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# Embedding JavaScript into Go

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- White-label cloud PBX
- IToolabs cloud or telco's on-premises
- Branded UIs & B/OSS integration
- 80+ telcos onboard
- 15 000+ SMBs total
- 1 500+ (and growing) new subscribers monthly
- 300+ mln. minutes of calls total in 2017



# What's the fuss?

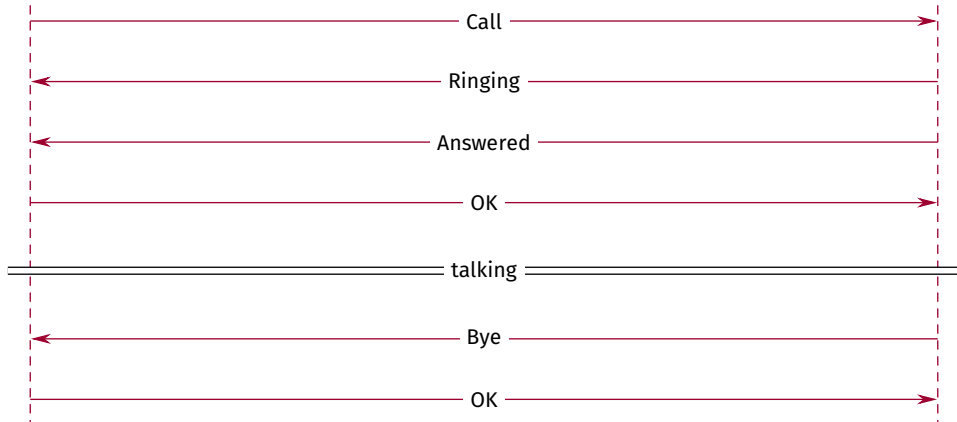
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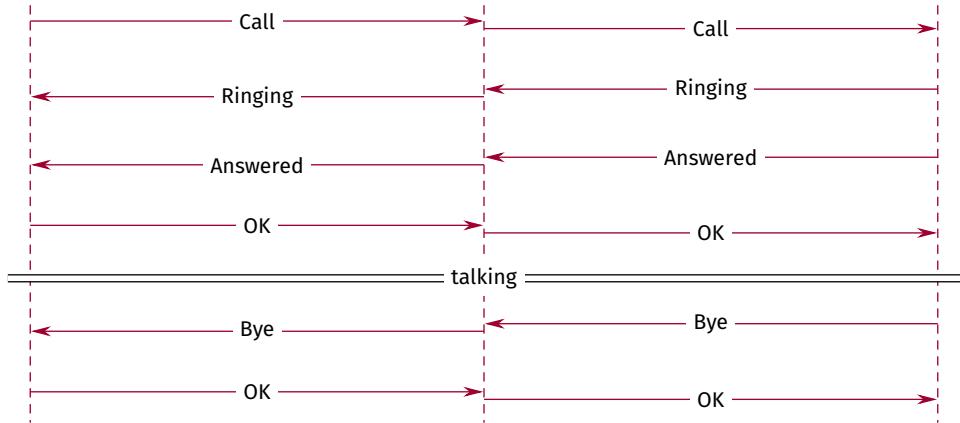


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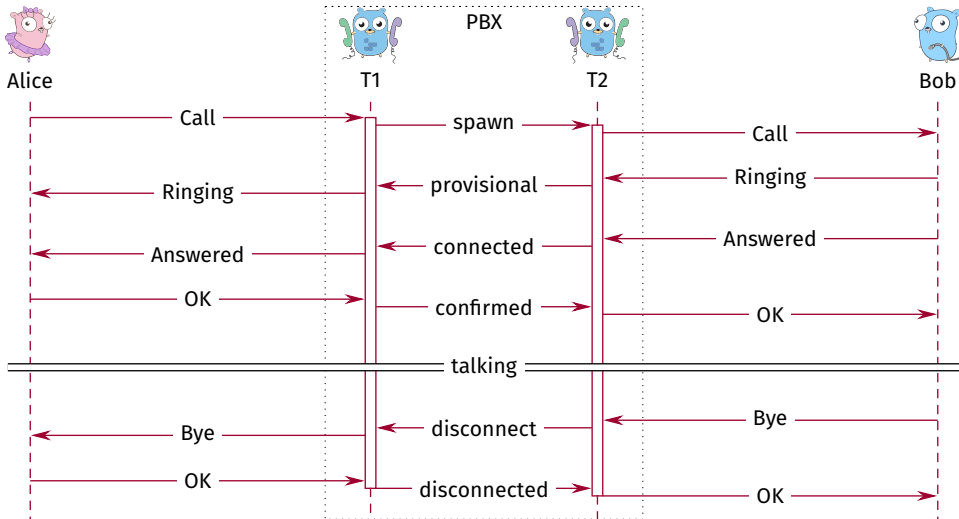
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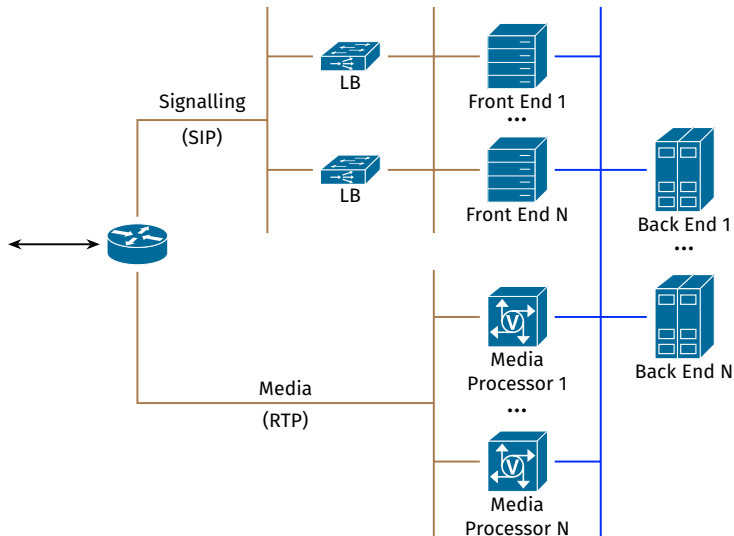


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- Easy to develop
- Easy to deploy
- Easy to scale

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```
1 func Greet(runtime app.TaskRuntime, evtChan ←chan *app.TaskEvent, params
2   ...interface{}) interface{} {
3   r := runtime.(app.SignalTaskRuntime)
4   if err := r.AcceptCall(); err ≠ nil {
5       return err
6   }
7   if err := r.PlayFile("http://media/greeting.mp3", false); err ≠ nil {
8       return err
9   }
10  for r.IsConnected() {
11      evt := ←evtChan
12      if r.IsPlayFileCompletedEvent(evt) {
13          break
14      }
15  }
16  return nil
}
```

Spawn( 'task', param) spawns new task and returns tid

ParentTask() returns tid of the parent task

ThisTask() returns tid of the current task

SendEvent(tid, what, param) sends what with param to tid

ReadInput() reads first event from the task's queue

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# Lua Call Processing Task



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1 function Main()  
2     local err = AcceptCall()  
3     if err ≈ nil then  
4         return  
5     end  
6     err = PlayFile("http://media/greeting.mp3")  
7     if err ≈ nil then  
8         Disconnect()  
9         return  
10    end  
11    while IsConnected() do  
12        local evt = ReadInput(3600)  
13        if evt ≈ nil and IsPlayFileCompletedEvent(evt) then  
14            break  
15        end  
16    end  
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- Incomprehensible stack traces for non-terminal calls



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JavaScript interpreter in Go  
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# ECMAScript Call Processing Task



```
1 function Main() {  
2     AcceptCall();  
3     PlayFile('http://media/greeting.mp3');  
4     while (IsConnected()) {  
5         var evt = ReadInput(3600);  
6         if (IsDisconnectEvent(evt)) {  
7             break;  
8         }  
9     }  
10 }
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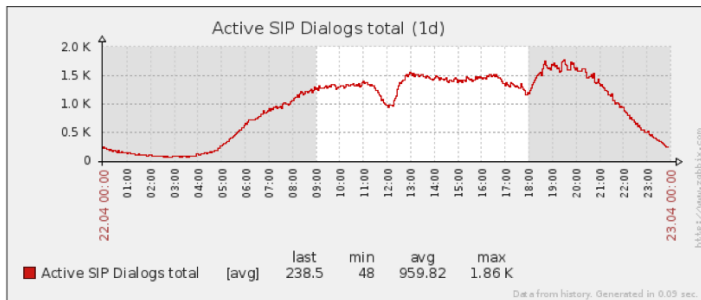
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- 10x-30x times faster than Otto  
(still slow for computation intensive tasks, but pretty much fine for us)



# ECMAScript Call Processing Tasks



```
1 var call = require('lib/call.js');
2 function Main() {
3     var dest = PendingRequestData('To');
4     ProvisionCall();
5     StartBridge(Spawn('egress', dest));
6     call.process();
7 }
8 function egress(dest) {
9     var bridge = ReadInput();
10    StartBridgedCall(dest, bridge);
11    var evt = ReadInput(60);
12    if (!IsCallCompletedEvent(evt)) {
13        RejectBridge(bridge);
14    }
15    call.process();
16 }
```

```
1 function process() {
2     while (IsConnected()) {
3         var evt = ReadInput(3600);
4         if (IsDisconnectEvent(evt)) {
5             BreakBridge();
6             break;
7         }
8         if (IsBreakBridgeEvent(evt)) {
9             Disconnect();
10            break;
11        }
12    }
13 }
14 exports.process = process;
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(looking forward to generational GC!)

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- (last but not least) Same language for UI and Call Control



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# Questions?



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