

Ethereum Block Explorer

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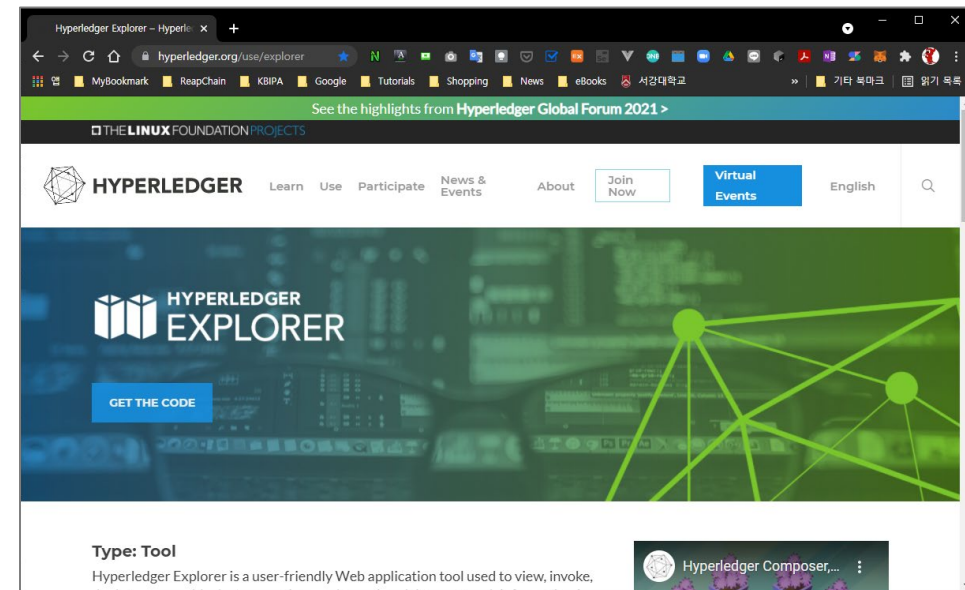
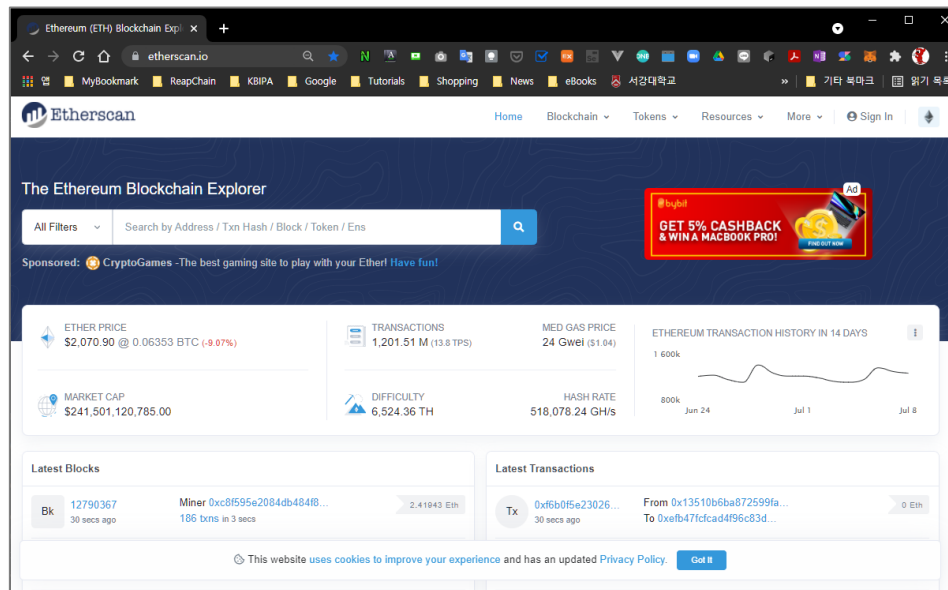
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▪ Blockchain Explorer :

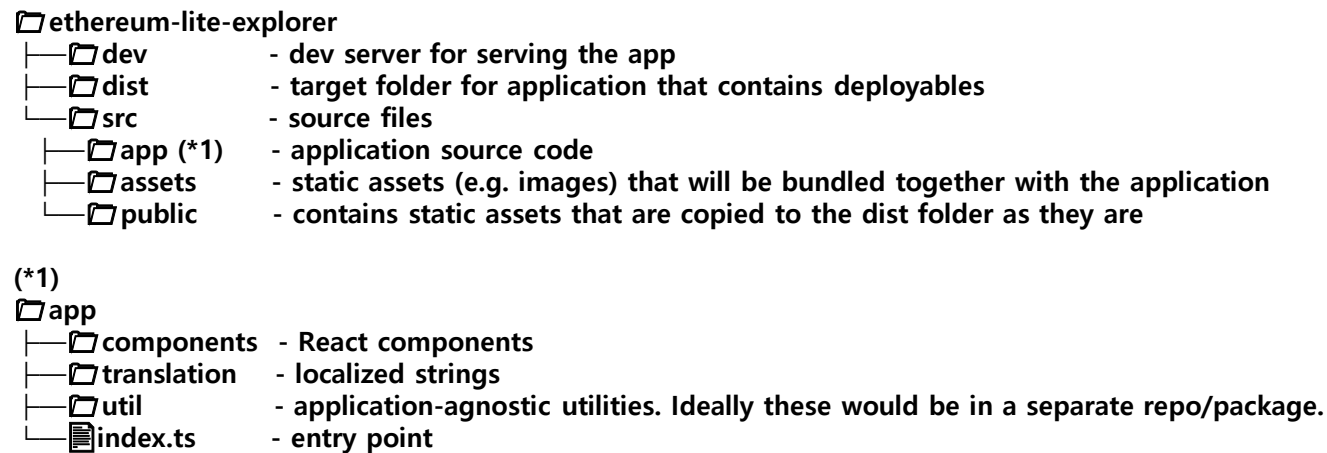
- A **blockchain explorer** is a piece of software that uses API and blockchain node to draw various data from a blockchain and then uses a database to arrange the searched data and to present the data to the user in a searchable format.
- User's inputs are searchable terms on the explorer which are then searched through an organized table on the database. The explorer will already have organized data from a blockchain into the table format.
- For most users, a blockchain explorer will allow you to search and explore data about **recently mined blocks or recently carried out transactions on a blockchain**. Ideally, they allow you to view a live feed of blocks as they are mined, as well as the data related to the blocks.



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▪ Open Source Ethereum Lite Explorer :

- The Lite Explorer is a client-side only web application that connects directly to a **Ethereum JSON RPC compatible node**. This means you can have your own private Ethereum Explorer should you wish so. No need for servers, hosting or trusting any third parties to display chain data.



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- **Prerequisites :**

- Please make sure you have the following installed and running properly
 - **Node.js >= 8.0** or **Docker**
 - If building it you will also need NPM >= 6.9 (NPM is distributed with Node.js. For more information see: <https://www.npmjs.com/get-npm>)
 - A JSON-RPC enabled and accessible Ethereum Client, some examples:
 - **Geth**
 - **An Infura Account**
 - **Parity Light Client**
 - **Ganache**
 - **Besu Dev Mode - private chain example**
 - If not using the pre-built Docker images, you will need an HTTP server for serving the app and it must be deployed at the root of the domain/subdomain.

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▪ Installation & Configuration :

- **Step 01.** Download the source code : `git clone https://github.com/Alethio/ethereum-lite-explorer.git`
- **Step 02.** Go to the downloaded source code directory : `cd ethereum-lite-explorer`
- **Step 03.** Install dependent packages : `npm install`
- **Step 04.** Copy configuration : `cp(or copy in windows) config.default.json config.dev.json`
- **Step 05.** Edit "`config.dev.json`" file. Remove "`?v=#.#.#`" strings in "plugins" URIs and change the "`nodeUrl`" as the following screenshot.

```
"plugins": [{
  "uri": "plugin://aleth.io/eth-common"
}, {
  "uri": "plugin://aleth.io/3box",
  "config": {
    "ipfsUrlMask": "https://ipfs.infura.io/ipfs/%s"
  }
}, {
  "uri": "plugin://aleth.io/eth-lite",
  "config": {
    "nodeUrl": "http://127.0.0.1:8545"
  }
}],
```

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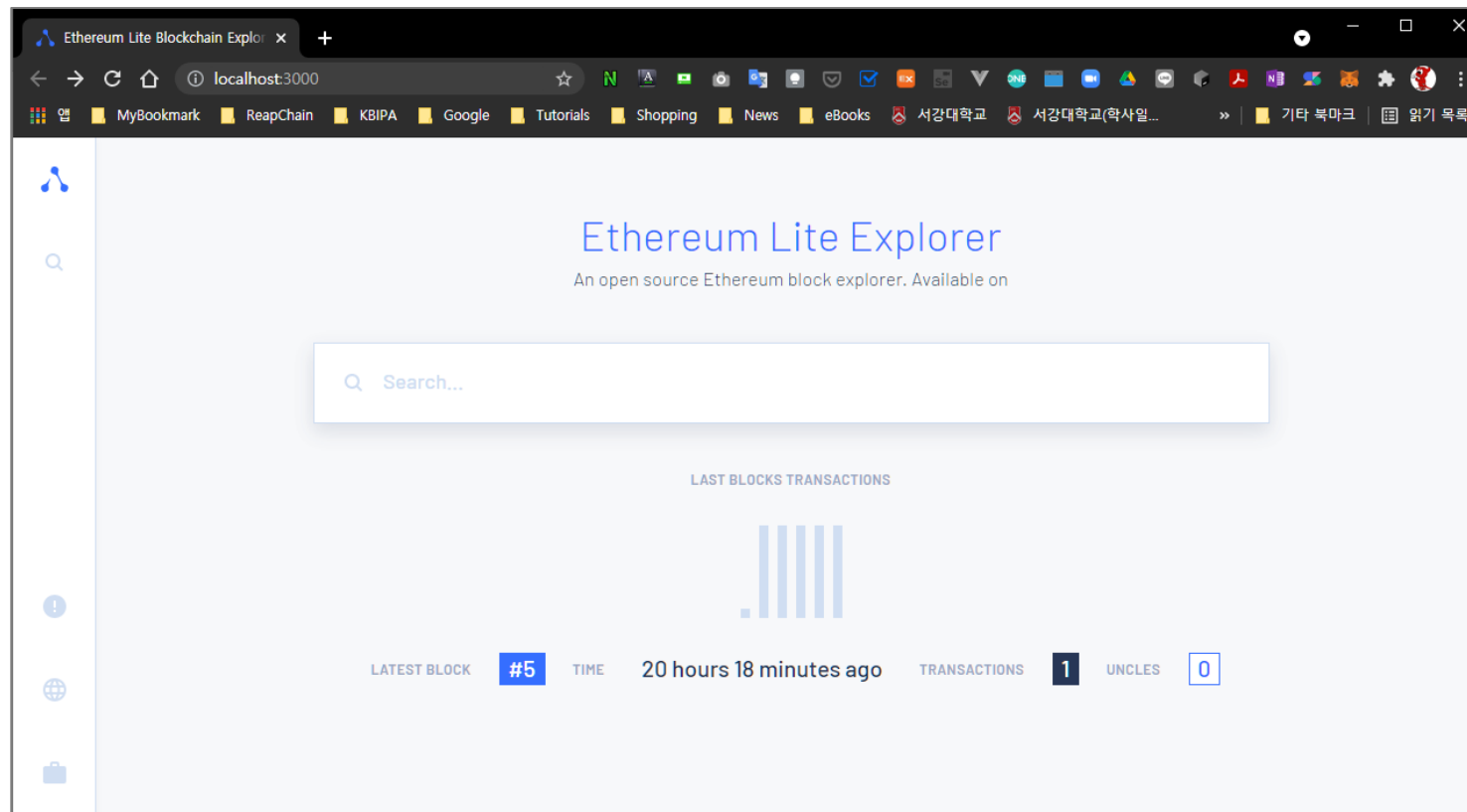
- **Build :**

- **Step 06.** To start the development build, run "**npm run watch**" command. To build the minified version(used also for production), run "**npm run build**" command.
- **Step 07.** Install plugins.

```
$ npm i -g @alethio/cms-plugin-tool  
$ aep install --dev @alethio/explorer-plugin-eth-common @alethio/explorer-plugin-eth-lite  
@alethio/explorer-plugin-eth-memento @alethio/explorer-plugin-3box
```

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- Run :
 - **Step 08.** Run the web application using "**npm start**" command.
 - **NOTICE!!!** Whenever you use "**npm run build**" or "**npm run build-dev**" the **dist** folder is emptied, thus **the plugins are also deleted and they need to be reinstalled.**



Reference

- <https://github.com/Alethio/ethereum-lite-explorer#configuration>

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Thanks!!!