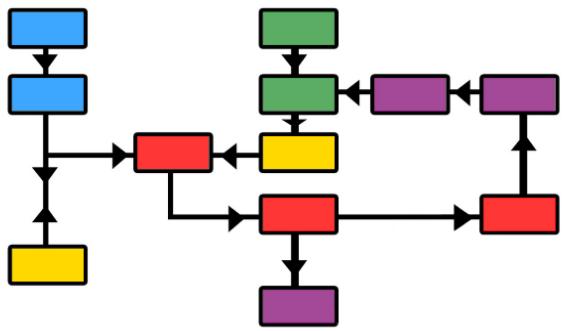


# Building microservices using Golang

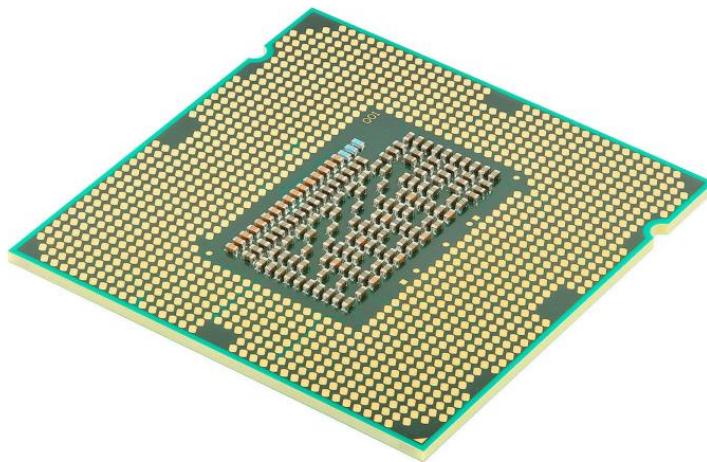
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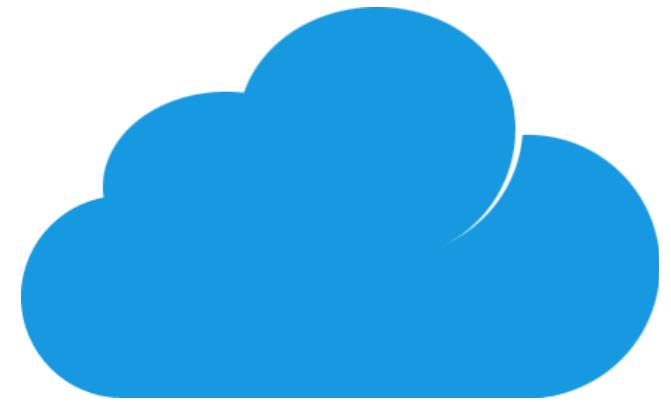
# Our changing world



Dependencies



Multi-core CPU



Cloud Computing



# Google

Large-scale software  
development is difficult

# C# strings be like...

`!string.IsNullOrEmpty(x)`

`x?.Length > 0`

`x is { Length: > 0 }`

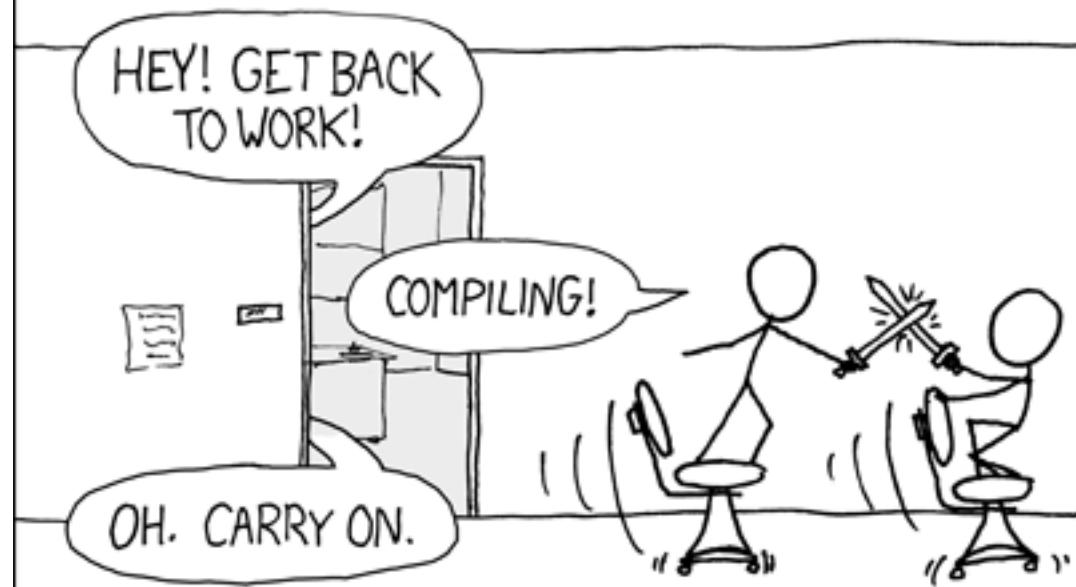
`!(x is null or "")`

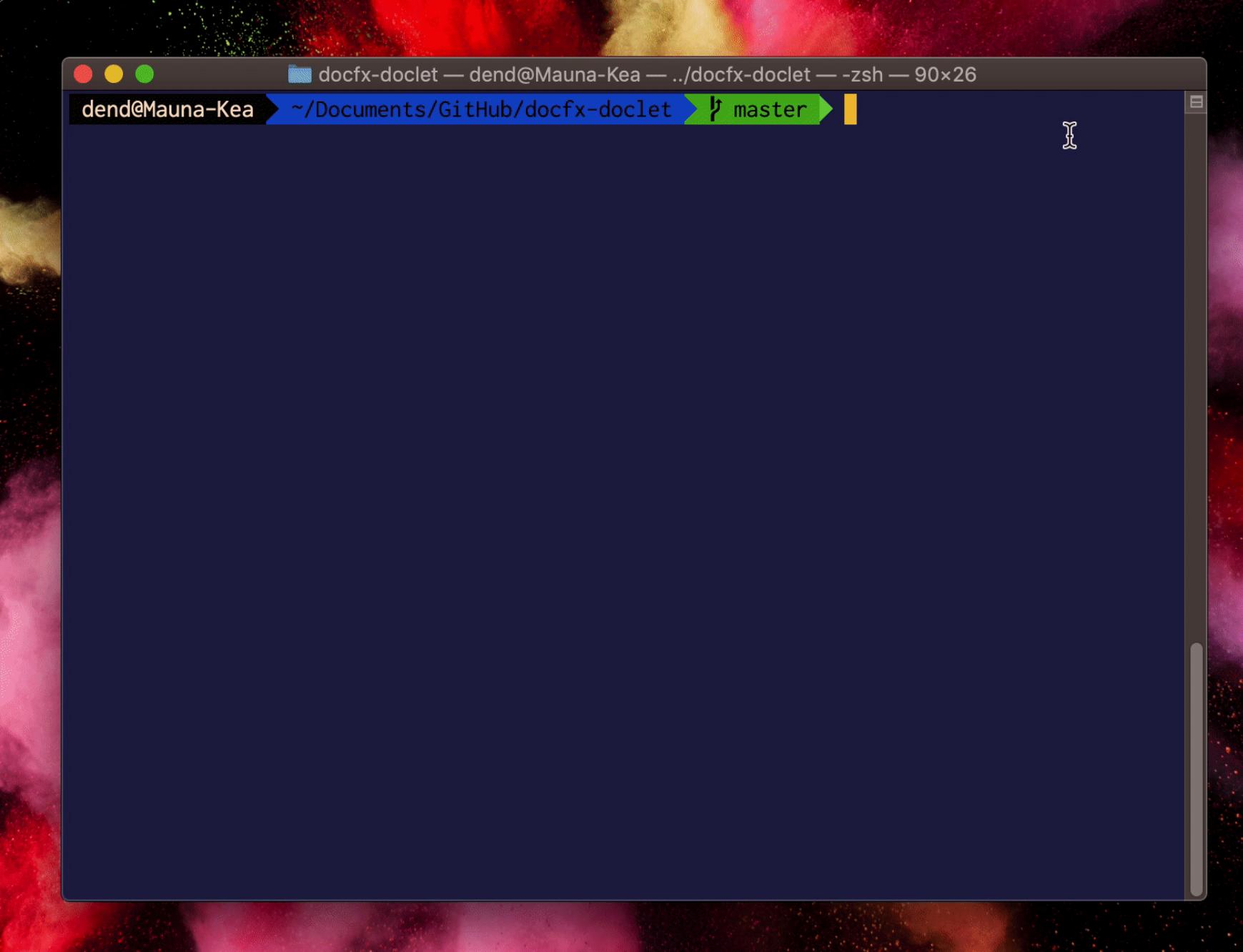
`(x ?? "") != ""`

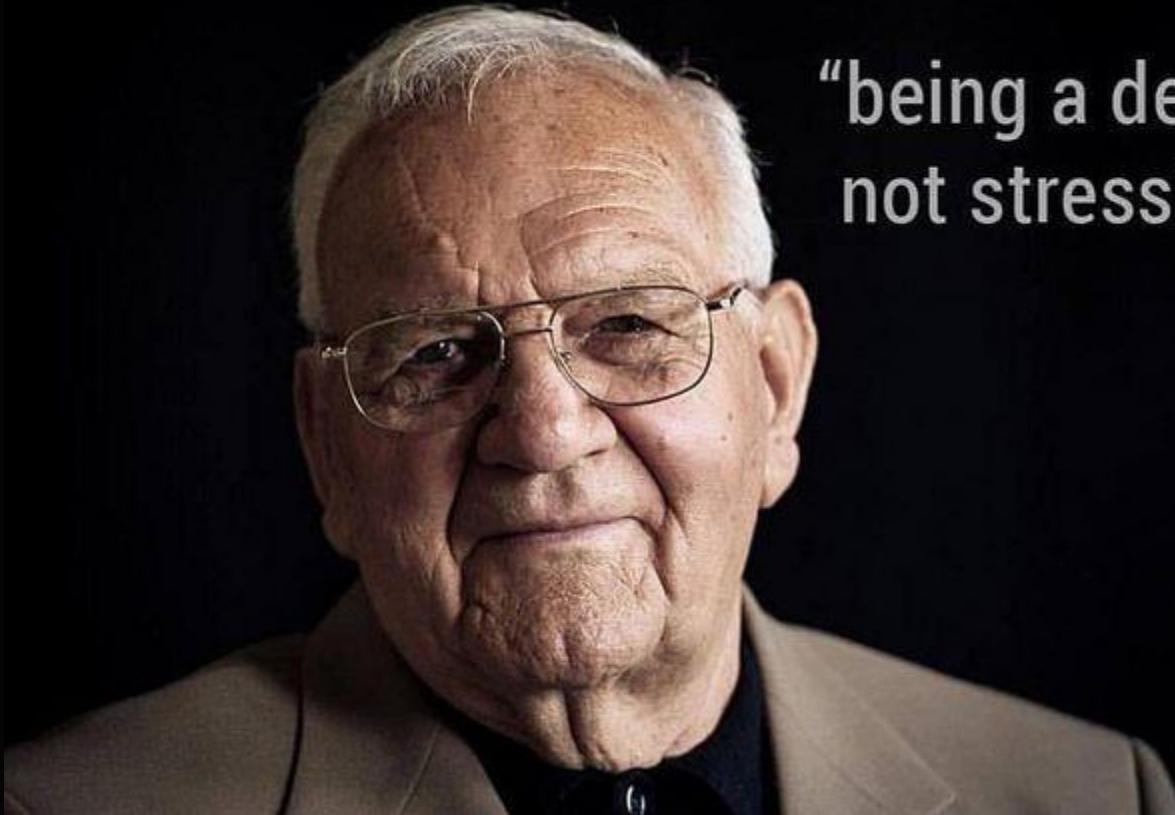
`x is string and not ""`

```
x switch {
    null => false,
    ""  => false,
    _   => true
}
```

THE #1 PROGRAMMER EXCUSE  
FOR LEGITIMATELY SLACKING OFF:  
"MY CODE'S COMPILING."







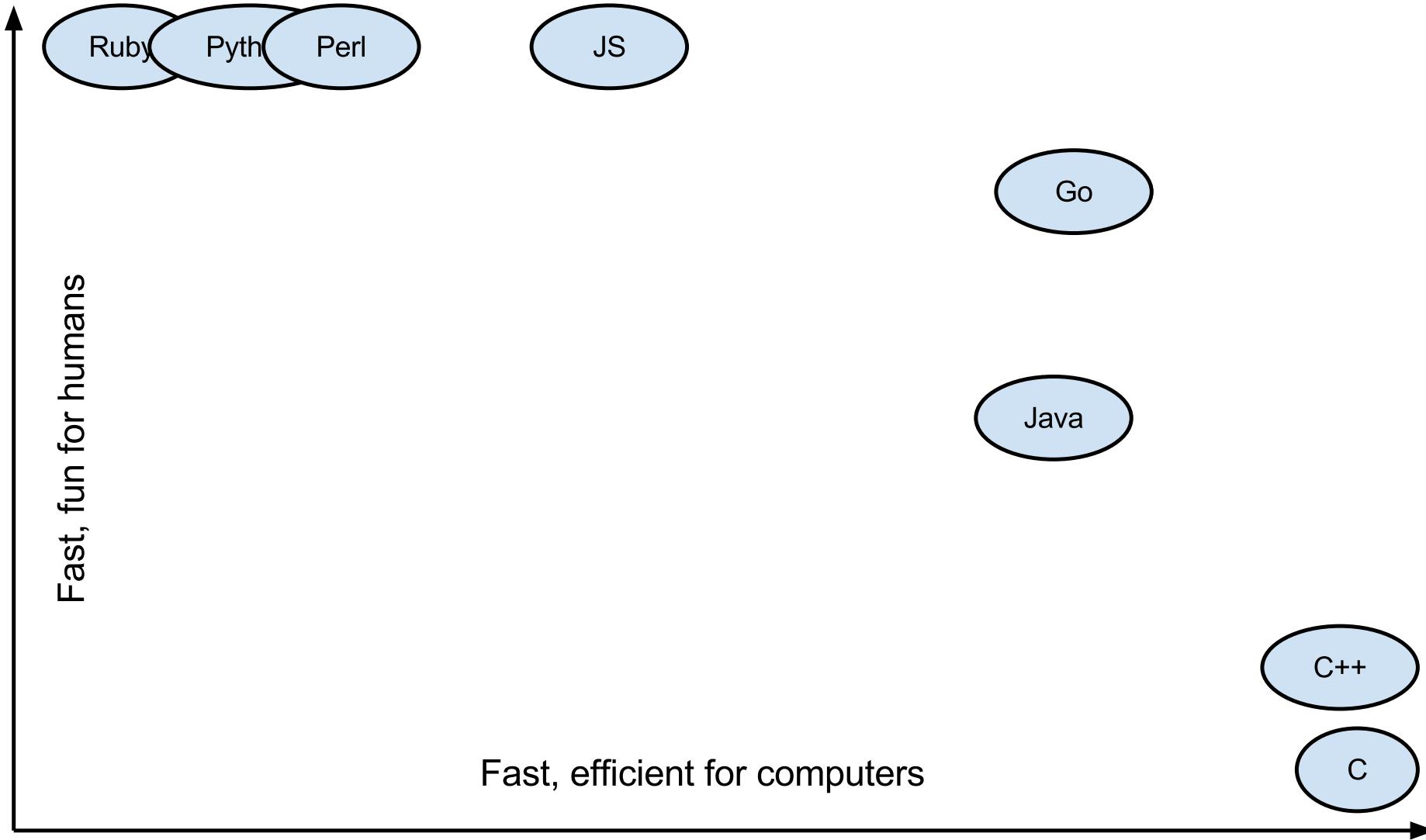
**“being a developer is  
not stressing at all”**

John - 26 yrs old

**“Go is an attempt to make  
programmers more productive.”**

Russ Cox





# Go design principles

- Keep concepts orthogonal
- Keep the grammar regular and simple
- Reduce typing, let the language work things out

**Do Less. Enable more.**



# Who uses Go?



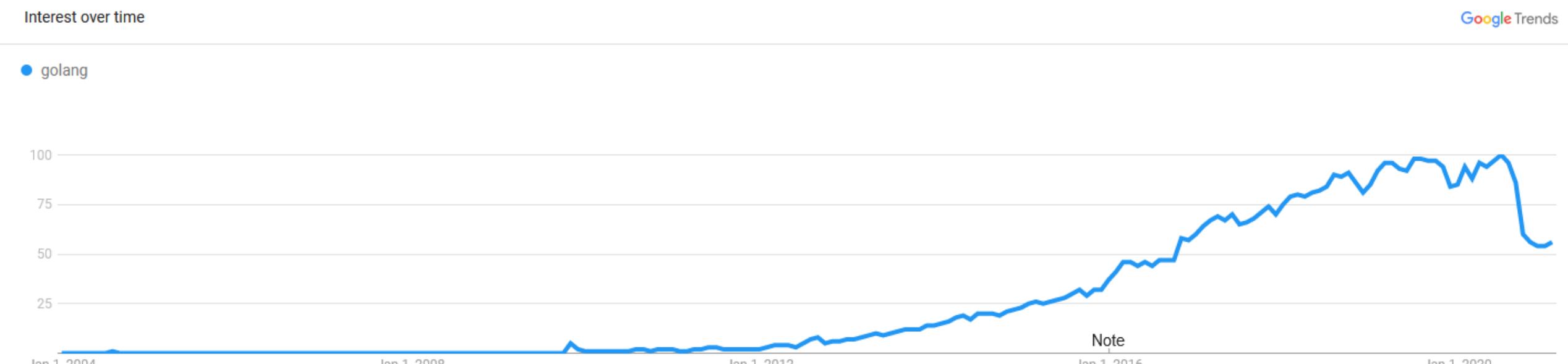
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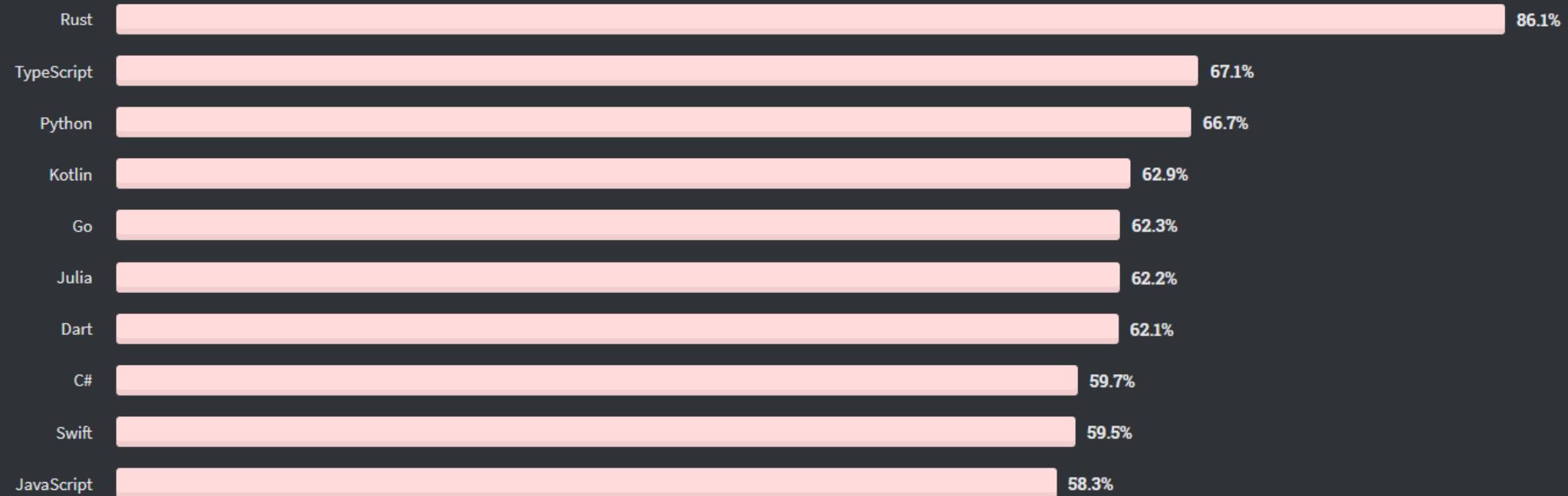


# Golang search trends

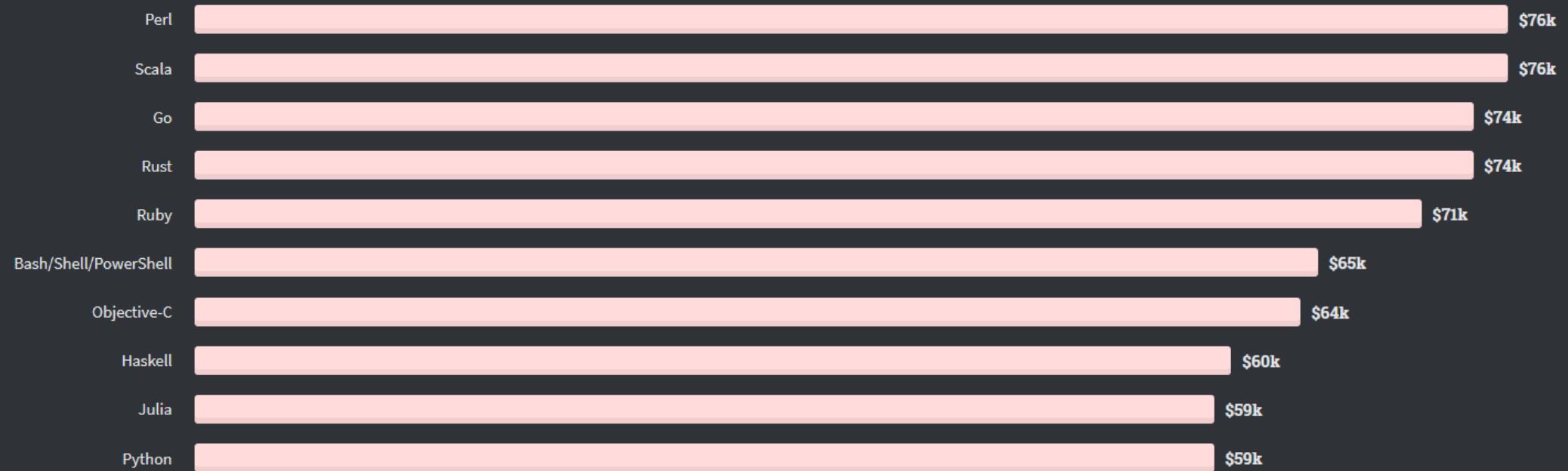


Worldwide. 1/1/04 - 2/13/21. Web Search.

# Most loved programming languages in 2020

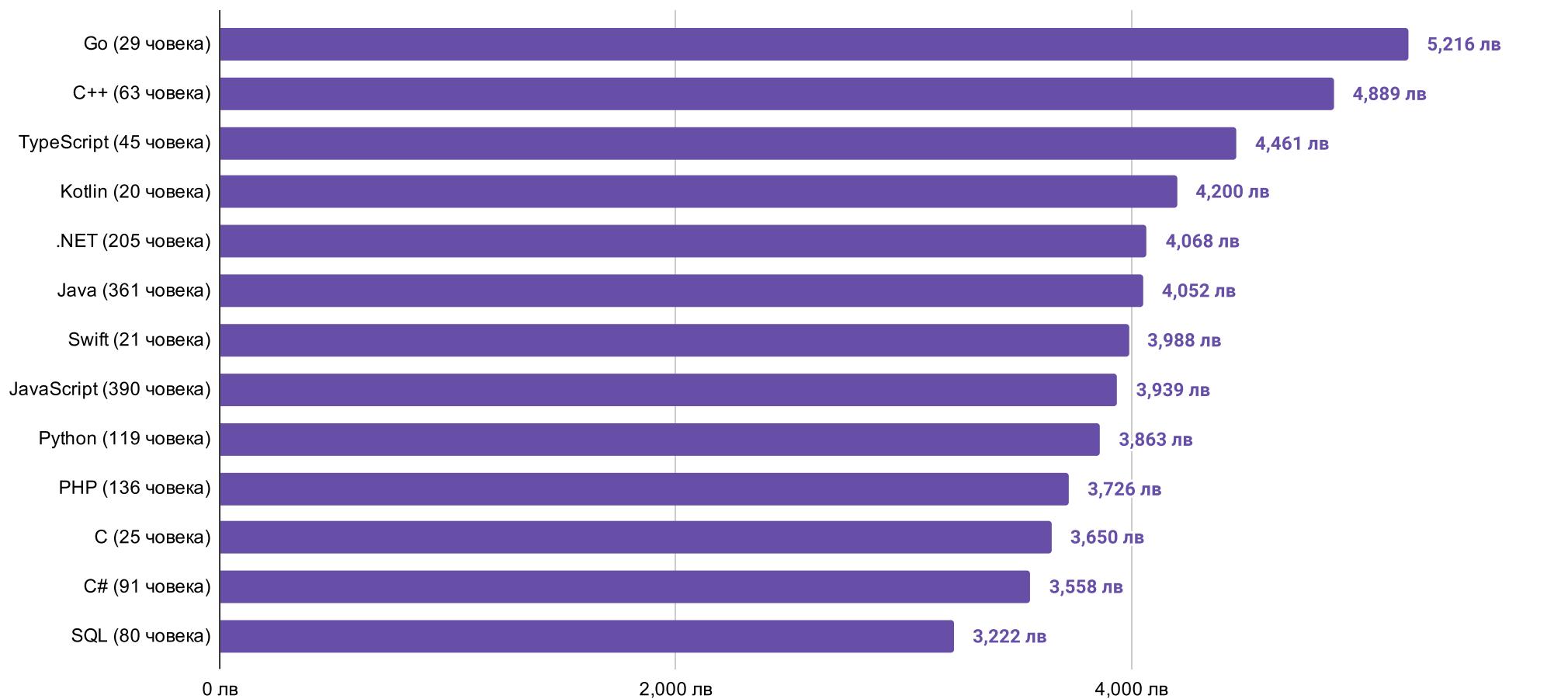


# Top paying technologies in 2020



## Средна (average) нетна заплата в България спрямо основна технология

1,585 човека



You are ready to Go  
👉 <https://golang.org>



# Syntax & semantics

Similar to C



- Compiled
- Statically typed
- Procedural with pointers

Small changes



- No pointer arithmetic
- No implicit number conversions
- Array bounds are always checked

Big changes



- Linguistic support for concurrency
- Garbage collection
- Interfaces, reflection, type switches

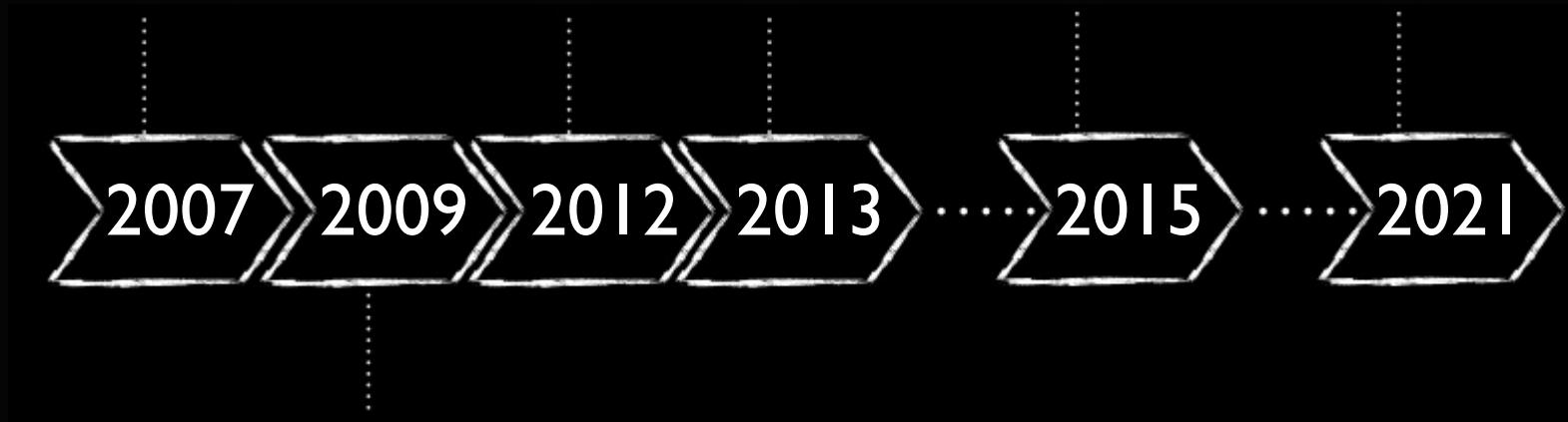
the beginning

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1.1

1.5

1.16



open sourced

# Go tool

\$> go

Go is a tool for managing Go source code.

Usage:

go <command> [arguments]

# Most used commands

build	compile packages and dependencies
doc	show documentation for package or symbol
get	add dependencies to current module and install them
install	compile and install packages and dependencies
mod	module maintenance
run	compile and run Go program
test	test packages
vet	report likely mistakes in packages

# Hello, world

```
package main

import "fmt"

func main() {
    fmt.Println("Hello, world.")
}
```

```
$> go run main.go  
Hello, world!
```

# Packages

```
// encoding/json/json.go      // main.go
package json

func Validate() {
    ...
}

import "encoding/json"

func main() {
    json.Validate()
}
```

# Packages

package path

-----  
encoding/json

-----  
package name



# Packages

- Every Go source file starts with a package clause
- One directory may only contain one package  
(i.e. all files inside the directory must declare the same package)
- Executable package is called `main` and contains a function `main`



# Modules

- Collection of packages that are distributed together
- Identified by a module path, declared in a `go.mod` file
- The module root directory contains the `go.mod` file



# go.mod

```
module boyan.io/gostepper
```

```
go 1.15
```

```
require example.com/other/thing v1.0.0
```

```
require example.com/new/thing/v2 v2.3.4
```

# Basics

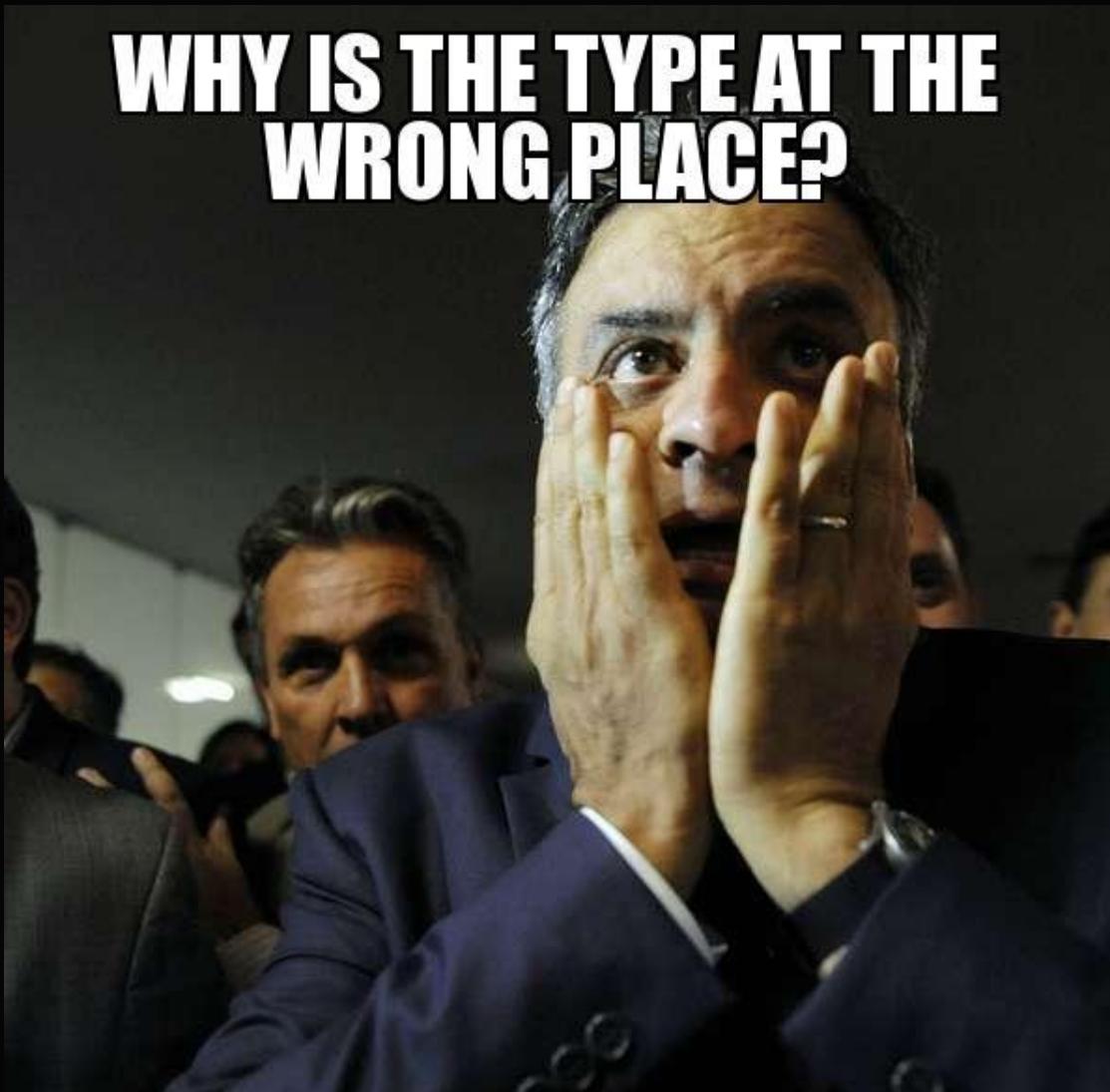
```
var x = 5 // int  
y := 5    // shorter version
```

```
var z bool // false by default  
z = true
```

```
const name = "Andrew" // string
```

```
type Age int // type alias  
var age Age = 25
```

**WHY IS THE TYPE AT THE  
WRONG PLACE?**



# Arrays & slices

```
primes := [6]int{  
    2, 3, 5,  
    7, 11, 13}
```

```
s1 := primes[1:4]  
// [3 5 7]
```

```
s2 := primes[4:]  
// [11, 13]
```

- An array has a fixed size
- A slice is dynamically-sized
- Slices point to the same array

# Loop patterns

```
// traditional          // infinite
for i := 1; i < 5; i++ {  for {
    ...
}
}

// while                // range
for i < 5 {            for i, v := range arr {
    ...
}
}
```

# Functions

```
func add(x int, y int) int {  
    return x + y  
}  
// add(1, 2)
```

```
type Stringy func() string  
var str Stringy = func() string {  
    return "Hello!"  
}  
// str()
```

# Structs

```
type Person struct {
    name string
    age  int
}

person := Person{
    name: "Anne",
    age: 35,
}
// person.name, person.age
```

# Methods

```
type Person struct {
    name string
}
func (p Person) SayMyName() string {
    return p.name
}

person := Person{name: "Anne"}
// person.SayMyName()
```

# Embedding

```
type Address struct {
    city string
}

type Person struct {
    Address
    name string
}

person := Person{
    name: "Anne",
    Address: Address{
        city: "Sofia",
    },
}

// person.name
// person.city
// person.Address.city
```

# Interfaces

```
type Location interface {
    longLat() (float64, float64)
}
```

```
type Address struct{}

func (a Address) longLat() (float64, float64) {
    return 0.123, 0.456
}
```

# Interfaces

```
func printLocation(location Location) {  
    lat, long := location.longLat()  
    fmt.Printf("Find me at %d, %d", lat, long)  
}  
  
// printLocation(Address{})
```

# Object-oriented Go

Go	Classic OOP
struct	class with fields, only non-virtual methods
interface	class without fields, only non-virtual methods
embedding	multiple inheritance AND composition



# Naming convention

```
// Upper case → exported  
const X = 5
```

```
// Lower case → “private”  
const x = 5
```

```
type Stringer interface {  
    String() string  
}
```

```
type stringer interface {  
    String() string  
}
```

```
type Person struct {  
    name string  
}
```

```
type person struct {  
    name string  
}
```

**Don't communicate by sharing  
memory, share memory by  
communicating**



# Goroutines

- Functions executing concurrently with others in the same address space
- Lightweight
- Multiplexed into multiple OS threads

# Goroutines

go doCleanTheKitchen()

go doThrowTheTrash()

go doBuyGroceries()

go doCallYourParents()

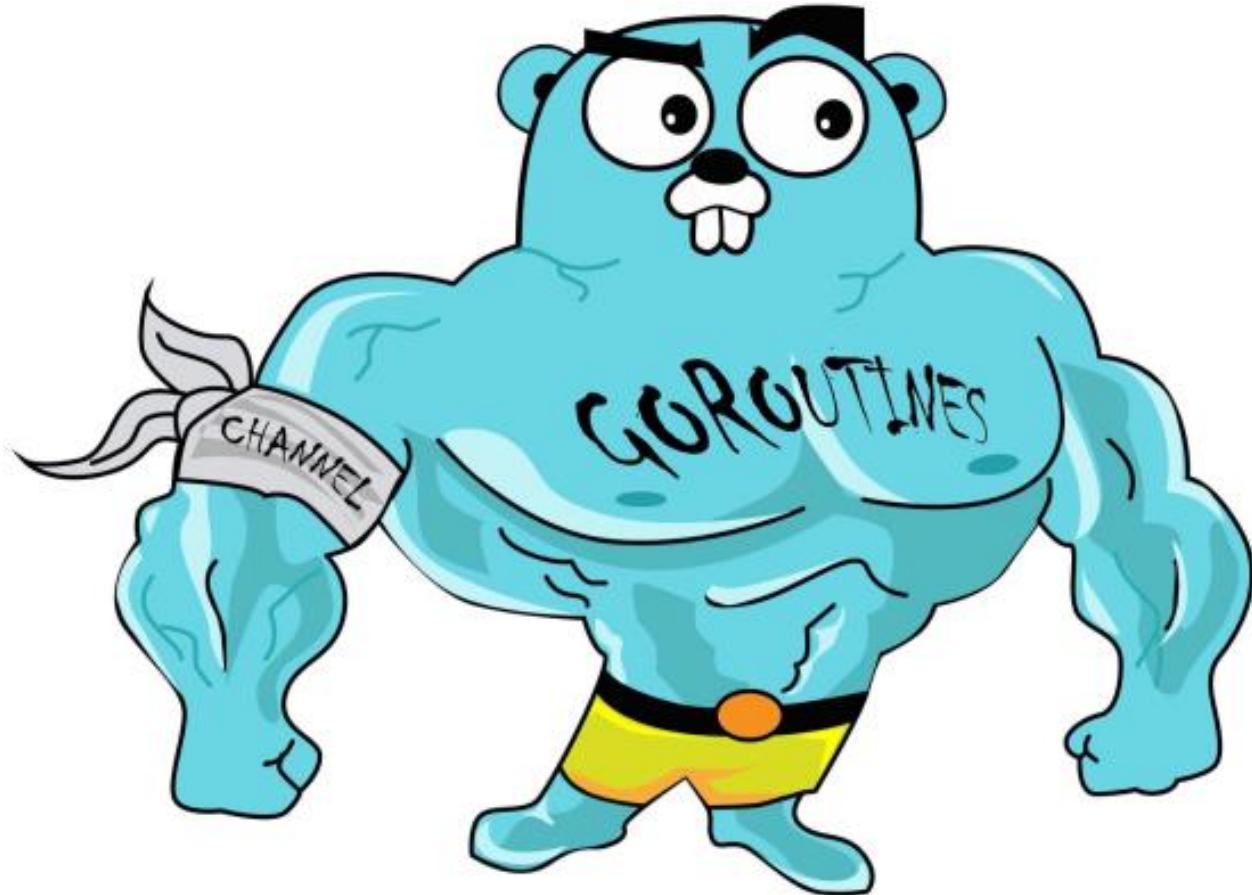
go doTheRightThing()

# Channels

```
c := make(chan int) // allocate a channel

// start a goroutine
go func() {
    doSomething()
    c <- 1 // send finish signal, value doesn't matter
}

doSomeOtherStuff()
<-c // wait for the goroutine to finish
```

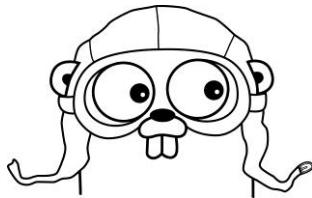




THAT WAS SO

EASY

Go enables simple, safe  
concurrent programming, but  
does not *forbid* bad  
programming.





**Davidlohr Bueso**  
@davidlohr

...

A programmer had a problem. He thought to himself, "I know, I'll solve it with threads!". has Now problems. two he

1:16 AM · Jan 9, 2013 · Twitter Web Client

All code is guilty  
until proven innocent

# Writing tests in Go

```
// add_test.go
import "testing"

func TestAdd(t *testing.T) {
    expected := 3
    sum := add(1, 2)
    if sum != expected {
        t.Errorf("Sum %d, expected %d", sum, expected)
    }
}
```

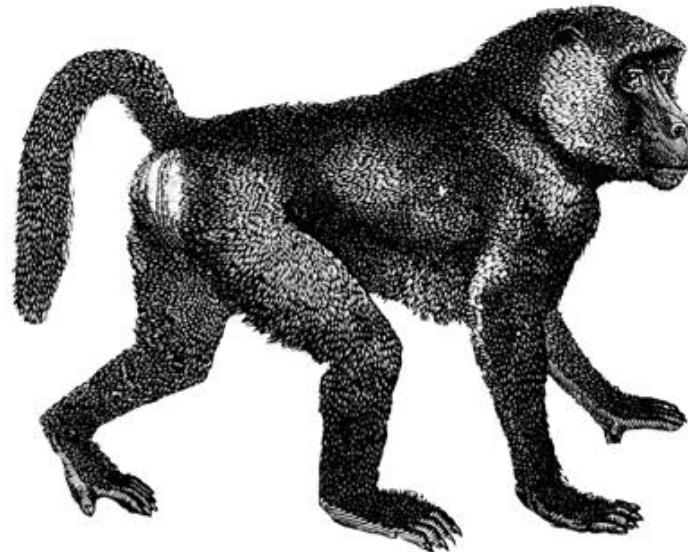
```
$> go test boyan.io/utils/sum  
ok      boyan.io/utils/sum      1.404s
```



```
$> go test boyan.io/utils/sum
--- FAIL: TestAdd (0.00s)
    add_test.go:14: Sum 3, expected 4
FAIL
FAIL    boyan.io/utils/sum          1.861s
FAIL
```



*Because Testing Sux*



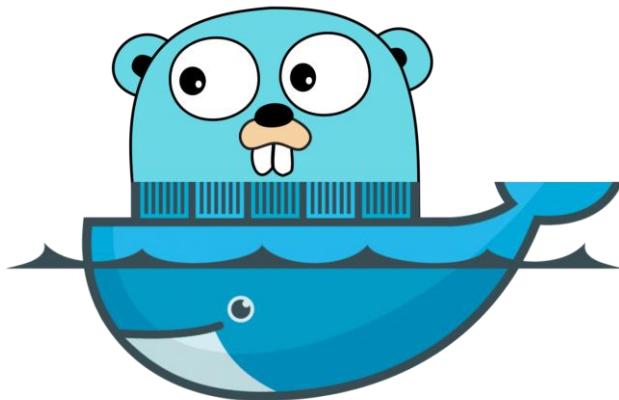
# Excuses for Not Testing Software

*The Experts Guide*

O RLY?

*James Jeffery*

# Building and packaging



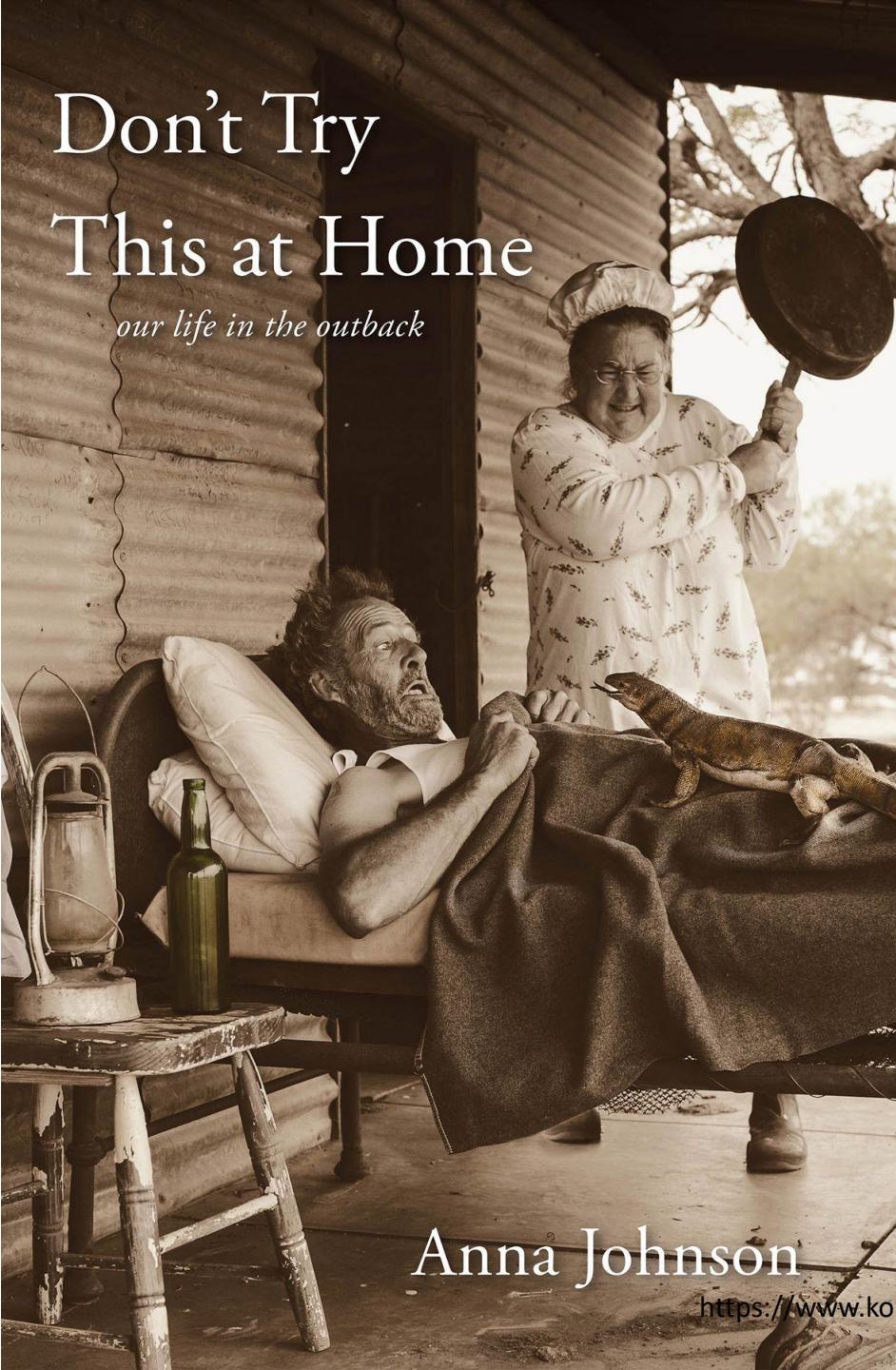
```
$> go build -o helloworld main.go  
$> helloworld  
Hello, world!
```

# How does one deploy their Go program?



# Don't Try This at Home

*our life in the outback*



Anna Johnson

<https://www.kobo.com/us/en/ebook/don-t-try-this-at-home-13>

# Deploying with Docker

```
FROM golang:1.15-alpine
```

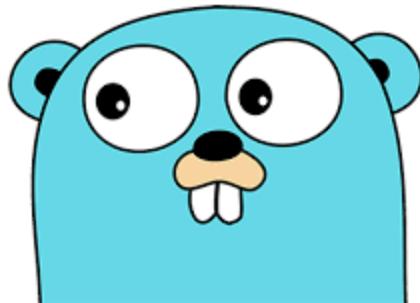
```
WORKDIR /app
```

```
COPY . /app
```

```
RUN go build -o helloworld helloworld.go
```

```
CMD [ "/helloworld" ]
```

# Does Go have everything?



# No generics (yet)

```
func Reverse(s []???) {
    first := 0
    last := len(s) - 1
    for first < last {
        s[first], s[last] = s[last], s[first]
        first++
        last--
    }
}
```

👉 <https://github.com/golang/go/issues/43651>

# Bloating error checks

```
some, err := strconv.Atoi(something)
if err != nil {
    return err
}
other, err := strconv.Atoi(otherthing)
if err != nil {
    return err
}
...
```

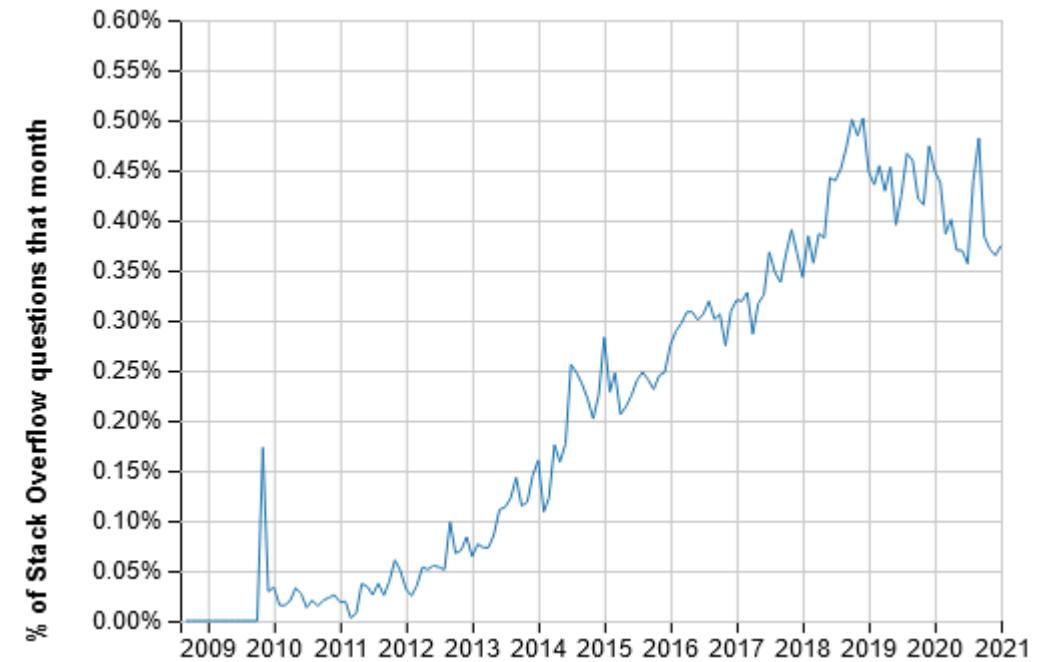
👉 <https://go.googlesource.com/proposal/+/master/design/go2draft-error-handling-overview.md>

# Young but prospering community

A screenshot of a GitHub search interface. At the top, there's a dark header bar with a search icon and the text 'Pull requests', 'Issues', 'Marketplace', and 'Explore'. Below this is a light-colored navigation bar with links for 'Explore', 'Topics' (which is underlined), 'Trending', 'Collections', 'Events', and 'GitHub Sponsors'. The main content area has a heading '# golang' with a small '#' icon. It says 'Here are 53,440 public repositories matching this topic...'. There are dropdown menus for 'Language: All' and 'Sort: Best match'. Below this is a card for a repository named 'golang / go'. The card shows a star icon with '82.4k' stars, a 'Code' button, an 'Issues' button, and a 'Pull requests' button. The description reads 'The Go programming language'. The tags listed are 'go', 'language', 'programming-language', and 'golang'. At the bottom of the card, it says 'Updated 17 minutes ago' and has a 'Go' button.

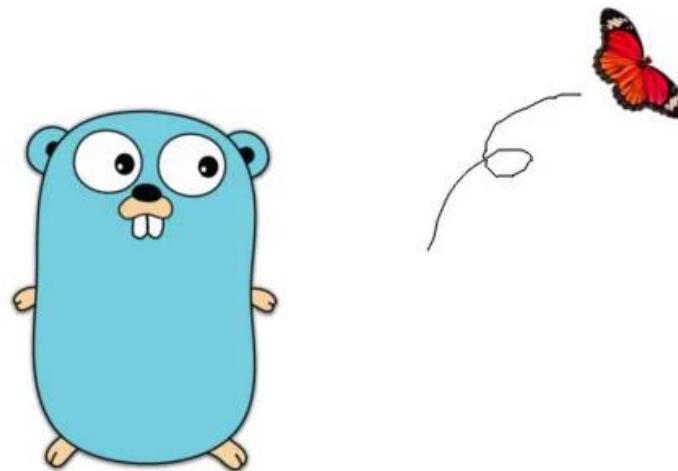
53 440 public repositories  
on GitHub  
(*Java* has 125 049)

@boyanio

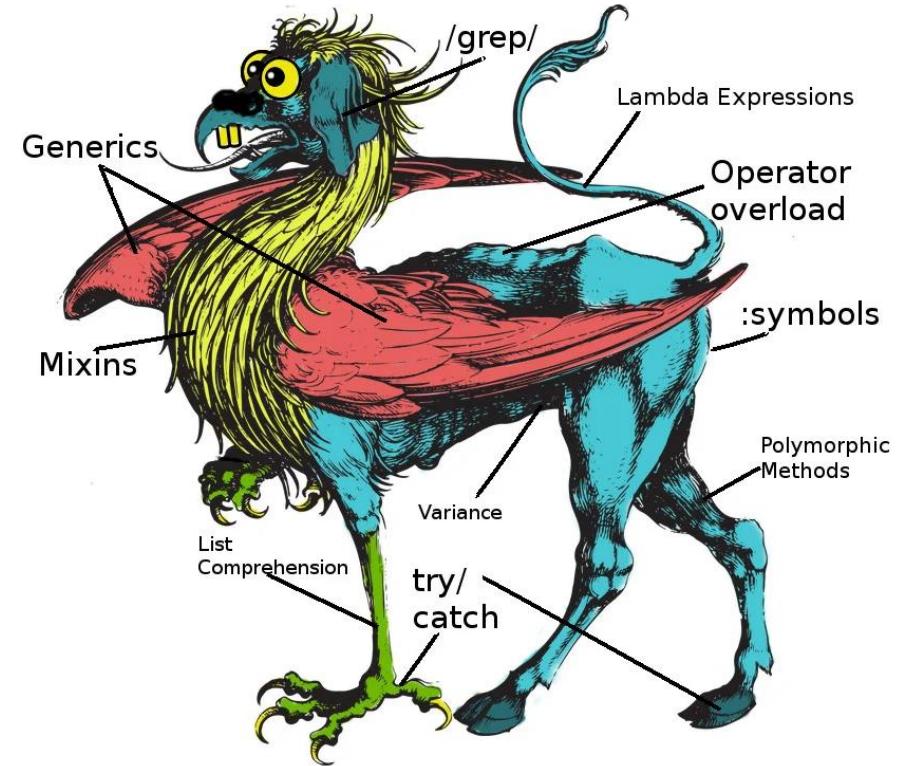


Increasing Q&As in  
StackOverflow

# Go 2, here we come!

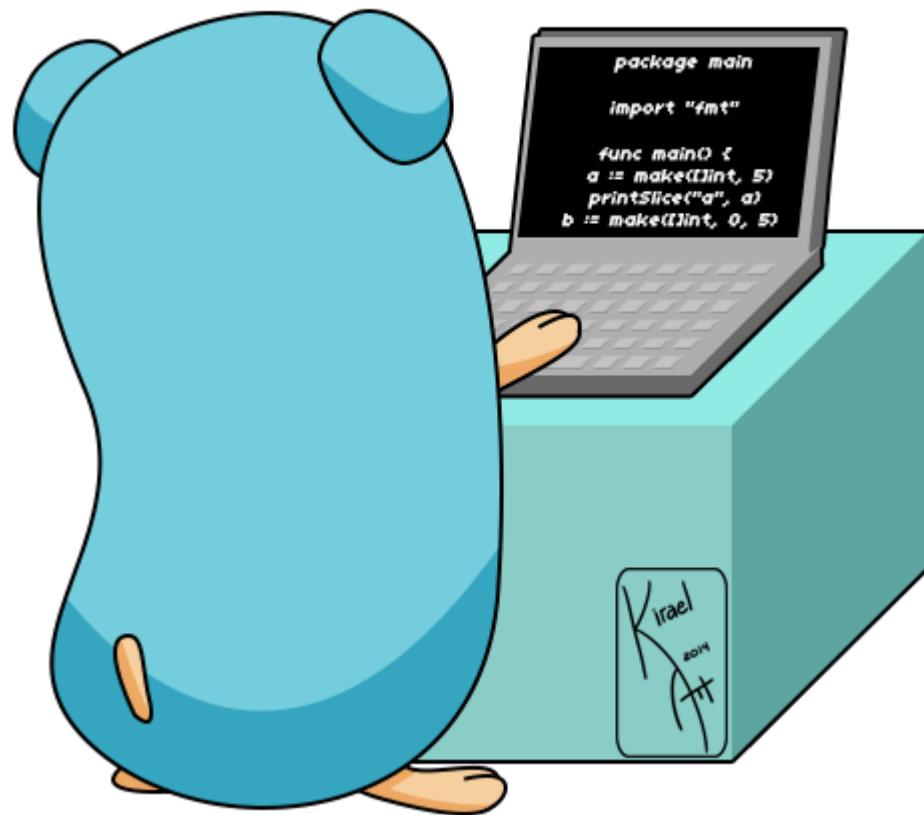


Go 1.x



Go 2

**90% perfect, 100% of the time**



# Resources

- Source code  
👉 <https://github.com/boyanio/gostepper>
- Go by example  
👉 <https://gobyexample.com>
- Go playground  
👉 <https://play.golang.org>