How to Go

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Playground

golang.org (https://golang.org)

```
1 // You can edit this code!
2 // Click here and start typing.
3 package main
4
5 import "fmt"
6
7 func main() {
8 fmt.Println("Hello, 世界")
9 }
Run
```

\$GOPATH

\$GOPATH not set. For more details see: go help gopath

Go 1.8 Release Notes (https://golang.org/doc/go1.8#gopath)

The GOPATH environment variable now has a default value if it is unset. It defaults to \$HOME/go on Unix and %USERPROFILE%/go on Windows.

I like to use it for all projects, not only Go:

export GOPATH="\$HOME/code"

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\$GOPATH

This is your workspace for Go source code, packages and binaries:

```
$GOPATH/
  bin/
                   # add $GOPATH/bin to your $PATH
       delve
       gcp
       massren
       present
  pkg/
       linux amd64/
           git.trivago.trv/sop/cauliflower/gcp/
           . . .
  src/
       git.trivago.trv/sop/cauliflower/...
       github.com/derekparker/delve/
       github.com/laurent22/massren/...
       golang.org/x/tools/...
```

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Cauliflower

```
$GOPATH/src/git.trivago.trv/sop/cauliflower/
   cmd
                           # package main: binary "gcp"
    ___ gcp
          – create.go
         — main.go
                            # package "git.trivago.trv/sop/cauliflower/gcp"
   gcp
      - resource.go
      resource_test.go
      - service.go
                            # vendored dependencies take precedence over $GOPATH/src (!)
   vendor
      – cloud.google.com/...
      — github.com/...
      – golang.org/...
   CHANGELOG.md
   README.md
   Gopkg.toml
                            # dependencies (managed with dep)
   Gopkg.lock
                            # locked revisions of the dependencies
   Makefile
```

Makefile

```
.PHONY: clean deps build install test
.DEFAULT_GOAL := build
SOURCE := git.trivago.trv/sop/cauliflower/cmd/gcp
clean:
    rm -rf ./vendor
deps:
    dep ensure
build: deps
   go build ./...
install: deps
    go install ./...
test: deps
   go test --race ./...
    GOARCH=386 go test ./...
```

A Quirk

```
package main
3
  import "fmt"
  type cat interface{}
6
  type concreteCat struct{}
  func getCat() cat {
       var c1 *concreteCat
10
    // ... forget to assign res
11
      fmt.Println("c1 == nil:", c1 == nil)
12
13
       return c1
14 }
15
   func main() {
17
       c2 := getCat()
       fmt.Println("c2 == nil:", c2 == nil)
18
19 }
                                                                                              Run
```

It's not a bug, it's a feature

```
package main
3
   import "fmt"
   func main() {
       names := []string{
6
           "Java",
           "Python",
9
           "Go"
10
        }
11
        for i, n := range names {
12
            fmt.Println(i, n)
13
        }
14
15 }
                                                                                                   Run
```

Summary

- When searching for Go related topics online, use the keyword "golang"
- Add \$GOPATH/bin to your \$PATH
- Put your executables/commands (package main) in the folder "cmd"
- Maintain a README.md and keep a changelog (http://keepachangelog.com/en/1.0.0/)
- Manage your Go dependencies with dep (https://github.com/golang/dep)
- Set up a Makefile (https://sahilm.com/makefiles-for-golang/)

More ...

- Effektive Go (https://golang.org/doc/effective_go.html) and Go Code Review Comments
 - (https://github.com/golang/go/wiki/CodeReviewComments)
- JustForFunc (https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC_BzFbxG2za3bp5NRRRXJSw) by Francesc Campoy
- Talks (https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=Rob+Pike) by Rob Pike

Slides



github.com/mrkanister/slides(https://github.com/mrkanister/slides)

Thank you

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