

Functions & Packages

Understanding functions and working with packages

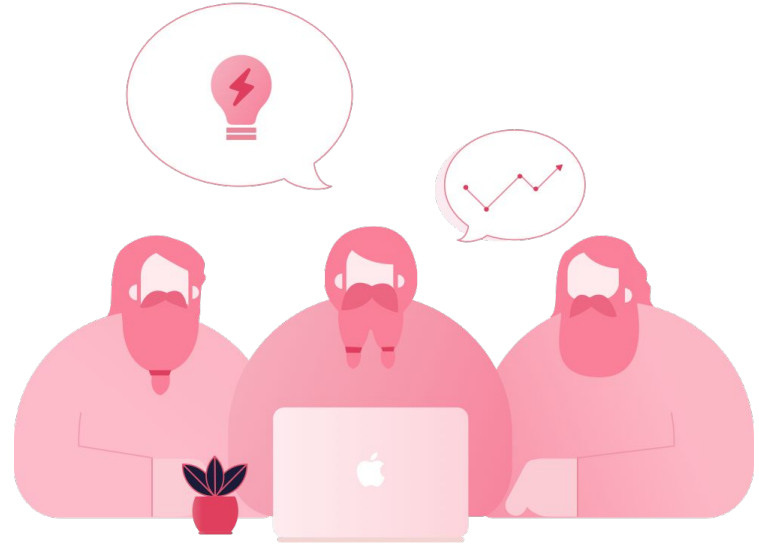


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Agenda

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Introduction

Recap of Day 1 and Day 2 overview

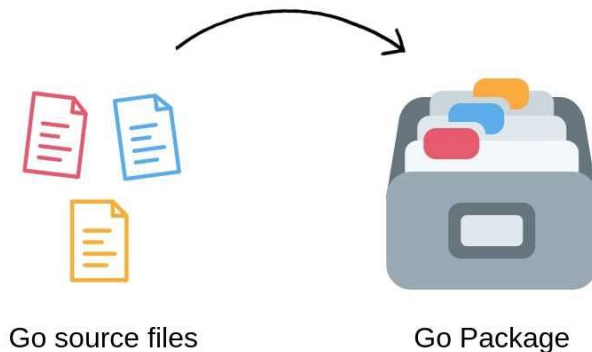
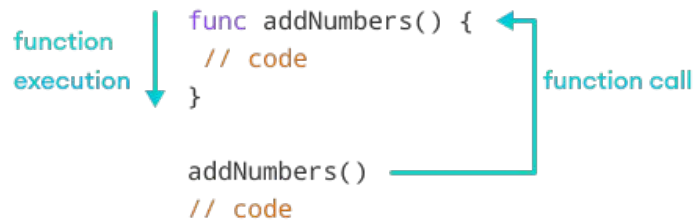
Recap of Day 1

- Variables and Data types
- Control Flow: if, switch
- Loops

```
1 package main
2
3 import "fmt"
4
5 func main() {
6     // Variables and Data Types
7     var name string = "John"
8     age := 25
9     isStudent := true
10    pi := 3.14
11
12    fmt.Println("Name:", name)
13    fmt.Println("Age:", age)
14    fmt.Println("Is Student:", isStudent)
15    fmt.Println("PI:", pi)
16
17    // Control Flow: if statements
18    if age >= 18 {
19        fmt.Println("You are an adult.")
20    } else {
21        fmt.Println("You are a minor.")
22    }
23
24    // Control Flow: loops
25    for i := 1; i <= 5; i++ {
26        fmt.Println(i)
27    }
28
29    // Control Flow: switch statements
30    day := "Tuesday"
31    switch day {
32    case "Monday":
33        fmt.Println("It's Monday!")
34    case "Tuesday":
35        fmt.Println("It's Tuesday!")
36    default:
37        fmt.Println("It's another day.")
38    }
39 }
40
```

Day 2

- Functions as a fundamental building block of Go programs.
- Packages as a mechanism for organizing and reusing code.

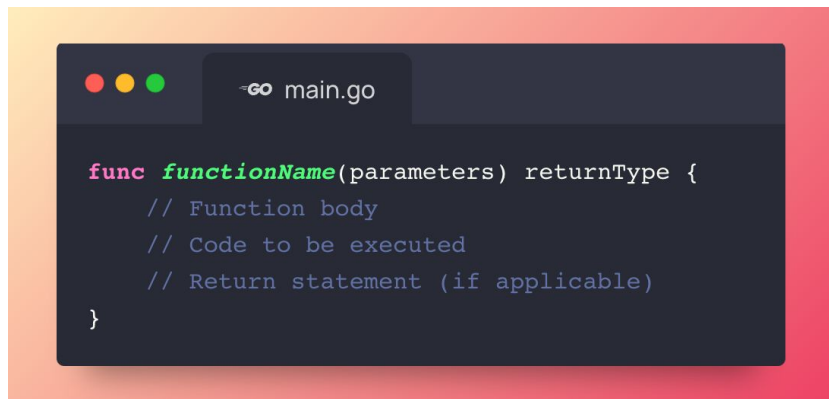


Function Basics

Explain the syntax of function declaration in Go

Syntax

- **functionName** is the identifier for the function.
- **parameters** are optional and represent values passed to the function for processing.
- **returnType** is *optional* and specifies the type of value that the function returns.



Syntax

- **functionName** choose a meaningful name that describes the purpose of the function.
- **parameters** multiple parameters can be defined, separated by commas. Each parameter has a name and a type
- **returnType** if the function doesn't return a value, the return type can be omitted.

```
util.go

1 // Function without parameters and return value
2 func greet() {
3     fmt.Println("Hello, Go!")
4 }
5
6 // Function with parameters and return value
7 func add(a, b int) int {
8     return a + b
9 }
10
11 // Function with parameters and return value
12 func calculate(a, b int) (int, int) {
13     sum := a + b
14     diff := a - b
15     return sum, diff
16 }
17
18 // Variadic function with trailing arguments
19 // and return value
20 func sum(vals ...int) int {
21     sum := 0
22     for idx := range vals {
23         sum += vals[idx]
24     }
25     return sum
26 }
```

Function Signature

The function signature is a combination of the function name, parameter list, and return type.

It defines the unique identity of a function within a package.

Overloading functions (same name, different parameter list) is **NOT** supported in Go.

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Function Invocation

Function invocation is the process of executing a function in Go.

To call a function, use the function's name followed by parentheses ().

value VS reference

```
-GO util.go

1 func increment(n int) {
2     n = n + 1 // Modifying the copy
3 }
4
5 count := 5
6 increment(count)
7 fmt.Println(count) // Output: 5
8
9 func incrementByRef(n *int) {
10     *n = *n + 1 // Modifying the value at the memory address
11 }
12
13 count := 5
14 incrementByRef(&count)
15 fmt.Println(count) // Output: 6
```

Return values



```
1
2 func printNameAndAge() {
3     fmt.Print("John Doe", 30)
4 }
5 printNameAndAge()
6
7 func getNameAndAge() (string, int) {
8     return "John Doe", 30
9 }
10 _, age := getNameAndAge() // Discard the name and assign only the age
```

Package Basics

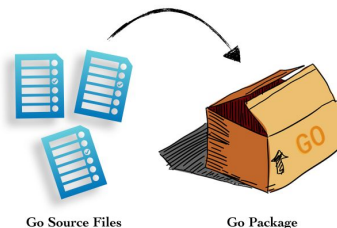
Explain the code organization using packages

Package

Packages provide a way to organize code into **reusable** and **modular units**, making it **easier to manage** and **maintain large codebases**.

A package is a **collection of Go source files** in the **same directory** that are grouped together **based on a common purpose or functionality**.

Ex: standard libraries



Accessing Package Functions

Exported functions start with an UPPERCASE letter (PascalCase), while unexported functions start with a lowercase letter (camelCase).

Only exported functions can be accessed from other packages.

```
1 package util
2
3 // Add returns the sum of two integers.
4 func Add(a, b int) int {
5     return a + b
6 }
7
8 // Multiply returns the product of two integers.
9 func Multiply(a, b int) int {
10    return a * b
11 }
12
13 func lowercaseAdd(a, b int) int {
14    return a + b
15 }
```

```
1 package main
2
3 import (
4     "fmt"
5     "github.com/dwarvesf/go23/ex2/util"
6 )
7
8 func main() {
9     sum := mathutil.Add(3, 5)
10    fmt.Println("Sum:", sum)
11
12    product := mathutil.Multiply(4, 6)
13    fmt.Println("Product:", product)
14 }
```


Importing

```
main.go
1 package main
2
3 import "fmt"
4
5 func main() {
6     fmt.Println("hello from ex")
7 }
```

```
main.go
1 package main
2
3 import (
4     "fmt"
5     "math"
6 )
7
8 func main() {
9     number := 16.0
10    squareRoot := math.Sqrt(number)
11    fmt.Printf("Square root of %.2f is %.2f\n", number, squareRoot)
12 }
```

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```

Importing with alias

```
1 package main
2
3 import (
4     "fmt"
5     "math"
6 )
7
8 func main() {
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10    squareRoot := math.Sqrt(number)
11    fmt.Printf("Square root of %.2f is %.2f\n", number, squareRoot)
12 }
```

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1 package main
2
3 import (
4     "fmt"
5     m "math"
6 )
7
8 func main() {
9     number := 16.0
10    squareRoot := m.Sqrt(number)
11    fmt.Printf("Square root of %.2f is %.2f\n", number, squareRoot)
12 }
```

Init function

Go allows the use of an init function in a **package** to perform **initialization tasks**.

The init function is automatically executed when the package is imported, even before the main function is called.

```
1 package language
2
3 import "fmt"
4
5 var f = func() string {
6     fmt.Println("variable f initialized")
7     return "test"
8 }()
9
10 func init() {
11     fmt.Println("translate init")
12 }
13
14 func EnSymbol() string {
15     return "EN"
16 }
```

```
1 package translate
2
3 import (
4     "fmt"
5
6     "github.com/dwarvesf/go23/ex2-trans/language"
7 )
8
9 func init() {
10     fmt.Println("translate init")
11 }
12
13 func Print() {
14     fmt.Println("Translate to " + language.EnSymbol())
15 }
```

```
1 package main
2
3 import (
4     "fmt"
5
6     "github.com/dwarvesf/go23/ex2-trans/translate"
7 )
8
9 func init() {
10     fmt.Println("main")
11 }
12
13 func main() {
14     fmt.Println("--program start--")
15     translate.Print()
16 }
```

```
1 $ go run ./main.go
2 variable f initialized
3 language init
4 translate init
5 main
6 --program start--
7 Translate to En
```

Init function rule

The imported packages are initialized

- Variables are initialized
- Init functions are run

Then the package itself is initialized

- Variables are initialized
- Init functions are run

```
1 // https://github.com/go-sql-driver/mysql/blob/master/driver.go
2 package MySQL
3
4 import (
5     //...
6     "database/sql"
7     //...
8 )
9 // ...
10
11
12 func init() {
13     sql.Register("mysql", &MySQLDriver{})
14 }
```

```
1 package main
2
3 import (
4     "database/sql"
5     "log"
6
7     _ "github.com/go-sql-driver/mysql"
8 )
9
10 func main() {
11     db, err := sql.Open("mysql", "user:password@dbname")
12     if err != nil {
13         panic(err)
14     }
15     log.Println(db)
16     //...
17 }
```

Practices

Practices - function

Keep functions small and focused.

Use meaningful names for functions and parameters.

Follow the single responsibility principle.



Practices - package

Organize code into packages for modularity and reusability.

Follow naming conventions for packages and files.

- Use lowercase package names without underscores or hyphens (e.g., "mypackage" instead of "my-package").

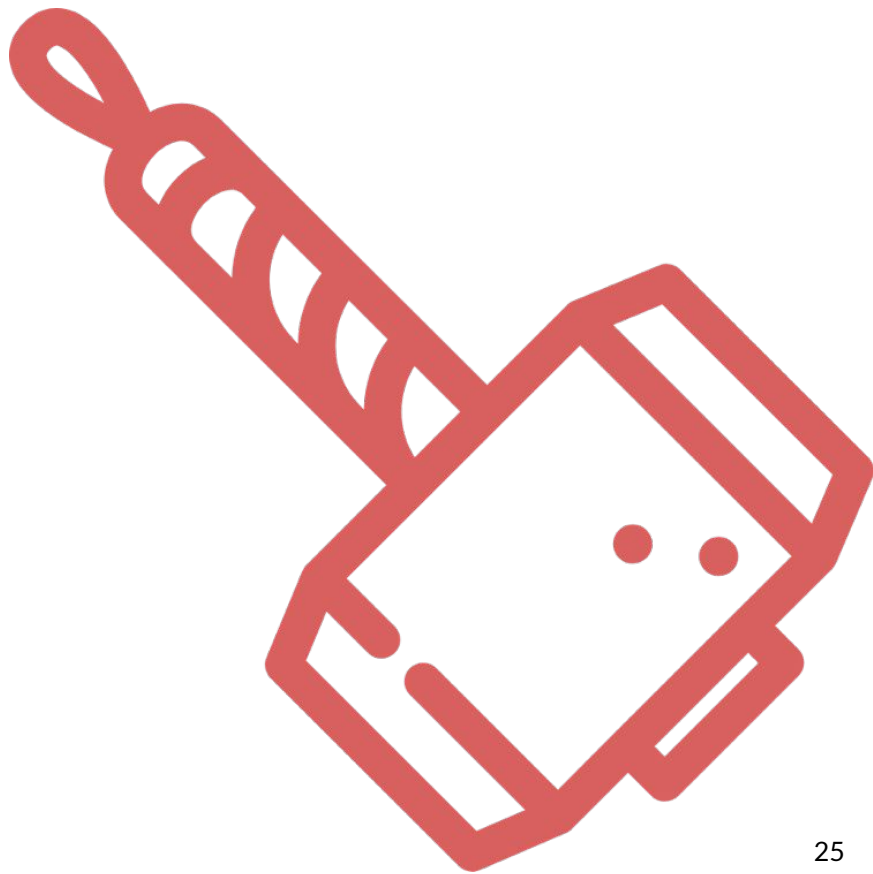
Maintain a logical folder structure.



Demo

Demo - Zer0 to Hero

- Set up the basic Go project structure.
- Implement the server's initialization and basic routing.
- Create a simple "Hello, World!" endpoint to ensure the server is running correctly.



Assignment

Assignment for Day 2

Goal: Create a package and a command-line tool to sort input provided by the user.

Inputs: Number (integer or float) array, string array.

Outputs: Sorted result based on the provided input type.



```
bash
1 $ go run sorter.go -int 5 2 10 1
2 Output: 1 2 5 10
3
4 $ go run sorter.go -string apple orange banana
5 Output: apple banana orange
6
7 $ go run sorter.go -mix 5.5 apple 2.7 orange 3 banana
8 Output: 2.7 3 5.5 apple banana orange
9
```

Assignment for Day 2

Create a Go package with functions for sorting integer arrays, float arrays, and string arrays.

Implement sorting logic for each data type using appropriate algorithms.

Assignment for Day 2

Create a command-line tool (CLI) to parse the input from the command line.

Determine the type of input (integer array, float array, string array, or mixed).

Utilize the corresponding sorting function from the package to sort the elements.

Output the sorted result.

Assignment for Day 2 - Hint

<https://github.com/spf13/cobra>

<https://github.com/devfacet/gocmd>

Use the **flag** package to parse command line arguments.

Create separate functions in the package for sorting each data type.

Consider implementing generic sorting functions using interfaces to handle mixed input types.

Recaption

Functions: Reusable code blocks that perform tasks in Go.

Parameters: Input values passed to functions.

Return Values: Output values returned by functions.

Packages: Used to organize and share code.

Importing Packages: import keyword to access functions and variables.

Package Aliases: Simplify package references.

Best Practices: Focused functions, meaningful names, and organized code.

Reference

Resources & Reference links

- <https://go.dev/tour/basics/1>

Thank You



Q&A

