



Foundation Class

- WEEK 2 (Session 2) -





Package





- 1. Package Declaration
- 2. Init Function
- 3. Importing Package
- 4. Export and Import Types



Package Declaration

- Packages are used to organize source code for better readability and maintanability hence it can be easily reusabled.
- Every executable go application must contain a main function. This function is the entry point for execution. The main function should reside in the main package.
- The line of code to specify that a particular source file belongs to a particular package is: package <package_name> which should be written on the first line of every go source file.



Function -

- Every package contains an init function. The init function should not have any return type and should not have any parameters.
- The init function cannot be explicitly called in our source code.
- Here what it looks like:

```
func init() {
}
```

- The init function can be used to perform initialization tasks and can also be used to verify the correctness of the program before the execution starts.
- The order of initialization of a package is as follows:
 - 1. Package level variables are initialized first
 - 2. init function is called next
- if a package imports other packages, the imported packages are initialized first.
- A package will be initialized only once even if it is imported from multiple packages.



xport and Import Types

- We can make any type to be publicly available (exported types) by capitalized their first letter. e.g.:

```
// exported function (can be accessed from outside the package / publicly available)
func CountTotalOrder() int

// un-exported function (cannot be accessed from outside the package / private)
func countTotalOrder() int
```

- Any variables or functions which starts with a capital letter are exported names in Go, hence it can be used (imported) from other packages (outside of the package where they were being defined).





Reading and Writing Files



Writing to File (I)

```
import (
    "io/ioutil"
    "fmt"
)

data := []byte("Init data")
err := ioutil.WriteFile("localfile.data", data, 0777)
if err != nil {
    fmt.Println(err)
}
```



Writing to File (II)

```
import (
   "io/ioutil"
   "os"
f, err := os.OpenFile(
   "localfile.data", os.O_APPEND|o.OWRONLY, 0600)
if err != nil {
   fmt.Println(err)
defer f.Close()
if , err = f.WriteString("\nnew line\n"); err != nil {
   fmt.Println(err)
```



Reading from File

```
import (
    "io/ioutil"
    "fmt"
)

data, err := ioutil.ReadFile("localfile.data")
if err != nil {
    fmt.Println(err)
}

fmt.Println(string(data))
```



Permission File and File Mode

https://golang.org/pkg/os/#FileMode





Working with JSON





The JSON data-interchange format is easy for humans to read and write, and efficient for machines to parse and generate.



Go Basic Types for JSON

- bool for JSON booleans
- float64 for JSON numbers
- string for JSON strings
- nil for JSON null

Additionally time. Time and the numeric types in the math/big package can be automatically coded and encoded as JSON strings.





We can use encoding/json to easily create JSON from our data structure.



Struct to JSON

The json.Marshal function in package encoding/json generates JSON data.

```
type Customer struct {
    Name string
    Phone []string
    Id int64 `json:"ref"`
    private string // An unexported field is not encoded.
    Created time. Time
customer := Customer{
    Name: "Jackie",
    Phone: []string{"+6282225251437", "+602174368"},
    Id: 999,
    private: "First-class",
    Created: time.Now(),
var jsonData []byte
jsonData, err := json.Marshal(customer)
if err != nil {
    log.Println(err)
fmt.Println(string(jsonData))
```



Encoded Rules

- Only data than can be represented as JSON will be encoded
- Only the exported (public) fields of a struct will be presented in the JSON output
- A field with a json: tag is stored with its tag name instead of its variable name
- Pointers will be encoded as the values they point to, or null if the pointer is nil



SON Pretty Print

Replace json. Marshal with json. Marshal Indent

```
jsonData, err := json.MarshalIndent(customer, "", " ")
```

```
Name string `json:"name,omitempty"`
Phone []string `json:"phones,omitempty"`
Id int64 `json:"ref"` `json:"id"`
private string // An unexported field is not encoded.
Created time.Time `json:"created,omitempty"`
}
```



Skipping Fields

```
type Customer struct {
   Name string `json:"name,omitempty"`
   Phone []string `json:"phones,omitempty"`
   Id int64 `json:"ref"` `json:"id"`
   private string // An unexported field is not encoded.
    Created time.Time `json:"-"` // not produced in JSON response
}
```



Maps to JSON

```
customer := map[string]interface{}{
   "name": "Jackie",
    "id": 999,
   "created": time.Now()
jsonBytes, _ := json.Marshal(customer)
fmt.Printf("%s", jsonBytes)
```



Slices to JSON

```
emails := []string{"yauritux@gmail.com", "yauri.attamimi@automate.id"}
json_bytes := json.Marshal(emails)
fmt.Printf("%s", json_bytes)
```



JSON to Struct

The json. Unmarshal function in package encoding/json parses JSON data.

```
type Customer struct {
    Name string `json:"name"`
    Phone []string `json:"phones"`
    Id int64 `json:"ref"`
    private string // An unexported field is not encoded.
    Created time.Time `json:"created"`
jsonData := []byte(`{
    "name": "Jackie",
    "phones":
               ["+6282225251437", "+602137468"],
    "ref": 999,
    "created": "2019-02-05T23:00:00Z"
} `)
var customer Customer
err := json.Unmarshal(jsonData, &customer)
if err != nil {
    log.Println(err)
fmt.Println(customer.Name, customer.Phone, customer.Id)
```





Check the exercises at https://exercism.io





SUMMARY

You have learned the concept of package in Go, why do we need it and how to use it properly in order to make your code more maintainable, including various concepts related to package. You have learned how to wrap and present your data with JSON.





Thank You