

Go Library / Framework Roundup

Library

- Long term maintenance
- Composable
- Flexible
- Find your own
- "Your own Practices"

Framework

- Prototyping
- Lock-in (usually)
- Batteries included
- Kitchen sink included
- "Best Practices"

Libraries

net/http

- Robust and battle tested
- To get started:
 - <https://go.dev/doc/articles/wiki/>

gorillatoolkit.org



gorilla/mux: is a powerful URL router and dispatcher

gorilla/reverse: produces reversible regular expressions for regexp-muxes

gorilla/rpc: implements RPC over HTTP with codec for JSON-RPC

gorilla/schema: converts form values to a struct

gorilla/securecookie: encodes and decodes secure cookie values

gorilla/sessions: saves cookie and filesystem sessions

gorilla/websocket: implements the WebSocket protocol

gorilla/csrf: provides Cross Site Request Forgery (CSRF) prevention

gorilla/handlers: is a collection of useful net/http handlers

Authentication

- golang.org/x/oauth2
- github.com/markbates/goth
- *Your favourite Cloud Provider*



The new kid on the block:

- github.com/duo-labs/webauthn

Permissions

- github.com/casbin/casbin/v3
- biscuitsec.org
- openpolicyagent.org
- *Your favourite Cloud Provider*



Database

- github.com/jackc/pgx/v4
- github.com/matttn/go-sqlite3
- github.com/go-sql-driver/mysql

Avoid:

- github.com/lib/pq
- MongoDB



Database Migration

- github.com/golang-migrate/migrate
- github.com/pressly/goose
- Or write a for-loop:
 - e.g. github.com/joncalhoun/migrate

Templating

- github.com/google/safehtml/template
 - same as **html/template**, but with extra protection
 - contextual escaping
 - security model **https://pkg.go.dev/html/template#hdr-Security_Model**

Note, for dev, auto-reload templates:

- *<https://github.com/loov/watchrun/blob/master/examples/watchjs-templates/server.go#L15>*

Logging

Structured:

- github.com/rs/zerolog
- github.com/go-kit/log
- go.uber.org/zap

Unstructured:

- `log`

However, for all of them avoid global logger and instead pass as dependencies.

Testing

- github.com/matryer/is
 - github.com/zeebo/assert (or write your own)
- github.com/rogppe/go-internal/testscript
- github.com/ory/dockertest
- github.com/go-rod/rod

CLI

- flag
- github.com/zeebo/clingy

Popular:

- github.com/spf13/cobra
- github.com/urfave/cli



Observability

- OpenTelemetry (go.opentelemetry.io/otel)



OpenTracing and OpenCensus are both deprecated.

gokit.io

- Common things needed for (micro-)services:
 - auth
 - circuitbreaker, ratelimit
 - metrics, tracing
 - service discovery
 - transport



Security

- golang.org/x/crypto/nacl
- filippo.io/age

Dependency Injection

- It's usually easier and clearer to wire things up manually:

```
func NewService(db DB) *Service {  
    return &Service{  
        db: db,  
    }  
}
```

However, if you really must:

- github.com/google/wire

Frameworks

gin-gonic.com

```
package main

import "github.com/gin-gonic/gin"

func main() {
    r := gin.Default()
    r.GET("/ping", func(c *gin.Context) {
        c.JSON(200, gin.H{
            "message": "pong",
        })
    })
    r.Run() // listen and serve on 0.0.0.0:8080
}
```

Mostly a convenience wrapper and
middleware around net/http.

Gin Web Framework

Learn More ↗

Download ↗

The fastest full-featured web framework for Go.
Crystal clear.



echo.labstack.com

```
package main

import (
    "net/http"
    "github.com/labstack/echo/v4"
)

func main() {
    e := echo.New()
    e.GET("/", func(c echo.Context) error {
        return c.String(http.StatusOK, "Hello, World")
    })
    e.Logger.Fatal(e.Start(":1323"))
}
```

Similar to gin, but better organized
middleware and documentation.



Echo

High performance, extensible, minimalist Go web



main

```
> go run main.go
```



```
⇒ http server started on :1323
```

GitHub

Get Started

goa.design

```
package design

import .. "goa.design/goa/v3/dsl"

var _ = API("calc", func() {
    Title("Calculator Service")
    Description("HTTP service for multiplying numbers, a goa teaser")
    Server("calc", func() {
        Host("localhost", func() { URI("http://localhost:8088") })
    })
})

var _ = Service("calc", func() {
    Description("The calc service performs operations on numbers")
    Method("multiply", func() {
        Payload(func() {
            Attribute("a", Int, "Left operand")
            Attribute("b", Int, "Right operand")
            Required("a", "b")
        })
    })
})
```

goa

Navigate...

Design first.

Goa provides a holistic approach for developing remote APIs and microservices in Go.

A DSL for generating web server boilerplate.



Code Generation

beego.vip

```
package controllers

import (
    "github.com/beego/beego/v2/server/web"
)

type MainController struct {
    web.Controller
}

func (this *MainController) Get() {
    this.Data["Website"] = "beego.vip"
    this.Data["Email"] = "astaxie@gmail.com"
    this.TplName = "index.tpl"
}
```

Following in the steps of many
PHP MVC frameworks.

Beego

Beego Framework

An open source framework to build and develop
your applications in the Go way

[Learn more](#)[Get started!](#)

stable
v1.10.0

Quick Start

Download and install

```
go get github.com/beego/beego/v2@v2.0.0
```

Create file `hello.go`

```
package main

import "github.com/beego/beego/v2/server/web"

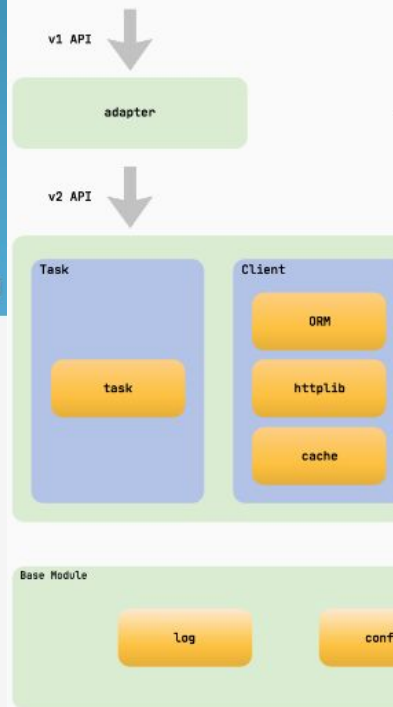
func main() {
    web.Run()
}
```

Build and run

```
go build hello.go
./hello
```

The architecture of Beego

Beego is built upon 8 loosely linked modules of Beego's HTTP logic. This high level of modular design provides a high level of flexibility to meet developer needs.



The execution logic of

Beego uses a standard Model-View-Controller

revel.github.io/

```
type Application struct {  
    gorpController.Controller  
}  
  
func (c Application) SaveUser(user models.User, verifyPassword string) revel.Result {  
    c.Validation.Required(verifyPassword)  
    c.Validation.Required(verifyPassword == user.Password).  
        MessageKey("Password does not match")  
    user.Validate(c.Validation)  
  
    if c.Validation.HasErrors() {  
        c.Validation.Keep()  
        c.FlashParams()  
        return c.Redirect(routes.Application.Register())  
    }  
  
    user.HashedPassword, _ := bcrypt.GenerateFromPassword(  
        []byte(user.Password), bcrypt.DefaultCost)  
    err := c.Txn.Insert(&user)  
    if err != nil {  
        panic(err)  
    }  
  
    c.Session["user"] := user.Username  
    c.Flash.Success("Welcome, " + user.Name)  
    return c.Redirect(routes.Hotels.Index())  
}
```

MVC PHP style,
and excellent examples

Revel

A flexible web framework for the Go language.

Latest Release:

v1.1.0 on 2022-04-11

Go: v1.17+ required



docs.ponzu-cms.org/

```
package content

type Post struct {
    item.Item

    Title string `json:"title"`
    Body  string `json:"body"`
    Author string `json:"author"`
}

// MarshalEditor writes a buffer of html to edit a Post within the CMS
// and implements editor.Editable
func (p *Post) MarshalEditor() ([]byte, error) {
    view, err := editor.Form(p,
        editor.Field{
            View: editor.Input("Title", p, map[string]string{
                "label": "Title",
                "type": "text",
                "placeholder": "Enter the Title here",
            }),
        },
    ),
```

Nice CMS, however,
no longer maintained

Ponzu CMS + Server Framework Docs



What is Ponzu?

Watch the [video introduction](#)

Ponzu is a powerful and efficient open-source HTTP server framework and CMS. It provides automatic, free, and secure HTTP/2 over TLS (certificates obtained via Let's Encrypt), a useful CMS and scaffolding to generate content editors, and a fast HTTP API on which to build modern applications.

Want to jump in right away? Try the [Quickstart](#)

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github.com/micro/micro

```
package main

import (
    "github.com/micro/micro/v3/service"
    "github.com/micro/micro/v3/service/logger"
    "github.com/micro/services/helloworld/handler"
    pb "github.com/micro/services/helloworld/proto"
)

func main() {
    // Create service
    helloworld := service.New(
        service.Name("helloworld"),
    )

    // Register handler
    pb.RegisterHelloworldHandler(
        helloworld.Server(),
        handler.New(),
    )

    // Run the service
    if err := helloworld.Run(); err != nil {
        logger.Fatal(err)
    }
}
```

Microservice framework

Key Features

Everything you need to quickly build and scale APIs

API Gateway

A single public HTTP endpoint for your services. Build microservices on the backend and consolidate as a single API for the frontend

Authentication

Define access rules, manage user accounts and create auth tokens for all your services and APIs

Config Management

Dynamic config loaded at runtime plus hot reload support without restarting services

Data Storage

Persistent and multi-tenant key-value storage as a first class citizen so you can build stateless services rapidly

PubSub Messaging

gobuffalo.io

```
func Home(c buffalo.Context) error {  
    return c.Render(200, r.HTML("home.html"))  
}
```

Rails like experience.

Buffalo

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A Go web development eco-system, designed to make your life easier.

GET STARTED

Package version: v0.18.9

CLI version: v0.18.7

Requires: Go > v1.16.0

encore.dev

```
type Article struct {
    AuthorID auth.UID
    Title     string
    Body      string
}

// Create publishes a new article.
//encore:api auth method=POST path=/article
func Create(ctx context.Context, p *CreateParams) (*Article, error) {
    authorID := auth.UserID() // get the logged in user's ID
    _, err := sqldb.Exec(ctx, `
        INSERT INTO articles (author, title, body) VALUES ($1, $2, $3)
    `, authorID, p.Title, p.Body)
    if err != nil {
        return nil, err
    }
}
```

Custom Go compiler that wires things together.

encore

PHILOSOPHY BLOG PRICING DOCS

LOGIN

A NEW DAY FOR BACKEND DEV

// RELEASE YOUR POTENTIAL

Stop spending countless soul-crushing hours writing repetitive glue code, cobbling together cloud services for your backend. Start having fun again. With creative programming focused on your business logic.

GET STARTED

ENLIGHTEN ME

blog/blog.go

1,14lines 40 sml

```
type CreateParams struct {
    Title string
    Body  string
}

type Article struct {
    AuthorID auth.UID
    Title     string
    Body      string
}

// Create publishes a new article.
//encore:api auth method=POST path=/article
func Create(ctx context.Context, p *CreateParams) (*Article, error) {
    authorID := auth.UserID() // get the logged in user's ID
    _, err := sqldb.Exec(ctx, `
```



Requests

API Docs

Encore Docs

pets-v8w1

API Explorer

API Endpoint

pets.Create

Request

```
PUT /pet
{
  // HTTP body
  "ID": 1,
  "Name": "some string",
  "Category": {
    "id": 1,
    "name": "some string"
  },
  "Status": "some string"
}
```

Call API

Response

Make a request to see the response.

Traces

↳ pets.List

↳ View Trace

Success

510µs

↳ pets.List

↳ View Trace

Success

Unknown

↳ pets.Create

↳ View Trace

Success

Unknown

↳ pets.List

↳ View Trace

Success

Unknown

↳ pets.List

↳ View Trace

Success

Unknown

github.com/livebud/bud

```
func New(hn *hackernews.Client) *Controller {
    return &Controller{hn}
}

type Controller struct {
    hn *hackernews.Client
}

func (c *Controller) Index(ctx context.Context) (stories []*hackernews.Story) {
    return c.hn.FrontPage(ctx)
}
```

Still in development, but looks cool.

Hey Bud!

Bud is a full-stack framework that helps you build web applications faster. You can think of it as the Ruby on Rails for the Go ecosystem.

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net/http

do you even need a framework?

egonelbre.com/server-and-a-database

Thanks for listening