

AN OVERVIEW OF MODULES

MODULE

- Reusable piece of code that **encapsulates** implementation details;
- Usually a **standalone file**, but it doesn't have to be.

WHY
MODULES?

- Compose software: Modules are small building blocks that we put together to build complex applications;

IMPORT
(DEPENDENCY)



MODULE

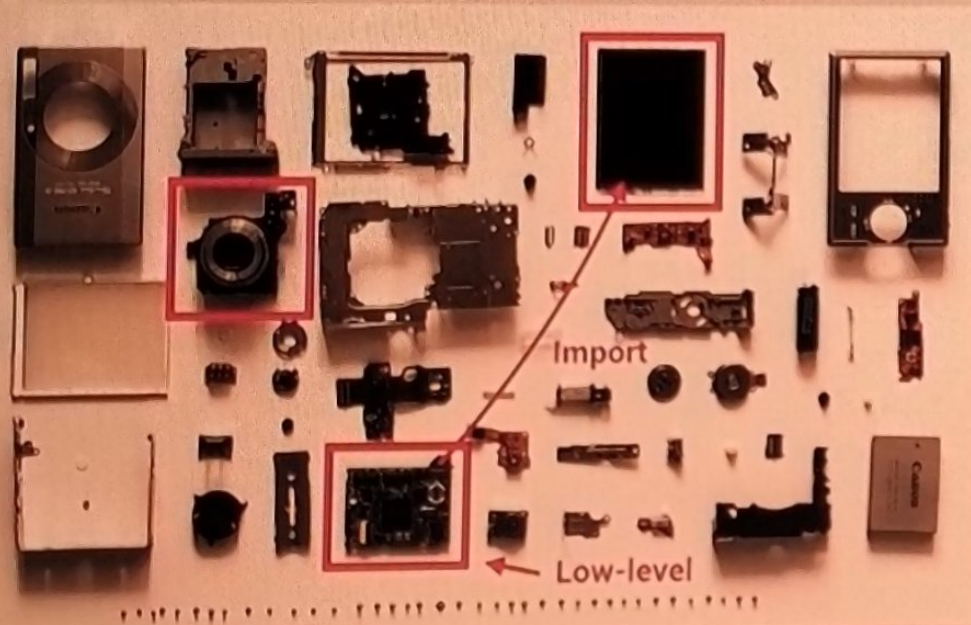
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const diceP1 = rand(1, 6, 2);  
const diceP2 = rand(1, 6, 2);  
const scores = { diceP1, diceP2 };  
export { scores };
```

Module code



EXPORT
(PUBLIC API)

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- 👉 **Compose software:** Modules are small building blocks that we put together to build complex applications;
- 👉 **Isolate components:** Modules can be developed in isolation without thinking about the entire codebase;
- 👉 **Abstract code:** Implement low-level code in modules and import these abstractions into other modules;
- 👉 **Organized code:** Modules naturally lead to a more organized codebase;
- 👉 **Reuse code:** Modules allow us to easily reuse the same code, even across multiple projects.

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NATIVE JAVASCRIPT (ES6) MODULES

ES6 MODULES

Modules stored in files, **exactly one module per file.**

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import and export
syntax

👉 Need to happen at top-level
Imports are hoisted!

	ES6 MODULE	SCRIPT
👉 Top-level variables	Scoped to module	Global
👉 Default mode	Strict mode	"Sloppy" mode
👉 Top-level this	undefined	window
👉 Imports and exports	✅ YES	❌ NO
👉 HTML linking	<script type="module">	<script>
👉 File downloading	Asynchronous	Synchronous

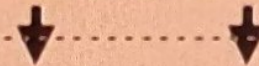
HOW ES6 MODULES ARE IMPORTED

```
import { rand } from './math.js';  
import { showDice } from './dom.js';  
const dice = rand(1, 6, 2);  
showDice(dice);
```

👉 index.js



Parsing index.js



IMPORTING MODULES
BEFORE EXECUTION



- 👉 Modules are **imported synchronously**
- 👉 Possible thanks to top-level ("static") imports, which make **imports known before execution**
- 👉 This makes **bundling** and **dead code elimination** possible

Execution index.js

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