

httpexpect

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A Tcl-based Toolkit for Automating Interactive Programs



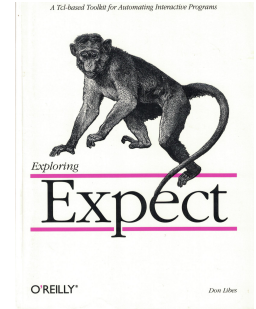
Exploring

Expect

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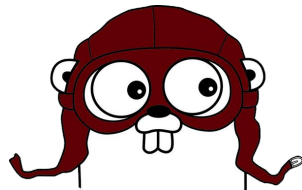
Don Libes (author of Exploring Expect)



“Expect is, after all, a tool made for dealing with crappy interfaces. (If they were good interfaces, you would not need Expect in the first place.)”

http://groups.google.com/groups?oi=djq&selm=an_564208877

Outline

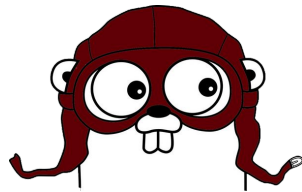


1. Refresher

- Go Testing (testing package)
- Go HTTP Server (**http.Handler** interface)
- Go HTTP Server Testing (**net/http/httptest** package)

2. Testing with httptest

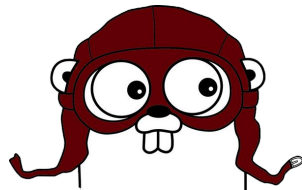
- “Self contained” (use the HTTP handler)
- Separate processes
- Add HTTP Server
- FastAPI Server



1 - Refresher

(testing, `http.Handler`, `net/http/httptest`)

Go Testing



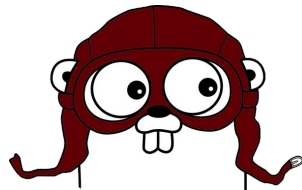
- Use table driven tests
- Name test cases
- Use subtests (t.Run with anonymous function)

```
func Add(a int, b int) int {  
    return a + b  
}
```

```
$ go test -v
```

```
$ go test -run=TestAdd/Add2and3 -v
```

Golang HTTP Server

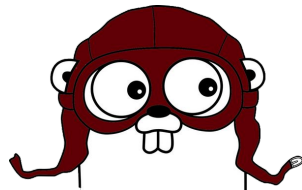


1. Handler should satisfy the **http.Handler** interface
2. Convert a function to a **http.HandlerFunc** type (2 examples)
3. **http.HandleFunc** registers functions as handlers

```
type Handler interface {  
    ServeHTTP(ResponseWriter, *Request)  
}
```

<https://golang.org/src/net/http/server.go?s=78220:78291#L62>

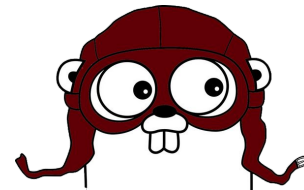
Testing Go HTTP Servers (net/http/httptest)



- Built-in package **net/http/httptest**
- Same Techniques as Go Unit tests (**testing** package)
 - Table driven tests
 - Sub tests
- Test handler using **httptest.NewRecorder()**
- Test routing using **httptest.NewServer(handler())**
- Test server in a separate process

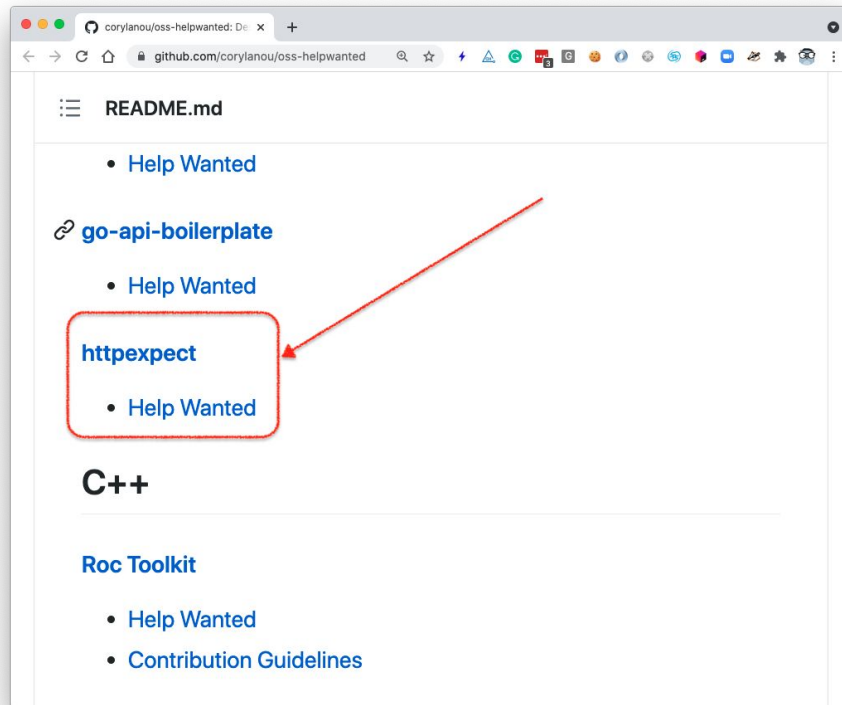
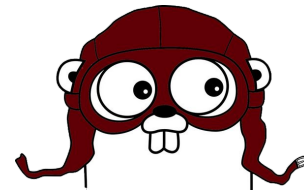
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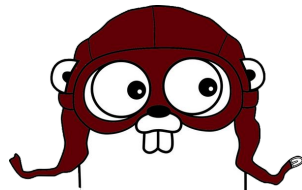
2 - Testing with httpexpect

Why?



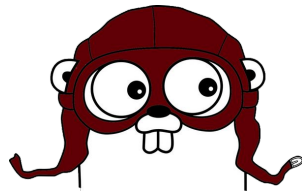
<https://github.com/corylanou/oss-helpwanted>

Example 1: Self-contained



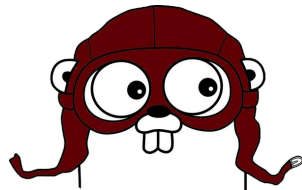
```
func TestHello(t *testing.T) {  
    server := httptest.NewServer(http.HandlerFunc(  
        func(w http.ResponseWriter, _ *http.Request) {  
            fmt.Fprintf(w, "Hello Gophers!")  
        })  
    )  
    defer server.Close()  
    e := httpexpect.New(t, server.URL)  
  
    e.GET("/").Expect().Status(http.StatusOK).  
        Text().Equal("Hello Gophers!")  
}
```

Example 2: Separate Processes



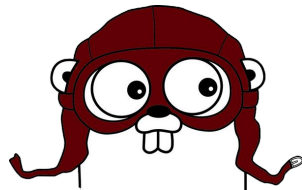
```
func TestHello1(t *testing.T) {  
    e := httpexpect.New(t, "http://localhost:8000")  
  
    e.GET("/1").Expect().Status(http.StatusOK).  
        Text().Equal("Hello Gophers [1]!")  
}
```

Example 3: Testing Add Server with httptest



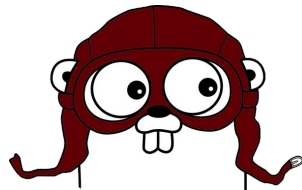
```
for _, tc := range tt {
    t.Run(tc.name, func(t *testing.T) {
        e.GET("/add").
            WithQuery("a", tc.a).
            WithQuery("b", tc.b).
            Expect().
            Status(http.StatusOK).
            Text().
            Equal(tc.expected)
    })
}
```

Example 4: Testing FastAPI Server



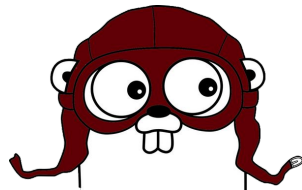
- FastAPI (Python Web API Framework)
- Go test using httpexpect
- Separate processes

To Conclude



- Recap on Go Testing and Go HTTP Server
- **httpexpect:**
 - Simplification over net/http/httpptest
 - Can control a Go server
 - Can test any HTTP servers
- Wait, there is more:
 - Headers, cookies assertions
 - Session Support
 - TLS and Proxy Support
 - Time-out, cancellation, retries

Resources



- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8hQG7QlcLBk> GopherCon 2017: Mitchell Hashimoto - Advanced Testing with Go
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hVFEV-ieeeew> justforfunc #16: unit testing HTTP servers
- <https://github.com/gavv/httpexpect> End-to-end HTTP and REST API testing for Go
- <https://github.com/andreburgaud/meetup-golang-httpexpect> Code used during the GoMN meetup
- <https://fastapi.tiangolo.com/> FastAPI

Thank you!

