Go in a Microsoft Shop

insight and opinion

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BACKGROUND

- Previously founded Countersoft
- · Historically .NET ISV because we sold to enterprises, on-premise
- Software deployed to NASA, Dell, NHS, <u>US.gov</u>, banks, healthcare
- Background in Fortran, VB, C++, Java and NET
- Latest start-up Documize is written Go, SaaS + on-premise
- · Always seeking an edge to help us improve

Microsoft





Why not stick with .NET?

KEY ISSUES

- World moving towards cloud apps, mobile apps cost
- But on-premise still remains deployment
- .NET start-up community who's else is here?
- Sometimes Windows can hurt a little...

Windows VM (source: Microsoft Azure, April 14)

Medium (A2)	2	3.5 GB	\$0.148 (~\$111/month)	\$0.18 (~\$134/month)
Linux VM				
Medium (A2)	2	3.5 GB	\$0.088 (~\$66/month)	\$0.12 (~\$90/month)

WHY GO?

- Supports Linux cloud, Windows on-premise
- +30% cheaper to run cloud stack
- · Go more "safe" than Mono for cross-platform
- Better compile times for large codebases
- Better web app start-up times
- Better deployment experience
- Story for Corporate IT Police



IT POLICE FRIENDLY

- Deploy Go on standard, corporate IT server images
- Go web apps can run under Microsoft IIS
- IIS for SSL termination
- IIS Application Request Routing

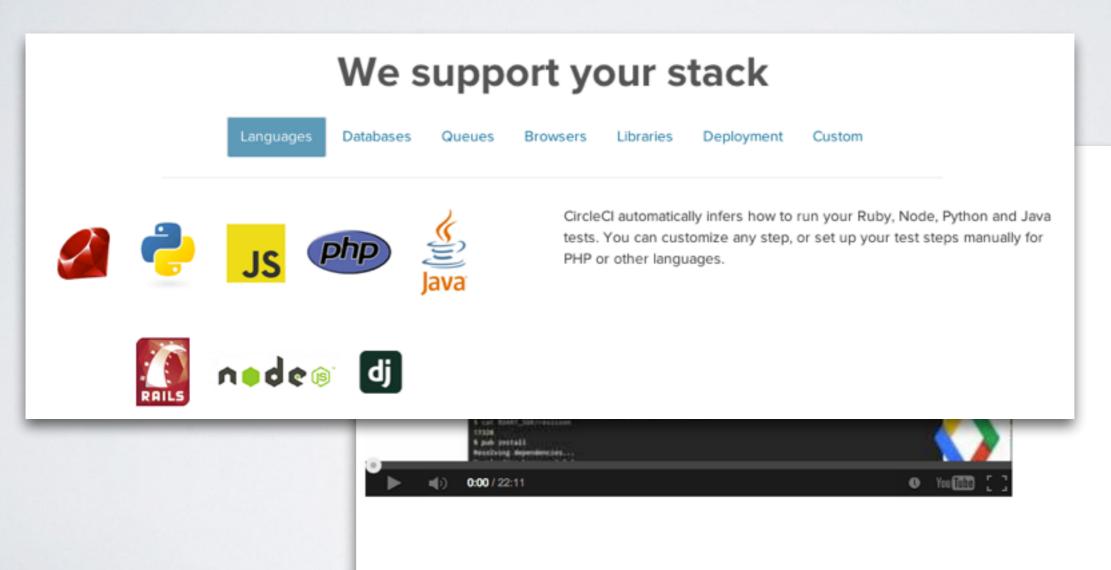


MAINTENANCE COSTS

- · Code is formatted the same way, so easy to read
- · Code "does exactly what it says on the page"
- · The language is small, so easy for new hires

3RD PARTY SAAS SERVICES

Why is .NET less supported?!



Notifications

Artifacts

Branches

Status Badges

LANGUAGES

C / C++

Dart

Go

Haskell (New)

Groovy (New)

Java

Node.js

PHP (Beta)

Python (Beta)

Ruby (Beta)

Scala (New)

DEPLOYMENTS

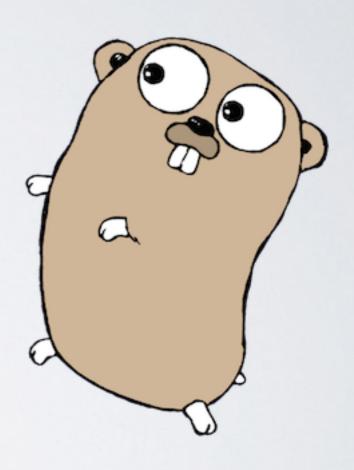
SSH

Heroku

Dotcloud

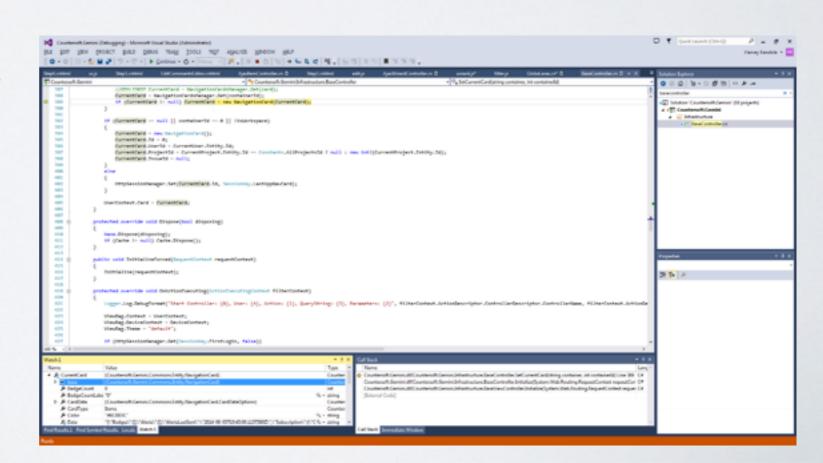
MAKING THE JUMP

- Visual Studio » Sublime Text
- Asp.net MVC » Martini + AngularJS
- Asp.net Web API » Gorilla Mux
- Testing » Goconvey
- Help Docs » Dash (OSX)



SOME INITIAL PAIN

- Miss JetBrains ReSharper refactoring
- 3rd party library dependency issue (vendor'ing)
- GOPATH approach
- Visual Studio debugger



THANKS