



# The Golang Basics

# What we cover on this lecture?



- ***Variables***
- ***Basic types***
- ***Constants***
- ***functions***
- ***Flow-control***
- ***Loops***
- ***Packages***



# Golang keywords

<i>break</i>	<i>default</i> <u>else</u> in switch/case	<i>func</i>	list of methods for type(class)	4 goroutine like <i>select</i> await?
<i>case</i>	<i>finally</i> evaluation <i>defer</i>	create goroutine <i>go</i>	<i>dict</i> <i>map</i>	class w/o methods <i>struct</i>
multi cpu? <i>chan</i> parallel run	<i>else</i>	jump to label in statement <i>goto</i>	<i>package</i>	<i>switch</i>
<i>const</i>	<del>new keyword</del> <i>fallthrough</i> β switch/case	<i>if</i>	iterate over loop <i>range</i>	new type <i>type</i>
<i>continue</i>	<i>for</i>	<i>import</i>	<i>return</i>	<i>var</i>

You cannot use key words as variables, types, function names in your program



# Predeclared names

<i>Constants</i>	<code>true, false, iota, nil</code>                None <code>enumerate</code>
<i>Types</i>	<code>int, int8, int16, int32, int64,</code> <code>uint, uint8, uint16, uint32, uint64,</code> <code>uintptr,</code> <code>float32, float64, complex128, complex64,</code> <code>bool, byte, rune, string, error</code>
<i>Functions</i>	<code>make, len, cap, new, append, copy, close,</code> <code>delete, — slices and etc.</code> <code>complex, real, imag,</code> <code>panic, recover — try / except</code>

Because in general standart function, types and constants is not a language keywords, you can redeclare them, BUT NEVER DO THIS! :)

- Переменные инициализируются со знаком + либо -, когда с единичной единицей
  - У каждого типа есть свое ↑
  - Можно переопределить или сработавший переключатель разных типов



var x int → x = 0  
var x int = 5  
var x = 5 → type wi  
x := 5

$$\vdash x = 0$$

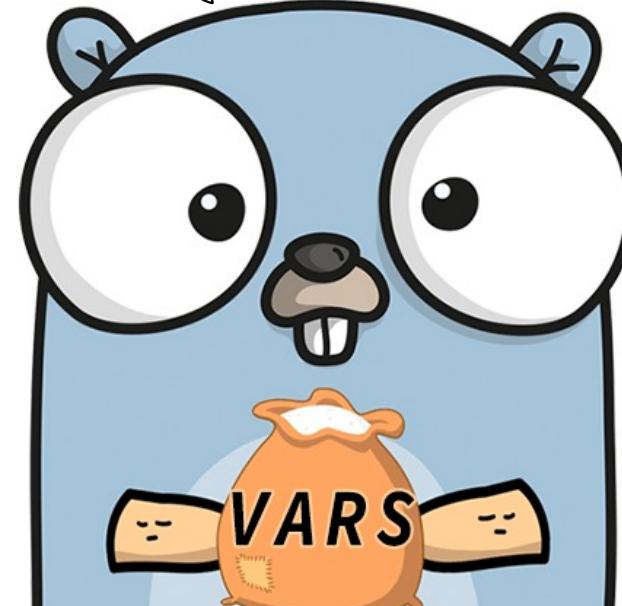
# Variables

## Camel Case

## const Module Scope

const package scope

- У некоторых тоже есть  
так называемые типы computer



*Want some  
Variables  
with that?*

Short declaration:  
Если представители альянса  
заявляют в **одинаковом**  
**сроке** — они **подпишут**  
**договор**



# Variables initialization

```
• func main() {  
•     var (  
•         b1 bool  
•         s1 string  
•         i1 int  
•         ui1 uint  
•         by1 byte  
•         r1 rune  
•         f1 float32  
•         c1 complex64  
•     )  
•  
•     fmt.Println("Boolean - ", b1)  
•     fmt.Printf("String - %q\n", s1)  
•     fmt.Println("Integer - ", i1)  
•     fmt.Println("Unsigned Integer - ", ui1)  
•     fmt.Println("Byte - ", by1)  
•     fmt.Println("Rune - ", r1)  
•     fmt.Println("Float number - ", f1)  
•     fmt.Println("Complex number - ", c1)  
• }
```

<b>Boolean</b>	- <b>false</b>
<b>String</b>	- <b>''</b>
<b>Integer</b>	- <b>0</b>
<b>Unsigned Integer</b>	- <b>0</b>
<b>Byte</b>	- <b>0</b>
<b>Rune</b>	- <b>0</b>
<b>Float number</b>	- <b>0</b>
<b>Complex number</b>	- <b>(0+0i)</b>

[https://goplay.tools/snippet/LUmySkr  
emfm](https://goplay.tools/snippet/LUmySkr<br/>emfm)



# Every literal has it's own default type

```
• package main
•
• import (
•     "fmt"
• )
•
• func main() {
•     s := ""
•     c := 'b'
•     i := 0
•     f := 0.0
•
•     fmt.Printf("String literal - %T\n", s)
•     fmt.Printf("Integer literal - %T\n", i)
•     fmt.Printf("Character literal - %T\n", c)
•     fmt.Printf("Floating number literal - %T\n", f)
• }
```

String literal – string  
Integer literal – int  
Character literal – int32  
Floating number literal – float64

[https://goplay.tools/snippet/xnqb\\_jHuyNr](https://goplay.tools/snippet/xnqb_jHuyNr)



byte - uint8 alias, can hold ASCII  
rune - int32 alias, can hold UTF-8

унарные и операторы:

++	1. создает копию и увеличивает на единицу
--	2. удаляет, уменьшает на единицу
	3. удаляет копию и уменьшает на единицу

# Basic types



# Logical operators

$A$	$B$	$!A$	$A \mid\mid B$	$A \&\& B$
<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>
<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>
<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>
<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>



# Integer binary operators

натуральные операции

1	*	/	%	<<	>>	&	& <sup>^</sup>
2	+	-	/	<sup>^</sup>			
3	==	!=	<	<=	>	>=	
4	&&						
5	//						



# String type

<i>byte</i>	'A'	<i>ASCII character, 1 byte size</i>
<i>rune</i>	'ó'	<i>UTF-8 character, up to 4 byte size</i>
<i>string</i>	"Kraków"	<i>String, a bunch of UTF-8 encoding characters.</i>



# Converting the string

```
• package main  
•  
• import (  
•     "fmt"  
• )  
•  
• func main() {  
•     msg := "Dzień dobry"  
•     //msg is a string with  
•     11 characters  
•     fmt.Println(len(msg)) /  
•     /12  
•     // Why we have 12 here  
•     ?  
• }
```

Dzień dobry

<https://goplay.tools/snippet/7yGc4jBf7uQ>

*Why len(msg) returns 12 when we have 11 characters? There answer is quite simple, len returns value in bytes, and character “ń” cost us 2 bytes in UTF-8 encoding (non-ASCII character).*



# Constants

```
• const name string = "Go"
• const (
•     e = 2.7182
•     pi = 3.1415
• )
• const (
•     a = 1.1
•     b
•     c = 2
•     d
• )
• func main() {
•     fmt.Println(name)
•     name := "Java"
•     fmt.Println(name)
•     fmt.Println(a, b, c, d)
•     fmt.Printf("%T %T\n", b, d
• )
• }
```

Go  
Java  
1.1 1.1 2 2  
float64 int

<https://goplay.tools/snippet/O-po3ANlo6u>

*Constants in Golang are variables that has in place initialization and that value cannot be changed after first initialization. (One exception, you can in smaller scope define variable with the same name)*

*Constants have a little bit different type system, strict type of the constant computed when it used, it means that you can compare constant `e` with `float32` and `float64` type, as well as constant `b` can be used without type casting with any numbered type. The same applicable with type aliases (we will talk about it later.)*

Enumerate

||

# Iota and constants



```
• type Weekday int
•
• const (
•     Monday    Weekday = iota
•     Tuesday   = iota
•     Wednesday = iota
• )
•
• const (
•     a = iota * 2
•
•     -
•     b
•     c
• )
•
• func main() {
•     y, Wednesday)
•     fmt.Println(a, b, c)
• }
```

0 1 2

0 4 6

<https://goplay.tools/snippet/6DqDZZH1Sci>

*Iota is a constant with special behavior, it is kind of generator that return unique sequential number for constant block.*

- Value of iota not shared across different constants blocks, but*
- You can change value of iota using standard operations as +, \*, -.*
- In case you want to skip value you can use blank identifier \_*



# Type system variables vs constants

## VARIABLES

- *Variables has strict type system, int8 and int32 for example is different type and can't be used interchangeably.*

## CONSTANTS

- *Constant has weak type system, for example string constant has type untyped string constant and numbers untyped integer, final type computed when constant is used, this allows to use constants with any castable type.*

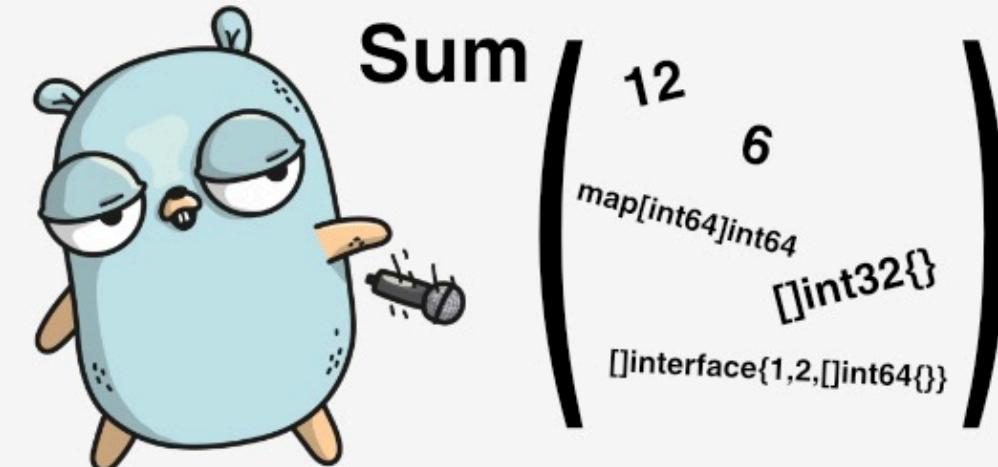


```
func name (params) (results) {  
    // body  
}
```

```
func sum(a, b int) (res int){  
    res = a + b  
    return  
}
```

← Так же можно бояться nil, если будем опускать обработка ошибок возвращая nil

# Functions





# Function types

```
• package main
•
• import "fmt"
•
• func add(x int, y int) int
{ return x + y }
• func sub(x, y int) (z int)
{ z = x - y; return }
• func first(x int, _ int) int
{ return x }
• func zero(int, int) int
{ return 0 }
•
• func main() {
    fmt.Printf("%T\n", add)
    fmt.Printf("%T\n", sub)
    fmt.Printf("%T\n", first)
    fmt.Printf("%T\n", zero)
• }
```

```
func(int, int) int
func(int, int) int
func(int, int) int
func(int, int) int
```

<https://goplay.tools/snippet/cpbj8m-40rw>

*Function in Golang has their own type.*

*Function name must be unique in the scope, you cannot override function.*



# Recursion

```
• package main  
•  
• import "fmt"  
•  
• func factorial(i uint) uint {  
•     if i == 0 {  
•         return 1  
•     }  
•     return i * factorial(i-1)  
• }  
•  
• func main() {  
•     fmt.Println(factorial(5))  
• }
```

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[https://goplay.tools/snippet/Re\\_kjE0PHAL](https://goplay.tools/snippet/Re_kjE0PHAL)



# Multiple return values

```
• package main  
•  
• import (  
•     "fmt"  
• )  
•  
• func main() {  
•     fmt.Println(devide(10, 3))  
• }  
•  
• func devide(a, b int) (int, int)  
{  
    return a / b, a % b  
}  
• }
```

↑  
tuple

3 1

<https://goplay.tools/snippet/fTlb7HpuDyi>

*Functions in Golang can have multiple return parameters, it gives an ability to have pretty elegant solutions, but be conservative with this feature, large number or return statement usually signal that you break single responsibility principle.*

$a, - = \text{devide}(100, 15)$



# Variadic parameter

```
• func main() {  
•     digits := []int{1, 2, 3, 4}  
•  
•     //You cannot just pass an array, you have to expand it  
•     //fmt.Println(sum(digits)) // Will not work  
•     fmt.Println(sum(digits...))  
• }  
•  
• //variadic parameter must be last parameter of the function  
• func sum(digits ...int) int {  
•     var sum int  
•     for _, d := range digits {  
•         sum += d  
•     }  
•  
•     return sum  
• }
```

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[https://goplay.tools/snippet/Wobv8\\_U\\_y9d](https://goplay.tools/snippet/Wobv8_U_y9d)

You need to keep in mind a few things:

- Variadic parameter is a slice under the hood (slice is a dynamic array in Golang, about this type later)
- Variadic parameter must be last in a function
- You need to expand the slice to pass it as a variadic parameter with "..."

eval of \* in py



## Change underlined slice in variadic parameter

```
• func main() {  
•     strs := []string{  
•         "Hello,", "My", "name",  
•         "is", "Alex",  
•     }  
•     mutate(strs...)  
•     fmt.Println(strings.Join(strs, " "))  
• }  
•  
• func mutate(x ...string) {  
•     x[len(x)-1] = "Michał"  
• }
```

Hello, My name is Michal

<https://goplay.tools/snippet/6imaJjAAB0A>

You need to keep in mind a few things:

- "... doesn't copy slice due to this you can change slice inside a variadic function



## High-order functions

```
• package main  
•  
• import "fmt"  
•  
• func newWriter() func(string) {  
•     return func(s string) {  
•         fmt.Println(s)  
•     }  
• }  
• func main() {  
•     var writer func(string) = ne  
wWriter()  
•     writer("Hello Poland!")  
•     writer("Cześć!")  
• }
```

Hello Poland! *we can create  
decorators in Go? :)*

Cześć!

<https://goplay.tools/snippet/4y54T8q5gst>

*What we just did?*

- Assign a function to a variable
- Return a function from the function
- Define anonymous function (function without name)



## Deferred functions = finally

```
• package main
•
• import (
•     "fmt"
• )
•
• func main() {
•     var message string = "I w
• ill be executed after exit fr
• om the function"
•
•     defer func() {
•         fmt.Println(message)
•     }()
•
•     fmt.Println("Exit from fu
• nction")
• }
```

Exit from function

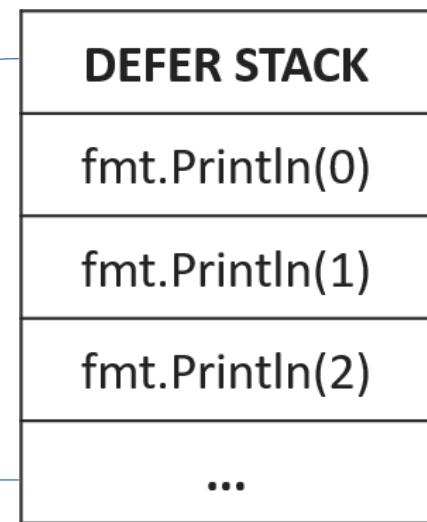
I will be executed after exit from  
the function

<https://goplay.tools/snippet/AM29trKSYZK>



# Deferred functions execution order

```
• package main
•
• import "fmt"
•
• func main() {
•     for i := 0; i < 5; i++ {
•         defer fmt.Println(i)
•     }
•
•     // deferred funcs run here
• }
```



4  
3  
2  
1  
0

<https://goplay.tools/snippet/ePn-bHg2S-X>



## Deferred functions

```
• package main
•
• import (
•     "fmt"
• )
•
• func main() {
•     for i := 0; i < 10;
•     i++ {
•         defer func() {
•             fmt.Println(i,
•             " ")
•         }()
•     }
• }
```

10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10

[https://goplay.tools/snippet/URnuA-CzSE\\_V](https://goplay.tools/snippet/URnuA-CzSE_V)



## Deferred functions use cases

```
row, err := db.Query(`SELECT ...`)
if err != nil {
    // handle error or pass it to the
    caller
}
defer row.Close()

defer func() {
    if err := recover(); err != nil {
        ...
    }
}()
```

<https://goplay.tools/snippet/dEShiFiGuCO>



# Function in Golang key points

- *Function is just a bunch of operations grouped in a logical way.*
- *You can assign function to variable, pass it as a parameter to the function or return from the function.*
- *Functions in Golang has type as well, type of the function depending on its parameters and return statements.*



# Flow control



## If - else

```
• func main() {  
•     for i := 0; i <= 7; i++ {  
•         r != nil if weekday, err := isWeekDay(i); er  
•         " , err)     fmt.Println("unexpected error -  
•             } else {  
•                 fmt.Println(i, "-", weekday)  
•             }  
•         }  
•     }  
•  
•     func isWeekDay(d int) (bool, error) {  
•         if d <= 0 || d > 7 {  
•             return false, fmt.Errorf("invalid v  
• alue, valid range is [1-7]")  
•         } else if d > 5 {  
•             return false, nil  
•         } else {  
•             return true, nil  
•         }  
•     }
```

unexpected error - invalid value, valid range is [1-7]  
1 - true  
2 - true  
3 - true  
4 - true  
5 - true  
6 - false  
7 - false

<https://goplay.tools/snippet/V27mHXgTT42>



## Switch statement

```
• func main() {  
•     fmt.Println(numberToWeekDay(1))  
•     fmt.Println(numberToWeekDay(3))  
• }  
• func numberToWeekDay(i int) string {  
•     switch i {  
•     case 1:  
•         return "Monday"  
•     case 2:  
•         return "Tuesday"  
•     case 3:  
•         return "Wednesday"  
•     case 4:  
•         return "Thursday"  
•     case 5:  
•         return "Friday"  
•     case 6:  
•         return "Saturday"  
•     case 7:  
•         return "Sunday"  
•     default:  
•         return "unknown"  
•     }  
• }
```

*Monday*

*Wednesday*

<https://goplay.tools/snippet/YMHG82I9nFN>

*Switch statement in Golang has pretty common syntax, one important difference is that instead of **fallthrough** behavior, Golang **breaks** after each case.*



## Switch statement

```
• func main() {  
•     fmt.Println(isWeekDay(1))  
•  
•     fmt.Println(isWeekDay(6))  
•  
•     fmt.Println(isWeekDay(10))  
• }  
•  
• func isWeekDay(i int) (bool, error) {  
•     switch i {  
•     case 1, 2, 3, 4, 5:  
•         return true, nil  
•     case 6, 7:  
•         return false, nil  
•     default:  
•         return false, fmt.Errorf("invalid v  
alue, valid range [1-7]")  
•     }  
• }
```

true <nil>  
false <nil>  
false invalid value, valid range [1-7]

<https://goplay.tools/snippet/SMVOi9WLJaq>

In case you have the same behaviour for multiple values, you can specify multiple values in one case.



## Switch statement

```
• func main() {  
•     fmt.Println(isWeekend(6))  
•  
•     fmt.Println(isWeekend(5))  
•  
•     fmt.Println(isWeekend(10))  
• }  
•  
• func isWeekend(i int) (bool, error) {  
•     switch {  
•         case i >= 6 && i <= 7:  
•             return true, nil  
•         case i >= 1 && i <= 5:  
•             return false, nil  
•         default:  
•             return false, fmt.Errorf("invalid v  
• alue, valid range [1-7]")  
•     }  
• }
```

true <nil>  
false <nil>  
false invalid value, valid range [1-7]

<https://goplay.tools/snippet/xENCYSAAXeu>

You can implement all use-cases of if-else statement using switch statement, in case of absence of variable in switch you can just specify expression with boolean result.



# Loops



## Loops (Plain old for loop)

```
• package main
•
• import (
•     "fmt"
• )
•
• func main() {
•     for i := 0; i < 10; i++ {
•         fmt.Println(i, " ")
•     }
• }
```

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

<https://goplay.tools/snippet/KEBAFKZvwvx>

*Plain for loop syntax is common for most languages, the only difference is that you don't need parentheses around conditions, but the braces are required.*



## Loops (While loop)

```
• package main  
•  
• import (  
•     "fmt"  
• )  
•  
• func main() {  
•     var i int  
•     for i < 10 {  
•         fmt.Println(i, " ")  
•         i++  
•     }  
• }
```

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

<https://goplay.tools/snippet/Fbp11kKVQw4>

*In Golang while loop is special type of for loop.*



## Loops (Infinite loop)

```
• package main  
•  
• import (  
•     "fmt"  
• )  
•  
• func main() {  
•  
•     for {  
•         fmt.Println("Hello from i  
nfinite loop")  
•     }  
• }
```

Hello from infinite loop  
...

<https://goplay.tools/snippet/AhPisV44upd>

*Empty values works as infinite loop*



## Loops (For each)

```
• func main() {  
•     strs := []string{  
•         "Hello",  
•         "from",  
•         "for-each",  
•         "loop",  
•         "!",  
•     }  
•  
•     for _, s := range strs {  
•         fmt.Println(s, " ")  
•     }  
• }
```

Hello from for-each loop !

<https://goplay.tools/snippet/JvDY6ZHkrUY>

*For range loop is helpful do go over collections, range key word used, first parameter returned by range is index of the element, second parameter is actual value.*



## Loops (`continue`, `break`)

```
• func main() {  
•     strs := []string{  
•         "Hello",  
•         "from",  
•         "for-each",  
•         "loop",  
•         "!",  
•     }  
•  
•     for _, s := range strs {  
•         if s == "for-each" {  
•             continue  
•         } else if s == "!" {  
•             break  
•         }  
•         fmt.Println(s, " ")  
•     }  
• }
```

Hello from loop

<https://goplay.tools/snippet/u6f1sHcxdbM>

You can use `break` and `continue` operators, to control loop behavior.

`Continue` stop current iteration and start next one.

`Break` completely stop loop.



# What should you remember?

- In Golang there is only **for** loop, no **while** or **do-while**.
- Loop variable initialized only once; you need to copy it before using in closures or path to a function in case it reference type.
- For loop contains three parts, variable initialization, condition, post statement any of this part can be skipped or extended with different conditions.



- в директории должен быть **1.go** файл и называться **так же как директория**, и **package name** тоже должны **совпадать**.
- переменные/функции и пр. объекты:
  - myConst** — **package scope** — **глобальные**
  - MyConst** — **module scope** — можно использовать в **pp. package**

# Packages



# Exported/unexported objects

~/go/src/github.com/burov/greeting

```
greeting/
└── go.mod
└── main.go
language
└── polish
    └── polish.go
└── english
    └── english.go
└── language.go
```



```
package main

import (
    "fmt"
    "github.com/burov/greeting/language/polish"
)

func main() {
    fmt.Println(polish.Name)
    fmt.Println(polish.internalName)
}
```

```
const Name = "Polish"
const internalName = "pl"
```

./main.go:10:14: cannot refer to unexported name polish.internalName  
./main.go:10:14: undefined: polish.internalName



## Packages example

```
• package main
•
• import (
    "fmt"
    "github.com/burov/greeting/language/english"
    "github.com/burov/greeting/language/polish"
)
•
• func main() {
    fmt.Println(english.Name)
    fmt.Println(polish.Name)
    //fmt.Println(english.internalName)
    //cannot refer to unexported name
    english.internalName
    //fmt.Println(polish.internalName)
    //cannot refer to unexported name
    polish.internalName
}
```

English

Polish

<https://goplay.tools/snippet/GSHnaLmADtH>

*To import package, you need to use module name + package or if you use \$GOPATH just a relative path from \$GOPATH/src + package*

*Every variable/function/constant/structure named from upper-case letter is exported (you can use them from other packages), from lower-case letter is package private only.*



# Summary about packages

- *Package is just a folder with files, in one folder you can have only one package.*
- *Every file start from package definition, as a good practice name of the package is equals to folder name.*
- *Main package is a special package that is entry point of the code*
- *Every variable/function/constant/structure named from upper-case letter is exported and can be accessed outside of the project.*
- *Every variable/function/constant/structure named from lower-case letter is package private and cannot be accessed outside of the project.*