

Golang Programming

Methods. Composing Structs by Type Embedding

Where to Find The Code and Materials?

https://github.com/iproduct/coursego

Methods

```
type Vertex struct {
     X, Y float64
func (v Vertex) Abs() float64 {
     return math.Sqrt(v.X*v.X + v.Y*v.Y)
func main() {
     v := Vertex{3, 4}
     fmt.Println(v.Abs())
     abs := Vertex.Abs
     fmt.Println(abs(v))
```

Methods on Non Structs

```
type MyFloat float64
func (f MyFloat) Abs() float64 {
     if f < 0 {
           return float64(-f)
     return float64(f)
func main() {
     f := MyFloat(-math.Sqrt2)
     fmt.Println(f.Abs())
```

Methods on Non Structs

```
type Role int
const (
   User Role = 1 << iota
   Manager
   Admin
   RoleMask = (1 << (iota)) - 1
func (r Role) String() string {
   switch r {
   case User:
      return "User"
   case Manager:
      return "Manager"
   case Admin:
      return "Admin"
   default:
      return "Invalid role"
```

```
// Status type
type Status int
// User statuses enum
const (
   Registered Status = iota
   Active
   Disabled
// Returns string representation of the Role
func (r Status) String() string {
   switch r {
   case Registered:
      return "Registered"
   case Active:
      return "Active"
   case Disabled:
      return "Disabled"
   default:
      return "Invalid status"
```

Value and Pointer Receivers

```
type Vertex struct {
      X, Y float64
func (v Vertex) Abs() float64 {
      return math.Sqrt(v.X*v.X + v.Y*v.Y)
func (v *Vertex) Scale(f float64) {
      v.X = v.X * f
      V.Y = V.Y * f
func main() {
      v := Vertex{3, 4}
      v.Scale(10)
      fmt.Println(v.Abs())
```

Methods Are Just Like Functions

```
type Vertex struct {
      X, Y float64
func Abs(v Vertex) float64 {
      return math.Sqrt(v.X*v.X + v.Y*v.Y)
func Scale(v *Vertex, f float64) {
      v.X = v.X * f
      v.Y = v.Y * f
func main() {
      v := Vertex{3, 4}
      Scale(&v, 10)
      fmt.Println(Abs(v))
```

Methods and Pointer Indirection

```
type Vertex struct {
      X, Y float64
func (v *Vertex) Scale(f float64) {
      V.X = V.X * f
      V.Y = V.Y * f
func ScaleFunc(v *Vertex, f float64) {
      v.X = v.X * f
      v.Y = v.Y * f
func (v Vertex) Abs() float64 {
      return math.Sqrt(v.X*v.X + v.Y*v.Y)
func AbsFunc(v Vertex) float64 {
      return math.Sqrt(v.X*v.X + v.Y*v.Y)
```

```
func main() {
      // Pointer receiver methods
      v := Vertex{3, 4}
      v.Scale(2)
      ScaleFunc(&v, 5)
      p := &Vertex{4, 3}
      p.Scale(5)
      ScaleFunc(p, 2)
      fmt.Println(v, p)
      // Value receiver methods
      fmt.Println(v.Abs())
      fmt.Println(AbsFunc(v))
      fmt.Println(p.Abs())
      fmt.Println(AbsFunc(*p))
```

Methods: Value and Pointer Receivers

```
type ByteSlice []byte
func (slice ByteSlice) Append(data []byte) []byte {
    return append([]byte(slice), data...)
func (slice *ByteSlice) AppendPointer(data []byte) {
    *slice = append([]byte(*slice), data...)
func (slice *ByteSlice) Write(data []byte) (n int, err error) {
    *slice = append([]byte(*slice), data...)
    return len(data), nil
func main() {
       var b ByteSlice
       fmt.Fprintf(&b, "This hour has %d days\n", 7)
       fmt.Printf("%v", b)
```

Choosing Value or Pointer Receiver

There are two reasons to use a pointer receiver:

- The first is so that the method can modify the value that its receiver points to.
- The second is to avoid copying the value on each method call. This can be more efficient if the receiver is a large struct, for example.
- In general, all methods on a given type should have either value or pointer receivers, but not a mixture of both.
- More about selectors and method expressions: https://golang.org/ref/spec#Selectors

Method Receivers and Interfaces

```
type Abser interface {
      Abs() float64
func main() {
      var a Abser
      f := MyFloat(-math.Sqrt2)
      v := Vertex{3, 4}
      a = f // MyFloat implements Abser
      fmt.Println(a.Abs())
      a = &v // *Vertex implements Abser
      // Vertex do not implement Abser
      //a = v
      fmt.Println(a.Abs())
```

```
type MyFloat float64
func (f MyFloat) Abs() float64 {
    if f < 0 {
         return float64(-f)
    return float64(f)
type Vertex struct {
    X, Y float64
func (v *Vertex) Abs() float64 {
    return math.Sqrt(v.X*v.X + v.Y*v.Y)
```

Methods with Nil Receivers

```
// Path represents a sequence of Vertices. A nil Path represents empty sequence.
type Path []Vertex
func (p *Path) Distance() (dist float64) {
       dist = 0
       if *p == nil || len(*p) == 0 {
               return 0
       v1 := (*p)[0]
       var v2 Vertex
       for i := 1; i < len(*p); i++ {
              v2 = (*p)[i]
               dist += v1.Distance(v2)
               v1 = v2
       return
func main() {
       var path Path
       path = Path\{\{1, 1\}, \{4, 5\}, \{4, 1\}, \{1, 1\}\}
       fmt.Println("Perimeter = ", path.Distance())
```

Composing structs by Type Embedding

```
type ColorVertex struct {
                                                 type Vertex struct {
   Vertex
                                                     X, Y float64
   Color color.RGBA
                                                 func (v Vertex) Distance(o Vertex) float64 {
func main() {
                                                     return math.Hypot(o.X-v.X, o.Y-v.Y)
   green := color.RGBA{0, 255, 0, 255}
   yellow := color.RGBA{255, 255, 0, 255}
    cv1 := ColorVertex{Vertex{2, 3}, green}
                                                 func (v *Vertex) Scale(f float64) {
                                                        v.X = v.X * f
    cv2 := ColorVertex{Vertex{6, 6}, yellow}
    fmt.Println(cv1.Distance(cv2.Vertex)) // 5
                                                        V.Y = V.Y * f
    cv1.Scale(4)
    cv2.Scale(4)
    fmt.Println(cv1.Distance(cv2.Vertex)) // 20
   // cv1.Distance(cv2) // no cv1.Distance(ColorVertex)
```

Composing structs by Pointer Type Embedding

Rules for Method Promotion – Value vs. Pointer Fields

Given a struct type S and a defined type T, promoted methods are included in the method set of the struct as follows:

- If S contains an embedded field T, the method sets of S and *S both include promoted methods with receiver T. The method set of *S also includes promoted methods with receiver *T.
- If S contains an embedded field *T, the method sets of S and *S both include promoted methods with receiver T or *T.

Method Values and Expressions

```
a := Vertex{2, 7}
b := Vertex{5, 3}
distance := Vertex.Distance // method expression
fmt.Println(distance(a, b)) // 5
fmt.Printf("%T\n", distance) // func(main.Vertex, main.Vertex) float64
scale := (*Vertex).Scale // method expression
scale(&a, 2)
fmt.Printf("%T\n", scale) // func(*main.Vertex, float64)
scaleB := (&b).Scale // method value
fmt.Printf("%T\n", scaleB) // func(float64)
scaleB(2)
fmt.Printf("Sacling b with factor 2: b now is %f\n", b) //{10 6}
distanceFromA := a.Distance // method value
fmt.Printf("%T\n", distanceFromA) // func(*Vertex, float64)
fmt.Printf("Distance from A of B is %f\n", distanceFromA(b)) //10
```

Encapsulation

• State encapsulation:

```
type IntSet struct {
    words []uint64
}
```

No state encapsulation:

```
type IntSet []uint64
```

Examples

- IntBitSet
- PriorityQueue
- HttpServer

JSON Marshalling and Unmarshalling

```
// Structs --> JSON
data, err := json.Marshal(goBooks)
if err != nil {
       log.Fatalf("JSON marshaling failed: %s", err)
fmt.Printf("%s\n", data)
// Prettier formatting
data, err = json.MarshalIndent(goBooks, "", "
if err != nil {
       log.Fatalf("JSON marshaling failed: %s", err)
fmt.Printf("%s\n", data)
// JSON -> structs
var books []Book
if err := json.Unmarshal(data, &books); err != nil {
       log.Fatalf("JSON unmarshaling failed: %s", err)
fmt.Println("AFTER UNMARSHAL:\n", books)
```

HTTP Client Example (from Lesson 1)

```
import ("bufio"; "fmt"; "log"; "net/http")
func main() {
         //resp, err := http.Get("http://localhost:8080/headers")
         //resp, err := http.Get("http://google.com")
         req, err := http.NewRequest("GET", "http://localhost:8080/headers", nil)
         req.Header.Add("Accept", `Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,*/*;q=0.8`)
         reg.Header.Add("Custom-Header", 'Custom Value')
         resp, err := http.DefaultClient.Do(req)
         if err != nil {
                  log.Fatal(err)
         fmt.Println("Response status:", resp.Status)
         scanner := bufio.NewScanner(resp.Body)
         for i := 0; scanner.Scan() && i < 10; i++ {
                  fmt.Println(i+1, ": ", scanner.Text())
```

Homework 2 (GitHub API Client)

Implement GItHub API HTTP client that will:

- Read a text file given as command line argument to the program and parse different Github usernames – each username on separate line in the file
- Fetch GitHub users data in JSON format using public GitHub API: <a href="https://api.github.com/users/\${username}
- Fetch GitHub user repositories data in JSON format from: https://api.github.com/users/\${username}/repos
- Parse the JSON data using <u>ison.Unmarshal</u> into appropriate data stuctures in Go.
- Print a statistics report containing the information about the user and the languages used and number of files in different repositories.

Recommended Literature

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