
Write Basic Go Web Server

Lab learning outcomes

After completing this lab you should be able to

- Write **basic Go web server program** and explain the parts involved such as **http** and **template** packages; **HandleFunc**, **multiplexer**, **ListenAndServe**, **FileServer**
- Integrate Bootstrap with Go

Write Basic Go Web Server

Write the code shown in the next slide in a file called `server.go` and experiment the following things

1. Type `go run server.go` command at the terminal
 - The server should start listening at port `8080`
2. Open your web browser and go to <http://localhost:8080>
 - What did you see?
3. Insert the actual IP address of your machine's ethernet interface before the `:8080` text in your `server.go` file and restart your server
4. Repeat step 2 by replacing `localhost` with the your machine's IP address

Write Basic Go Web Server

```
1  package main
2
3  import "net/http"
4
5  func index(w http.ResponseWriter, r *http.Request) {
6      w.Write([]byte("<h1>Hello World!</h1>"))
7  }
8
9  func main() {
10     mux := http.NewServeMux()
11     mux.HandleFunc("/", index)
12     http.ListenAndServe(":8080", mux)
13 }
```

Exercise

Remove line 10 in the previous code

Replace `mux` on line 11 with `http`

Replace `mux` on line 12 with `nil`

Restart the server and refresh your web browser and notice what happen and explain the reason why

Integrating Bootstrap with Go

Go to the following url and download the **Bootstrap** library shown under the Compiled CSS and JS files section

<https://getbootstrap.com/docs/4.3/getting-started/download/>

In your web root directory (where the **server.go** file is stored) create a directory called **assets**

Extract the downloaded file

Place the **css** and **js** directories inside **assets**



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Bootstrap requires the **jquery** library

Go to the following URL to download the **jquery** file

<https://code.jquery.com/jquery-3.3.1.slim.min.js>

Put it inside the **js** directory



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A typical bootstrap file might also contain a custom `.css` file in addition to the ones provided by the Bootstrap library

Save the following CSS code in a file called `starter-template.css` file and put it inside the css directory

```
1  body {  
2    padding-top: 5rem;  
3  }  
4  .starter-template {  
5    padding: 3rem 1.5rem;  
6    text-align: center;  
7  }
```

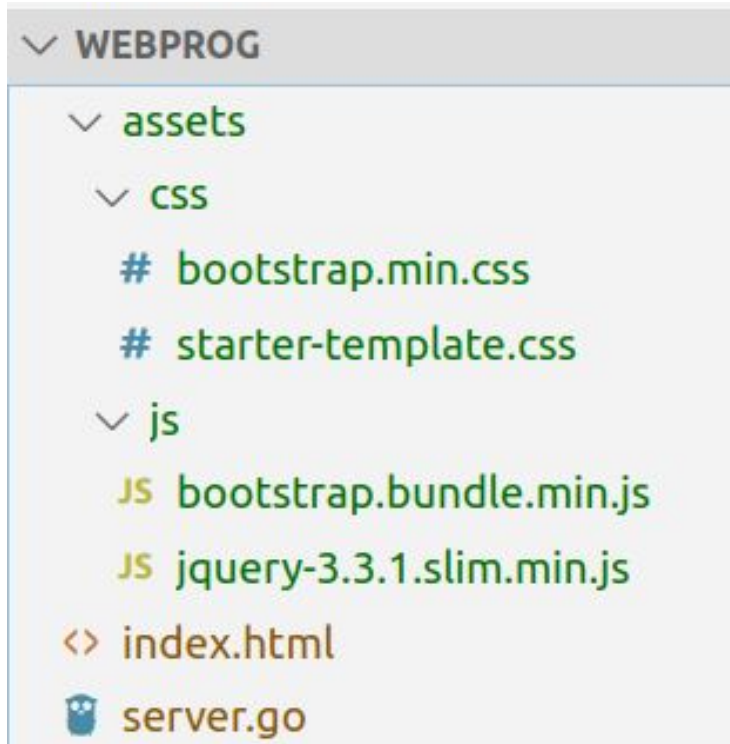

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Now your directory structure should look like the one shown on the right side

You may want to delete the extra files found under the **css** and **js** directory except the ones shown here

Here notice that you have **assets** directory, **index.html**, and **server.go** files under the root (**WEBPROG**) directory

css and **js** directories are under the **assets** directory



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A typical Bootstrap web page might contain the following components as shown in the following slide

At the top inside the **head** section the Bootstrap and custom **.css** files are included

At the bottom before the closing **</body>** tag Bootstrap and custom **.js** files are included

Take note of the **paths** of the **.css** and **.js** files

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```
1  <!DOCTYPE html>
2  <html lang="en">
3    <head>
4      <title>Starter Template · Bootstrap</title>
5      <!-- Bootstrap core CSS -->
6      <link href="/assets/css/bootstrap.min.css" rel="stylesheet">
7      <!-- Custom styles for this template -->
8      <link href="/assets/css/starter-template.css" rel="stylesheet">
9    </head>
10   <body>
11
12     <script src="/assets/js/jquery-3.3.1.slim.min.js" ></script>
13     <script src="/assets/js/bootstrap.bundle.min.js" ></script>
14   </body>
15 </html>
```

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The following slide shows an example Bootstrap page; you can save it in the `index.html` file

The page was adopted from the Bootstrap example pages (**Starter Template**) found in the following URL

<https://getbootstrap.com/docs/4.3/examples/>

You can find the full code of the customized page in the following URL

<https://github.com/betsegawlemma/web-prog-lab-03/blob/master/index.html>

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9    </head>
10   <body>
11     <nav class="navbar navbar-expand-md navbar-dark bg-dark fixed-top">
12       <a class="navbar-brand" href="#">Web Prog I</a>
13     </nav>
14     <main role="main" class="container">
15       <div class="starter-template">
16         <h1>Welcome to Web Programming I</h1>
17         <p class="lead">Use this document as a way to quickly start any new project</p>
18       </div>
19     </main><!-- /.container -->
20     <script src="/assets/js/jquery-3.3.1.slim.min.js" ></script>
21     <script src="/assets/js/bootstrap.bundle.min.js" ></script>
22   </body>
23 </html>
```

Using Go Templates

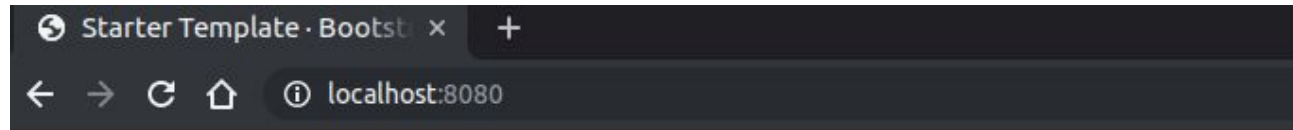
Use `template` package in order to serve **HTML** files

```
3  import (
4      "html/template"
5      "net/http"
6  )
7
8  var tmpl = template.Must(template.ParseFiles("index.html"))
9
10 func index(w http.ResponseWriter, r *http.Request) {
11     tmpl.Execute(w, nil)
12 }
13
14 func main() {
15     http.HandleFunc("/", index)
16     http.ListenAndServe(":8080", nil)
17 }
```

Using Go Templates

If you run your code now, you should see a page similar to the one shown below

Note that this page is not styled even though the css files were linked in the index.html page



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Serving static files using `FileServer`

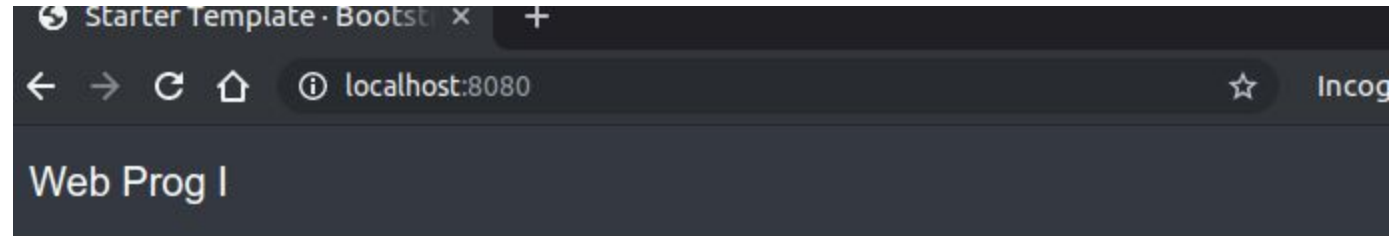
Note the added lines on line 15 and 16

```
8 | var tpl = template.Must(template.ParseFiles("index.html"))
9 |
10 | func index(w http.ResponseWriter, r *http.Request) {
11 |     tpl.Execute(w, nil)
12 | }
13 |
14 | func main() {
15 |     fs := http.FileServer(http.Dir("assets"))
16 |     http.Handle("/assets/", http.StripPrefix("/assets/", fs))
17 |     http.HandleFunc("/", index)
18 |     http.ListenAndServe(":8080", nil)
19 | }
```


Serving static files using FileServer

If you refresh now you should see the following properly styled page

The full source code can be found [here](#)



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