwards compatibility is an important topic. Those libraries follow Semver, so backwards compatibility will only break between major versions. This library may use deprecations notices to inform you of the change, but it's a low probability, you should always check the CHANGELOG when switching to a new major version.

1.1 JsonSchema and OpenAPI

Those libraries generate code and should not be used in runtime. Also, there is no need to extends or use this code in another libraries. The only thing used, is the command line.

So there is no BC promise on those libraries, you can consider that everything is internal. The only BC promise is about the command line, and the generated code.

1.2 Generated Code

Code generated fall under our BC Promise, but only the public and protected API of the generated code. When a method of a class is generated, its signature will not change with minor release, but it's implementation may change, however a private method can have its signature updated. Behavior of the implementation should not change between minor releases unless behavior is buggy.

No class will be removed between minor versions, but there can be new classes added.

1.3 Runtime Libraries

JsonSchema Runtime and OpenAPI Runtime libraries have a standard BC Promise.

This documentation describes how JsonSchema & OpenAPI Jane libraries work to generate the code. It is mainly oriented for people wanting to contribute to these libraries.

These libraries are based on 3 different steps:

2.1 Guessing

First step is to guess a set of metadata given a specification (JsonSchema or OpenAPI at the time of writing this). To do so, it will read the specification, transform it into objects and pass it to guessers implementing one of the `GuesserInterface`.

Each guesser tells if it supports the current specification and returns metadata. Occasionally, it will try to guess sub-objects of the specification.

2.2 Analyzing

Once all metadata are guessed, they are passed to a set of generators implementing the `GeneratorInterface` given a `Context`.

Then, each generator will analyze the metadata and create PHP code by using the [PHP Parser Library](#). Using the library improves the flexibility to create complex code, as using a template generator solution.

`Context` provides a lot of functions to generate code, like using unique variable names in a scope or adding generated files.

2.3 Generation

When the code is ready, the `Context` is read to generate PHP files and optionally format it with [PHP CS Fixer](#) if available.

CHAPTER 3

Json Schema

Jane JsonSchema is a library to generate models and serializers in PHP from a [JSON Schema](#) draft v4.

3.1 Installation

Add this library with composer as a dev dependency:

```
composer require --dev jane-php/json-schema "^5.0"
```

This library contains a lot of dependencies to be able to generate code which are not needed on runtime. However, the generated code depends on other libraries and a few classes that are available through the runtime package. It is highly recommended to add the runtime dependency as a requirement through composer:

```
composer require jane-php/json-schema-runtime "^5.0"
```

By default, generated code is not formatted, to make it compliant to PSR2 standard and others format norms, you can add the [PHP CS Fixer](#) library to your dev dependencies (and it makes it easier to debug!):

```
composer require --dev friendsofphp/php-cs-fixer
```


CHAPTER 4

Generating a Model

This library provided a PHP console application to generate the Model, you can use it by executing the following command at the root of your project:

```
php vendor/bin/jane generate
```

This command will try to read a config file named `.jane` located on the current working directory. However, you can name it as you like and use the `--config-file` option to specify its location and name:

```
php vendor/bin/jane generate --config-file=jane-configuration.php
```

Note: No others options can be passed to this command. Having a config file ensure that a team working on the project always use the same set of parameters and, when it changes, give vision of the new option used to generate the code.

4.1 Configuration file

The configuration file consists of a simple PHP script returning an array:

```
<?php

return [
    'json-schema-file' => __DIR__ . '/json-schema.json',
    'root-class' => 'MyModel',
    'namespace' => 'Vendor\Library\Generated',
    'directory' => __DIR__ . '/generated',
];
```

This example shows the minimum configuration required to generate a Model:

- `json-schema-file`: Specify the location of your json schema file, it can be a local file or a remote one `https://my.domain.com/my-schema.json`

- `root-class`: The root class of the root object defined in your json schema, if there is no property on the root object it will not be used
- `namespace`: Root namespace of all of your generated code
- `directory`: Directory where the code will be generated at

Given this configuration you will need to add the following configuration to composer, in order to load the generated files:

```
"autoload": {
    "psr-4": {
        "Vendor\\Library\\Generated\\": "generated/"
    }
}
```

4.2 Options

Other options are available to customize the generated code:

- `reference`: A boolean which indicate to add the support for [JSON Reference](#) into the generated code.
- `date-format`: A date format to specify how the generated code should encode and decode `\DateTime` object to string
- `use-fixer`: A boolean which indicate if we make a first cs-fix after code generation, is disabled by default.
- `fixer-config-file`: A string to specify where to find the custom configuration for the cs-fixer after code generation, will remove all Jane default cs-fixer default configuration.
- `clean-generated`: A boolean which indicate if we clean generated output before generating new files, is enabled by default.
- `use-cacheable-supports-method`: A boolean which indicate if we use `CacheableSupportsMethodInterface` interface to improve caching performances when used with Symfony Serializer.

4.3 Multi schemas

Jane JsonSchema can also generate multiple schemas at the same time with different namespaces and directories, allowing to handle JSON References on others schemas.

See [Multi schemas generation](#) for more information

CHAPTER 5

Using a generated Model

This library generates basics P.O.P.O. objects (Plain Old PHP Objects) with a bunch of setters / getters. It also generates all normalizers to handle denormalization from a json string, and normalization.

All normalizers respect the `Symfony\Component\Serializer\Normalizer\NormalizerInterface` and `Symfony\Component\Serializer\Normalizer\DenormalizerInterface` from the [Symfony Serializer Component](#).

It also generate a `JaneObjectNormalizer` class that will act as an usual Symfony Normalizer.

Given this configuration:

```
<?php

return [
    'json-schema-file' => __DIR__ . '/json-schema.json',
    'root-class' => 'MyModel',
    'namespace' => 'Vendor\Library\Generated',
    'directory' => __DIR__ . '/generated',
];
```

You will have to do this:

```
<?php

$normalizers = [
    new Symfony\Component\Serializer\Normalizer\ArrayDenormalizer(),
    new Vendor\Library\Generated\Normalizer\JaneObjectNormalizer(),
];
$encoders = [new Symfony\Component\Serializer\Encoder\JsonEncoder(
    new
    ↳Symfony\Component\Serializer\Encoder\JsonEncode([Symfony\Component\Serializer\Encoder\JsonEncode:::
    ↳=> \JSON_UNESCAPED_SLASHES]),
    new
    ↳Symfony\Component\Serializer\Encoder\JsonDecode([Symfony\Component\Serializer\Encoder\JsonDecode:::
    ↳=> false])],
```

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```
];  
  
$serializer = new Symfony\Component\Serializer\Serializer($normalizers, $encoders);  
$serializer->deserialize('{...}');
```

This serializer will be able to encode and decode every data respecting your json schema specification.

Note: Take note that we don't use classic defaults for `JsonEncode` and `JsonDecode`. Using `JSON_UNESCAPED_SLASHES` only makes sense if you can have JSON References in your data (not specification). However, using `false` for `JsonDecode` (which means not using associative array but `\stdClass` instead) is mandatory.

As an example of why it's mandatory, a JSON Schema could contain the following valid specification:

```
{  
  "type": "object",  
  "properties": {  
    "foo": {  
      "type": ["array", "object"]  
    }  
  }  
}
```

When using associative array, it would be tricky (but feasible) to deal with data inside the array or object (need to detect if all keys are numerical). The main problem comes when dealing with an empty array or object. In this case, there is no possibility to know if it was an array or object, and in some cases, decoding and recoding this value (with no modification) will change the data.

Multi schemas generation

Jane JsonSchema allows to generate multiple schemas at the same time with different namespaces and directories to handle JSON References on others schemas.

6.1 Configuration

In order to use this feature, configuration of the `.jane` file will require a mapping of JSON Schema specification file linked to a root class, namespace and directory.

As an example you may have this:

```
<?php
return [
    'mapping' => [
        __DIR__ . '/schema1.json' => [
            'root-class' => 'Foo',
            'namespace' => 'Vendor\Library\FooSchema',
            'directory' => __DIR__ . '/generated/Schema1',
        ],
        __DIR__ . '/schema2.json' => [
            'root-class' => 'Bar',
            'namespace' => 'Vendor\Library\BarSchema',
            'directory' => __DIR__ . '/generated/Schema2',
        ],
    ],
];
```

Using this configuration, Jane JsonSchema will generate all class of the `schema1.json` and `schema2.json` specification. Also, all references between both schemas will use the specific namespace.

As an example, given that you have the `Foo` object in `schema1.json`:

```
{
    "type": "object",
    "properties": {
        "foo": { "type": "string" }
    }
}
```

And the Bar one in `schema2.json`:

```
{
    "type": "object",
    "properties": {
        "bar": { "$ref": "schema1.json#" }
    }
}
```

The property `bar` of the Bar object will reference the `Vendor\Library\Schema1\Foo` class.

Note: If we don't specify the `schema1.json` in this configuration, Jane JsonSchema will still fetch the specification and generate the `Foo` class. However, it will be under the same namespace (`Vendor\Library\BarSchema`), and will have `BarBar` as the class name, instead of the `Foo` one.

6.2 Usage

In this case, Jane JsonSchema will generate two distinct `NormalizerFactory`, to be able to use references between schemas, you will only need to merge normalizers:

```
<?php

$normalizers = array_merge(
    \Vendor\Library\FooSchema\Normalizer\NormalizerFactory::create(),
    \Vendor\Library\BarSchema\Normalizer\NormalizerFactory::create()
);
```

Jane OpenAPI is a library to generate, in PHP, an http client and its associated models and serializers from a [OpenAPI](#) specification: version 3.

7.1 Compatibility

Jane supports OpenAPI v2 & v3. Depending on your OpenAPI version, you should use following Jane version:

OpenAPI	Jane
v3	^5.0
v2	^4.0

7.2 Installation

Add this library with composer as a dev dependency (replace version depending on what you need):

```
composer require --dev jane-php/open-api "^5.0"
```

This library contains a lot of dependencies, to be able to generate code, which are not needed on runtime. However, the generated code depends on other libraries and a few classes that are available through the runtime package. It is highly recommended to add the runtime dependency as a requirement through composer:

```
composer require jane-php/open-api-runtime "^5.0"
```

By default, generated code is not formatted, to make it compliant to PSR2 standard and others format norms, you can add the [PHP CS Fixer](#) library to your dev dependencies (and it makes it easier to debug!):

```
composer require --dev friendsofphp/php-cs-fixer
```


CHAPTER 8

Generating a Client

This library provided a PHP console application to generate the Model, you can use it by executing the following command at the root of your project:

```
php vendor/bin/jane-openapi generate
```

This command will try to read a config file named `.jane-openapi` located on the current working directory. However, you can name it as you like and use the `--config-file` option to specify its location and name:

```
php vendor/bin/jane-openapi generate --config-file=jane-openapi-configuration.php
```

Note: No others options can be passed to the command. Having a config file ensure that a team working on the project always use the same set of parameters and, when it changes, give vision of the new option used to generate the code.

8.1 Configuration file

The configuration file consists of a simple PHP script returning an array:

```
<?php

return [
    'openapi-file' => __DIR__ . '/openapi.json',
    'namespace' => 'Vendor\Library\Api',
    'directory' => __DIR__ . '/generated',
    'client' => 'psrl8',
];
```

This example shows the minimum configuration required to generate a client:

- `openapi-file`: Specify the location of your OpenApi file, it can be a local file or a remote one `https://my.domain.com/my-api.json`. It can also be a yaml file.

- `namespace`: Root namespace of all of your generated code
- `directory`: Directory where the code will be generated
- `client`: Client to generate (`httpplug` or `psr18`, `httpplug` is deprecated and will be removed in Jane v6.0.0)

Given this configuration, you will need to add the following configuration to composer, in order to load the generated files:

```
"autoload": {  
    "psr-4": {  
        "Vendor\\Library\\Api\\": "generated/"  
    }  
}
```

8.2 Options

Other options are available to customize the generated code:

- `reference`: A boolean which indicate to add the support for [JSON Reference](#) into the generated code.
- `date-format`: A date format to specify how the generated code should encode and decode `\DateTime` object to string
- `strict`: A boolean which indicate strict mode (true by default), not strict mode generate more permissive client not respecting some standards (nullable field as an example) client.
- `use-fixer`: A boolean which indicate if we make a first cs-fix after code generation, is disabled by default.
- `fixer-config-file`: A string to specify where to find the custom configuration for the cs-fixer after code generation, will remove all Jane default cs-fixer default configuration.
- `clean-generated`: A boolean which indicate if we clean generated output before generating new files, is enabled by default.
- `use-cacheable-supports-method`: A boolean which indicate if we use `CacheableSupportsMethodInterface` interface to improve caching performances when used with `Symfony Serializer`.

Using a generated client

Generating a client will produce same classes as the *Json Schema* library:

- Model files in the `Model` namespace
- Normalizer files in the `Normalizer` namespace
- A `JaneObjectNormalizer` class in the `Normalizer` namespace

Furthermore, it generates:

- Endpoints files in the `Endpoint` namespace, each API Endpoint will generate a class containing all the logic to go from Object to Request, and from Response to Object
- Client file in the root namespace containing all API endpoints

9.1 Creating the API Client

Generated `Client` class have a static method `create` which act like a factory to create your Client:

```
<?php
$apiClient = Vendor\Library\Generated\Client::create();
```

Optionally, you can pass a custom `HttpClient` respecting the [PSR18](#) Client standard. If you which to use the constructor to reuse existing instances, sections below describe the 4 services used by it and how to create them.

9.2 Creating the Http Client

The main dependency on the `Client` class is an `Http Client` respecting the [PSR18](#) Client standard. We highly recommend you to read the [PSR18](#) specification. This HTTP Client MAY redirect on a 3XX responses (depend on your API), but it MUST not throw errors on 4XX and 5XX responses, as this can be handle by the generated code directly.

Recommended way of creating an HTTP Client is by using the [discovery](#) library to create the client:

```
<?php

$httpClient = Http\Discovery\Psrl8ClientDiscovery::find();
```

This allows user of the API to use any client respecting the standard.

Hint: You can use clients such as Symfony [HttpClient](#) as [PSR18](#) client.

9.3 Creating the Serializer

Like in *Using a generated Model*, creating a serializer is done by using the `JaneObjectNormalizer` class:

```
<?php

$normalizers = [
    new Symfony\Component\Serializer\Normalizer\ArrayDenormalizer(),
    new Vendor\Library\Generated\Normalizer\JaneObjectNormalizer(),
];
$encoders = [new Symfony\Component\Serializer\Encoder\JsonEncoder(
    new Symfony\Component\Serializer\Encoder\JsonEncode(JSON_UNESCAPED_SLASHES),
    new Symfony\Component\Serializer\Encoder\JsonDecode(false))
];

$serializer = new Symfony\Component\Serializer\Serializer($normalizers, $encoders);
```

9.4 Creating the Request Factory

The generated endpoints will also need a factory to transform parameters and object of the endpoint to a [PSR7 Request](#).

Like the HTTP Client, it is recommended to use the [discovery](#) library to create it:

```
<?php

$requestFactory = Http\Discovery\Psrl7FactoryDiscovery::findRequestFactory();
```

9.5 Creating the Stream Factory

The generated endpoints will also need a service to transform body parameters like resource or string into [PSR7 Stream](#) when uploading file (multipart form).

Like the HTTP Client and Request Factory, it is recommended to use the [discovery](#) library to create it:

```
<?php

$streamFactory = Http\Discovery\Psrl7FactoryDiscovery::findStreamFactory();
```


9.6 Using the API Client

Generated code has complete [PHPDoc](#) comment on each method, which should correctly describe the endpoint. Method names for each endpoint depends on the `operationId` property of the OpenAPI specification. And if not present it will be generated from the endpoint path:

```
<?php

$apiClient = Vendor\Library\Generated\Client::create();
// Operation id being listFoo
$foos = $apiClient->listFoo();
```

Also depending on the parameters of the endpoint, it may have 2 to more arguments.

Last parameter of each endpoint, allows to specify which type of data the method must return. By default, it will try to return an object depending on the status code of your response. But you can force the method to return a [PSR7 Response](#) object:

```
$apiClient = Vendor\Library\Generated\Client::create();
// First argument is an empty list of parameters, second one being the return type
$response = $apiClient->listFoo([], Vendor\Library\Generated\Client::FETCH_RESPONSE);
```

This allow to do custom work when the API does not return standard JSON body.

9.7 Host and basePath support

Jane OpenAPI will never generate the complete url with the host and the base path for an endpoint. Instead, it will only do a request on the specified path.

If host and/or base path is present in the specification it is added, via the `PluginClient`, `AddHostPlugin` and `AddPathPlugin` thanks to [php-http plugin system](#) when using the static `create`.

This allow you to configure different host and base path given a specific environment / server, which may defer when in test, preprod and production environment.

Jane OpenAPI will always try to use `https` if present in the scheme (or if there is no scheme). It will use the first scheme present if `https` is not present.

CHAPTER 10

Example

In this section, we will see a working example of OpenApi v3 client onto a simple API that gives facts about cats and comment it.

Warning: We suggest you to read *Generating a Client* and *Using a generated client* first to understand this page more easily.

You can find the fully working example on the following link: <https://github.com/janephp/openapi3-example>

10.1 OpenAPI schema

First, we need a valid OpenAPI schema. You can use tool such as *Stoplight* or other OpenApi designer.

I choosed to represent *CatFacts API* within this example:

```
openapi: 3.0.0
info:
  version: 1.0.0
  title: 'CatFacts API'
servers:
  - url: https://cat-fact.herokuapp.com
paths:
  /facts/random:
    get:
      operationId: randomFact
      responses:
        200:
          description: 'Get a random `Fact`'
          content:
            application/json:
              schema:
```

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```

components:
    $ref: '#/components/schemas/Fact'
components:
  schemas:
    Fact:
      type: object
      properties:
        _id:
          type: string
          description: 'Unique ID for the `Fact`'
        __v:
          type: integer
          description: 'Version number of the `Fact`'
        user:
          type: string
          description: 'ID of the `User` who added the `Fact`'
        text:
          type: string
          description: 'The `Fact` itself'
        updatedAt:
          type: string
          format: date-time
          description: 'Date in which `Fact` was last modified'
        sendDate:
          type: string
          description: 'If the `Fact` is meant for one time use, this is_
↪the date that it is used'
        deleted:
          type: boolean
          description: 'Whether or not the `Fact` has been deleted (Soft_
↪deletes are used)'
        source:
          type: string
          description: 'Can be `user` or `api`, indicates who added the_
↪fact to the DB'
        used:
          type: boolean
          description: 'Whether or not the `Fact` has been sent by the_
↪CatBot. This value is reset each time every `Fact` is used'
        type:
          type: string
          description: 'Type of animal the `Fact` describes (e.g. `cat`,_
↪`dog`, `horse`)'

```

This schema describe the endpoint and the model of the CatFact API.

10.2 Jane configuration

We need to configure Jane before generation. So we create a `.jane-openapi` file:

```

<?php
return [
    'openapi-file' => __DIR__ . '/schema.yaml',
    'namespace' => 'CatFacts\Api',

```

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```
'directory' => __DIR__ . '/generated/',
'date-format' => \DateTimeInterface::RFC3339_EXTENDED, // date-time format use by
↳ CatFact API
'client' => 'psr18',
];
```

It will contains a reference to your main schema file (that file can be linked to other files if you want), the PHP namespace you want for generated classes and the directory you want to use.

Warning: Client argument is recommended, if you don't fill it, it will generated a HTTPPlug Client which is not what we are showing here and HTTPPlug Client generation is deprecated since Jane v5.1.0

10.3 Jane generation

Now we can run generation, basically just require jane with composer (see [OpenAPI](#) for more details about installation) and run the following command:

```
vendor/bin/jane-openapi generate
```

It will find any `.jane-openapi` file and use it as configuration. If your file has a different name, just add `-c path/to/my/file` after the command.

10.4 Creating a client

Then you need a Client to bridge between Jane and your application. Jane use [PSR18](#) to make this bridge easier which allow us to have any middleware we need. If you provide server URL in your schema and you have no authentication needed for your API, then everything will be automated by Jane, you just have to do:

```
use CatFacts\Api\Client;

$client = Client::create();
```

And that's all you need. If you need authentication, please read [Using a generated client](#).

10.5 Using your client

Finally we can use our Client and try to get some cool cat fact:

```
<?php

require_once __DIR__ . '/vendor/autoload.php';

$client = \CatFacts\ClientFactory::create();
$fact = $client->randomFact();
```

And this will give us a Fact object as following:

```
object (CatFacts\Api\Model\Fact)#29 (10) {
  ["id":protected]=>
  string(24) "591f98108dec2e14e3c20b0f"
  ["v":protected]=>
  int(0)
  ["user":protected]=>
  NULL
  ["text":protected]=>
  string(63) "Cats have been domesticated for half as long as dogs have been."
  ["updatedAt":protected]=>
  object (DateTime)#28 (3) {
    ["date"]=>
    string(26) "2019-08-24 20:20:02.145000"
    ["timezone_type"]=>
    int(2)
    ["timezone"]=>
    string(1) "Z"
  }
  ["sendDate":protected]=>
  NULL
  ["deleted":protected]=>
  bool(false)
  ["source":protected]=>
  string(3) "api"
  ["used":protected]=>
  bool(false)
  ["type":protected]=>
  string(3) "cat"
}
```

CHAPTER 11

Extending the Client

Some endpoints need sometimes custom implementation that were not possible to generate through the OpenAPI Specification. Jane OpenAPI try to be nice with this and each specific behavior of an API call has been separated into different methods which are public or protected.

As an exemple you may want to encode in base64 a specific query parameter of an Endpoint. First step is to create your own Endpoint extending the generated one:

```
<?php

namespace MyApi\Endpoint;

use MyApiGenerated\Endpoint\FooEndpoint as BaseEndpoint;
use Symfony\Component\OptionsResolver\Options;
use Symfony\Component\OptionsResolver\OptionsResolver;

class FooEndpoint extends BaseEndpoint
{
    protected function getQueryOptionsResolver(): OptionsResolver
    {
        $OptionsResolver = parent::getQueryOptionsResolver();
        $OptionsResolver->setNormalizer('bar', function (Options $options, $value) {
            return base64_encode($value);
        });

        return $OptionsResolver;
    }
}
```

Once this endpoint is generated, you need to tell your Client to use yours endpoint instead of the Generated one. For that you can extends the generated client and override the method that use this endpoint:

```
<?php

namespace MyApi;
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```
use MyApiGenerated\Client as BaseClient;
use MyApi\Endpoint\FooEndpoint;

class Client extends BaseClient
{
    public function getFoo(array $queryParameters = [], $fetch = self::FETCH_OBJECT)
    {
        return $this->executePsr7Endpoint(new FooEndpoint($queryParameters), $fetch);
    }
}
```

Then you will need to use your own client instead of the generated one. To extend other parts of the endpoint you can look at the generated code.

CHAPTER 12

AutoMapper

Jane AutoMapper is an experimental library that generate AutoMapper class which allows to automap values from Class to Class.

Taken from [AutoMapper/AutoMapper](#):

AutoMapper is a simple little library built to solve a deceptively complex problem - getting rid of code that mapped one object to another. This type of code is rather dreary and boring to write, so why not invent a tool to do it for us?

In PHP libraries and application mapping from one object to another is fairly common:

- `ObjectNormalizer / GetSetMethodNormalizer` in `symfony/serializer`
- Mapping request data to object in `symfony/form`
- Hydrate object from SQL results in Doctrine
- Migrating legacy data to new model
- Mapping from database model to DTO objects (API / CQRS / ...)
- And even more...

The goal of this component is to offer an abstraction on top of this subject. For that goal it provides an unique interface (other code is only implementation detail):

```
interface AutoMapperInterface
{
    /**
     * Map data from to target.
     *
     * @param array/object $source Any data object, which may be an object or
    ↪ an array
     * @param string/array/object $target To which type of data, or data, the source
    ↪ should be mapped
     * @param Context $context Options mappers have access to
     *
     * @return array/object The mapped object
     */
}
```

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```
public function map($source, $target, Context $context = null);  
}
```

The source is from where the data comes from, it can be either an array or an object. The target is where the data should be mapped to, it can be either a string (representing a type: array or class name) or directly an array or object (in that case construction of the object is avoided).

Current implementation handle all of those possibilities at the exception of the mapping from a dynamic object (array / stdClass) to another dynamic object.

CHAPTER 13

Using AutoMapper

13.1 Basic usage

Someone who wants to map an object will only have to do this:

```
// With class name
$target = $autmapper->map($source, Foo::class);
// With existing object
$target = new Foo();
$target = $autmapper->map($source, $target);
// To an array
$target = $autmapper->map($source, 'array');
// From an array
$source = ['a' => 'b'];
$target = $autmapper->map($source, Foo::class);
```

13.2 With custom context

Context object allow to pass options for the mapping:

```
// Using context
$context = new Context();
$target = $autmapper->map($source, Foo::class, $context);

// Groups (serializer annotation), will only map value that match those group in
↳ source and target
$context = new Context(['groupA', 'groupB']);
// Allowed attributes, will only map specific properties (exclude others), allow
↳ nesting for sub mapping like the serializer component
$context = new Context(null, ['propertyA', 'propertyB', 'foo' => ['fooPropertyA']]);
// Ignored attributes, exclude thos propreties include others
```

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```
$context = new Context(null, null, ['propertyA', 'propertyB', 'foo' => ['fooPropertyA'
↪]]);
// Set circular reference limit
$context->setCircularReferenceLimit(2);
// Set circular reference handler
$context->setCircularReferenceHandler(function () { ... });
```

14.1 Private properties

This component map private properties (However this can deactivated).

14.2 Nested Mapping

This component map nested class when it's possible.

14.3 Circular Reference

Default circular reference implementation is to keep them during mapping, which means somethings like:

```
$foo = new Foo();  
$foo->setFoo($foo);  
  
$target = $this->autmapper->map($foo, 'array');
```

Will produce an array where the foo property will be a reference to the parent.

Having that allow using this component as a DeepCloning service by mapping to the same object:

```
$foo = new Foo();  
$foo->setFoo($foo);  
  
$deepClonedFoo = $this->autmapper->map($foo, Foo::class);
```

14.4 Max Depth

This component understand the Max Depth Annotation of the Serializer component and will not map after it's reached.

14.5 Name Converter

Default implementation allows you to pass a Name Converter when converting to or from an array to change the property name used.

14.6 Discriminator Mapping

This component understand the Discriminator Mapping Annotation of the Serializer component and should correctly handle construction of object when having inheritance.

14.7 Type casting

This component will try to correctly map scalar values (going from int to string, etc.).