# Web Assembly

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# Client Code

#### What is a website?

A website is really just a fancy document, temporarily downloaded from some remote computer system.

Indeed, Sir Tim Berners-Lee created the world-wide-web as a way of sharing research papers.

These documents contain text, images, and styling information.



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#### **Interactive Websites**

Is it possible to make websites interactive?

We would have to include some instructions along with the document. We need some kind of scripting language for webpages.





**JavaScript** 

On a dark and stormy night ...

**The year is 1995.** Netscape Communications Corporation is dying. In a frantic attempt to one-up Microsoft, the company decides to embed a scripting language into the Netscape browser.

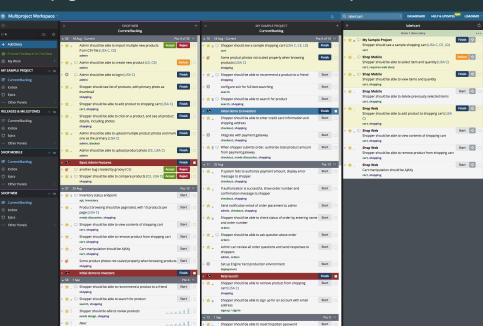
They give **Brendan Eich** 10 days to make a prototype.

Eich dreams of Scheme. He wants his new language to be elegant, fast, and pure. **But it is too late.** The lawyers at Netscape have made a deal with Sun Microsystems.

It will be known as JavaScript.



# This page uses 800 thousand lines of JavaScript





# **Emscripten**

## We need C

- People start writing games in JavaScript
- Why can't we use the Unity game engine?
- It's written in C
- Browsers don't run C
- Browsers only run JavaScript
- What if we compiled C to JavaScript?





## **Emscripten**

## Introducing...



It compiles things to JavaScript!

C

#### asm.js

```
int factorial(int n) {
                          function Z9factoriali($0) {
 if (n == 0)
                                \$0 = \$0|0:
  return 1:
                                var $1 = 0, $10 = 0, $2 = 0, $3 = 0, $4 = 0, $5 = 0, $6
  else
                                \rightarrow = 0, $7 = 0, $8 = 0, $9 = 0, label = 0, sp = 0;
                                sp = STACKTOP;
  return n *
   \hookrightarrow factorial(n-1);
                                STACKTOP = STACKTOP + 16 | 0; if ((STACKTOP | 0) >=
                                $2 = $0;
                                $3 = $2:
                                 $4 = ($3|0) == (0):
                                if ($4) {
                                 $1 = 1;
                                } else {
                                 $5 = $2:
                                 $6 = $2;
                                 $7 = ((\$6) - 1)|0;
                                 $8 = ( Z9factoriali($7)|0):
                                 $9 = Math_imul($5, $8)|0;
                                 $1 = $9;
                                 }
                                 $10 = $1;
                                 STACKTOP = sp;return ($10|0);
```

#### That was a Bad Idea

JavaScript was designed for...

- √ Crazy people
- Humans
- × Computers

Why compile low-level  $\rightarrow$  high-level?

Why don't we have machine code for the web?

80483b4:	55		push
80483b5:	89	e5	mov
80483b7:	83	e4	and
80483ba:	83	ec	sub
80483bd:	c7	44	movl
80483c4:	00		
80483c5:	eb	11	jmp
80483c7:	c7	04	movl
80483ce:	e8	1d	call
80483d3:	83	44	addl
80483d8:	83	7c	cmpl
80483dd:	7e	e8	jle
80483df:	b8	00	mov
80483e4:	с9		leave
80483e5:	<b>c3</b>		ret
80483e6:	90		nop
80483e7:	90		nop
80483e8:	90		nop
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Web Assembly

## Which Direction?



emscripten can compile your code to Web Assembly!

# **WASM Example**

C

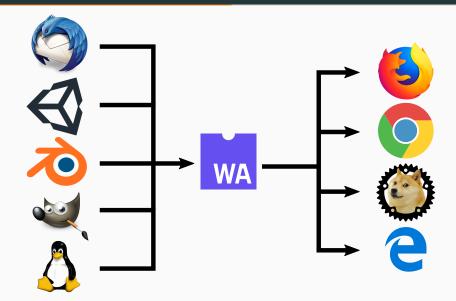
#### WASM Text

## WASM Binary

```
get_local 0
i64.eqz
if i64
i64.const 1
else
    get_local 0
    get_local 0
i64.const 1
i64.sub
call 0
i64.sub
call 0
else.mul
```

```
20 00 50 04 7E 42 01 05 20 00 42 01 7D 10 00 7E 0B
```

## Software in the Browser





## **Practical WASM**



C/C++

#### emsdk

We can use the emscripten sdk to compile C/C++ to JavaScript and WASM.

Emscripten can build a test HTML webpage, JavaScript file, or a pure wasm library.

```
$ emcc demo.c -s WASM=1 -o demo.html
$ emcc demo.c -s WASM=1 -o demo.js
$ emcc demo.c -s WASM=1 -s SIDE_MODULE=1 -o demo.wasm
```



# Rust

## The Rust Language

**Rust** is a systems programming language that runs blazingly fast, prevents segfaults, and guarantees thread safety.

```
fn main() {
  let number = 13;
  let fact = match number {
    1 => "is one",
    2 | 3 | 5 | 7 => "is prime",
    13...19 => "is a teen",
    _ => "ain't special",
  };
  println!("{} {}!", number, fact);
}
```

#### Rust Toolchains

Rust can be easily compiled to JavaScript and WebAssembly!

You can install a WASM toolchain by running \$ rustup toolchain add wasm32-\*-\*

The available toolchains are:

wasm32-unknown-unknown compile to pure WASM wasm32-unknown-emscripten compile to a WASM executable asmjs-unknown-emscripten compile to JavaScript

## Cargo

## Rust comes with a build system called Cargo.

```
$ cargo run
Finished helloworld [unoptimized + debuginfo] target(s) in 0.0 secs
Running `target/debug/helloworld`
Hello, world!
```

## Cargo can target WASM!

```
$ cargo build --target wasm32-unknown-emscripten
   Compiling helloworld v0.1.0 (file:///home/sam/Code/helloworld)
   Finished dev [unoptimized + debuginfo] target(s) in 1.26 sec
$ cd target/wasm32-unknown-emscripten/debug/
$ node helloworld.js
Hello, world!
```



stdweb

#### Interact

The whole point is to make interactive websites. How can we edit HTML through Rust? How do we make Rust web development feasible?

Introducing...



#### Communicate

stdweb provides JavaScript's abilities within Rust:

```
let print hello = |name: String| {
    println!( "Hello, {}!", name );
};
is! {
    var print_hello = @{print_hello};
    print_hello("Bob");
}
We can connect to buttons and other page elements:
let button = document().query_selector("#button").unwrap();
button.add_event_listener(move | : ClickEvent |
    is!{ @{button}.style = "display: none;" }
);
```

### cargo-web

We can install the cargo-web tool to make Rust WASM even easier!

\$ cargo web start

Finished release [optimized] target(s) in 0.0 secs You can access the web server at `http://127.0.0.1:8000`.



parcel

## **Bundeling JS and Rust**

We can use Parcel to bundle JS and WASM into the same project.

```
In main. js:
import {add} from './add.rs';
console.log(add(2, 3));
In add.rs:
#[no_mangle]
pub fn add(a: i32, b: i32) -> i32 {
   a + b
```



# Putting it all Together

## **Conclusion**

- Faster websites
- Written in any language
- With desktop libraries
- With native graphics
- With modern tools





**Questions?** 

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