Embedding Other Languages in — Co

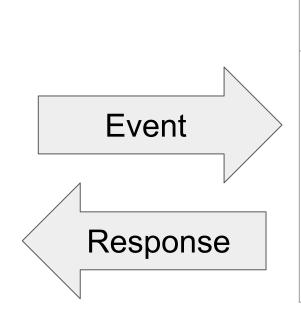
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nuclio - Serverless for Real-Time and Data-Driven Applications

Trigger

- HTTP
- NATS
- Kinesis
- RabbitMQ
- Kafka
- EventHub
- v3io
- cron
- ...



Runtime

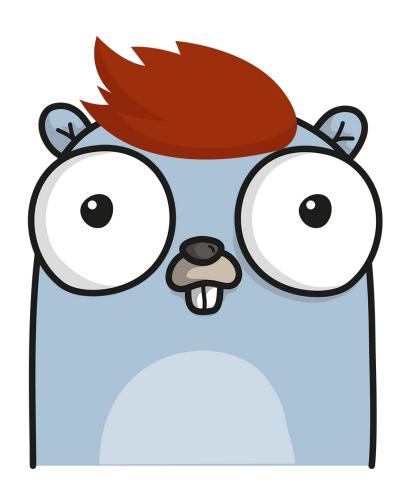
- Go
- Python (2 & 3)
- pypy
- nodejs
- Java
- .NET core
- shell
- ..



I have a 1bit Memory

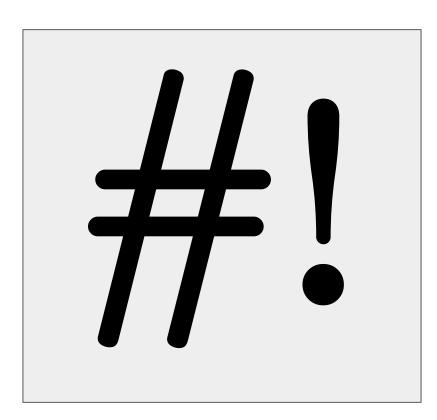
"Never let the truth get in the way of a good story."

Mark Twain



Go Runtime

- Add user code to nuclio and build
 - Dependency hell
- Go SDK
- Plugins
 - Benchmark plugin function call
 - nuclio.Event != nuclio.Event



Shell Runtime

- Invoke via <u>os/exec</u>
 - Using <u>CommandContext</u>
 - Allow extra arguments via HTTP headers
- Extra information in environment
 - NUCLIO_EVENT_ID ...



Python Runtime

- JSON over unix socket
 - Line oriented
 - Bidirectional
- One process per worker
 - o GIL



DYPY

pypy Runtime

- Go ≠ C ≠ pypy
 - o cffi
 - import "C"
- panic: runtime error: cgo argument has
 Go pointer to Go pointer
 - GODEBUG="cgocheck=0"

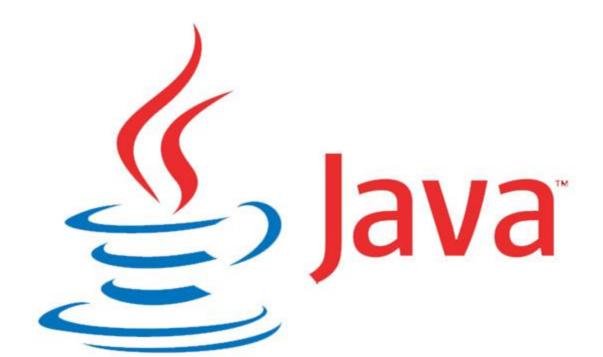
pypy Runtime

- Super long stack traces
- Memory allocations between runtimes
 - runtime.KeepAlive
- Build tags



nodejs Runtime

- Failed attempt with embedding
 - Worked with v8
 - Remembered how I hate C++
- JSON + unix socket
- General RPC runtime

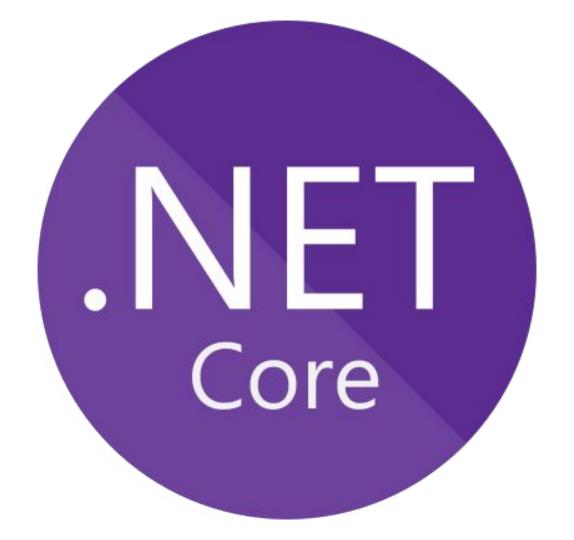


java Runtime

- No unix sockets in Java
 - Added TCP sockets to RPC runtime
- Embed user code inside handler (shadow/uber) JAR
- Java SDK
- gradle, mvn, sbt, ivy ...

java Runtime

- jackson was super slow
 - Switched to GSON
- I still hate Java ©



.NET core Runtime

- Another RPC runtime
- Another SDK

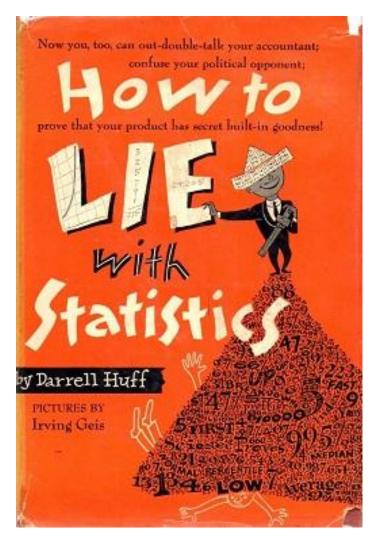
General Comments

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General Comments

- Docker
 - Don't have to install anything
- Logging is important
 - Hard to get noise/signal ratio right
- Error message in tests
- Common runtime tests



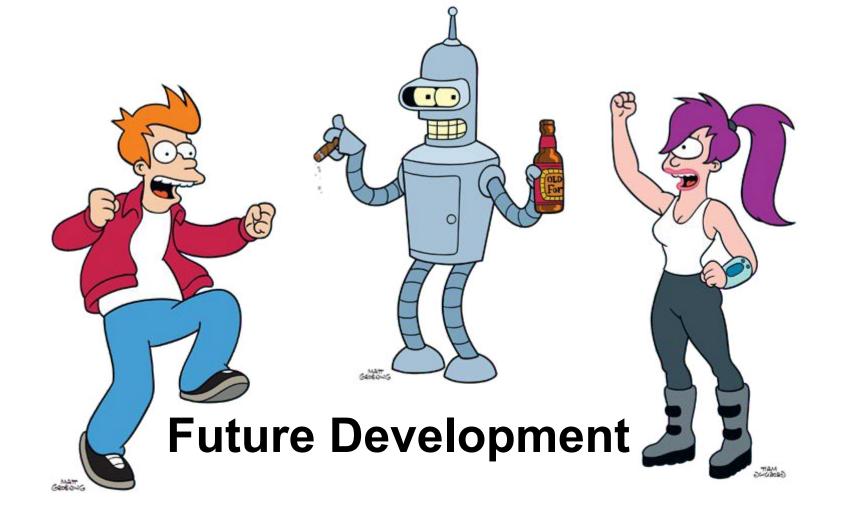
Lies, Damn Lies and Benchmarks

Benchmarks (wrk -c4 http://localhost:8080)

Runtime	Requests/Second
golang	50,111.42
python	8,564.62 (flask: 1,870.76)
руру	27,216.73 (flask: 1,891.91)
nodejs	12,807.32
java	92.22 (???)

Benchmarks

- Benchmarks done on my laptop
- On a better machine golang gets to ~500,000 RPS
- Java can get to ~90,000 RPS



"It's tough to make predictions, especially about the future."

Yogi Berra

Future Directions

- Faster RPC
 - o <u>flatbuffers</u>, <u>msgpack</u> ...
 - Shared memory
- FFI runtime (100K RPS for Python)
- Speed center
- Data bindings (<u>arrow</u>?)

