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The binary magic of Wasm

Hello there!



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WHO IS THIS FOR?



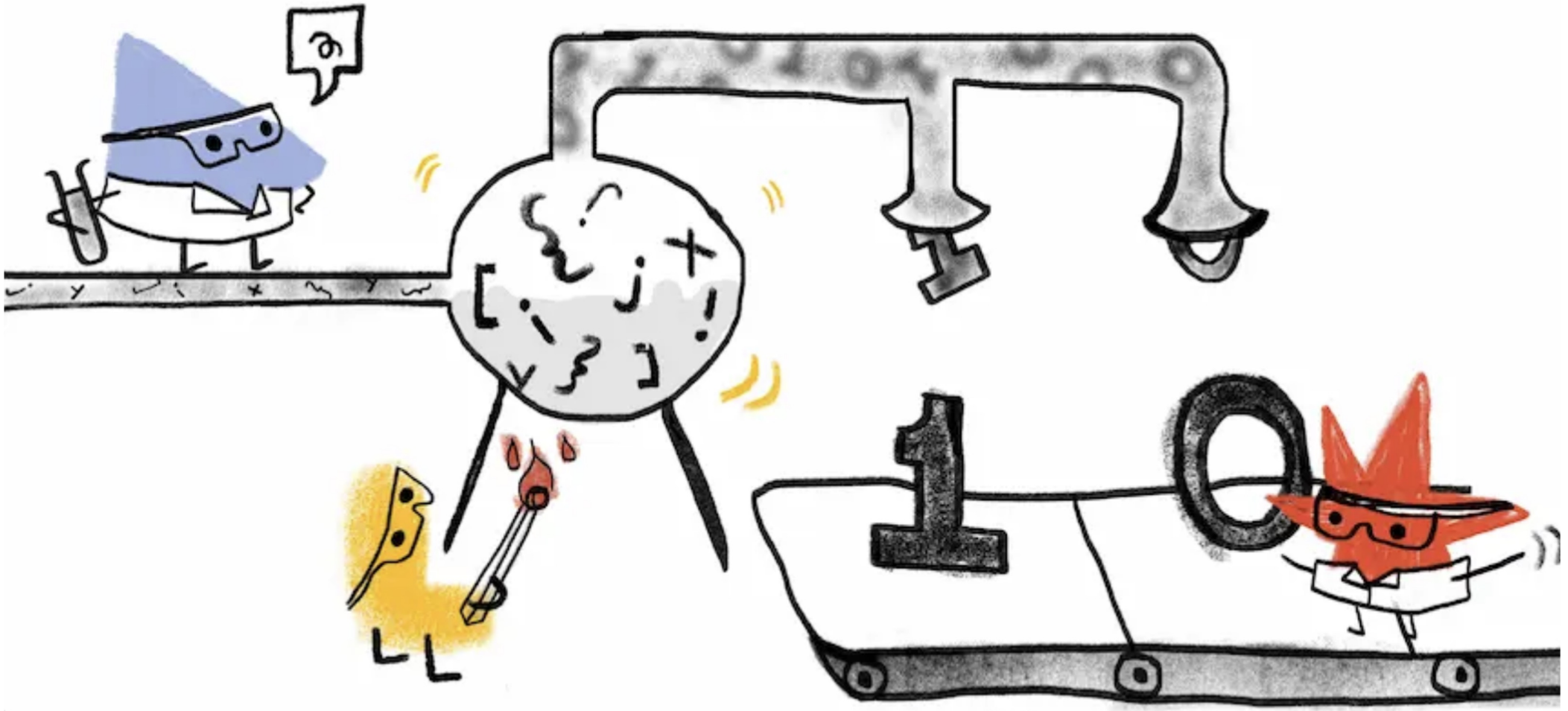
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- **TL; DL: EVERYONE**
- ENTHUSIASTS/HOBBYISTS
- PEOPLE LOOKING TO:
 - WRITE WEBASSEMBLY COMPILERS
 - WRITE WEBASSEMBLY MODULES FOR OPTIMIZING
COMPILER PERFORMANCE
- **POTENTIAL OVERKILL** FOR DEVELOPERS WHO WANT TO ONLY
LOAD Wasm MODULES

WHY THIS? WHY NOW?



Courtesy: <https://almanac.httparchive.org/en/2021/webassembly>

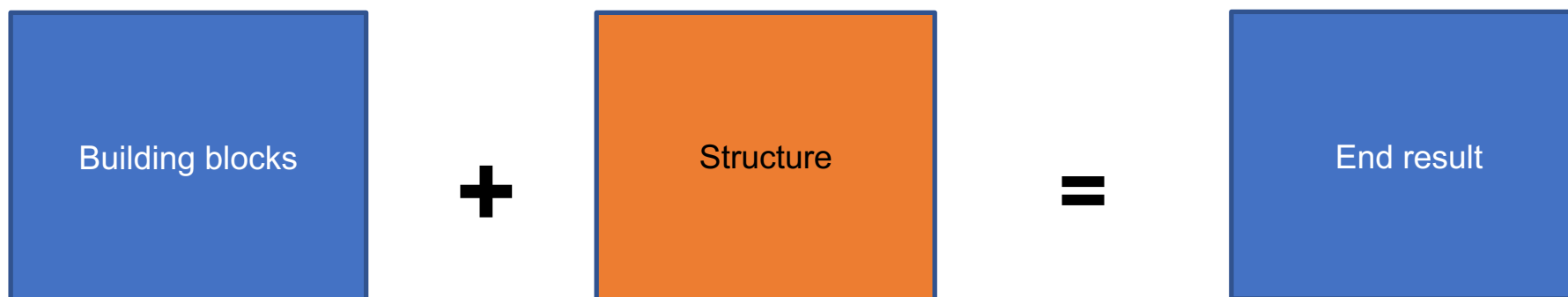
LEARNING THE ROPES!



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Main ingredients (i.e.
variables, their types
etc.)





- Grammar
- Syntax

Program

A Wasm program

```
(module
  (type $t0 (func (param f32)))
  (type $t1 (func (param i32) (result i32)))
  (type $t2 (func))
  (import "foo" "bar" (func $import0 (type $t0)))
  (func $func0 (export "func1") (type $t2))
  (func $func1 (type $t0) (param $p0 f32)
    (drop
      (i32.const 42)))
  (table $T0 0 1 funcref)
  (memory $M0 1 1)
  (start $func0)
  (data $d0 (i32.const 0) "hi"))
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Deconstructing a Wasm program

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  (import "foo" "bar" (func $import0 (type $t0)))  1.2  
  (func $func0 (export "func1") (type $t2))  1.2  
  (func $func1 (type $t0) (param $p0 f32)  
    (drop  1.3  
      (i32.const 42)))  
  (table $T0 0 1 funcref)  1.4  
  (memory $M0 1 1)  1.4  
  (start $func0)   
  (data $d0 (i32.const 0) "hi"))  1.5
```

1. MODULE



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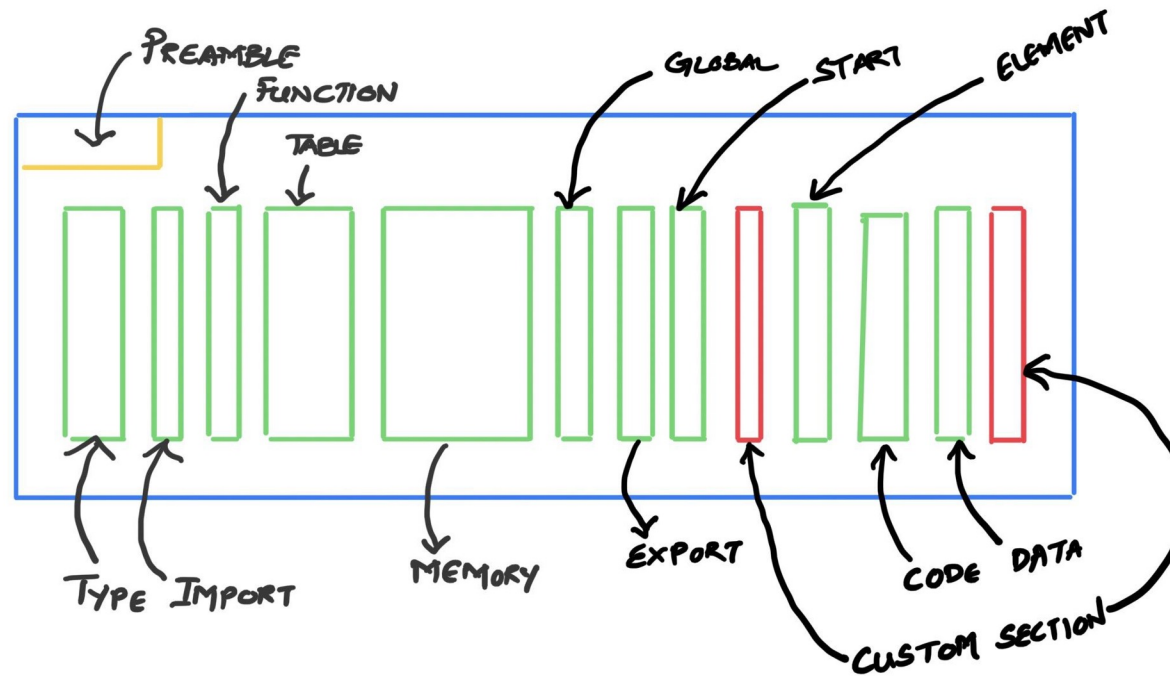
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```
1 (module)
```

```
00 01 02 03 04 05 06 07
00000000 00 61 73 6D 01 00 00 00
```

Anatomy of a Wasm module



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1.1 OUR OPERANDS

(A.K.A SUPPORTED TYPES)



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- What are the kinds of operands in Wasm?
- How do we pass them?
- Where do they need to be defined?



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Number Type	• i32 i64 f32 f64
Vector Type	• v128
Reference Type	• External/Function References
Value Type	• Can be Number/Vector/Reference Types
Result Type	• Sequence of Values i.e. resulttype ::= [vec(valtype)]
Function Type	• Signature of functions • i.e. functype ::= resulttype -> resulttype
Memory Type	• Size range i.e. memtype ::= limits
Table Type	• Reference type over a size range i.e. tabletype ::= limits reftype
Global Type	• Global variables
External Type	• Classify import & export values with respective type

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1.2. PRE-REQUISITES

(A.K.A. LIBRARIES)



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- What is the Wasm equivalent of `# include <stdio.h>`?
- What do we do when we **NEED** to export libraries?

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1.3. INSTRUCTIONS

(A.K.A WHAT SHOULD THE MACHINE DO WITH YOUR PROGRAM)



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- Types of instructions
 - Numeric
 - Vector
 - Reference
 - Parametric
 - Variable
 - Table
 - Memory
 - Control

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Diagram illustrating the deconstruction of a Wasm program into numbered components:

- 1: Module header
- 1.1: Type definitions (\$t0, \$t1, \$t2)
- 1.2: Import and Export definitions (\$import0, \$func0, \$func1)
- 1.3: Function body for \$func1 (drop, i32.const 42)
- 1.4: Table and Memory definitions (\$T0, \$M0)
- 1.5: Start and Data definitions (\$func0, \$d0)

1.5. MEMORY

(STORE?)



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- Different kinds of memory?
- How do we amend the memory being allocated?

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Diagram illustrating the deconstruction of a Wasm program into components:

- 1: Module
- 1.1: Type \$t0 (func (param f32))
- 1.2: Import "foo" "bar" (func \$import0 (type \$t0))
- 1.2: Export "func1" (type \$t2)
- 1.3: Function \$func1 (type \$t0) (param \$p0 f32)
- 1.4: Table \$T0 0 1 funcref
- 1.4: Memory \$M0 1 1
- 1.5: Data \$d0 (i32.const 0) "hi"

1.6. DATA

(FOR INITIALIZATION OF MEMORY INDEX)

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  (func $func1 (type $t0) (param $p0 f32)
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SUMMING IT ALL UP!

THANK YOU!