## Set up your machine for hands-on tutorials

## Option 1: Install Go Natively (Recommended. It works for Windows, Linux, and MacOS.)

**Step 1:** Make sure you can run the git command on your machine.

**Step 2:** Install the Go environment. Download Go installation package here <a href="https://golang.org/dl/">https://golang.org/dl/</a>. If you use a Mac or Linux machine, follow the installation instruction here <a href="https://golang.org/doc/install#install">https://golang.org/doc/install#install</a>. If you use a Windows machine, simply execute the installation program. Make sure you can use the `go` command in your terminal.

**Step 3:** Install VSCode and the VSCode Go extension.

**Step 4 (Optional):** In VSCode settings, set `Go: Lint Tool` to golanglint-ci. And also enable `Go: Cover On Save`. VSCode will ask you to install `golanglint-ci`. If the installation of `golanglint-ci` failed, install it manually with the instruction here <a href="https://github.com/golangci/golangci-lint#binary">https://github.com/golangci/golangci-lint#binary</a>.

## Option 2: Use our virtual box image

**Step 1:** Install VirtualBox from <a href="https://www.virtualbox.org/">https://www.virtualbox.org/</a>.

Step 2: Download our virtual box image from http://bit.ly/mgpusim\_tutorial\_image. Unzip it.

**Step 3:** Double click the 'mgpusim\_tutorial.vbox' file in the unzipped folder.

**Step 3b:** If step 3 does not work, open VirtualBox and add a new virtual machine. Select the 'mgpusim' tutorial.vbox' file in your unzipped folder. And then start the machine.