

# 2 days Golang Programming Workshop

## CloudNative Week

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# 1 Prerequisites

## 1.1 Audience

We design the workshop with the following assumptions about the audience:

- Have 1-year experience in other programming language.
- Feel good with Command Line Interface.

## 1.2 Your workstation

- Linux or OSX recommended.
- Basic:
  - Golang
  - a configured IDE or editor
  - Git
- Package manager exercise:
  - godep
- SQL and noSQL exercise (recommended with docker):
  - Postgres
  - MongoDB
- Nice to have:
  - Docker

Check Go Wiki to see how to configure your favorite editor to write golang programs.

## 1.3 Verify the setup

Let's run a hello world to check whether you can run go applications on your workstation.

**Notice:** No copy&paste, please.

1. Let's check the (in)famous GOPATH:

```
$ printenv | grep GOPATH
GOPATH=/Users/wb/workspace2/goprojects
```

2. Create a simple go program

```
$ mkdir -p $GOPATH/src/workshop-check

$ cd $GOPATH/src/workshop-check
$ touch main.go

$ cd $GOPATH/src/workshop-check
$ vim main.go
```

The main.go should have the following text:

```
package main

import "fmt"

func main() {
    // 1 tabulator
    fmt.Println("Hello! YOUR_NAME")
}
```

Now, let's run it:

```
# 1. enforce formatting:
$ gofmt -w .

# 2. run
$ go run main.go

# 3. build and run:
$ go build .
$ ls
main.go  workshop-check

$ ./main.go
```

Imagine for a second, we want to have it as a tool in our PATH:

```
# install
$ go install

# magic?
$ ls $GOPATH/bin | grep workshop

$ export PATH=$PATH:$GOPATH/bin
$ cd

# run it
$ workshop-check
```

## 1.4 Golang Playground

Open the browser and run our program on golang playground: <https://play.golang.org/>.  
Notice: you can generate a link to your code sample.

# 2 Basics

**Notice:** No copy&paste!

## 2.1 Variable definition

0. Create new directory in your \$GOPATH: `hello-worlder`. Copy the `main.go` from our `workspace-check` project.

1. Please extract your name as a variable, use the following definitions and mark the incorrect ones:

```
// 1
var myName string = "Natalia"
var myName = "Natalia"

// 2
myName := "Natalia"
```

```
// 3
var myName
myName = "Natalia"

// 4
var myName string
myName = "Natalia"

// 5
var myName string
myName := "Natalia"
```

Notice: in Golang, we use camelCase for variable names.

2. Mark the myName as `const`.
3. Declare a variable for your home country and city, use the following construct:

```
var (
    x = 10
    y = 20
)
```

## 2.2 Integers and Floats

No big surprise here, numbers:

- `int`, `int8`, ..., `int64`, `byte`  $\rightarrow$  `int8`, `rune`  $\rightarrow$  `int32`
- `uint`, `uint8`, ..., `uint64`
- `float64`, `float32`, `float64`
- `complex`

Golang does not support automatic conversion between types. Let's experience it.

1. Declare a variable `devExpDays` and `msg`:



```

package main

import (
    "fmt"
    "reflect"
    "strconv"
)

func main() {
    name := "Natalia"
    devExpDays := 365
    msg := name + " has " + devExpDays + " exp as developer"
    fmt.Println(msg)
}

```

Run it. What error message did you see?

2. To make it running, we need to use `strconv.Itoa`. Add the following import and call the function:

```

import (
    "strconv"
    "fmt"
)

```

3. Now let's go back from string to integer:

```

// imagine, we got it from the user:
devExpYears := "2"
devExpDays := 365 * devExpYears

```

to convert `devExpYears` use the following code:

```

// the famous error-return
days, err := strconv.Atoi("12020")
if err != nil {
    fmt.Printf("Cannot convert %v", err)
    return
}

```

You have more functions to convert from basic types to string and back, check Package strconv documentation.

Notice: `import (_ "strconv")`.

## 2.3 Boolean

Just to note: `true` and `false`, standard logical operators: `&&`, `!`, and `||`.

## 2.4 Math

Nothing dramatic here. For more advance mathematical functions, you should check the Package math:

```
import (  
    "math"  
)
```

## 2.5 Slices and hidden arrays

In go lang, we use `slices`, seldom we use arrays.

1. If you want to defined an array, you specify the length explicitly:

```
arr1 := [...]string{"pa", "rr", "ot"}  
arr2 := [3]string{"pa", "rr", "ot"}  
  
fmt.Print(arr1)  
fmt.Printf("%v", arr1)
```

Slice, an interface of the array, on the other hand we create with:

```
arr1 := [...]string{"pa", "rr", "ot"}  
  
slice1 := []string{"pa", "na", "ma"}  
slice2 := arr1[:]
```

2. What is the output?

```

var three [3]int
two := [2]int{10, 20}

three = two

fmt.Println(three)
fmt.Println(two)

```

3. Let's define our hello world messages and add one more:

```

helloWorld := []string{"dzień dobry", "Hallo", "guten Tag"}
fmt.Printf("A: len: %d cap: %d \n", len(helloWorld),
    cap(helloWorld))

czechia := "Ahoj"
helloWorld = append(helloWorld, czechia)

fmt.Printf("B: len: %d cap: %d \n", len(helloWorld),
    cap(helloWorld))

fmt.Printf("%v\n", helloWorld)

```

Note down the len and cap in A and B:

4. Slices of slices. How would you write a one liner to print out:

- ["dzień dobry"]:
- middle hallo messages:
- all except the last one:
- just 1st element:

- just 15th element:

Hint: use `slice[x]`, `slice[x:]`, `slice[:x]`, and `slice[x:y]`

5. Watch out, the slices might bite your head off. Note, slice has *capacity*, *length*, and **pointer to the underlying array** (see <https://golang.org/pkg/reflect/#SliceHeader>):

```
package main

import "fmt"

func main() {
    helloWorld := []string{"dzień dobry", "Ahoj", "Goodmorning"}
    eastEuropeHello := helloWorld[0:2]
    fmt.Printf("len: %d cap: %d \n", len(eastEuropeHello),
        cap(eastEuropeHello))

    eastEuropeHello[0] = "Dobry Wieczor"
    fmt.Printf("%v\n", helloWorld)
    fmt.Printf("%v\n", eastEuropeHello)
}
```

What is the result?

Replace `eastEuropeHello[0] = "Dobry Wieczor"` by:

```
eastEuropeHello = append(eastEuropeHello, "Dobry Wieczor")
eastEuropeHello = append(eastEuropeHello, "Dobry Wieczor")
```

What is the result? What has happend?

It should be not a suprise that:

```
a := []int{1,3,5,7}
b := []int{2, 4, 6}

a = b
```

```

a[0] = 99

// prints the same
fmt.Printf("%+v\n", a)
fmt.Printf("%+v\n", b)

```

6. Let's fix that with the following code snippet:

```

newSlice := make([]string, 2)
copy(newSlice, slice)

```

7. We can also use make to create a slice with desired length and capacity:

```

msgs := make([]string, 2, 20)
msgs[0] = "Ahoj"
msgs[1] = "Goodmorning"

for idx := range msgs {
    fmt.Printf("%s\n", msgs[idx])
}

for idx, v := range msgs {
    fmt.Printf("%d, %s\n", idx, v)
}

for _, v := range msgs {
    fmt.Printf("%s\n", v)
}

```

8. Note, when a function returns no result, use a *nil slice*:

```

var nilSlice []string = nil.

```

## 2.6 Control structure: Loops

In go there is only one loop keyword.

```

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

for i < 10 {
    fmt.Println(i)
    i++
}
// also map
for index, value := range someSlice {
    fmt.Println(index, value)
}

```

## 2.7 String

String is a read-only slice of bytes. Go source code is always in UTF-8.

1. Run the following code, note down the results:

```

const address := "ul. Przeskok 2"

fmt.Printf("len: %s\n", len(address))

fmt.Printf("1: %s\n", address[0:3])
fmt.Printf("2: %c\n", address[2])
fmt.Printf("3: %s\n", address[2:])
fmt.Printf("4: %s\n", address[5:])

fmt.Printf("5: %s\n", address[16:])
fmt.Printf("6: %s\n", address[:16])

```

2. Use the following example to build your own program printing out your 3 favorite emojis:

```

const milk = "우유"

for index, runeValue := range milk {
    fmt.Printf("%c (%U) starts at byte position %d\n",

```

```
    runeValue, runeValue, index)
}
```

3. What does now happen?:

```
const milk = "우유"

for i := 0; i < len(milk); i++ {
    fmt.Printf("byte: %x at the index %d\n",
        milk[i], i)
}
```

Notice: Important packages are `Package strings` and `Package unicode/utf8`.

## 2.8 Maps

Build a program that displays a hello-world message for different languages.

1. Define the map:

```
helloMsgs := map[string]string{}
helloMsgs["pl"] = "Dzień Dobry"
helloMsgs["en"] = "Good morning"
```

2. Read input from the user:

```
helloMsgs := map[string]string{}
helloMsgs["pl"] = "Dzień Dobry"
helloMsgs["en"] = "Good morning"

var lang string
// read a single word in ASCII
// skip error handling
fmt.Scan(&lang)
```

2. Print the hello message:

```

if val, ok := helloMsgs[lang]; ok {
    // found
} else {
    // not found
}

```

3. Notice, go lang has a cool feature:

```

helloMsgs := map[string]string{
    "pl": "Dzień Dobry",
    "en": "Good morning",
}

```

We want to have different greetings depending on the time of day:

```

helloMsgs := map[string]map[string]string{
    "pl": {"morning": "Dzień Dobry"},
    "en": {"morning": "Good morning"},
}

```

Now, users got bored with the same greeting:

```

helloMsgs := map[string]map[string][]string{
    "pl": {"morning": []string{
        "Dzień Dobry",
        "Piękny poranek",
    }},
    "en": {"morning": []string{
        "Good morning",
        "Morning",
    }},
}

```

Let's make it more readable:

```

type daytimeGreetings map[string][]string
type g map[string]daytimeGreetings

```



```

helloMsgs := map[string]daytimeGreetings{
    "pl": {"morning": []string{
        "Dzień Dobry",
    }},
    "en": {"morning": []string{
        "Good morning",
    }},
}

```

You can use this declarative style to define even the most complex JSON structures.

4. Write a program that randomize the messages, use *math/rand* and *time* packages to initialize random seed.
5. [Homework] Use time information to find out which part of the day we have.

## 2.9 User defined type

A short exercise to show you the types you can define over the basic and composite types:

## 2.10 Type Definitions

```

package main

import "fmt"

type myInt int

func display(i int) {
    fmt.Printf("%d", i)
}

func main() {
    var i myInt = 12
    i = i + 12
    // how to fix it?
}

```

```
    display(i)
}
```

## 2.11 Type Alias Declarations

```
package main

import "fmt"

type myInt = int

func display(i int) {
    fmt.Printf("%d", i)
}

func main() {
    var i myInt = 12
    i = i + 12
    display(i)
}
```

## 2.12 fmt.Printf

Check the <https://gobyexample.com/string-formatting>.

## 2.13 Functions

Let's split our program into nice functions:

1. Let's move the logic for displaying the hello message to a separate function:

```
helloMsgs := map[string]string{
    "pl": "Dzień Dobry",
    "en": "Good morning",
}
```

The function should take as arguments the map with messages and language.

2. Let's add return **true** if we have a message for given language and **false** if not. Notice:

```
func displayHello() (found bool) {
    // notice empty return
    return
}
```

2. Let's follow the go lang way and return an error:

```
func displayHello() (err error) {
    err = fmt.Errorf("Unsupported language")
    return
}

func main() {
    err := displayHello()
    if err != nil {
        fmt.Printf("Not found!!! %v", err)
        return
    }
}
```

3. Functions are first class citizens in Golang and we often use them as arguments:

```
type letterDecorator func(string) string

//func printLetters(msg []string, decorator func(string) string)
func printLetters(msg []string, decorator letterDecorator) {
    for _, l := range msg {
        d := decorator(l)
        fmt.Println(d)
    }
}

func main() {
    alphabet := []string{"a", "b", "c", "d", "d"}
}
```

```

printLetters(alphabet, func(s string) string {
    return strings.ToUpper(s)
})

printLetters(alphabet, func(s string) string {
    return "::" + strings.ToLower(s) + "::"
})
}

```

4. Notice: we have support for variadic parameters in functions:  
`func printSymbols(msg ...string):`

```

printSymbols()
printSymbols("a", "z")
printSymbols(alphabet...)

```

5. We can move the execution of a function to the end of the scope with `defer`:

```

package main

import "fmt"

func main() {
    defer fmt.Println("boom!")

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

```

## 2.14 Control structure: if and switch

### 2.14.1 switch

The *switch* can work on any data type, you do not need to switch on a value, see: <https://github.com/golang/go/wiki/Switch>.

The very common case for *switch* is to check types:

```
func do(v interface{}) string {
    switch u := v.(type) {
    case int:
        return strconv.Itoa(u*2) // u has type int
    case string:
        mid := len(u) / 2 // split - u has type string
        return u[mid:] + u[:mid] // join
    }
    return "unknown"
}
```

### 2.14.2 if

The *If* and *else* works as in other programming languages, except that you can put a language expression:

```
if err := dec.Decode(&val); err != nil {  
    // handling error  
}  
// happy path
```

Example from the Package net:

```
if nerr, ok := err.(net.Error); ok && nerr.Temporary() {  
    // here nerr is an instance of net.Error  
    // and the error is Temporary  
}
```

Let's build an app for writing and reading a file:

```
package main  
  
import (  
    "io/ioutil"  
    "fmt"  
)  
  
func main() {  
    // change to /dat1  
    fPath := "/tmp/dat1"  
    inD := []byte("hello\nWorld\n")  
    if err := ioutil.WriteFile(fPath, inD, 0644); err != nil {  
        panic(err) // failfast  
    }  
    fmt.Println("Write was successful!")  
  
    outData, err := ioutil.ReadFile(fPath)  
    if err != nil {  
        panic(err) // failfast  
    }  
}
```

```
    fmt.Print(string(outData))
}
```

If it works, change `fPath` to `fPath := "/tmp/dat1"`. What does happen?

## 2.15 Pointers

Remember:

- Because of the Golang design, your code will work usually faster if you pass small data types by value.
- Do not be overzealous with the pointers.
- Maps, slices, and pointers are reference types.

Write the following program:

```
package main

import "fmt"

func tryAnswerEverything(i int) {
    i = 45
}

func answerEverything(i *int) {
    *i = 42
}

func main() {
    i := 33

    fmt.Println(i)
    tryAnswerEverything(i)
    fmt.Println(i)

    answerEverything(&i)
    fmt.Println(i)
}
```

Notice, we can return in functions pointers to local variables: `func Answer() *int`.

## 2.16 Structures

In Golang, we do not have *classes*, instead *struct* with *methods*. Our language does not support inheritance, favors composition instead.

## 2.17 Structures and Methods

1. Write a program to manage employees:

```
type Employee struct {
    FirstName    string
    LastName     string
    leavesTotal  int
    LeavesTaken  int
}

func (empl *Employee) TakeHolidays(days int) error {
    // write an implementation
}

func (empl *Employee) limitExceeded(days int) bool {
    // write an implementation
}

func main() {
    empl := new(Employee)
    empl.FirstName = "Laste"
    empl.LastName = "BB"
    empl.leavesTotal = 26
    fmt.Println(empl.FirstName)
    // ...
}
```

Question? How to init the Employee outside our package?

```
// hide the implementation
type employee struct {
}
```



```
// provide a factory method New or NewEmployee
func NewEmployee(firstName string, lastName string,
    leaveDays int) *employee {

    return &employee{FirstName: firstName, LastName: lastName,
        totalLeaves : leaveDays}
}

// called: employee.New() where employee is a package name
```

2. Refactor our application and move implementation of the `employee` to a separate package. To do it, create a directory `employee` and create inside `employee.go`:

```
package employee

type Employee struct {
    FirstName    string
    LastName     string
    leavesTotal  int
}

func New(firstName string, lastName string,
    leaveDays int) *Employee {

    return &Employee{FirstName: firstName, LastName: lastName,
        leavesTotal: 30}
}
```

Create an instance of `Employee` in `main.go`.

## 2.18 Pointer receiver vs value receiver

What is the difference?

```
func (empl *Employee) TakeHollidays(taken int) {
    empl.leavesTaken = empl.leavesTaken + taken
}
```

and:

```
func (empl Employee) TakeHollidays(taken int) {
    empl.leavesTaken = empl.leavesTaken + taken
}
```

Write a program to find out.

## 2.19 Structures and Interfaces

Your structure has to implement the functions from the interface:

```
package main

import "workshop-app/postgres"

type DataStore interface {
    GetEmployee(id int) string
}

type App struct {
    ds DataStore
}

func main() {
    app1 := App{ds: &postgres.PsqlStore{}}
    fmt.Print(app1.ds.GetEmployee(12))
}
```

We might have two configurable stores, one psql:

```
package postgres

type PsqlStore struct {
}

func (ps *PsqlStore) GetEmployee(id int) string {
    return "psql"
}
```

and one, mongodb:

```
package mongo

type MongoStore struct {
}

func (ps *MongoStore) GetEmployee(id int) string {
    return "mongo"
}
```

Run the app and verify that the mongoStore works as well. When it works, break it, for e.g., change the type of args in MongoStore.

## 2.20 Composition instead of Inheritance

```
type person struct {
    firstName string
}

func (p person) name() string {
    return p.firstName
}

type employee struct {
    EmployeeID string
    person
}

func main() {
    empl := employee{}
    empl.firstName = "Wojtek"
    empl.person.firstName = "Krzyś"
    fmt.Println(empl.firstName)
}
```

Notice: For polymorphism, you need to use *interface*.

## 2.21 Interfaces vs Functions

If you get high on interface, do not forget about the functions, an example from net/http:

```
type HandlerFunc func(ResponseWriter, *Request)

// ServeHTTP calls f(w, r).
func (f HandlerFunc) ServeHTTP(w ResponseWriter, r *Request) {
    f(w, r)
}
```

we could use it to customize our employees leave policies:

```
package employee

type LeaveHandler func(taken int, total int) bool

func NewLeaveHandler(f func(int, int) bool) LeaveHandler {
    return f
}

func (f LeaveHandler) CanTakeHollidays(empl Employee) bool {
    r := f(empl.totalLeaves, empl.leavesTaken)
    return r
}
```

## 2.22 Packages, go get, godep, go mod

The traditional way to get your packages was `go get`. At this moment, we have two approaches `v.go` (new, favored by Google) and `godep` (old, community driven). Let's see how they work.

1. Create new project *workshop-gomod*, with main.go:

```
package main

import (
    "fmt"
    "net/http"
```

```

    "github.com/gorilla/mux"
)

func HelloHandler(w http.ResponseWriter, r *http.Request) {
    w.WriteHeader(http.StatusOK)
    fmt.Fprintf(w, "Hello World")
}

func main() {
    r := mux.NewRouter()
    r.HandleFunc("/", HelloHandler)
    http.Handle("/", r)
}

```

2. Use *gomod* to capture the deps:

```

$ G0111MODULE=on go mod init
$ G0111MODULE=on go get github.com/gorilla/mux
$ ls

```

```

go.mod  go.sum  main.go

```

```

$ G0111MODULE=on go mod vendor
$ ls

```

```

$ ls vendor

```

```

$ G0111MODULE=on go list -m all

```

Notice: the debate is ongoing whether we should or must not commit **vendor** to your repo. You should, at least, push **go.mod** and **go.sum** to your repo.

3. Create new project *workshop-godep*, with **main.go**:

```

package main

import (
    "fmt"

```

```

    "net/http"

    "github.com/gorilla/mux"
)

func HelloHandler(w http.ResponseWriter, r *http.Request) {
    w.WriteHeader(http.StatusOK)
    fmt.Fprintf(w, "Hello World")
}

func main() {
    r := mux.NewRouter()
    r.HandleFunc("/", HelloHandler)
    http.Handle("/", r)
}

```

4. Use *godep* to manage your dependencies:

```

$ dep
$ dep init -v
$ ls

```

```

vendor  Gopkg.lock  Gopkg.toml  main.go

```

You will have less surprises with *dep* at this moment. *v.go* will be the default soon, consult <https://github.com/golang/go/wiki/Modules>.

## 2.23 Linters

Linters are a part of the language:

- *gofmt*
- *goimport* - *gofmt* + sorting imports
- *govet* - now executed with tests

To apply the fixes, use *-w* flag:

```

$ gofmt -w .
$ goimports -w *.go && goimports -w */*.go

```

There are many linters out there, check, for e.g., awesome-go-linter page. You should call the linters as part of your CI/CD pipeline:

- linter
- test
- integration-test

## 2.24 Errors

Let's define our own error and see how they work. We will use the standard libraries for handling errors.

Notice `error` interface is:

```
type error interface {  
    Error() string  
}
```

### 2.24.1 Sentimental Errors

An example of such errors are: `sql.ErrNoRows` and `io.EOF`, they are declared as:

```
package sql  
  
var errNoRows = errors.New("sql: no Rows available")
```

The advantage? It is simple to handle:

```
err := db.QueryRow("SELECT * FROM users WHERE id = ?", userID)  
if err == sql.ErrNoRows {  
    // an error we know  
} else if err != nil {  
    // another error  
}
```

Disadvantage? Not too much info, they become a part of your package API.

Please implement, an error for our Employee application using *Package errors*<sup>1</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup><https://golang.org/pkg/errors>

### 2.24.2 Custom Error Types

Use the following example of a custom error type to change the errors implementation in the Employee application:

```
type ParsingError struct {
    IncorrectValue string
}

func (e *ParsingError) Error() string {
    return fmt.Sprintf("Cannot parse %v: internal error",
        e.IncorrectValue)
}
```

if we use our custom error code, our code will get more complicated:

```
if err := Foo(); err != nil {
    switch e := err.(type) {
    case *ParsingError:
        //
    default:
        log.Println(e)
    }
}
```

### 2.24.3 Opaque errors

The idea:

- return your own errors
- provide functions to determine what has happened

An example for Dave Cheney blog <sup>2</sup>:

```
type temporary interface {
    Temporary() bool
}
```

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<sup>2</sup><https://dave.cheney.net/2016/04/27/dont-just-check-errors-handle-them-gracefully>



```

}

// IsTemporary returns true if err is temporary.
func IsTemporary(err error) bool {
    te, ok := err.(temporary)
    return ok && te.Temporary()
}

```

#### 2.24.4 Wrapping/Annotating and Unwrapping errors

With help of the package `errors`<sup>3</sup>, we can provide support for the stack-traces and handling error causes.

Let's see how to implement, a stacktrace support for our application:

```

package main

import (
    "fmt"
    "github.com/pkg/errors"
)

type stackTracer interface {
    StackTrace() errors.StackTrace
}

var errProcess = errors.New("boom")

func processData() error {
    return errProcess
}

func main() {
    err := processData()
    wrappedErr := errors.Wrap(err, "processing failed")
    fmt.Printf("%v", wrappedErr)

    if err, ok := wrappedErr.(stackTracer); ok {
        fmt.Printf("%+v", err.StackTrace())
    }
}

```

<sup>3</sup><https://godoc.org/github.com/pkg/errors>

```
}  
}
```

Unwrapping:

```
package main  
  
import (  
    "fmt"  
    "net"  
  
    "github.com/pkg/errors"  
)  
  
type myErrProcess error  
  
var errProcess myErrProcess = errors.New("boom")  
  
func processData() error {  
    return errProcess  
}  
  
func main() {  
    errData := processData()  
    wrappedErr := errors.Wrap(errData, "processing failed")  
  
    _, ok := errors.Cause(wrappedErr).(net.Error)  
    if ok {  
        fmt.Printf("net.Error")  
    }  
  
    errP, ok := errors.Cause(wrappedErr).(myErrProcess)  
    if ok {  
        fmt.Printf(errP.Error())  
    }  
}
```

### 2.24.5 Defer, Panic, and Recover

There is a way to recover from the panic, when we use `defer`, `panic`, and `recover`. We are not going to cover it in the introduction course. If you cannot wait, check a `defer-panic-and-recover` blog post on `golang.org` and the `golang` wiki `PanicAndRecover` article.

### 2.24.6 Error best practices

- Handle errors once
- Error, keep on the left
- Notice: standard errors do not come with stacktraces
- Check a good article from 8thlight <sup>4</sup>

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<sup>4</sup><https://8thlight.com/blog/kyle-krull/2018/08/13/exploring-error-handling-patterns-in-go.html>

## 2.25 Tests

Create a simple test in a file – `main_test.go`. To run tests: `go test ..`

```
package main

import (
    "fmt"
)

func add(a int, b int) int {
    return a + b
}

func main() {
    fmt.Println(add(10,20))
}

func TestAdd(t *testing.T) {
    if add(10,25) != 20 {
        t.Fatal("Boom!")
    }
}
```

### 2.25.1 Table-driven tests

1. Create a project workshop-test:  
main.go:

```
package main

import (
    "errors"
    "fmt"
)

var errUnknownOperation = errors.New("Unknown operation")

func Calculate(op string, a int, b int) (int, error) {
    switch op {
    case "+":
        return a + b, nil
    }
    return 0, errUnknownOperation
}

func main() {
    r, _ := Calculate("+", 1, 2)
    fmt.Println(r)
}
```

main\_test.go:

```
package main

import (
    "testing"
)

func TestCalculate(t *testing.T) {
    testCases := map[string]struct {
        op      string
        a        int
        b        int
    }
```

```

    expected int
}{
    "simple add": {"+", 1, 3, 4},
}

for name, v := range testCases {
    t.Logf("test: %s", name)
    r, err := Calculate(v.op, v.a, v.b)
    if err != nil {
        t.Fatalf("%v", err)
    }
    if r != v.expected {
        t.Fatalf("Failed!")
    }
}
}

```

Run the tests:

```
$ go test .
```

Notice: you can add `-race` to turn on the race detector.

2. Add, first the test, support for division.

### 2.25.2 Test with real X

Golang developers prefer to work against real databases, file systems, etc.

### 2.25.3 Tests short and long

```

if testing.Short() {
    t.Skip("skipping test in short mode.")
}

```

### 2.25.4 Integration tests

The best practice is to use build tags to distinguish integration tests:

```
// +build integration

package service_test

func TestSomething(t *testing.T) {
    if service.IsMeaningful() != 42 {
        t.Errorf("oh no!")
    }
}
```

To run:

```
$ go test --tags integration ./...
```

#### 2.25.5 Look ahead

There is much more:

- If your functions accept interfaces, return structs, they are easier to test.
- Check the brilliant blog on Go for Industrial Programming and the corresponding video.
- If you like the BDD style, look into ginkgo and <https://github.com/onsi/gomega>.

## 3 Your basic web app

Knowing the basics of Golang, let's build a web application.

### 3.1 Simplest

Writing a web server in Golang, thanks to very solid standard library, is fairly simple:

```
package main

import (
    "io"
    "log"
    "net/http"
)

func main() {
    hello := func(w http.ResponseWriter, r *http.Request) {
        io.WriteString(w, "Hello World!")
    }

    // Run http server on port 8080
    err := http.ListenAndServe(":8080", http.HandlerFunc(hello))

    // Log and die, in case something go wrong
    log.Fatal(err)
}
```

### 3.2 Multiplexed

To multiplex, we need to create a Multiplexer:

```
package main

import (
    "io"
    "log"
    "net/http"
)
```



```

func main() {
    mux := http.NewServeMux()

    mux.HandleFunc("/hello", func(w http.ResponseWriter,
        r *http.Request) {
        io.WriteString(w, "Hello")
    })

    mux.HandleFunc("/world", func(w http.ResponseWriter,
        r *http.Request) {
        io.WriteString(w, "World")
    })

    log.Fatal(http.ListenAndServe(":8080", mux))
}

```

### 3.3 Handler as a struct

To customize handler, we can create a struct

```

type MyHandler struct {
    Greeting string
}

func (h *MyHandler) ServeHTTP(w http.ResponseWriter,
    r *http.Request) {
    fmt.Fprintf(w, "%s, %s!", h.Greeting, r.RemoteAddr)
}

func main() {
    log.Fatal(http.ListenAndServe(":8080", &MyHandler{
        Greeting: "Hello World!",
    }))
}

```

#### 3.3.1 Sharing data structures among handlers

The following example shows how to share data among handlers, e.g., database connection details, configs:

```

package main

import (
    "fmt"
    "log"
    "net/http"
)

type App struct {
    ServiceName string
    // Datasource
    // logging config
}

func (app *App) HelloWorld(w http.ResponseWriter,
    r *http.Request) {
    w.WriteHeader(http.StatusOK)
    fmt.Fprintf(w, "Hello World from " + app.ServiceName)
}

func main() {
    app := App{ServiceName: "MyApp"}
    mux := http.NewServeMux()
    mux.HandleFunc("/", app.HelloWorld)

    log.Fatal(http.ListenAndServe(":8080", mux))
}

```

### 3.3.2 Reading body

Extend the previous example to read the data passed with http body:

```

func (h *Handler) ServeHTTP(w http.ResponseWriter,
    r *http.Request) {
    var data bytes.Buffer // []byte with IO

    // body, err := ioutil.ReadAll(r.Body)
    n, err := data.ReadFrom(r.Body) // read body to the buffer
    if err != nil {

```

```

    panic(err)
}

log.Printf("Got %d bytes from %s: %s\n", n, r.RemoteAddr,
    data.String())
}

```

Test it:

```
$ curl -d '{"name": "natalia"}' 127.0.0.1:8080
```

### 3.3.3 Parse URL

We have also support for parsing URL in net/url Package:

```

// "lang=pl"
q := r.URL.Query()
lang := q.Get("lang")

```

### 3.3.4 Write multilingual hello-world app

Multilingual hello-world app supports

- US1: *lang* on path / as a GET parameter to specify language  
*user* as a GET parameter to specify username for the greetings.
- US2: *lang* and *user* in body: *user:Wojtek,lang:pl*.
- if *lang* is missing, return 400.
- if *user* is missing, return 404.

### 3.3.5 Testing handlers

Create tests to cover the edge cases:

```

func TestHandlers(t *testing.T) {
    // Your handler to test
    handler := func(w http.ResponseWriter, r *http.Request) {
        http.Error(w, "Uh huh", http.StatusBadRequest)
    }
}

```

```

// Create a request
r, err := http.NewRequest("GET",
    "http://test.com?lang=pl&user=wojtek", nil)

// Handle request and store result in w
w := httptest.NewRecorder()
handler(w, r)

// Check out
if w.Code != http.StatusOK {
    t.Fatal(w.Code, w.Body.String())
}
}

```

## 4 Working with JSON

Let's change the input in body for our service to:

```

{
  "name": "Natalia",
  "lang": "en"
}

```

To learn how to use marshalling and unmarshalling, let's write a simple program that uses encoding/json package:

```

package main

import (
    "encoding/json"
    "fmt"
)

type Employee struct {
    FirstName string `json:"name"`
    LastName  string
    Internal  string `json:"- "`
    Mandatory int   `json:"mandatory"`
}

```

```

    Zero      int    `json:"zero,omitempty"`
    iDoNotSeeIt int    `json:"notSeen"`
}

func main() {
    input := `{
        "name": "natalia",
        "lastName": "Buss"
    }`

    var empl Employee
    err := json.Unmarshal([]byte(input), &empl)
    if err != nil {
        // ...
        return
    }
    fmt.Println(empl.FistName)
    fmt.Println(empl.LastName)

    empl.Mandatory = 0
    empl.Zero = 0

    out, _ := json.Marshal(empl)
    fmt.Println(string(out))
}

```

Notice: you can build your custom Marshaller/Unmarshaller. `json` supports all data types.

Find out what `json.RawMessage` is? What is a use case for it?

## 5 Support POST and GET with gorilla/mux

If you want to build more complex web server, you should check gorilla/mux:

```

package main

import (

```

```

    "fmt"
    "log"
    "net/http"
    "github.com/gorilla/mux"
)

func HelloGetHandler(w http.ResponseWriter, r *http.Request) {
    w.WriteHeader(http.StatusOK)
    fmt.Fprintf(w, "GET")
}

func AddMsgHandler(w http.ResponseWriter, r *http.Request) {
    w.WriteHeader(http.StatusOK)
    fmt.Fprintf(w, "Post")
}

func main() {
    r := mux.NewRouter()
    r.HandleFunc("/", HelloGetHandler).Methods("GET")
    r.HandleFunc("/", AddMsgHandler).Methods("POST")

    log.Fatal(http.ListenAndServe(":8080", r))
}

```

Refactor your application to use `gorilla/mux`.

## 6 Web app with memory storage

Build the following application, so we can add, display, and remove hello messages:

- `/hello_msg`, POST - add new hello message
- `/say_hello?user=natalia&lang=en`, GET - say hello
- `/hello_msg`, GET - list all messages
- `/hello_msg/{id}`, DELETE - remove hello message

Start as a simple array, later we can build it as a map.

## 7 ReadTimeout and WriteTimeout for http.Server

Remember that all IO operations should be cancel-able or timeout-able:

```
srv := &http.Server{
    Addr: "8080",
    Handler: h,
    ReadTimeout: 2s,
    WriteTimeout: 2s,
    MaxHeaderBytes: 1 << 20,
}

srv.ListenAndServe()
```

## 8 Calling remote APIs

```
package main

import (
    "log"
    "net/http"
    "time"
)

func main() {
    c := &http.Client{
        Timeout: 2 * time.Second,
    }

    log.Println("Fetching...")
    resp, err := c.Get(
        "https://mdn.github.io/learning-area/javascript/oojs/json/superheroes.json")

    if err != nil {
        log.Fatal(err)
    }
    defer resp.Body.Close()
}
```

Your task is to parse the output. While looking for the best way to parse it, use your writing-tests skills, so you do not DDOS mdn.github.io.

## 9 Build Hero API Client

Refactor the previous application and extract fetching list of herous to a HeroClient:

```
type HeroClient struct {
    Client *http.Client
}

func (c *HeroClient) GetThem() (string, error) {
    // your code
}
```



```

func main() {
    c := &http.Client{
        Timeout: 2 * time.Second,
    }

    hc := HeroClient{Client: c}

    // your code to read and display
    // superheroes JSON
}

```

## 10 Testing Calling remote APIs

You can also test whether your calls have proper format by using `httptest`:

```

package main

import (
    "fmt"
    "net/http"
    "net/http/httptest"
    "testing"

    "gotest.tools/assert"
)

func TestHeroClientAPI(t *testing.T) {

    server := httptest.NewServer(
        http.HandlerFunc(
            func(rw http.ResponseWriter, req *http.Request) {
                // Send response to be tested
                assert.Equal(t, req.URL.String(), "/some/path")
                rw.Write([]byte(`OK`))
            },
        ),
    )

    // Close the server when test finishes

```

```

defer server.Close()
// Use Client & URL from our local test server
api := HeroClient{server.Client()}
r, err := api.GetThem()
assert.NoError(t, err)
fmt.Println(r)
}

```

Please refactor your code from previous exercise, add GET argument, and write the test.

## 11 Working with files

Based on <https://gobyexample.com/writing-files> and <https://gobyexample.com/reading-files>:

1. read `/etc/passwd` and find a line number with your user
2. transform passwd to json (name, pid, gid, and path) and write to `${HOME}/passwd.json`

## 12 Parsing CLI args

Using an example from <https://gobyexample.com/command-line-flags>:

```

package main

import "flag"
import "fmt"

func main() {

    wordPtr := flag.String("word", "foo", "a string")

    numbPtr := flag.Int("numb", 42, "an int")
    boolPtr := flag.Bool("fork", false, "a bool")

    var svar string
    flag.StringVar(&svar, "svar", "bar", "a string var")
}

```

```

    flag.Parse()

    fmt.Println("word:", *wordPtr)
    fmt.Println("numb:", *numbPtr)
    fmt.Println("fork:", *boolPtr)
    fmt.Println("svar:", svar)
    fmt.Println("tail:", flag.Args())
}

```

build a program that prints all files or directories in a given *path*. The program should let us to specify regex for the file or directories names.

How would you test the CLI app?

## 13 Go Concurrency

Let's now take a look on the built-in concurrency:

- green threads (go routines)
- can run hundreds of thousands routines
- low overhead (dynamic stack)
- channels for communication
- scalable model

### 13.1 Goroutines and Channels

```

package main

import (
    "fmt"
    "time"
)

func say(s string) {
    for i := 0; i < 5; i++ {
        time.Sleep(100 * time.Millisecond)
        fmt.Println(s)
    }
}

```

```
func main() {
    go say("world")
    say("hello")
}
```

```
package main

import "fmt"

func sum(s []int, c chan int) {
    sum := 0
    for _, v := range s {
        sum += v
    }
    c <- sum // send sum to c
}

func main() {
    s := []int{7, 2, 8, -9, 4, 0}

    c := make(chan int)
    go sum(s[:len(s)/2], c)
    go sum(s[len(s)/2:], c)
    x, y := <-c, <-c // receive from c

    fmt.Println(x, y, x+y)
}
```

Based on the above examples, write a program that counts files in 2 directories. The first implementation should be sequential, the second - parallel.

### 13.2 sync.Mutex

How would you implement a global counter with sync.Mutex?

```
type SafeCounter struct {
    numberOfFiles int
    mux sync.Mutex
}
```

```
//c.mux.Lock()
//c.mux.Unlock()
```

What are drawbacks of this solution?

Implement one counter with mutex and one with channel.

### 13.3 Further read

For more complex use cases:

- <https://blog.golang.org/pipelines>
- <https://blog.golang.org/context>

We will cover the Golang concurrency in the follow-up training.

## 14 Database Access

### 14.1 Postgres

Package `database/sql` provides generic interface for SQL databases. In our exe

1. Prepare the project

```
# anywhere
$ mkdir workshop-db
$ go mod init github.com/wojciech12/workshop-db
$ go get github.com/lib/pq
$ go get github.com/jmoiron/sqlx
```

2. Run psql:

```
# user: postgres
$ docker run --rm \
  --name workshop-psql \
  -e POSTGRES_DB=hello_world \
  -e POSTGRES_PASSWORD=nomoresecret \
  -d \
  -p 5432:5432 \
  postgres
```

Notice:

```
$ psql hello_world postgres -h 127.0.0.1 -p 5432
```

3. Connect to db:

```
package main

import (
    "database/sql"
    "fmt"
    "net/url"

    _ "github.com/lib/pq"
)

var driverName = "postgres"

func New(connectionInfo string) (*sql.DB, error) {
    db, err := sql.Open(driverName, connectionInfo)
    if err != nil {
        msg := fmt.Sprintf("cannot open db (%s) connection: %v",
            driverName, err)
        println(msg)
        return nil, err
    }
    return db, nil
}

func main() {
    user := url.PathEscape("postgres")
    password := url.PathEscape("nomoresecret")
    host := "127.0.0.1"
    port := "5432"
    dbName := "hello_world"
    sslMode := "disable"

    connInfo := fmt.Sprintf(
        "postgres://%s:%s@%s/%s?sslmode=%s",
        user, password, host, port, dbName, sslMode)
}
```

```

sql, err := New(connInfo)
if err != nil {
    panic(err)
}
err = sql.Ping()
if err != nil {
    panic(err)
}
defer sql.Close()
}

```

4. Let's create tables using the following definition:

```

CREATE TABLE users (
    id BIGSERIAL PRIMARY KEY,
    first_name TEXT,
    last_name TEXT);

```

5. Create table in Golang:

```

func createTableIfNotExist(sql *sql.DB) {
    _, err := sql.Exec(`CREATE TABLE users (
        id BIGSERIAL PRIMARY KEY,
        first_name TEXT,
        last_name TEXT)` )
    fmt.Printf("%v\n", err)
}

```

6. Add lines:

```

func insertData(sql *sql.DB, firstName string,
    lastName string) error {
    iq := `INSERT INTO users (first_name, last_name)
        VALUES ($1,$2) RETURNING id;`
    stmt, err := sql.Prepare(iq)

```

```

    if err != nil {
        return err
    }
    defer stmt.Close()
    _, err = stmt.Exec(firstName, lastName)
    if err != nil {
        return err
    }
    return nil
}

```

6. Read lines:

```

func readData(sql *sql.DB) error {
    s := `SELECT id, first_name, last_name FROM users`
    rows, err := sql.Query(s)
    if err != nil {
        return err
    }
    defer rows.Close()

    type person struct {
        ID          int
        FirstName   string
        SecondName  string
    }

    var p person
    for rows.Next() {
        if err := rows.Scan(
            &p.ID,
            &p.FirstName,
            &p.SecondName); err != nil {
            return err
        }
        fmt.Printf("%d %s %s", p.ID, p.FirstName, p.SecondName)
    }
    return nil
}

```



7. With `sqlx`<sup>5</sup>, you can have more declarative code for working with your database:

```
dbx := sqlx.NewDb(sql, driverName)
```

```
func insertData2(sql *sqlx.DB, firstName string,
  lastName string) error {
  type input struct {
    FirstName string `db:"first_name"`
    LastName  string `db:"last_name"`
  }
  type output struct {
    ID int64 `db:"id"`
  }

  var out output
  var in input

  in.FirstName = firstName
  in.LastName = lastName

  sqlQuery := `INSERT INTO users ( first_name,
    last_name
    ) VALUES (
    :first_name,
    :last_name) RETURNING id`

  stmt, err := sql.PrepareNamed(sqlQuery)
  if err != nil {
    return err
  }
  err = stmt.Get(&out, in)
  if err != nil {
    return err
  }
  fmt.Println(out.ID)
  return nil
}
```

---

<sup>5</sup><https://github.com/jmoiron/sqlx>

Notice: for select queries, you use `Queryx` and `err := rows.StructScan(&out)`.

8. Add support for the database in your web app.

## 14.2 Migrations

Presentation of `golang-migrate/migrate`<sup>6</sup>.

## 14.3 Mongodb

A homework, prepare an application that uses mongodb as its database:

```
$ docker run -p 27017:27017 \
  --name da-mongo \
  -d \
  mongo

# anywhere
$ mkdir workshop-mgo
$ go get github.com/globalsign/mgo
```

## 15 Logging

Most popular: `log`, `sirupsen/logrus`, and, for those who want to save every CPU cycle - `uber-go/zap`.

## 16 What is more in stdlib

With simple 25 reserve words and powerful standard library - `golang.org/pkg/`

- production ready `http.Server`
- cryptography (TLS, AES, RSA, HMAC, SHA, MD5)
- compression (gzip, zlib, lzw, bzip2, flate)
- filesystem modifications, subprocesses, system calls
- IO readers, writers, seekers, pipes
- SQL interface (third-party drivers needed)
- time, date
- http reverse proxy
- and more

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<sup>6</sup><https://github.com/golang-migrate/migrate>

## 17 Tools

### 17.1 goreleaser

A very sharp tool that greatly simplifies your CI/CD pipeline for Golang apps.

```
project_name: myapp
release:
  github:
    owner: YOUR_USER_OR_ORG
    name: myapp
    name_template: '{{.Tag}}'
builds:
- env:
  - CGO_ENABLED=0
  goos:
  - linux
  goarch:
  - amd64
  main: .
  ldflags: -s -w -X main.version={{.Version}} -X main.commit={{.Commit}} \
    -X main.date={{.Date}}
  binary: myapp
archive:
  format: tar.gz
  name_template: '{{.ProjectName }}_{{.Version }}_{{.Os }}_{{.Arch }}{{ if .Arm }}v{{.Arm }}{{ end }}'
snapshot:
  name_template: snapshot-{{.ShortCommit}}
checksum:
  name_template: '{{.ProjectName }}_{{.Version }}_checksums.txt'
dist: dist
dockers:
- image: YOUR_USER_OR_ORG/myapp
```

### 17.2 Docker

- Compile on your machine:  
GOOS=linux GOARCH=amd64 CGO\_ENABLED=0 go build ./...  
and put just binary inside the Docker

- An alternative is to use multi-stage Docker builds
- Final image `alpine` or `ubuntu`

### 17.3 Benchmarks

Simple benchmarks with Go:

```
// fib.go
func Fib(n int) int {
    if n < 2 {
        return n
    }
    return Fib(n-1) + Fib(n-2)
}

// fib_test.go
func BenchmarkFib10(b *testing.B) {
    // run the Fib function b.N times
    for n := 0; n < b.N; n++ {
        Fib(10)
    }
}
```

```
$ go test -bench=.
```

### 17.4 Debugging

Debugging with `delve` and from `vscode`.

### 17.5 Docs

## 18 Outlook

What could be the next steps in learning Golang:

1. Go Concurrency:
  - Patterns: <https://blog.golang.org/pipelines>
  - Context: <https://blog.golang.org/contexts>

2. Graceful Shutdown, an example on gorilla/mux github
3. Running your app on Kuberentes and CloudNative
4. Serverless in Golang on AWS and GCP
5. Observability with Prometheus Stack, Opentracing, and EFK
6. GPRC ?
7. Golang Dev for K8S

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## 19 References

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