

# Working with Requests

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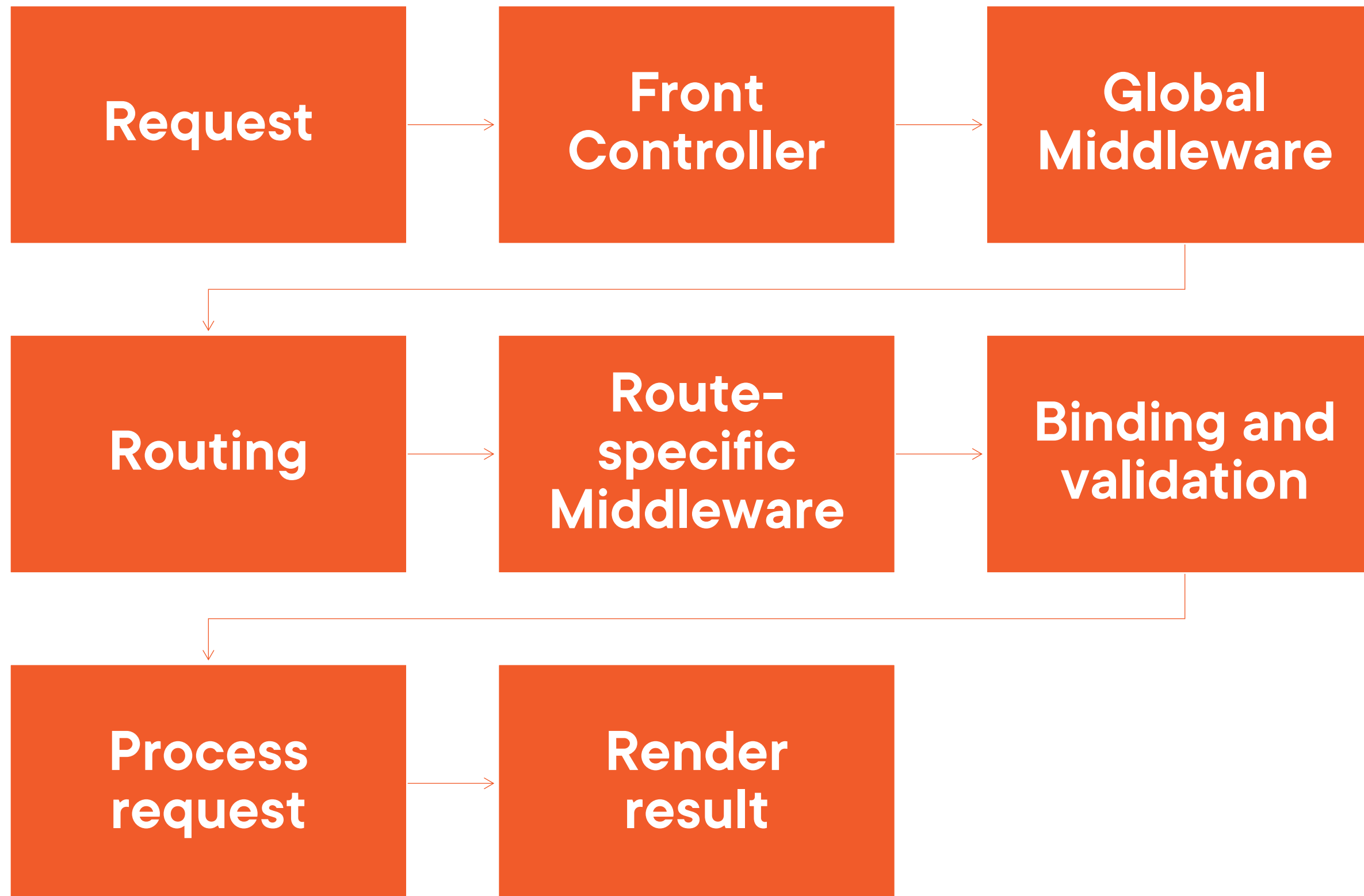


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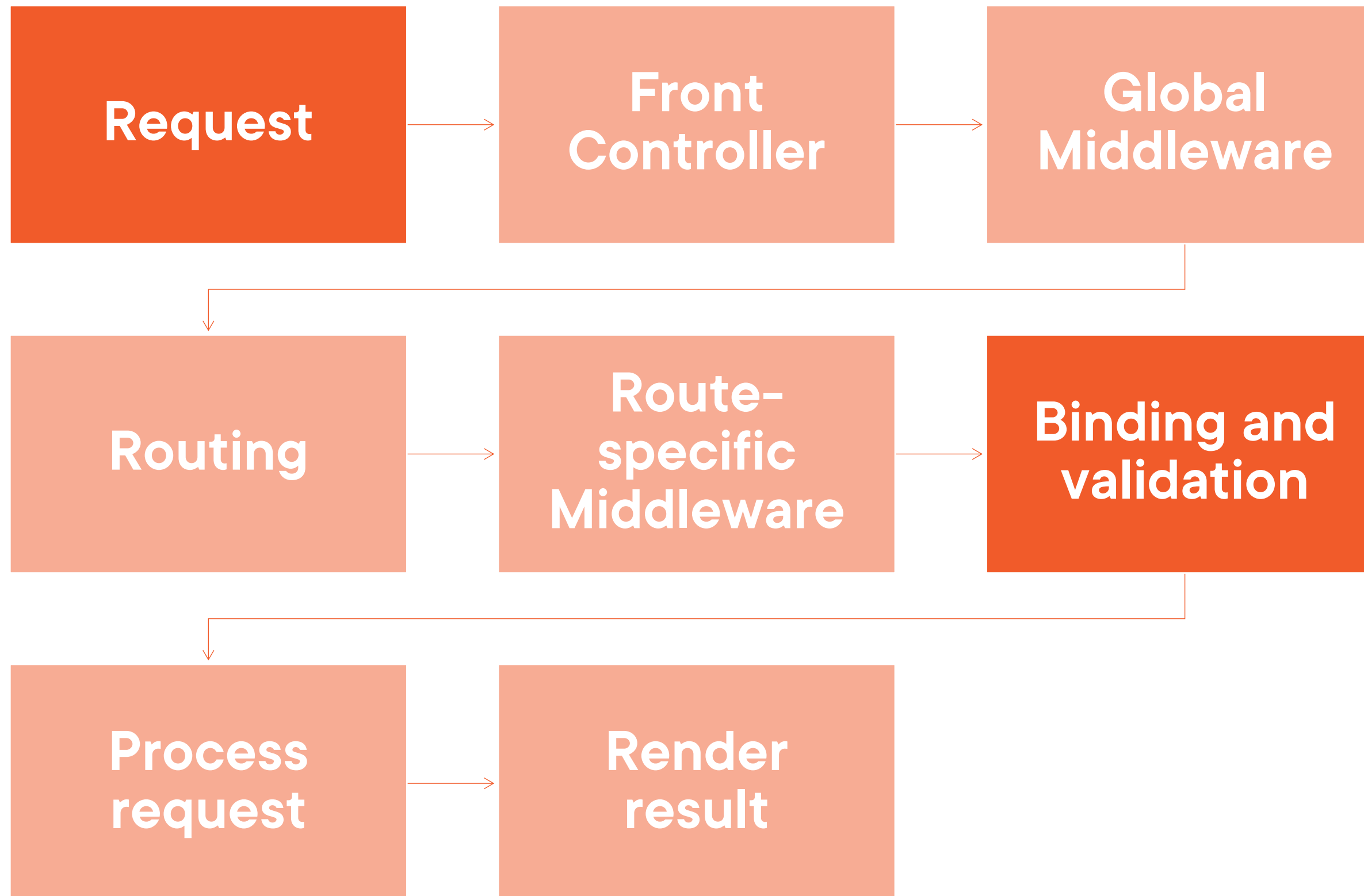
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# HTTP Request Pipeline



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# Overview



**Request objects**

**Retrieving data and files**

**Data binding**

**Validation**



# Useful http.Request Members

**\*Request.Body**

**\*Request.URL**

**\*Request.Header**

**\*Request.Cookies**



# Retrieving Data



**URL path**



**URL query**



**Posted forms**

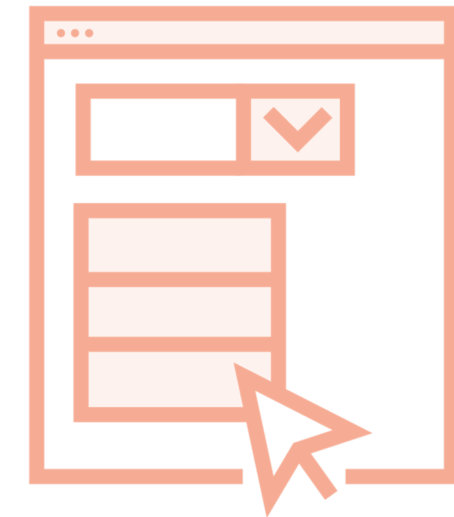
# Retrieving Data



**URL path**



**URL query**



**Posted forms**

`https://vacationtrack.info/users/tricia`

```
router.GET("/users/:username",
    func(c *gin.Context) {

        c.Param("username")    // tricia

        c.Params.ByName("username")
                                // tricia

        c.Params.Get("username")
                                // tricia, true
        c.Params.Get("password")
                                // "", false

    })
```

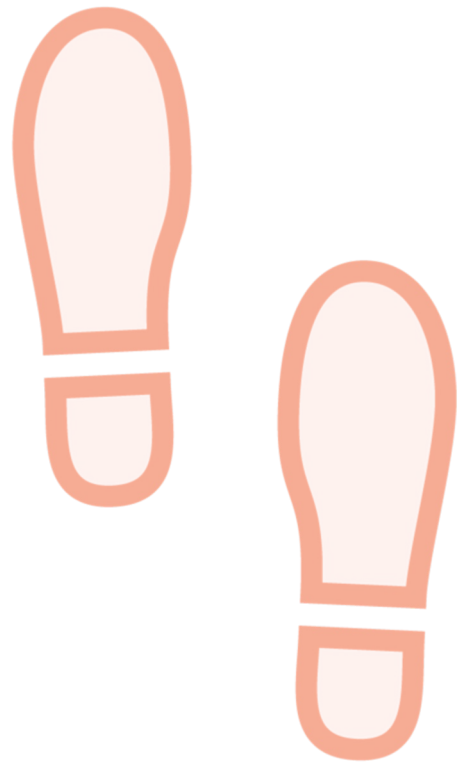
◀ Retrieve a parameter from URL path

◀ Longer way to retrieve parameter from URL path

◀ Retrieve parameter using comma okay pattern



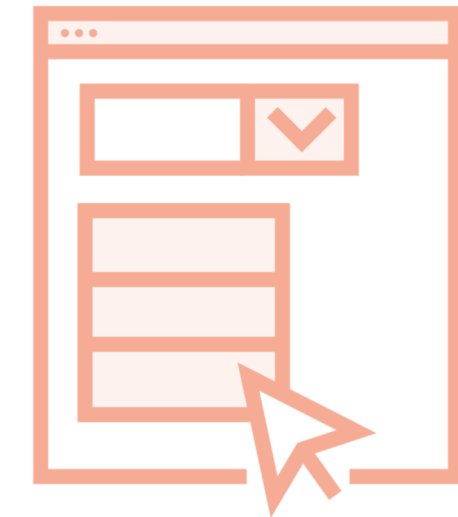
# Retrieving Data



**URL path**



**URL query**



**Posted forms**

```
var c *gin.Context
```

```
c.Query(key string) string
```

```
c.QueryArray(key string) []string
```

```
c.QueryMap(key string) map[string]string
```

```
c.DefaultQuery(key, default string)  
    string
```

◀ **Retrieve first query parameter for key**

◀ **Retrieve all query parameters for key**

◀ **Retrieve query parameters encoded as map**

◀ **Retrieve query parameter if present, otherwise  
return “default”**

# URL Queries

```
https://vacationtrack.info/users?username=Arthur&username=Tricia&
scheduled[January]=0&scheduled[February]=0
```

```
router.GET("/users", func(c *gin.Context) {
    username := c.Query("username")           // Arthur

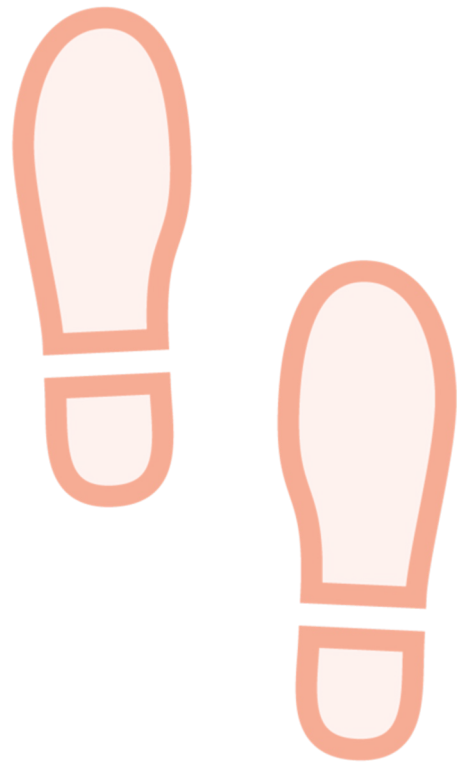
    usernames := c.QueryArray("username")     // [ Arthur Tricia ]

    scheduled := c.QueryMap("scheduled")       // map[January:0 February:0]

    otherQuery := c.DefaultQuery("foo", "bar") // bar
})
```



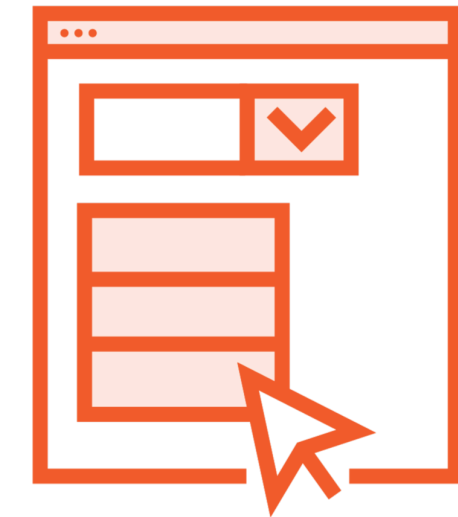
# Retrieving Data



**URL path**



**URL query**



**Posted forms**

```
var c *gin.Context
```

```
c.PostForm(key string) string
```

```
c.PostFormArray(key string) []string
```

```
c.PostFormMap(key string)  
    map[string]string
```

```
c.DefaultPostForm(key, default string)  
    string
```

◀ **Retrieve first form value for key**

◀ **Retrieve all form values for key**

◀ **Retrieve form values encoded as map**

◀ **Retrieve form value if present, otherwise return  
“default”**

# Posted Forms

*Request body*

```
username=Arthur&username=Tricia&scheduled[January]=0&scheduled[February]=0
```

```
router.GET("/users", func(c *gin.Context) {  
    username := c.PostForm("username")           // Arthur  
  
    usernames := c.PostFormArray("username")      // [ Arthur Tricia ]  
  
    scheduled := c.PostFormMap("scheduled")        // map[January:0 February:0]  
  
    otherQuery := c.DefaultPostForm("foo", "bar") // bar  
})
```



```
var c *gin.Context
c.FormFile(name string)
    (*multipart.FileHeader, error)

form := c.MultipartForm()
form.Value    // map[string][]string
form.File     // map[string][]*FileHeader

var fh *FileHeader
fh.Filename
fh.Header
fh.Size
fh.Open() (File, error)

c.SaveUploadedFile(
    file *multipart.FileHeader,
    dst string) error
```

◀ Return uploaded file with given name

◀ Retrieve multipart encoded form

◀ Access form values

◀ Access uploaded files

◀ Name of file

◀ MIMEType of file

◀ Size of file [bytes]

◀ Open the file to work with it

◀ Save uploaded file locally

# Data Binding

```
type User struct {  
    FirstName string  
    LastName  string  
}
```

```
jsonMsg := `{  
    "firstname": "Arthur",  
    "lastname": "Dent"  
}`
```





# Data Binding

```
type User struct {  
    FirstName string  
    LastName  string  
}
```

```
`json:"firstname" binding:"-"`  
`json:"lastname" binding:"-"`
```

```
jsonMsg := `{  
    "firstname": "Arthur",  
    "lastname": "Dent"  
}`
```

```
var c *gin.Context  
var user User
```

```
err := c.ShouldBindJSON(&user)  
err = c.MustBindJSON(&user)
```

```
// err != nil if binding fails
```

```
// err != nil and context aborted if binding fails
```



```
var c *gin.Context
```

```
c.ShouldBindJSON(obj any) error
```

```
c.ShouldBindQuery (obj any) error
```

```
c.ShouldBindUri (obj any) error
```

```
c.ShouldBindHeader (obj any) error
```

```
c.ShouldBindXML (obj any) error
```

```
c.ShouldBindYAML (obj any) error
```

```
c.ShouldBind(obj any) error
```

```
c.ShouldBindWith(obj any, b
```

```
binding.Binding) error
```

◀ **Bind request body as JSON to object**

◀ **Bind query parameters to object**

◀ **Bind URL path parameters to object**

◀ **Bind header values to object**

◀ **Bind request body as XML to object**

◀ **Bind request body as YAML to object**

◀ **Bind request body to object, autodetect JSON or XML**

◀ **Bind request body with explicit binding type**

[github.com/gin-gonic/gin/binding](https://github.com/gin-gonic/gin/blob/master/binding/binding.go) - pkg.go.dev

# Binding Strategies

## ShouldBind

Return error upon failure

## MustBind

Return error upon failure

Abort upon failure

## Bind

Alias of MustBind



```
type User struct {  
    FirstName  `binding:"-"`  
    LastName   `binding:"required"`  
    Role       `binding:"oneof=admin employee"`  
}
```

- ◀ **Optional field**
- ◀ **Required field**
- ◀ **Must be either “admin” or “employee”**

<https://pkg.go.dev/github.com/go-playground/validator>

# Custom Validators

```
import (  
    "github.com/gin-gonic/binding"  
    "github.com/go-playground/validator/v10"  
    <snip>  
)  
  
var myValidator validator.Func = func(f1 validator.FieldLevel) bool { ... }  
  
func main() {  
    router := gin.Default()  
  
    if v, ok := binding.Validator.Engine().(*validator.Validate); ok {  
        v.RegisterValidation("myvalidator", myValidator)  
    }  
}  
  
type MyType struct {  
    MyField    `binding:"required,myvalidator"`  
}
```



# Summary



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**Retrieving data and files**

**Data binding**

**Validation**

