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SATURDAY

Introduction

- Front-End
 - HTML
 - structure
 - CSS
 - formatting
 - JavaScript
 - Client-side functionality
- Back-End (server side)
 - Old
 - ColdFusion

- PHP
- ASP
- JSP
- PERL
- Newer
 - (4) Ruby
 - (3) Python
 - (2) Node.js
- Newest
 - (1) Go

About Go

- Official website
 - <https://golang.org/>
 - https://golang.org/doc/faq#creating_a_new_language
- Credentials
 - Google
 - Multiple cores
 - Luminaries in computer science
 - Rob Pike, Ken Thompson, Robert Griesemer
 - Helped create C, Unix, UTF-8

Introduction to Programming

How Computers Work

- <https://play.golang.org/>
- Circuits / switches
- Coding schemes
 - ascii
 - utf-8
 - Others
- Numeral systems
 - Decimal
 - Binary
 - Hex

Variables

- A variable stores a value
- A variable has an identifier
- Example
 - `X := 42`
 - <https://play.golang.org/p/APYjlf7KpN>
- Block of code, aka, code block
 - Area between curly braces, aka, braces
 - Example {
 This area
}
- Short declaration operator

- For declaring variable in a code block
- Example
X := 42
- Var keyword
 - Examples
var x int
var y string
var z bool
 - Assigns the zero value to the variable
 - https://golang.org/ref/spec#The_zero_value
 - Examples
var x int = 42
var y string = "Todd"
var z bool = True
- Idiomatic code
 - Code that conforms to Go's programming standards

Hands-On

DECLARE & ASSIGN (INITIALIZE) TWO VARIABLES
print their sum

DECLARE YOUR NAME
print your name

Use the short declaration operator

Hands On Solutions

- DECLARE & ASSIGN (INITIALIZE) TWO VARIABLES
 - Print their sum
 - <https://play.golang.org/p/yLKZag1h1q>
- DECLARE YOUR NAME
 - Print your name
 - <https://play.golang.org/p/UJ5Agz4eQM>

Documentation - Standard Library

- Modularizing code
 - DRY - do not repeat yourself
 - Put code into
 - Functions
 - Put functions into
 - groups
- Strings
 - Double quotes
 - Backticks
 - Raw string literal
 - <https://play.golang.org/p/NuS9wT-rRy>
- Standard library
 - Strings package
 - Fmt package
- Two places to see documentation
 - Golang.org
 - Standard library
 - Godoc.org

- Standard library
- Third-party packages
- Better formatting

Value Types

- <https://golang.org/ref/spec#Types>
- Numeric
 - Talked about
 - Int
 - Uint
 - Rune
 - Byte
 - float64
 - In practice, most of the time just use
 - Int
 - float64
- String
- boolean

Functions

<https://play.golang.org/p/z4yvxT-GaD>

- Func syntax

```
func (receiver) identifier(parameters) (returns) {  
    // code goes here  
}
```
- Identifier naming conventions
 - short, concise, evocative
 - Camel case

- Not underscores
 - “... convention in Go is to use *MixedCaps* or *mixedCaps* rather than underscores to write multiword names.”
 - https://golang.org/doc/effective_go.html#names
 - Goal of Go code: readable code
- Software engineering
 - An engineering field
 - Requires precision
 - There's a language to talk about the language
 - Using precision in the words we use to talk about the language is important
- Terminology
 - Declare, Assign, Initialize
 - Parameter, Argument
- Hands-On
 - create a function that allows you to multiply two arguments which are both of type int and returns their result as an int
 - create a function that takes a string as an argument and then returns a string which does this: return ("Hello, " + argumentPassedInOfString + "!!")

Hands-On Solutions

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<https://play.golang.org/p/j2sYxtlhOz>
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<https://play.golang.org/p/SrBYkYz1Ea>

Learning Command Line Interface (CLI) Basics

- CLI vs GUI
- CLI Terminology
 - POSIX (Unix, Linux, Mac)
 - Terminal, Bash, Shell
 - DOS (Windows)
 - Command prompt
- Terminal commands
 - ls
 - List
 - Lists everything in the current directory where you're located at that moment
 - ls -la
 - List list-all
 - Lists everything with more information
 - pwd
 - Print Working
 - Directory
 - Shows the current directory where you're located
 - command + k
 - Clears terminal screen
 - clear
 - Clears terminal screen
 - cd
 - Change directory
 - Example
 - cd Documents
 - tab
 - Allows auto-completion matching anything you have started to type
 - Example

- cd Doc (then hit tab) and it becomes cd Documents
- cd ../
 - Moves up a directory
 - Examples
 - cd ../nanonan
 - cd
- cd
 -
- mkdir
 - Makes a directory (aka folder)
- rm
 - rm -rf
 - Can also use that command
- nano <file-name>
 - Creates a file, or if the file exists, opens the file in a text editor
 - On windows use the command 'notepad'
- env
 - Shows environment variables

Windows Users - Installing Github Desktop and Git Shell

- <https://git-scm.com/>
 - Download and install for windows
 - This will work better than github desktop
 - And you might also need this on your machine
 - In the install process, make sure this is checked
- Git bash will allow us to use **POSIX CLI** commands on windows

Hands-On Terminal Exercises

- Make a directory
- cd into that directory
- Make a file using nano
 - Save the file as “my-goals.txt”
- Remove that file
- Remove the directory

Setting Up Your Go Workspace & Environment

- Install go
 - <https://golang.org/dl/>
- Go Workspace
 - Just create one
 - Create these folders
 - You can call the top folder anything, but I like ‘goworkspace’
 - goworkspace
 - bin
 - go install
 - pkg
 - precompiled packages; they will have a .a extension as in ‘**archive**’
 - src
 - source code
 - Example folder structure
 - github.com/github-username/repo-name
 - This convention allows
 - Name-spacing
 - Package management
 - go get <path to pkg on internet>

- Environment variables
 - GOPATH
 - Points to your goworkspace
 - GOROOTec
 - Points to your sdk
 - Set a path variable to the following
 - goworkspace/bin
- Setting environment variables MAC
 - At terminal,
 - cd
 - nano .bash_profile
 - # for G O programming
 - export GOROOT="/usr/local/go"
 - export GOPATH="\$HOME/Documents/goworkspace"
 - export PATH="\$HOME/Documents/goworkspace/bin:\$PATH"
 - export PATH="/usr/local/go/bin:\$PATH"
 - ctrl + x
 - exits nano
 - Y
 - saves to file
 - close terminal & restart terminal
 - At terminal,
 - go env
 - echo \$PATH
- Set environment variables WINDOWS
 - in windows explorer, right click this pc / properties
 - system properties
 - advanced system settings
 - environment variables go
 - under "System variables"
 - NEW

- name: GOPATH
 - value: <path to your go workspace>
- under “System variables”
 - choose PATH / edit
 - add path variable for
C:\<folders to ... your ...>\goworkspace\bin;
C:\Go\bin;
 - this last one might already be in there, in which case don't add it

Go Commands, go get, & Getting The Training Code From Github

- <https://golang.org/cmd/go/>
- at terminal
 - go get github.com/GoesToEleven/GolangTraining

Creating A New Project - Github

- created a new repo


- with these settings

Create a new repository


A repository contains all the files for your project, including the revision history.

Owner

Repository name


 GoesToEleven ▾

 /


anyNameIWan 

Great repository names are short and memorable. Need inspiration? How about **reimagined-telegram**.

Description (optional)

☒  **Public**

Anyone can see this repository. You choose who can commit.


☐  **Private**

You choose who can see and commit to this repository.

☐ **Initialize this repository with a README**

This will let you immediately clone the repository to your computer. Skip this step if you're importing an existing repository.

Add .gitignore: **None** ▾

Add a license: **None** ▾ 

Create repository

Data Structures - Slice

- variable
 - holds a value of some type
- slice
 - holds lists of values of a certain type
 - <https://play.golang.org/p/dH9cnwoBg5>
 - cleaned up some: <https://play.golang.org/p/WQsJTeEb6w>

- hands on
 - create a slice of string using the var syntax; append to it your first name; append to it your last name; print it
 - create a slice of bool using the composite literal syntax; put the values true, false, true into it; print it

Hands-On Solution

- <https://play.golang.org/p/mmD5IB8tFg>

Slice, Array, & Performance

- `t := make([]int, 0, 100)`

Map - key, value storage

- create a map using a composite literal
 - <https://play.golang.org/p/tk0SiggPtX>
- make a map with make
 - <https://play.golang.org/p/tSJQykkVKK>
- hands on
 - create a map using a composite literal that stores author's name and one of their books; print one of the entries; print the whole map

Hands-On Solution

- <https://play.golang.org/p/mEz12JtSbL>

Struct

- composite data type, aka, aggregate data type
- one way
 - <https://play.golang.org/p/I5cqIPUC9v>
- another way
 - <https://play.golang.org/p/INFTn0n40g>
- another way
 - <https://play.golang.org/p/2CbHylv2IE>
- aggregating together different data types
 - https://play.golang.org/p/3yomA8_9Xz
- inner type promotion
 - <https://play.golang.org/p/nCa4tyK6cK>
- attach method
 - <https://play.golang.org/p/QmBw4yaDma>
- receivers are like “this” in other programming languages; receivers are just another parameter which can be accessed like an argument when the func is called
 - <https://play.golang.org/p/AmqtBU6Wls>

Range (loop) Over A Map or A Slice

- https://play.golang.org/p/iEpR9oM_us

Interfaces

- types with methods
 - <https://play.golang.org/p/RuavpWhypW>
- https://golang.org/doc/effective_go.html#interfaces_and_types

- Interfaces in Go provide a way to specify the behavior of an object: if something can do *this*, then it can be used *here*.
- interfaces and polymorphism
 - <https://play.golang.org/p/XUe4UZ4tJk>

Web Templates

- get code
 - <https://github.com/GoesToEleven/golang-web-dev>
 - `go get -u github.com/GoesToEleven/golang-web-dev`
- templates
 - forms into which we insert data
- backtick
 - raw string literal
 - <https://play.golang.org/p/sBt-UysJX2>
- basic templating with strings and concatenation
 - <https://play.golang.org/p/-o1IS-D67L>

HANDS ON

// HANDS ON 1

// create a struct that holds person fields

// create a struct that holds secret agent fields and embeds person type

// attach a method to person: pSpeak

// attach a method to secret agent: saSpeak

// create a variable of type person

// create a variable of type secret agent

// print a field from person

```
// run pSpeak attached to the variable of type person
// print a field from secret agent
// run saSpeak attached to the variable of type secret agent
// run pSpeak attached to the variable of type secret agent
SOLUTION: https://play.golang.org/p/RxrkJw9Cd
```

```
// HANDS ON 2
// create a type square
// create a type circle
// attach a method to each that calculates area and returns it
// create a type shape which defines an interface as anything which has the area method
// create a func info which takes type shape and then prints the area
// create a value of type square
// create a value of type circle
// use func info to print the area of square
// use func info to print the area of circle
https://play.golang.org/p/1enChb7Kg5
```