

Best Practices

for Production Environments

These slides may not make much sense without a narrative!

For the proper article, see

<http://peter.bourgon.org/go-in-production>



SOUND CLOUD

Some Go Projects

Bazooka

Traffic tier

Media streaming

Search & Explore glue

Prometheus

Stream backend*

HLS implementation**

Many others...

Dev environment

Repo structure

Formatting and style

Configuration

Logging and telemetry

Validation and testing

Dependency management ↗(↘)

Build and deploy

Dev environment

Single GOPATH for all projects

Work in \$GOPATH/src/github.com/soundcloud/foo

vim, Sublime Text, emacs – no IDEs

Repo structure

github.com/soundcloud/whatever/
README.md
Makefile
main.go
support.go

github.com/soundcloud/whatever/

README.md

Makefile

main.go

support.go

foo/

foo.go

bar.go

```
github.com/soundcloud/whatever/  
  README.md  
  Makefile  
  whatever-server/  
    main.go  
  whatever-worker/  
    main.go  
foo/  
  foo.go  
  bar.go
```

Formatting and style

go fmt

Google's Code Review Guidelines

Avoid named return parameters

Avoid `make` and `new` (unless you know sizes)

Use `struct{}` for sentinel value: sets, signal chans

Break long lines on parameters

```
func process(dst io.Writer, readTimeout,  
            writeTimeout time.Duration, allowInvalid bool,  
            max int, src <-chan util.Job) {  
    // ...  
}
```



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```



```
f := foo.New(foo.Config{
    "zombo.com",
    conference.KeyPair{
        Key: "gophercon", // String value
        Value: 2014,
    },
    os.Stdout,
})
```

Configuration

package flag

```
func main() {
    var (
        foo = flag.String("foo", "doch", ...)
        bar = flag.Int("bar", 34, ...)
    )
    flag.Parse()
    // ...
}
```

Logging and telemetry

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package log

Logging and telemetry

Push model

Graphite
Statsd
AirBrake

vs.

Pull model

expvar
Prometheus
others?



Testing and validation

Testing and validation

package testing

☞reflect.DeepEqual☜

```
// +build integration

var fooAddr = flag.String(...)

func TestFoo(t *testing.T) {
    f, err := newFoo(*fooAddr)
    // ...
}
```

Testing and validation

on **Save**

go fmt or
goimports

on **Build**

go vet
and golint
and maybe go test

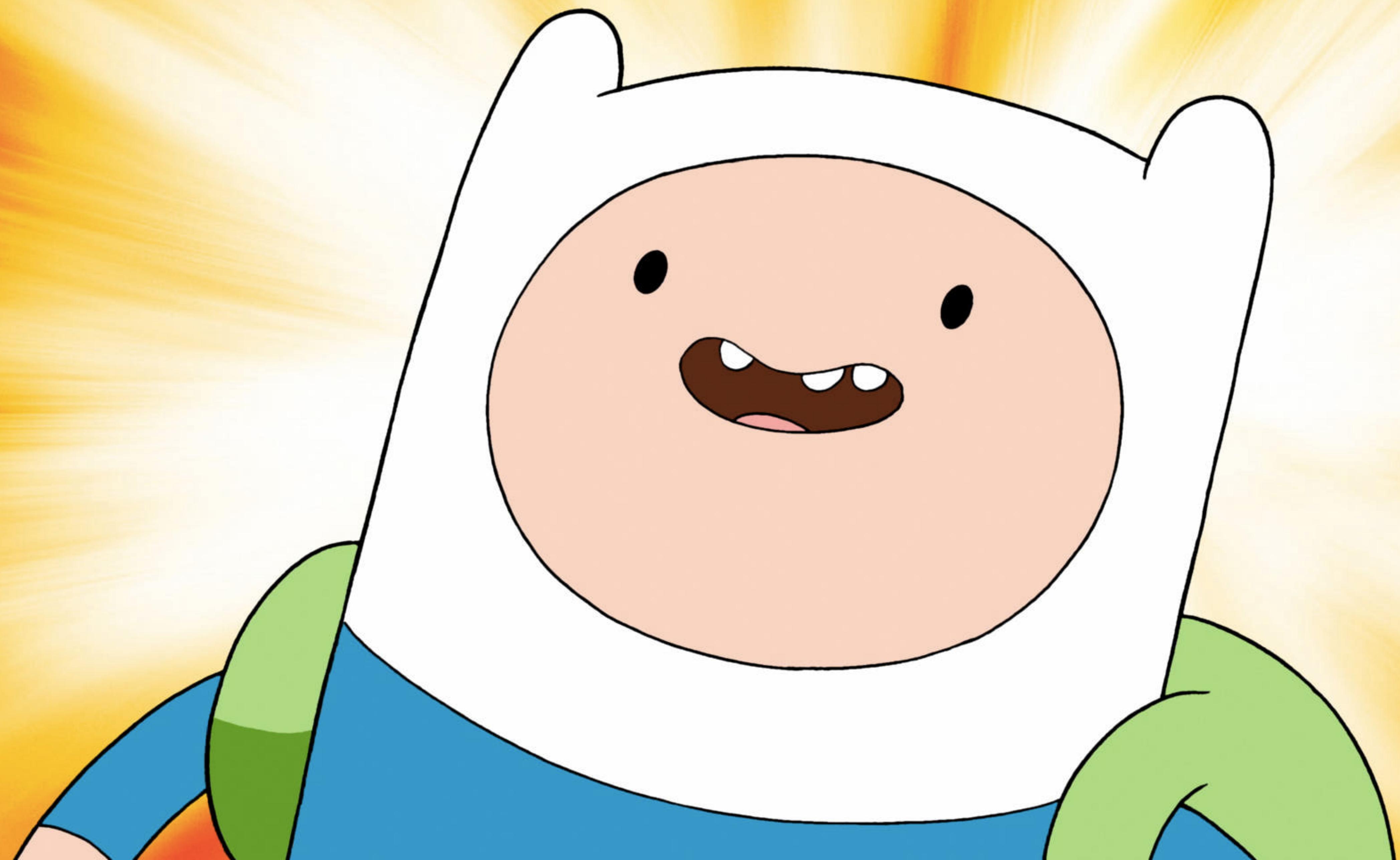
gocov?

on **Deploy**

go test
-tags=integration

YAGNI

Dependency management



How important is your project?

Eh



go get -d
& hope!

import proxy?

Very

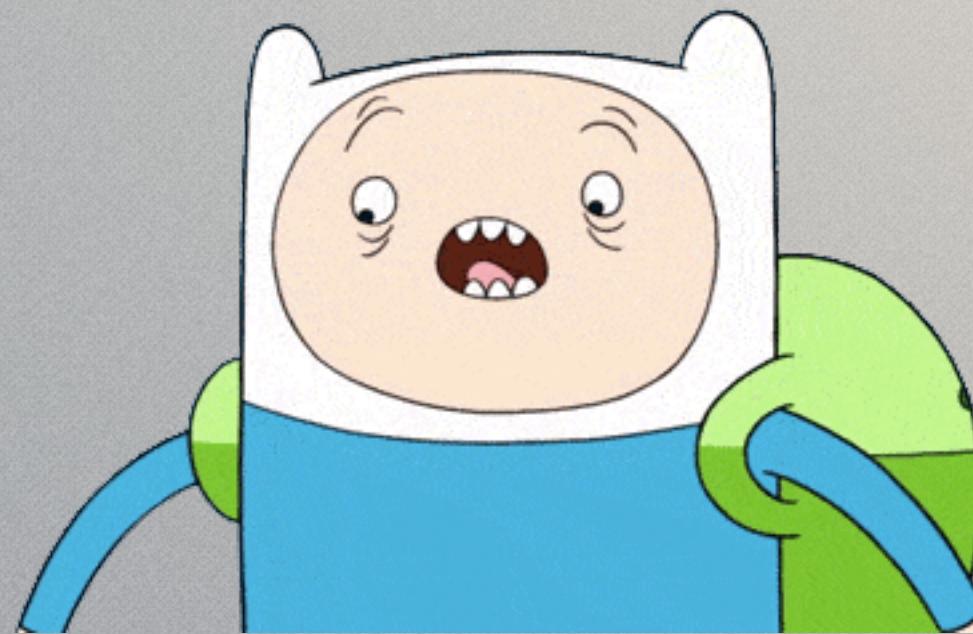


VENDOR

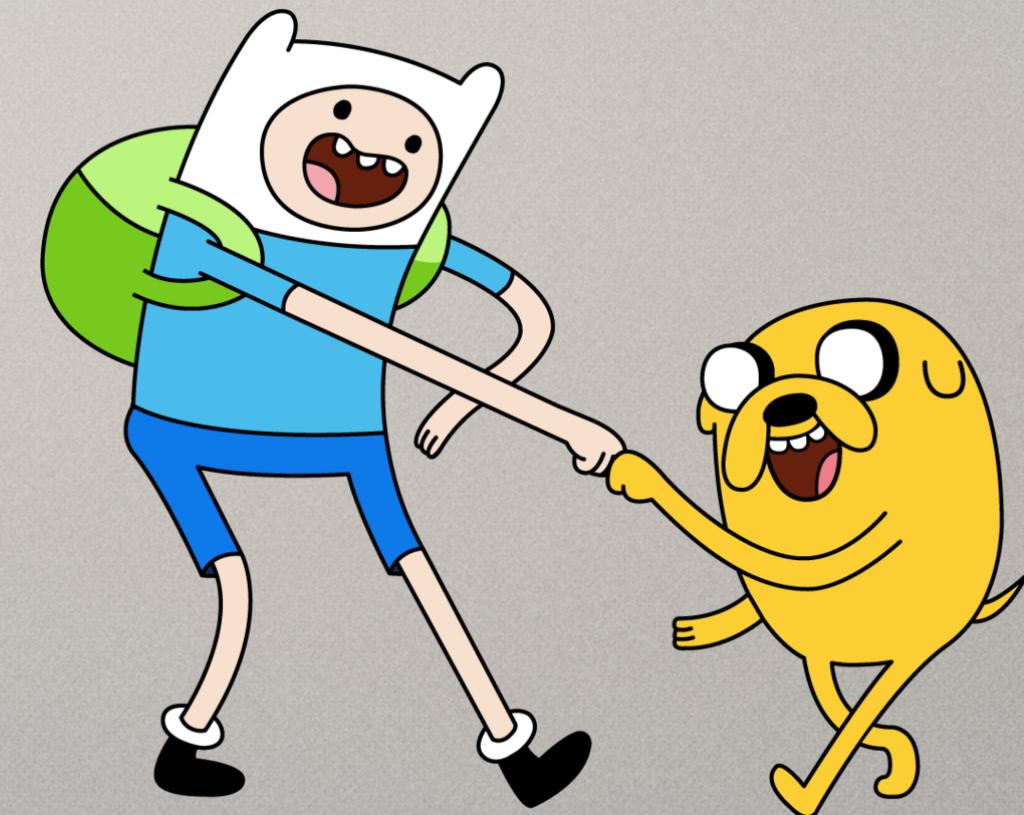
VENDOR

means copy your dependencies

~~with
subtrees~~



with
subtrees



with
a tool



VENDOR

Binary



_vendor
subdirectory

+

Blessed build, with
prefixed **GOPATH**

Library



vendor
subdirectory

+

Rewrite your
imports

Build and deploy

Build and deploy

Development ➡ go build

“Official” ➡ make

```
GOVER=go1.2.1
```

```
STAGE=.stage
GOPATH=$(CURDIR)/$(STAGE)/gopath
GOROOT=$(CURDIR)/$(STAGE)/go
GOCC=$(GOROOT)/bin/go
GO=TMPDIR=/tmp GOROOT=$(GOROOT) GOPATH=$(GOPATH) $(GOCC)

OS=$(shell uname)
ARCH=$(shell uname -m)
GOOS=$(subst Darwin,darwin,$(subst Linux,linux,$(OS)))
GOARCH=$(subst x86_64,amd64,$(ARCH))
GOPKG=$(subst darwin-amd64,darwin-amd64-osx10.8,$(GOVER).$(GOOS)-$(GOARCH).tar.gz)
```

```
PKGBASE=github.com/soundcloud/goku
PKGPATH=$(GOPATH)/src/$(PKGBASE)
```

```
all: build
```

```
build: $(GOCC) $(PKGPATH)
    GOPATH=$(GOPATH) GOROOT=$(GOROOT) GO=$(GOCC) make -C roshi-server build
    GOPATH=$(GOPATH) GOROOT=$(GOROOT) GO=$(GOCC) make -C roshi-walker build
    GOPATH=$(GOPATH) GOROOT=$(GOROOT) GO=$(GOCC) make -C reader build
    GOPATH=$(GOPATH) GOROOT=$(GOROOT) GO=$(GOCC) make -C writer build
    GOPATH=$(GOPATH) GOROOT=$(GOROOT) GO=$(GOCC) make -C gap-backfill build
```

```
clean:
```

```
    GOPATH=$(GOPATH) GOROOT=$(GOROOT) GO=$(GOCC) make -C roshi-server clean
    GOPATH=$(GOPATH) GOROOT=$(GOROOT) GO=$(GOCC) make -C roshi-walker clean
```



Build and deploy



Stateless

Request router

12-Factor model

Scaled

Containers

vs.

Stateful

MySQL, Redis

Any/no model

Provisioned

Containers?

Deploying stateless services

```
$ git push bazooka master  
$ bazooka scale -r <new> -n 4 ...  
$ # validate  
$ bazooka scale -r <old> -n 0 ...
```

Embrace simplicity

Thanks! Questions?

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