Welcome to the Go wiki, a collection of information about the <u>Go Programming Language</u>. <u>Awesome Go</u> is another great resource for Go programmers, curated by the Go community.

#### **Questions about Go**

See Questions.

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#### **Contributing**

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- If you would like to add a new page, please first open an issue in the <u>Go issue tracker</u> with the prefix 'wiki' to propose the addition. Clearly state why the content does not fit into any of the existing pages.
- Because renaming of pages in the wiki can break external links, please open an issue before renaming or removing any wiki page.

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#### **Getting started with Go**

- The Go Tour is the best place to start.
- Effective Go will help you learn how to write idiomatic Go code.
- Go standard library documentation to familiarize yourself with the standard library.
- <u>Use the Go Playground</u> to test out Go programs in your browser.
- Still not convinced? Check out this list of <u>Go Users</u> and a few of their <u>Success stories</u>. We've also assembled a long list of reasons <u>why you should give Go a try</u>.
- Read about the companies which have switched from other languages to Go.

# **Working with Go**

Ready to write some Go code of your own? Here are a few links to help you get started.

- Install and Setup your Environment
  - Start here: Official Installation Documentation
  - If you prefer to install from source, read this first.
  - <u>InstallFromSource</u> Additional tips on source installs.
  - Windows user? Install and configure Go, Git, and Atom for Windows

- Mac user? How I start Go A step-by-step guide to installing Go and building your first web
- Having installation problems? InstallTroubleShooting
- Make sure you have your \$GOPATH environment variable set correctly
  - If you need additional tips on using <u>\$GOPATH</u>, go here.
- MultipleGoRoots More advanced information on working with multiple go installations and the \$GOROOT variable.
- Go IDEs and Editors Information on how to use your favorite editor with Go.
- <u>Tools for working with Go code</u> Formatting, linting, vetting, refactoring, navigation, and visualization.
- Finding Go Libraries and Packages
  - Start here: Go open source projects.
  - Search for Go packages: pkg.go.dev
  - Visualization of the <u>Go open-source package graph</u>
- Modules documentation on the dependency management system built into the Go command, added in 1.11
- Managing your dependencies An overview of the tools you can use to manage third-party packages (vendoring).
- Publishing Go Packages as Open Source
  - Getting ready to publish your package? Start here.
  - The Go Checklist A comprehensive guide for publishing a project.
  - How to layout your GitHub repo to make it easy for other Go programmers to use with the go get command.
  - o Go Package, Go A few recommendations for making Go packages easy to use.

# **Learning more about Go**

Once you have an overview of the language, here are resources you can use to learn more.

- <u>Learning Go</u> A collection of resources for learning Go beginner to advanced.
  - <u>Best Practices for a New Go Developer</u> Insights from Go community members.
  - <u>Server programming</u> Building web, mobile, and API servers.
  - More on concurrency
  - More on error handling
  - More on testing
  - More on mobile Android and iOS
- Books A list of Go books that have been published (ebook, paper)
- <u>Blogs</u> Blogs about Go
  - Podcasts Podcasts and episodes featuring Go
- Videos, Talks, and Presentations
  - o GopherVids (currently unreachable) is a searchable index of videos about Go.
  - o GoTalks A collection of talks from Go conferences and meetups.
  - <u>Livestreams</u> live interactive Go project streams with members of the community
  - Screencasts
- Articles A collection of articles to help you learn more about Go.
- Training Free and commercial, online, and classroom training for Go.
- <u>University Courses</u> A list of CS programs and classes using Go.
- Resources for non-English speakers

### The Go Community

Here are some of the places where you can find Gophers online. To get a sense of what it means to be a member of the Go community, read <u>Damian Gryski's keynote from the GolangUK 2015 conference</u> or watch <u>Andrew Gerrand's closing keynote from GopherCon 2015</u>.

- Where Gophers hangout online:
  - The Go Forum An all-purpose discussion forum for the Go community.
  - Gophers Slack Channel For real-time chat (request membership).
  - o Golang News For curated links about Go Programming.
  - There is also a <a href="mailto://r/golang.sub-reddit">/r/golang.sub-reddit</a>.
  - On Twitter, follow the <a>@golang</a> account and keep tabs on the <a>#golang</a> hashtag.
  - We've also got a landing page on Stack Overflow for Go Q&A.
  - Matrix enthusiasts are invited to join #Go:matrix.org.
  - Discord users are welcome at the <u>Discord Gophers</u> server.
  - Hashnode users talk and write about Go in Hashnode Go community.
- Mailing Lists
  - The mailing list for Go users is golang-nuts very high traffic.
    - Before you post, <u>check to see if it's already been answered</u>, then read <u>these tips on how</u> to ask a good <u>question</u>
  - For discussions about the core Go open source project, join golang-dev.
  - To get just our release announcements, join golang-announce
- User Groups & Meetups There are Go Meetups in many cities
  - GoBridge Volunteers helping underrepresented communities to teach technical skills and to foster diversity in Go.
  - Women Who Go
  - See here for <u>additional information GoUserGroups</u>
  - GoDiscourse Go Discourse is an open-source Go-based forum from hello world.
- <u>Conferences</u> A list of upcoming and past Go conferences and major events.
- <u>Companies using Go</u> A comprehensive list of companies using Go throughout the world.
- Learn more about the <u>Go Gopher images</u> by Renee French.

#### **Using the Go Toolchain**

- Start with the standard documentation for the go command available here
- Start here to learn about vendoring.
- See also <u>PackageManagementTools</u> for package management tools.
- Cross Compilation
- Shared libraries and Go (buildmode)
  - o Go Shared Libraries Examples for creating and using shared libraries from Go and Python.
  - Sharing Go Packages with C by @ralch.
  - o Calling Go libraries from Python by Filippo Valsorda
  - Calling Go libraries from Ruby by Peter Hellberg
  - o Calling Go libraries from Swift by Jaana Burcu Dogan
  - Build a Ruby Gem with a Go native extension by @jondot
  - o gohttplib An experiment in using Go 1.5 buildmode=c-shared.
- See the wikis below for additional details:
  - GoGetTools
  - GoGetProxyConfig

- cqo
- CompilerOptimizations
- GccgoCrossCompilation
- GcToolchainTricks
- <u>GoGenerateTools</u>
- o <u>Go Tooling Essentials</u> by Jaana Burcu Dogan

### **Additional Go Programming Wikis**

- Concurrency
  - o <u>Timeouts</u> Abandon async calls that take too long
  - LockOSThread
  - MutexOrChannel When to use one vs the other
  - RaceDetector How to detect and fix race conditions
- Working with Databases
  - o <u>database/sql</u> Online tutorial for working with the database/sql package.
  - <u>SQLDrivers</u>
  - <u>SQLInterface</u>
- From other languages
  - o Go for Java Programmers
  - o Go for C++ Programmers
- Strings
  - GoStrings
  - String Matching
- Comments
- <u>CommonMistakes</u>
- Errors
- GcToolchainTricks
- <u>InterfaceSlice</u>
- <u>lota</u>
- MethodSets
- PanicAndRecover
- Range
- RateLimiting
- <u>SignalHandling</u>
- <u>SimultaneousAssignment</u>
- SliceTricks
- <u>Switch</u>
- <u>TableDrivenTests</u>

#### Online Services that work with Go

If you're looking for services that support Go, here's a list to get you started.

- Cloud Computing Go is well supported by most cloud service providers.
  - Amazon Web Services
  - Azure
  - o <u>DigitalOcean</u>
  - GE Predix
  - o Google Cloud Platform for Go

- Heroku
- IBM Bluemix
- OpenStack
- <u>Vscale</u>
- Aliyun
- Tencent
- See here for information on additional providers
- Continuous Integration and Continuous Deployment Go is well supported by most CI/CD frameworks
- Monitoring/Logging
  - o OpsDash Go-based cluster monitoring platform.
- Package and Dependency Management
  - o Gopkg.in is a source for stable Go libraries, provided by Gustavo Niemeyer.

### **Troubleshooting Go Programs in Production**

- Understand the performance of your Go apps using the pprof package
- Heap Dumps
  - o heapdump13
  - o heapdump14
  - heapdump15

### **Contributing to the Go Project**

- Start by reading the Go Contribution Guidelines
- If you'd like to propose a change to the Go project, start by reading the Go Change Proposal Process
  - An archive of design documents is also available
- Go releases happen at ~6-month intervals. See here for more information
- Want to know more about how the Go source X-repositories are structured?
- The Go project requires that all code be reviewed before it is submitted.
  - Read more about our code review practices
  - If you're commenting on code under review, please read these guidelines
- Issues
  - Bug reports and feature requests should be filed using the <u>GitHub issue tracker</u>
  - Want to understand how we handle issues that are reported?
- Project Dashboards
  - o Go Builds Dashboard info
  - Performance Dashboard info
  - o Download failed logs and debugging

#### **Platform Specific Information**

- See MinimumRequirements for minimum platform requirements of current Go ports.
- Considering porting Go to a new platform? Read our porting policy first
- Mobile
- <u>Ubuntu</u>
- Windows
  - WindowsBuild
  - WindowsCrossCompiling
  - WindowsDLLs

- GoArm
- <u>ChromeOS</u>
- <u>Darwin</u>
- <u>DragonFly BSD</u>
- FreeBSD
- <u>Linux</u>
- NativeClient
- <u>NetBSD</u>
- <u>OpenBSD</u>
- <u>Plan 9</u>
- Solaris

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