

Go

This cheat sheet provided basic syntax and methods to help you using [Go](#).

Getting Started

hello.go

```
package main

import "fmt"

func main() {
    fmt.Println("Hello, world!")
}
```

Run directly

```
$ go run hello.go
Hello, world!
```

Or try it out in the [Go repl](#)

Variables

```
var s1 string
s1 = "Learn Go!"

// declare multiple variables at once
var b, c int = 1, 2
var d = true
```

Short declaration

```
s1 := "Learn Go!"           // string
b, c := 1, 2                // int
d := true                   // bool
```

See: [Basic types](#)

Functions

```
package main

import "fmt"

// The entry point of the programs
func main() {
    fmt.Println("Hello world!")
    say("Hello Go!")
}

func say(message string) {
    fmt.Println("You said: ", message)
}
```

See: [Functions](#)

Comments

```
// Single line comment
```

```
/* Multi-
line comment */
```

If statement

```
if true {
    fmt.Println("Yes!")
}
```

See: [Flow control](#)

Go Basic types

Strings

```
s1 := "Hello" + "World"
```

```
s2 := `A "raw" string literal
can include line breaks.`
```

```
// Outputs: 10
fmt.Println(len(s1))
```

```
// Outputs: Hello
fmt.Println(string(s1[0:5]))
```

Strings are of type `string`.

Numbers

```
num := 3           // int
num := 3.          // float64
num := 3 + 4i     // complex128
num := byte('a')  // byte (alias: uint8)

var u uint = 7     // uint (unsigned)
var p float32 = 22.7 // 32-bit float
```

Operators

```
x := 5
x++
fmt.Println("x + 4 =", x + 4)
fmt.Println("x * 4 =", x * 4)
```

See: [More Operators](#)

Booleans

```
isTrue    := true
isFalse   := false
```

Operators

```
fmt.Println(true && true)  // true
fmt.Println(true && false)  // false
fmt.Println(true || true)   // true
fmt.Println(true || false)  // true
fmt.Println(!true)         // false
```

2	3	5	7	11	13
0	1	2	3	4	5

```
primes := [...]int{2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13}
fmt.Println(len(primes)) // => 6
```

```
// Outputs: [2 3 5 7 11 13]
fmt.Println(primes)
```

```
// Same as [:3], Outputs: [2 3 5]
fmt.Println(primes[0:3])
```

```
var a [2]string
a[0] = "Hello"
a[1] = "World"

fmt.Println(a[0], a[1]) //=> Hello World
fmt.Println(a) // => [Hello World]
```

2d array

```
var twoDimension [2][3]int
for i := 0; i < 2; i++ {
    for j := 0; j < 3; j++ {
        twoDimension[i][j] = i + j
    }
}
```

```
// => 2d: [[0 1 2] [1 2 3]]
```

[Pointers](#)

```
func main () {
    b := *getPointer()
    fmt.Println("Value is", b)
}

func getPointer () (myPointer *int) {
    a := 234
    return &a
}

a := new(int)
*a = 234
```

See: [Pointers](#)

[Slices](#)

```
s := make([]string, 3)
s[0] = "a"
s[1] = "b"
s = append(s, "d")
s = append(s, "e", "f")

fmt.Println(s)
fmt.Println(s[1])
fmt.Println(len(s))
fmt.Println(s[1:3])

slice := []int{2, 3, 4}
```

See also: [Slices example](#)

Constants

```
const s string = "constant"
const Phi = 1.618
const n = 500000000
const d = 3e20 / n
fmt.Println(d)
```

Type conversions

```
i := 90
f := float64(i)
u := uint(i)

// Will be equal to the character Z
s := string(i)
```

How to get int string?

```
i := 90

// need import "strconv"
s := strconv.Itoa(i)
fmt.Println(s) // Outputs: 90
```

Go Strings

```
package main

import (
    "fmt"
    "strings"
)

func main() {
    /* Need to import strings as s */
    fmt.Println(s.Contains("test", "e"))

    /* Build in */
    fmt.Println(len("hello")) // => 5
    // Outputs: 101
    fmt.Println("hello"[1])
    // Outputs: e
    fmt.Println(string("hello"[1]))

}
```

fmt.Printf

```
package main

import (
    "fmt"
    "os"
)

type point struct {
    x, y int
}
```

```

func main() {
    p := point{1, 2}
    fmt.Printf("%v\n", p)                                // => {1 2}
    fmt.Printf("%+v\n", p)                               // => {x:1 y:2}
    fmt.Printf("%#v\n", p)                               // => main.point{x:1, y:2}
    fmt.Printf("%T\n", p)                                // => main.point
    fmt.Printf("%t\n", true)                             // => TRUE
    fmt.Printf("%d\n", 123)                             // => 123
    fmt.Printf("%b\n", 14)                              // => 1110
    fmt.Printf("%c\n", 33)                              // => !
    fmt.Printf("%x\n", 456)                            // => 1c8
    fmt.Printf("%f\n", 78.9)                            // => 78.9
    fmt.Printf("%e\n", 123400000.0)                     // => 1.23E+08
    fmt.Printf("%E\n", 123400000.0)                     // => 1.23E+08
    fmt.Printf("%s\n", "string")                         // => "string"
    fmt.Printf("%q\n", "string")                         // => \"string\"
    fmt.Printf("%x\n", "hex this")                      // => 6.86578E+15
    fmt.Printf("%p\n", &p)                             // => 0xc00002c040
    fmt.Printf("|%6d|%6d|\n", 12, 345)                 // => | 12| 345|
    fmt.Printf("|%6.2f|%6.2f|\n", 1.2, 3.45)          // => | 1.20| 3.45|
    fmt.Printf("|%-6.2f|%-6.2f|\n", 1.2, 3.45)        // => |1.20| 3.45 |
    fmt.Printf("|%6s|%6s|\n", "foo", "b")              // => | foo| b|
    fmt.Printf("|%-6s|%-6s|\n", "foo", "b")              // => |foo| b |

    s := fmt.Sprintf("a %s", "string")
    fmt.Println(s)

    fmt.Fprintf(os.Stderr, "an %s\n", "error")
}

```

See also: [fmt](#)

[Function examples](#)

Contains("test", "es")	true
Count("test", "t")	2
HasPrefix("test", "te")	true
HasSuffix("test", "st")	true
Index("test", "e")	1
Join([]string{"a", "b"}, "-")	a-b
Repeat("a", 5)	aaaaa
Replace("foo", "o", "0", -1)	f00
Replace("foo", "o", "0", 1)	fo0
Split("a-b-c-d-e", "-")	[a b c d e]
ToLower("TEST")	test
ToUpper("test")	TEST

Go Flow control

Conditional

```
a := 10

if a > 20 {
    fmt.Println(">")
```

```
} else if a < 20 {
    fmt.Println("<")
} else {
    fmt.Println(">")
}
```

Statements in if

```
x := "hello go!"

if count := len(x); count > 0 {
    fmt.Println("Yes")
}
```

```
if _, err := doThing(); err != nil {
    fmt.Println("Uh oh")
}
```

Switch

```
x := 42.0
switch x {
case 0:
case 1, 2:
    fmt.Println("Multiple matches")
case 42: // Don't "fall through".
    fmt.Println("reached")
case 43:
    fmt.Println("Unreached")
default:
```

```
fmt.Println("Optional")
```

See: [Switch](#)

For loop

```
for i := 0; i <= 10; i++ {  
    fmt.Println("i: ", i)  
}
```

For-Range loop

```
nums := []int{2, 3, 4}  
sum := 0  
for _, num := range nums {  
    sum += num  
}  
fmt.Println("sum:", sum)
```

While loop

```
i := 1  
for i <= 3 {  
    fmt.Println(i)  
    i++  
}
```

Continue keyword

```
for i := 0; i <= 5; i++ {  
    if i % 2 == 0 {  
        continue  
    }
```

```
fmt.Println(i)
```

Break keyword

```
for {
    fmt.Println("loop")
    break
}
```

Go Structs & Maps

Defining

```
package main

import (
    "fmt"
)

type Vertex struct {
    X int
    Y int
}

func main() {
    v := Vertex{1, 2}
    v.X = 4
    fmt.Println(v.X, v.Y) // => 4 2
}
```

Copy Structure

Literals

```
v := Vertex{X: 1, Y: 2}
// Field names can be omitted
v := Vertex{1, 2}
// Y is implicit
v := Vertex{X: 1}
```

You can also put field names.

Maps

```
m := make(map[string]int)
m["k1"] = 7
m["k2"] = 13
fmt.Println(m) // => map[k1:7 k2:13]

v1 := m["k1"]
fmt.Println(v1) // => 7
fmt.Println(len(m)) // => 2

delete(m, "k2")
fmt.Println(m) // => map[k1:7]

_, prs := m["k2"]
fmt.Println(prs) // => false

n := map[string]int{"foo": 1, "bar": 2}
fmt.Println(n) // => map[bar:2 foo:1]
```

Pointers to structs

```
v := &Vertex{1, 2}
v.X = 2
```

Go Functions

Multiple arguments

```
func plus(a int, b int) int {
    return a + b
}
func plusPlus(a, b, c int) int {
    return a + b + c
}
fmt.Println(plus(1, 2))
fmt.Println(plusPlus(1, 2, 3))
```

Multiple return

```
func vals() (int, int) {
    return 3, 7
}

a, b := vals()
fmt.Println(a) // => 3
fmt.Println(b) // => 7
```

Function literals

```
r1, r2 := func() (string, string) {
    x := []string{"hello", "quickref.me"}
    return x[0], x[1]
}()

// => hello quickref.me
fmt.Println(r1, r2)
```

Naked returns

```
func split(sum int) (x, y int) {
    x = sum * 4 / 9
    y = sum - x
    return
}

x, y := split(17)
fmt.Println(x) // => 7
fmt.Println(y) // => 10
```

Note that using naked returns hurts readability.

Variadic functions

```
func sum(nums ...int) {
    fmt.Print(nums, " ")
    total := 0
    for _, num := range nums {
        total += num
    }
    fmt.Println(total)
}
sum(1, 2) //=> [1 2] 3
sum(1, 2, 3) // => [1 2 3] 6
```

```
nums := []int{1, 2, 3, 4}
sum(nums...) // => [1 2 3 4] 10
```

init function

```
import --> const --> var --> init()
```

```
var num = setNumber()
```

```
func setNumber() int {
    return 42
}
func init() {
    num = 0
}
func main() {
    fmt.Println(num) // => 0
}
```

Functions as values

```
func main() {
    // assign a function to a name
    add := func(a, b int) int {
        return a + b
    }
    // use the name to call the function
    fmt.Println(add(3, 4)) // => 7
}
```

Closures 1

```
func scope() func() int{
    outer_var := 2
    foo := func() int {return outer_var}
    return foo
}
```

// Output: 2

Closures 2

```
func outer() (func() int, int) {
    outer_var := 2
    inner := func() int {
        outer_var += 99
        return outer_var
    }
    inner()
    return inner, outer_var
}
inner, val := outer()
fmt.Println(inner()) // => 200
fmt.Println(val)    // => 101
```

Go Packages

Importing

```
import "fmt"
import "math/rand"
```

Same as

```
import (
    "fmt"          // gives fmt.Println
    "math/rand"    // gives rand.Intn
)
```

See: [Importing](#)

Aliases

```
import r "math/rand"
```

```
import (
    "fmt"
    r "math/rand"
)
```

```
r.Intn()
```

Packages

```
package main

// An internal package may be imported only by another package
// that is inside the tree rooted at the parent of the internal directory
package internal
```

See: [Internal packages](#)

Exporting names

```
// Begin with a capital letter
func Hello () {
    ...
}
```

Go Concurrency

Goroutines

```
package main

import (
    "fmt"
    "time"
)

func f(from string) {
    for i := 0; i < 3; i++ {
        fmt.Println(from, ":", i)
    }
}

func main() {
    f("direct")
    go f("goroutine")

    go func(msg string) {
        fmt.Println(msg)
    }("going")
```

```
    time.Sleep(time.Second)
    fmt.Println("done")
}
```

See: [Goroutines, Channels](#)

WaitGroup

```
package main

import (
    "fmt"
    "sync"
    "time"
)

func w(id int, wg *sync.WaitGroup) {
    defer wg.Done()
    fmt.Printf("%d starting\n", id)

    time.Sleep(time.Second)
    fmt.Printf("%d done\n", id)
}

func main() {
    var wg sync.WaitGroup
    for i := 1; i <= 5; i++ {
        wg.Add(1)
        go w(i, &wg)
    }
    wg.Wait()
}
```

Closing channels

```
ch <- 1
ch <- 2
ch <- 3
close(ch) // Closes a channel
```

```
// Iterate the channel until closed
for i := range ch {
    ...
}
```

```
// Closed if `ok == false`
v, ok := <- ch
```

See: [Range and close](#)

Buffered channels

```
ch := make(chan int, 2)
ch <- 1
ch <- 2
ch <- 3
// fatal error:
// all goroutines are asleep - deadlock
```

See: [Buffered channels](#)

Go Error control

Deferring functions

```
func main() {
    defer func() {
        fmt.Println("Done")
    }()
    fmt.Println("Working...")
}
```

Lambda defer

```
func main() {
    var d = int64(0)
    defer func(d *int64) {
        fmt.Printf("& %v Unix Sec\n", *d)
    }(&d)
    fmt.Print("Done ")
    d = time.Now().Unix()
}
```

The defer func uses current value of d, unless we use a pointer to get final value at end of main.

Defer

```
func main() {
    defer fmt.Println("Done")
    fmt.Println("Working...")
}
```

See: [Defer, panic and recover](#)

Go Methods

Receivers

```
type Vertex struct {
    X, Y float64
}

func (v Vertex) Abs() float64 {
    return math.Sqrt(v.X * v.X + v.Y * v.Y)
}

v := Vertex{1, 2}
v.Abs()
```

See: [Methods](#)

Mutation

```
func (v *Vertex) Scale(f float64) {
    v.X = v.X * f
    v.Y = v.Y * f
}

v := Vertex{6, 12}
v.Scale(0.5)
// `v` is updated
```

See: [Pointer receivers](#)

Go Interfaces

A basic interface

```
type Shape interface {
    Area() float64
    Perimeter() float64
}
```

Struct

```
type Rectangle struct {
    Length, Width float64
}
```

Struct Rectangle implicitly implements interface Shape by implementing all of its methods.

Methods

```
func (r Rectangle) Area() float64 {
    return r.Length * r.Width
}

func (r Rectangle) Perimeter() float64 {
    return 2 * (r.Length + r.Width)
}
```

The methods defined in Shape are implemented in Rectangle.

Interface example

```
func main() {
    var r Shape{Length: 3, Width: 4}
    fmt.Printf("Type of r: %T, Area: %v, Perimeter: %v.", r, r.Area(), r.Perimeter())
}
```

Miscellaneous

Keywords

break	default	func
interface	select	case
defer	go	map
struct	chan	else
goto	package	switch
const	fallthrough	if
range	type	continue
for	import	return
var		

Operators and punctuation

+	&	+=	&=	&&	=	!=	()
-		-=	=		<	<=	[]

*	^	*=	^=	<-	>	>=	{	}
/	<<	/=	<<=	++	=	:=	,	;
%	>>	%=	>>=	--	!	:
&^		&^=						

Also see

[Devhints](#) (devhints.io)
[A tour of Go](#) (tour.go.dev)
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