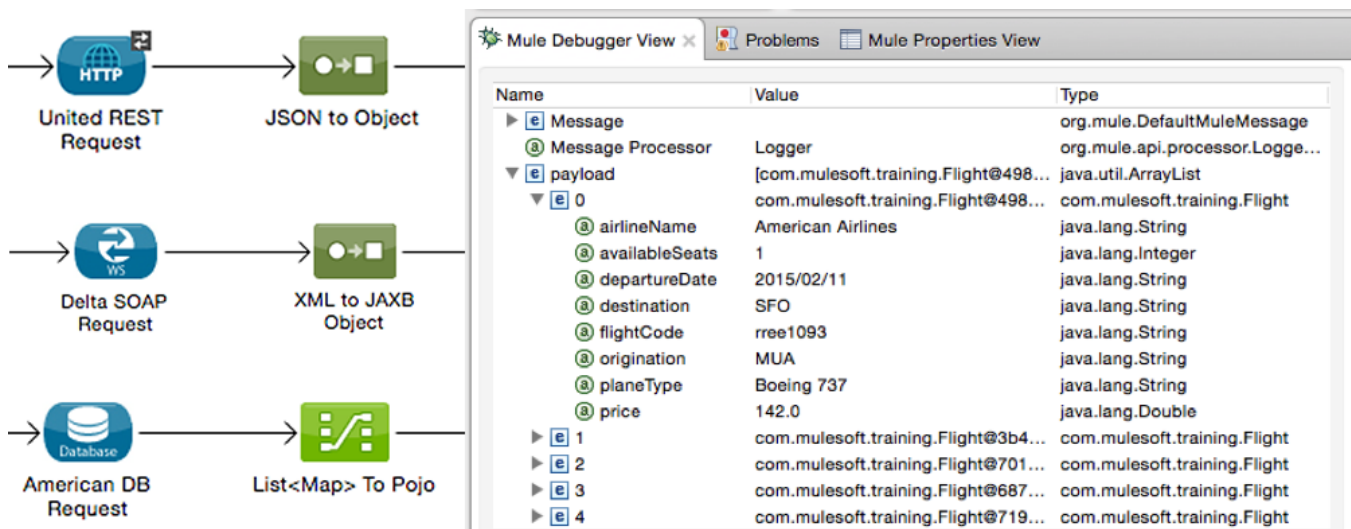


# Module 5: Transforming Data



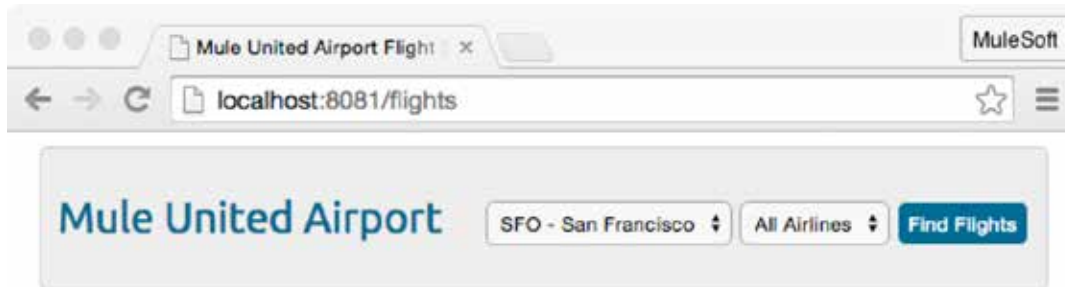
In this module, you will learn:

- About the different types of transformers.
- To transform objects to and/from XML and JSON.
- To do more complicated JSON to object mappings with Jackson annotations.
- To do more complicated XML to object mappings with JAXB annotations.
- To streamline complex data transformations with DataSense and the DataMapper.
- To create a custom transformer with Java.

## Walkthrough 5-1: Load external content into a message

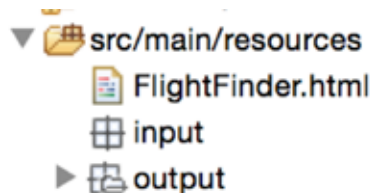
In this walkthrough, you will add an HTML form to your application that will eventually serve as a front end for the MUA integration application. You will:

- Create a new flow that receives GET requests at <http://localhost:8081/flights>.
- Use the Parse Template transformer to load the content of an HTML file into a flow.



### Add an HTML file to the project

1. On your computer, navigate to the student files folder for the course, MUEssentials3.7\_studentFiles\_{date}.
2. Copy and paste (or drag) the resources/FlightFinder.html file into your project's src/main/resources folder.



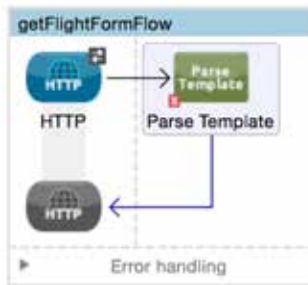
*Note: You will examine the HTML code soon – after you load the form and see what it looks like.*

### Create a flow

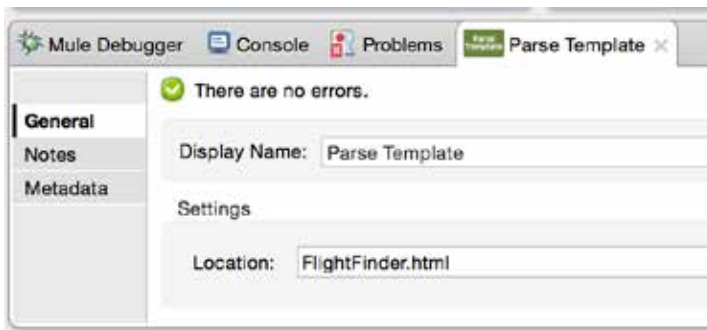
3. Return to apessentials.xml.
4. Drag out another HTTP connector to create a new flow at the top of the canvas and name it getFlightFormFlow.
5. In the HTTP Properties view, set the connector configuration to the existing HTTP\_Listener\_Configuration.
6. Set the path to /flights and set the allowed methods to GET.

## Set the payload to HTML and JavaScript

7. Add a Parse Template transformer to the process section of the flow.



8. In the Properties view for the transformer, set the location to FlightFinder.html.

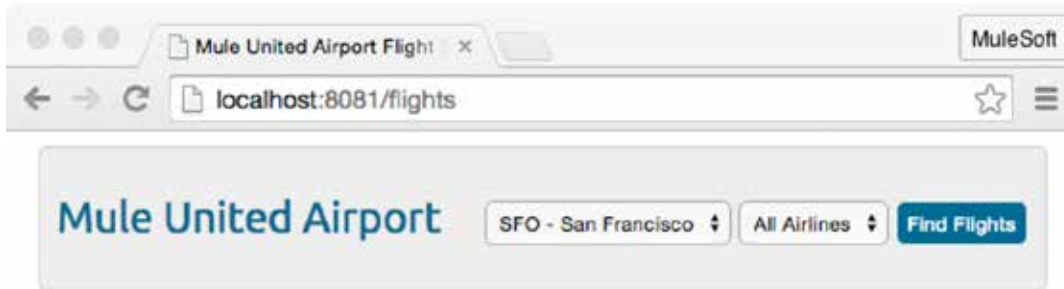


## Debug the application

9. Add a breakpoint to the Parse Template transformer.
10. Add a Logger component after the transformer.
11. Save the file and debug the application.
12. In a browser, make a request to <http://localhost:8081/flights>.
13. Step through the flow and watch the value of the payload change.



14. Step through the rest of the flow and then return to the browser window; you should see the HTML form.



15. Click the Find Flights button; what happens?

## Review the HTML form code

16. Open FlightFinder.html in Anypoint Studio.  
17. Locate the form at the bottom and find the names of the select boxes and their option values.

```
181 <form id="myForm" name="myForm">
182   <select id="destination" name="destination" class="select1">
183     <option value="SFO">SFO - San Francisco</option>
184     <option value="LAX">LAX - Los Angeles</option>
185     <option value="CLE">CLE - Cleveland</option>
186     <option value="PDX">PDX - Portland</option>
187     <option value="PDF">PDF - Adobe</option>
188     <option value="FOO">FOO - Mars</option>
189   </select>
190   <select id="airline" name="airline" class="select2">
191     <option value="all">All Airlines</option>
192     <option value="united">United</option>
193     <option value="delta">Delta</option>
194     <option value="american">American</option>
195   </select>
196   <input class="button" name="submit" type="button" value="Find Flights"
197     onClick="return ajaxFunction();" />
198 </form>
```

18. Locate to where the form data is posted.

```
169
170     ajaxRequest.open("POST", "/flights", true);
171     ajaxRequest.setRequestHeader("Content-type", "application/json");
172     ajaxRequest.send(formData);
173
```

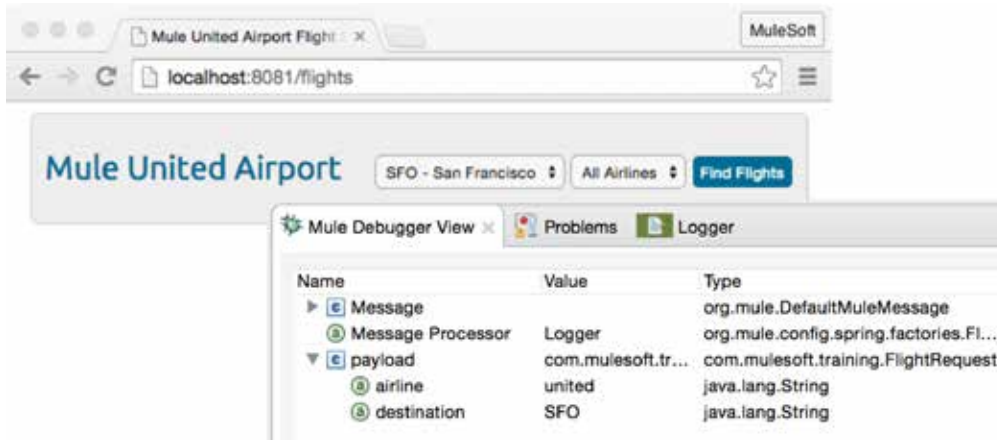
19. Locate in what format the data is that is posted.

```
98     function ajaxFunction() {
99       var destinationMenu = document.getElementById("destination");
100       var airlineMenu = document.getElementById("airline");
101
102       var jsonObject = {
103         "destination" : destinationMenu.options[destinationMenu.selectedIndex].value,
104         "airline" : airlineMenu.options[airlineMenu.selectedIndex].value
105       };
106
107       var formData = JSON.stringify(jsonObject);
```

## Walkthrough 5-2: Transform JSON to an object

In this walkthrough, you will work with the data posted from the HTML form. You will:

- Create a new flow that receives POST requests at <http://localhost:8081/flights>.
- Transform the form data from JSON to a FlightRequest object and save the destination in a flow variable.
- Use the JSON to Object transformer.



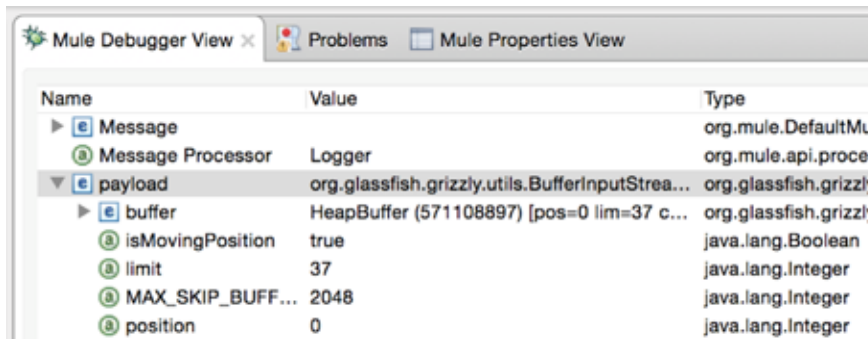
### Create a new flow

1. Return to apessentials.xml.
2. Drag out another HTTP connector to create a new flow and name it getFlightsFlow
3. In the HTTP Properties view, set the connector configuration to the existing HTTP\_Listener\_Configuration.
4. Set the path to /flights (the same as the form flow) and set the allowed methods to POST.

### Look at the data posted from the form

5. Add a Logger to the flow and add a breakpoint to it.
6. Save the file to redeploy the application in debug mode.
7. Make another request to <http://localhost:8081/flights>.
8. Step through or remove the breakpoints in the getFlightsFormFlow to get to the form in the browser window.
9. Click the Find Flights button.

10. Look at the Mule Debugger view; you should see the return data is a `BufferInputStream`.



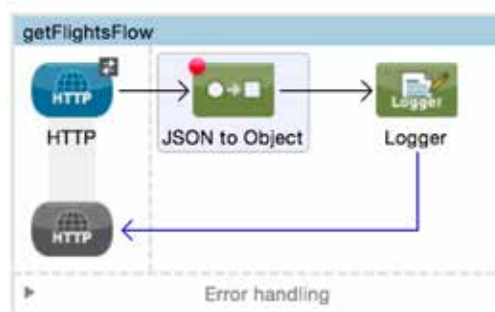
Name	Value	Type
Message		org.mule.DefaultMu
Message Processor	Logger	org.mule.api.proce
payload	org.glassfish.grizzly.utils.BufferInputStrea...	org.glassfish.grizzh
buffer	HeapBuffer (571108897) [pos=0 lim=37 c...	org.glassfish.grizzh
isMovingPosition	true	java.lang.Boolean
limit	37	java.lang.Integer
MAX_SKIP_BUFF...	2048	java.lang.Integer
position	0	java.lang.Integer

11. Click the Resume button.

## Add a JSON to Object transformer

12. Add a JSON to Object transformer before the Logger.

13. Add a breakpoint to the JSON to Object transformer if it does not have one.

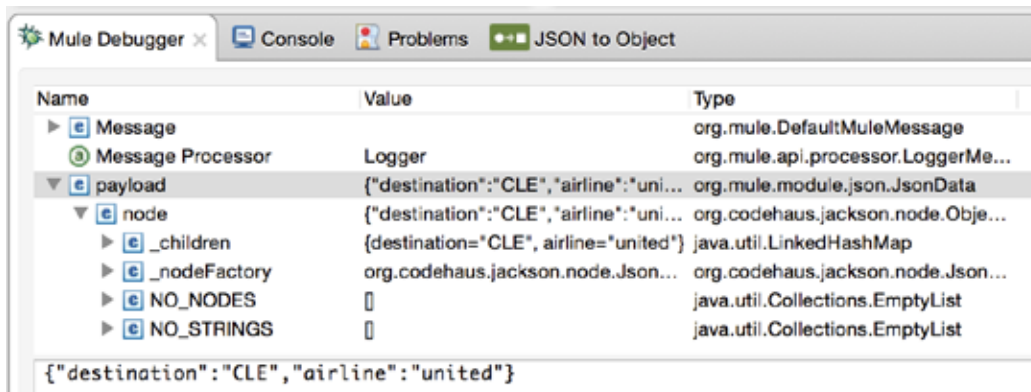


## Debug the application

14. Save the file to redeploy the application in debug mode.

15. Make a request to <http://localhost:8081/flights> and submit the form again.

16. Step to the Logger in the `getFlightsFlow`; you should see the form data is a `JsonData` object.



Name	Value	Type
Message		org.mule.DefaultMuleMessage
Message Processor	Logger	org.mule.api.processor.LoggerMe...
payload	{"destination": "CLE", "airline": "uni...	org.mule.module.json.JsonData
node	{"destination": "CLE", "airline": "uni...	org.codehaus.jackson.node.Obj...
_children	{destination="CLE", airline="united"}	java.util.LinkedHashMap
_nodeFactory	org.codehaus.jackson.node.Json...	org.codehaus.jackson.node.Json...
NO_NODES	[]	java.util.Collections.EmptyList
NO_STRINGS	[]	java.util.Collections.EmptyList

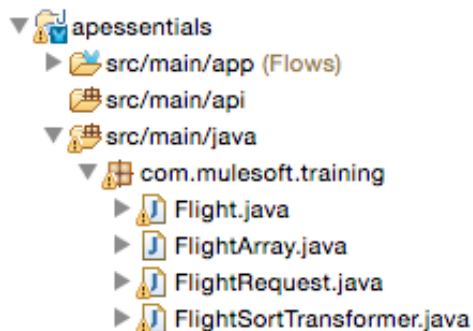
Below the table, the JSON string is displayed: `{"destination": "CLE", "airline": "united"}`

17. Resume code execution and look at the console; you should get a TransformerException.

```
ERROR 2015-08-20 10:20:20,434 [[apessentials].HTTP Listener Configuration.worker.01] org.mule.exception.DefaultMessagingExceptionHandler:
*****
Message           : Could not serialize object (org.mule.api.serialization.SerializationException)
Type              : org.mule.api.transformer.TransformerException
Code              : MULE_ERROR--2
JavaDoc           : http://www.mulesoft.org/docs/site/current3/apidocs/org/mule/api/transformer/TransformerException.html
```

## Add Java classes file to the project

18. On your computer, navigate to the java folder in the student files folder for the course:  
MUEssentials3.7\_studentFiles\_{date}/java.
19. Copy and paste (or drag) the com.mulesoft.training folder into your Anypoint Studio project's src/main/java folder.



20. Open the FlightRequest.java class and examine the code.

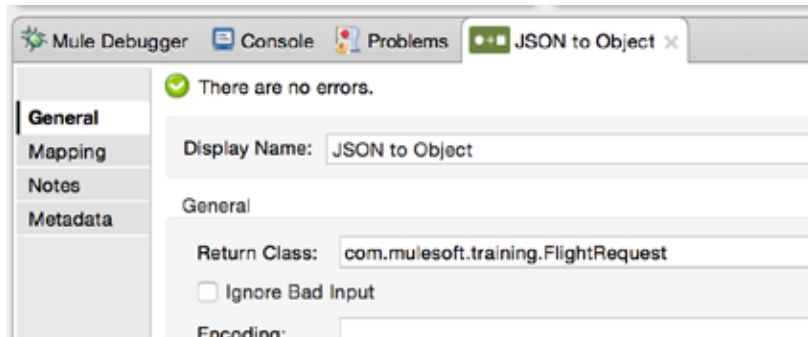
```
FlightRequest.java
1 package com.mulesoft.training;
2
3 public class FlightRequest implements java.io.Serializable {
4
5     String destination;
6     String airline;
7
8     public FlightRequest() {
9     }
10
11     public FlightRequest(String destination, String airline) {
12         this.destination = destination;
13         this.airline = airline;
14     }
15 }
```

## Set the transformer return type

21. Return to apessentials.xml.

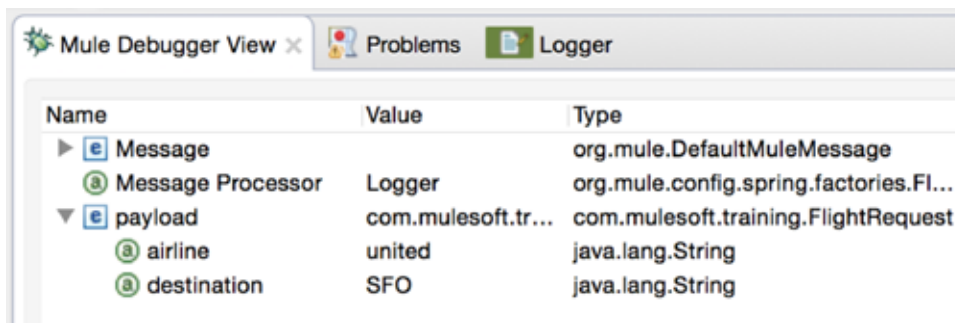


22. In the JSON to Object Properties view, set the return class to `com.mulesoft.training.FlightRequest`.



## Debug the application

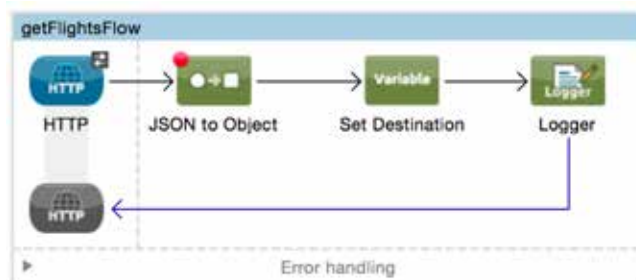
23. Save the file to redeploy the application in debug mode.  
24. Make a request to <http://localhost:8081/flights> and submit the form again.  
25. Step to the Logger in the `getFlightsFlow`; you should now see the see the form data as a `FlightRequest` object.



26. Click the Resume button.

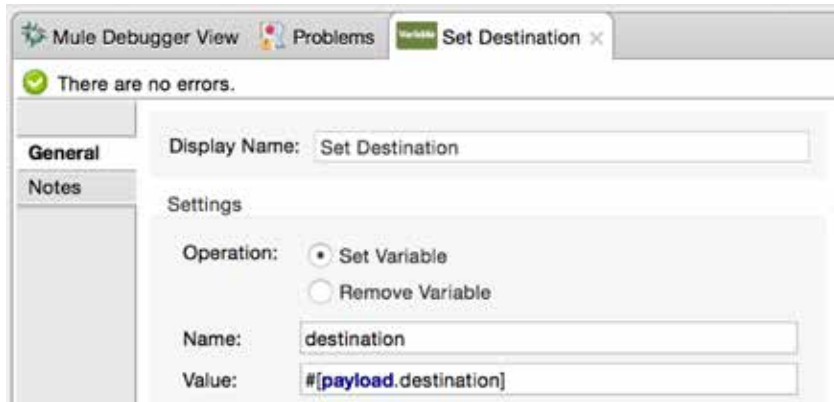
## Store form data in a flow variable

27. Add a Variable transformer after the JSON to Object transformer.  
28. In the Properties view, set the display name to Set Destination.






29. Select Set Variable and set the name to destination and the value to #[payload.destination].



## Test the application

- 30. Save the file to redeploy the application in debug mode.
- 31. Make a request to <http://localhost:8081/flights> and submit the form again.
- 32. Step to the Logger and click the Variables tab; you should see your flow variable.

The screenshot shows the 'Variables' tab in the Mule Debugger. It displays a table with three columns: 'Name', 'Value', and 'Type'. There is one row of data.

Name	Value	Type
 destination	LAX	java.lang.String

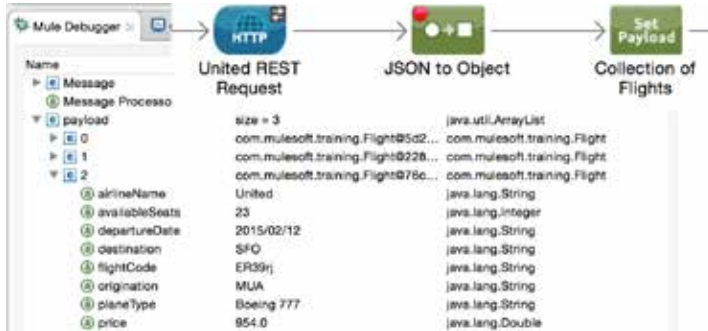
- 33. Stop the Mule Debugger.

*Note: You will continue working with this flow in a later walkthrough. You will add functionality to get the requested flight data from the other flows and return it back to the form.*

## Walkthrough 5-3: Transform JSON to a collection of objects

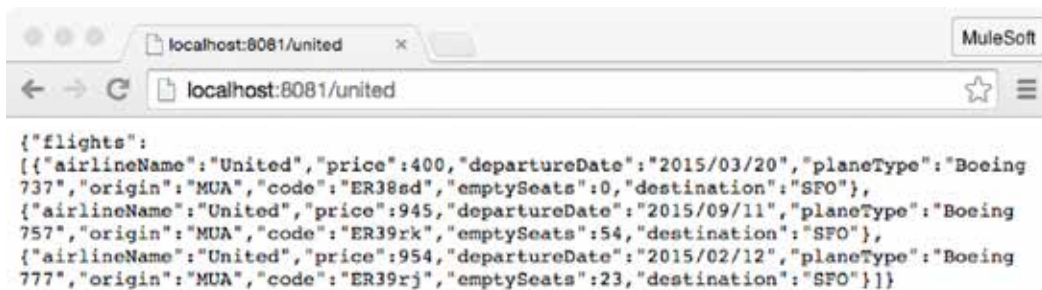
In this walkthrough, you will work with the United flight data. You will:

- Transform the United flight data from JSON to a collection of Flight objects.
- Use the JSON to Object transformer with a return class using Jackson annotations.



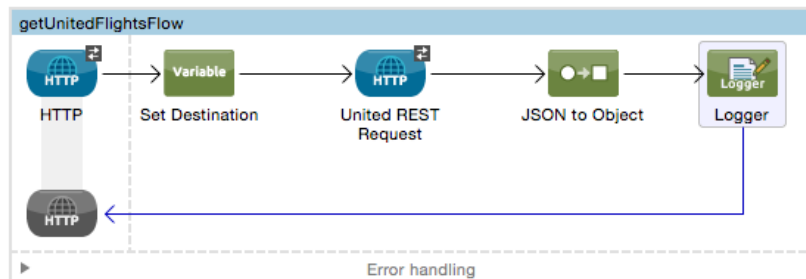
### Review the United flight data

1. Return to apessentials.xml.
2. Run the application and make a request to <http://localhost:8081/united>.
3. Look at the names of the object keys.



### Transform JSON to a general collection of objects

4. Locate getUnitedFlightsFlow.
5. Add a JSON to Object transformer after the United REST Request.
6. Add a Logger after the transformer.

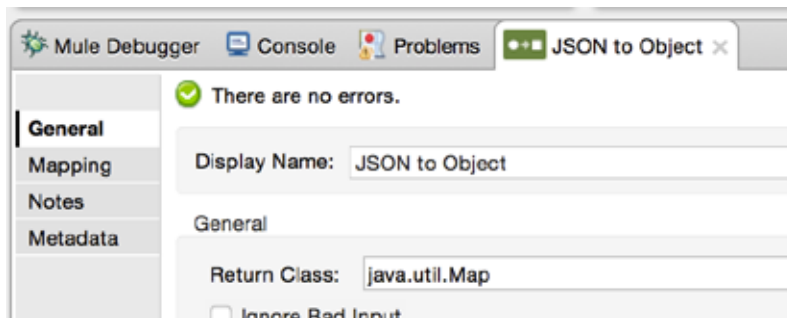


7. Save the file to redeploy the application.
8. Make a request to <http://localhost:8081/united>; you should get a `NotSerializableException` in the console.

Exception stack is:

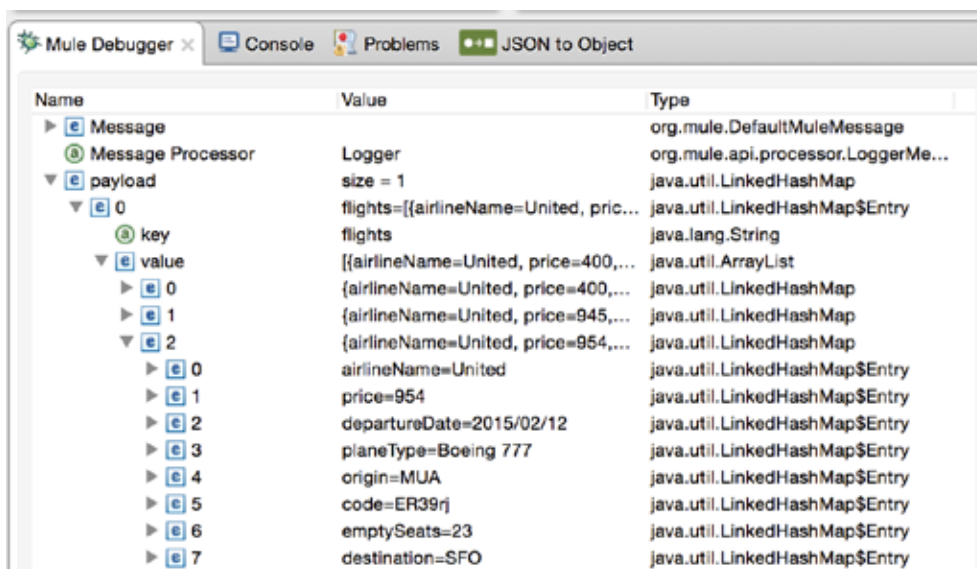
```
1. org.codehaus.jackson.node.ObjectNode (java.io.NotSerializableException)
   java.io.ObjectOutputStream:1184 (null)
2. java.io.NotSerializableException: org.codehaus.jackson.node.ObjectNode (org.apache.commons.lang.SerializationException)
   org.apache.commons.lang.SerializationUtils:111 (null)
```

9. Navigate to the Properties view for the JSON to Object transformer.
10. Set the return class to `java.util.Map`.



## Debug the application

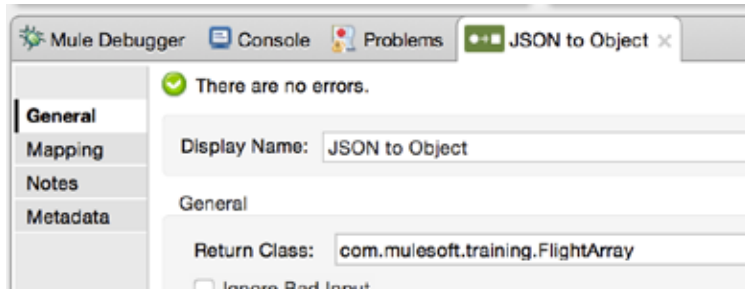
11. Add a breakpoint to the JSON to Object transformer.
12. Save the file and debug the application.
13. Make a request to <http://localhost:8081/united>.
14. Watch the payload value and step through the flow; you should see the payload transformed to a collection of objects.



15. Step through the rest of the flow and then return to the request window; you should get some garbled data or a download file – your request tool’s interpretation of the complex object.

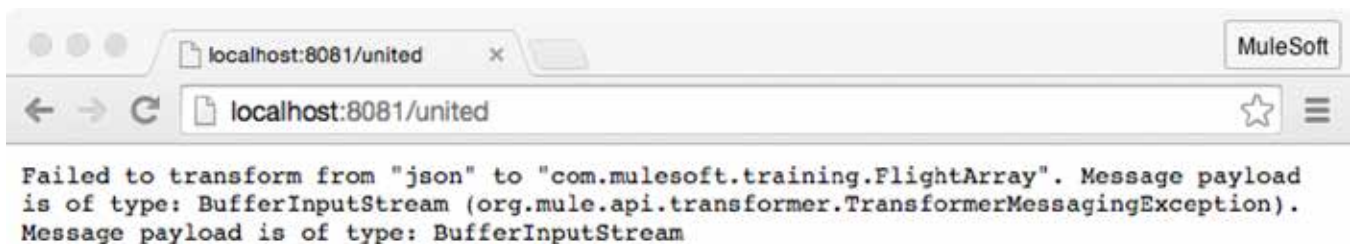
## Transform JSON to a collection of custom objects

16. Open the FlightArray and Flight classes and examine the code.
17. Return to the Properties view for the JSON to Object transformer in apessentials.xml.
18. Change the return class to com.mulesoft.training.FlightArray.



## Test the application

19. Save the file to redeploy the application.
20. Make a request to <http://localhost:8081/united> and step through the application; you should get a Failed to transform error.



21. Locate the error details in the console; you should see a reference to unrecognized origin.

Root Exception stack trace:  
[org.codehaus.jackson.map.exc.UnrecognizedPropertyException](#): Unrecognized field "origin" (Class com.mulesoft.training.Flight), not marked as ignorable  
at [Source: java.io.InputStreamReader@436eca16; line: 1, column: 113] (through reference chain: com.mule

## Add Jackson annotations to the Flight class

22. Return to Flight.java.

23. Add a `@JsonProperty` annotation to map the following JSON keys to Flight properties.

- code to flightCode
- origin to origination
- emptySeats to availableSeats

```
9 @JsonProperty("code")
10 String flightCode;
11
12 @JsonProperty("origin")
13 String origination;
14
15 @JsonProperty("emptySeats")
16 int availableSeats;
```

24. Click one of the Error icons next to the line numbers and double-click Import JsonProperty (code. org.codehaus.jackson.annotate.JsonProperty).

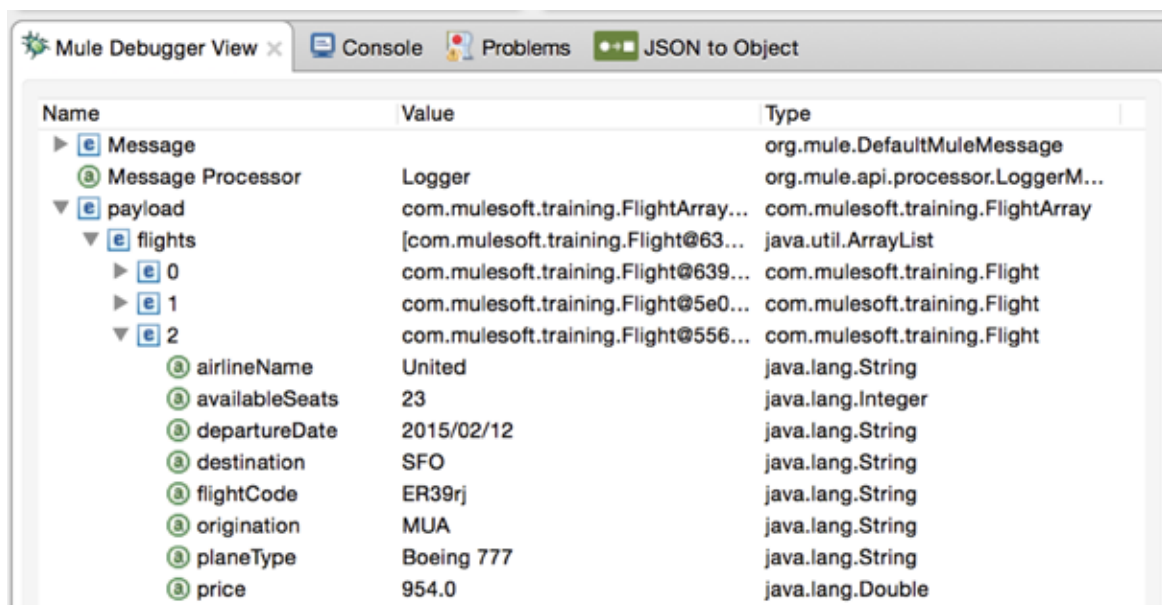
25. Save the file.

## Debug the application

26. Return to apessentials.xml.

27. Debug the application and make another request to <http://localhost:8081/united>.

28. Watch the payload value and step through the flow; you should see the payload transformed to a FlightArray of Flight objects.

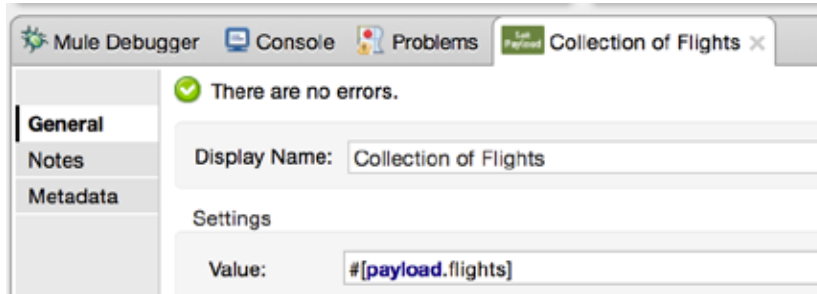


Name	Value	Type
Message		org.mule.DefaultMuleMessage
Message Processor	Logger	org.mule.api.processor.LoggerM...
payload	com.mulesoft.training.FlightArray...	com.mulesoft.training.FlightArray
flights	[com.mulesoft.training.Flight@63...	java.util.ArrayList
0	com.mulesoft.training.Flight@639...	com.mulesoft.training.Flight
1	com.mulesoft.training.Flight@5e0...	com.mulesoft.training.Flight
2	com.mulesoft.training.Flight@556...	com.mulesoft.training.Flight
airlineName	United	java.lang.String
availableSeats	23	java.lang.Integer
departureDate	2015/02/12	java.lang.String
destination	SFO	java.lang.String
flightCode	ER39rj	java.lang.String
origination	MUA	java.lang.String
planeType	Boeing 777	java.lang.String
price	954.0	java.lang.Double

29. Click the Resume button.

## Return only the collection of flights

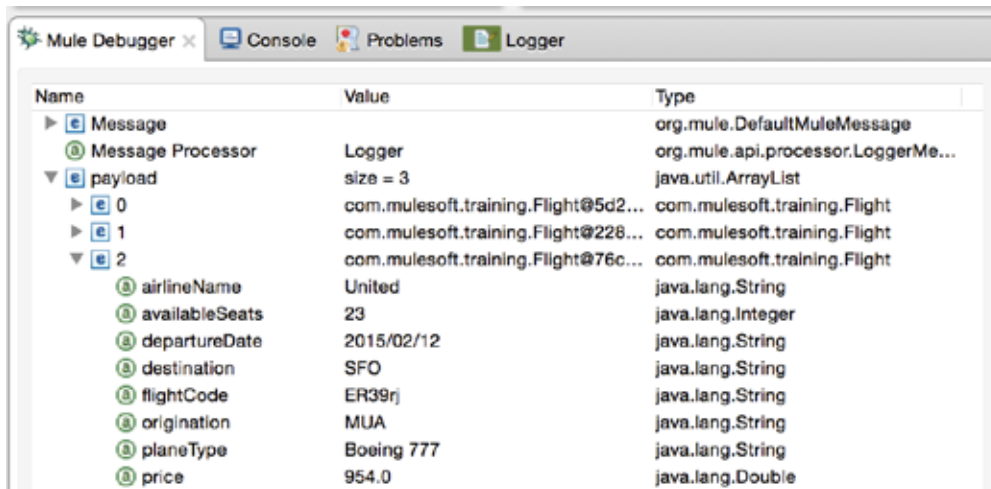
30. Add a Set Payload transformer after the JSON to Object transformer.
31. Set its display name to Collection of Flights and its value to `#[payload.flights]`.



32. Set the Logger message to `#[payload]`.

## Test the application

33. Save the file to redeploy the application.
34. Make another request to <http://localhost:8081/united>,
35. Step through to the Logger; you should now see just the collection of objects returned.



36. Stop the debugger.



## Walkthrough 5-4: Transform XML to a collection of objects

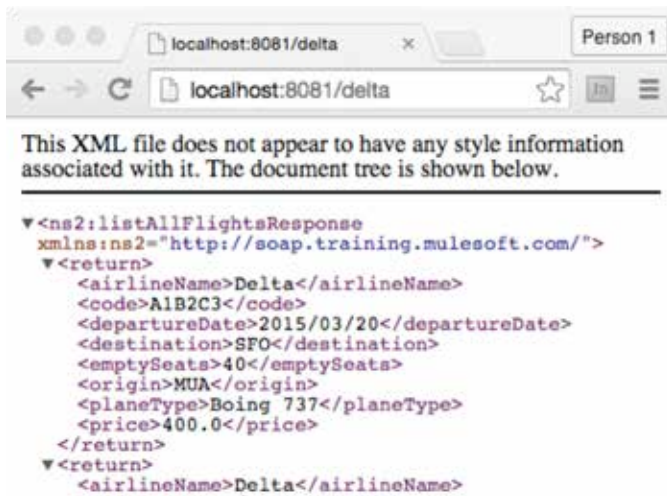
In this walkthrough, you will work with the Delta flight data. You will:

- Transform the Delta flight data from XML to a collection of Flight objects.
- Use the XML to JAXB Object transformer with a return class using JAXB annotations.



### Review the Delta flight data

1. Return to apessentials.xml and locate getDeltaFlightsFlow.
2. Run the application and make a request to <http://localhost:8081/delta>.
3. Look at the names of the XML elements.

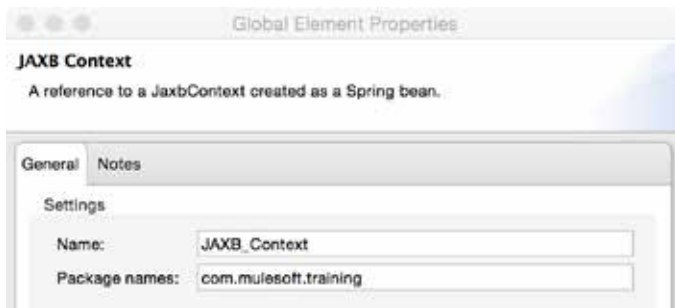


### Add and configure an XML to JAXB Object transformer

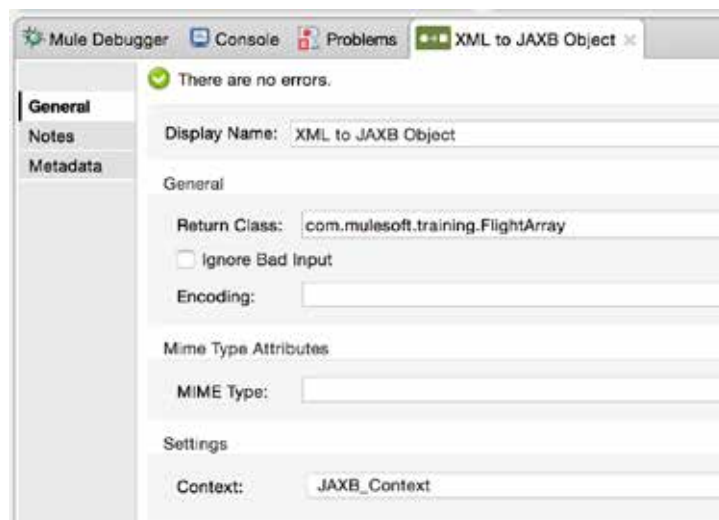
4. Delete the DOM to XML transformer.
5. Add an XML to JAXB Object transformer after the Delta SOAP Request.



6. Navigate to the XML to JAXB Object Properties view; you should see a message that a jaxbContext-ref is required.
7. Scroll down in the Properties view and locate the Settings > Context section.
8. Click the Add button next to context.
9. In the Global Element Properties dialog box, set the package name to com.mulesoft.training and click OK.



10. Back in the Properties view, set the return class to com.mulesoft.training.FlightArray.



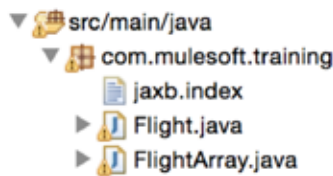
11. Save the file to redeploy the application; you should get an error in the console that com.mulesoft.training does not have a jaxb.ini file.

```
ontext: Exception encountered during context initialization - cancelling refresh attempt
org.springframework.beans.factory.BeanCreationException: Error creating bean with name '_muleNotificationManager': FactoryBean threw exception on object creation; nested exception is org.springframework.beans.factory.BeanCreationException: Error creating bean with name 'JAXB_Context': Invocation of init method failed; nested exception is javax.xml.bind.JAXBException: Provider com.sun.xml.bind.v2.ContextFactory could not be instantiated: javax.xml.bind.JAXBException: "com.mulesoft.training" doesnt contain ObjectFactory.class or jaxb.index
```

## Create a jaxb.index file

12. Right-click the com.mulesoft.training package in the Package Explorer and select New > File.

13. In the New file dialog box, set the file name to jaxb.index and click Finish.



14. Open jaxb.index and list the two Java classes to be used in the mapping.



15. Save the file.

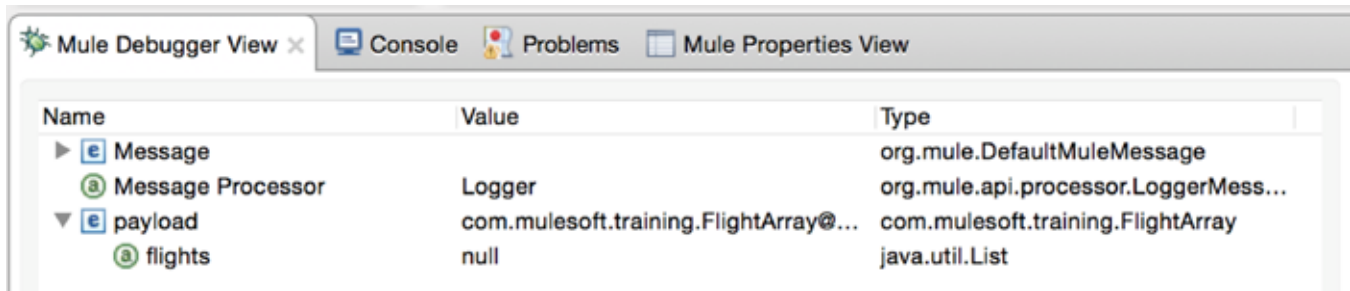
## Debug the application

16. Return to apessentials.xml.

17. Make sure there is a breakpoint on the Delta SOAP Request and debug the application.

18. Make a request to <http://localhost:8081/delta>.

19. Watch the payload value and step to the Logger; you should see the payload transformed to a FlightArray but the flights property is null – there wasn't enough data to map the XML to the objects correctly.



20. Stop the debugger.

## Add JAXB annotations to the FlightArray class

21. Open FlightArray.java.

22. Add an @XmlElement annotation to map the XML return node to the flights property; be sure to import the appropriate class (javax.xml.bind.annotation.XmlElement).

```
14 @XmlElement(name="return")
15 private List<Flight> flights;
```

23. Save the file.

24. If you want, run the application again and make a request to <http://localhost:8081/delta>; you will get an `IllegalAnnotationsException`.

```
[com.sun.xml.bind.v2.runtime.IllegalAnnotationsException: 1 counts of IllegalAnnotationExceptions  
Class has two properties of the same name "flights"  
    this problem is related to the following location:  
        at public java.util.List com.mulesoft.training.FlightArray.getFlights()
```

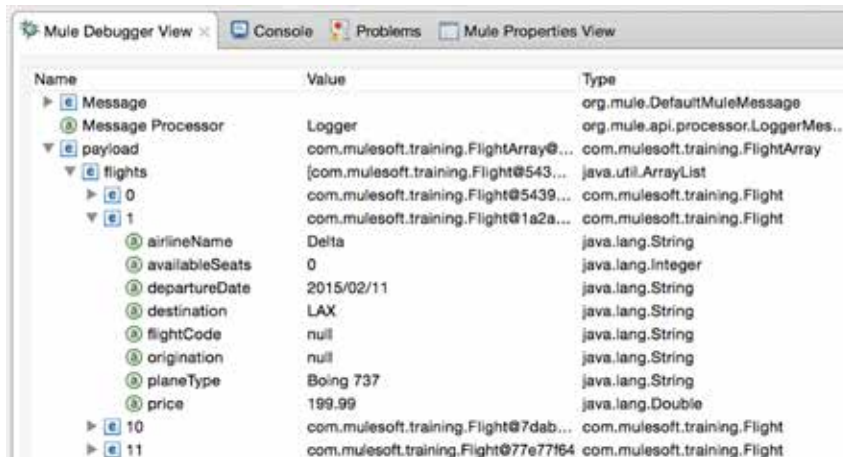
25. Add an `@XmlAccessorType` annotation for the class set to the static value, `XmlAccessType.Field`; be sure to import the appropriate classes.

```
11 @XmlAccessorType(XmlAccessType.FIELD)  
12 public class FlightArray {  
13
```

26. Save the file.

## Debug the application

27. Debug the application and make a request to <http://localhost:8081/delta>.  
28. Watch the payload value and step to the Logger; you should see the payload transformed to a `FlightArray` of `Flight` objects.



The screenshot shows the Mule Debugger View with a tree structure of the message payload. The payload is a `FlightArray` containing a list of `Flight` objects. The first `Flight` object is expanded, showing its fields: `airlineName` (Delta), `availableSeats` (0), `departureDate` (2015/02/11), `destination` (LAX), `flightCode` (null), `origination` (null), `planeType` (Boeing 737), and `price` (199.99).

Name	Value	Type
Message		org.mule.DefaultMuleMessage
Message Processor	Logger	org.mule.api.processor.LoggerMes...
payload	com.mulesoft.training.FlightArray@...	com.mulesoft.training.FlightArray
flights	[com.mulesoft.training.Flight@543...	java.util.ArrayList
0	com.mulesoft.training.Flight@5439...	com.mulesoft.training.Flight
1	com.mulesoft.training.Flight@1a2a...	com.mulesoft.training.Flight
airlineName	Delta	java.lang.String
availableSeats	0	java.lang.Integer
departureDate	2015/02/11	java.lang.String
destination	LAX	java.lang.String
flightCode	null	java.lang.String
origination	null	java.lang.String
planeType	Boeing 737	java.lang.String
price	199.99	java.lang.Double
10	com.mulesoft.training.Flight@7dab...	com.mulesoft.training.Flight
11	com.mulesoft.training.Flight@77e77f64	com.mulesoft.training.Flight

29. Explore the data and notice that `availableSeats` is always zero and the `flightCode` and `origination` null.  
30. Stop the debugger.

## Add JAXB annotations to the Flight class

31. Return to `Flight.java`.  
32. Add an `@XmlAccessorType` annotation for the class set to the static value, `XmlAccessType.Field`; be sure to import the appropriate classes.

```

11 @XmlAccessorType(XmlAccessType.FIELD)
12 public class Flight implements java.io.Serializable, Comparable<Flight> {
13

```

33. Add an `@XmlElement` annotation to map the XML `flightCode` node to the `code` property; be sure to import the appropriate class.
34. Add an `@XmlElement` annotation to map the XML `origin` node to the `origination` property.
35. Add an `@XmlElement` annotation to map the XML `emptySeats` node to the `availableSeats` property.

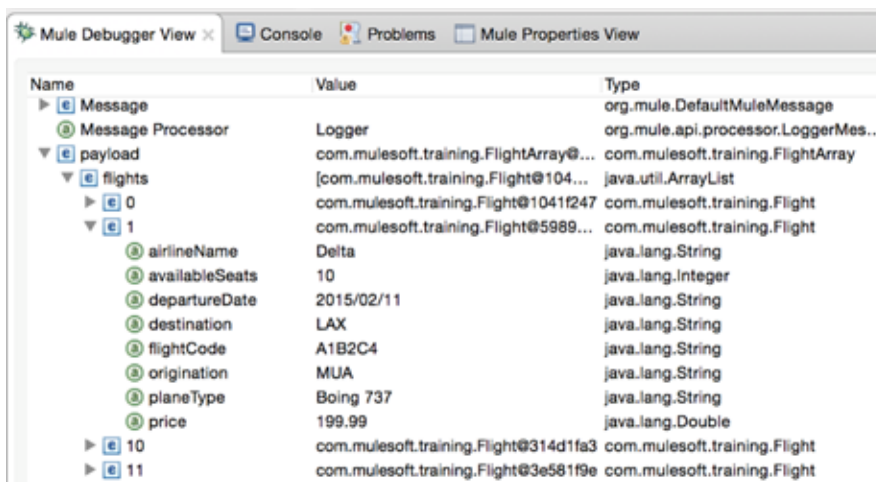
```

14 @JsonProperty("code")
15 @XmlElement(name="code")
16 String flightCode;
17
18 @JsonProperty("origin")
19 @XmlElement(name="origin")
20 String origination;
21
22 @JsonProperty("emptySeats")
23 @XmlElement(name="emptySeats")
24 int availableSeats;

```

## Debug the application

36. Debug the application again and make a request to <http://localhost:8081/delta>.
37. Watch the payload value and step to the Logger; you should see the payload successfully transformed to a `FlightArray` of `Flight` objects with all fields properly mapped.



Name	Value	Type
Message		org.mule.DefaultMuleMessage
Message Processor	Logger	org.mule.api.processor.LoggerMes...
payload	com.mulesoft.training.FlightArray@...	com.mulesoft.training.FlightArray
flights	[com.mulesoft.training.Flight@104...	java.util.ArrayList
0	com.mulesoft.training.Flight@1041f247	com.mulesoft.training.Flight
1	com.mulesoft.training.Flight@5989...	com.mulesoft.training.Flight
airlineName	Delta	java.lang.String
availableSeats	10	java.lang.Integer
departureDate	2015/02/11	java.lang.String
destination	LAX	java.lang.String
flightCode	A1B2C4	java.lang.String
origination	MUA	java.lang.String
planeType	Boing 737	java.lang.String
price	199.99	java.lang.Double
10	com.mulesoft.training.Flight@314d1fa3	com.mulesoft.training.Flight
11	com.mulesoft.training.Flight@3e581f9e	com.mulesoft.training.Flight

38. Resume the application; you should get a transformer exception.

## Return only the collection of flights

39. Return to `apessentials.xml`.
40. Add a Set Payload transformer after the XML to JAXB Object transformer.
41. Set its display name to Collection of Flights and its value to `#[payload.flights]`.

## Test the application

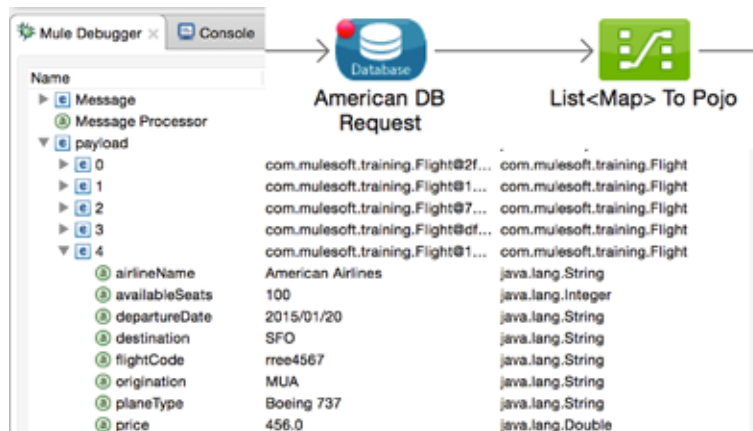
42. Save the file to redeploy the application.
43. Make a request to <http://localhost:8081/united>.
44. Step through or resume the application; you should now see just the collection of objects returned.

```
INFO 2015-08-20 11:22:20,533 [[apessentials].HTTP_Listener_Configuration.worker.01] org.mule.api.processor.LoggerMessageProcessor: [com.mulesoft.training.Flight@642e5409, com.mulesoft.training.Flight@100a433a, com.mulesoft.training.Flight@7f17ca46, com.mulesoft.training.Flight@54c34372, com.mulesoft.training.Flight@42dbdbff, com.mulesoft.training.Flight@a430d, com.mulesoft.training.Flight@410efcb0, com.mulesoft.training.Flight@f98ff30, com.mulesoft.training.Flight@1380d91f, com.mulesoft.training.Flight@41c0e249, com.mulesoft.training.Flight@771d7dbd, com.mulesoft.training.Flight@3fb46d11]
```

## Walkthrough 5-5: Use the DataMapper to map complex objects

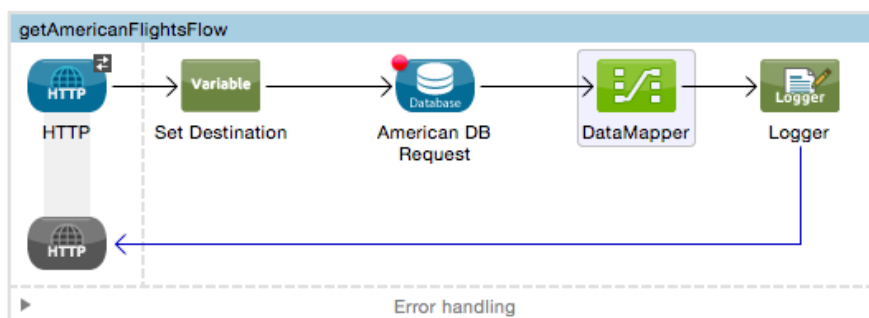
In this walkthrough, you will work with the American flight data. You will:

- Transform the American flight data from a List of Map objects to a collection of Flight objects.
- Use the DataMapper transformer.



### Add a DataMapper

1. Locate getAmericanFlightsFlow in apessentials.xml.
2. Delete the Object to String transformer.
3. Replace it with a DataMapper transformer.

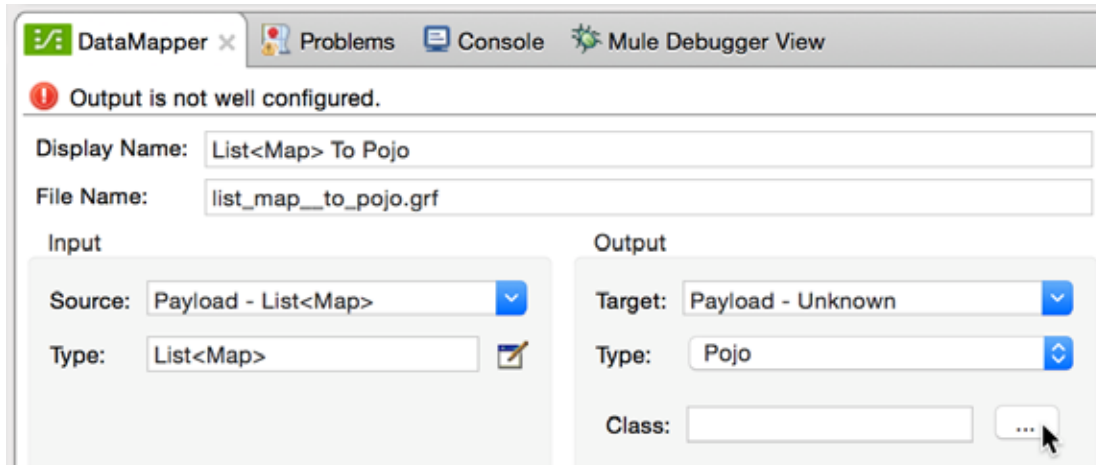


4. Look at the DataMapper Properties view; the input should be automatically populated from DataSense as a List<Map> because the Database connector configuration is DataSense enabled by default.

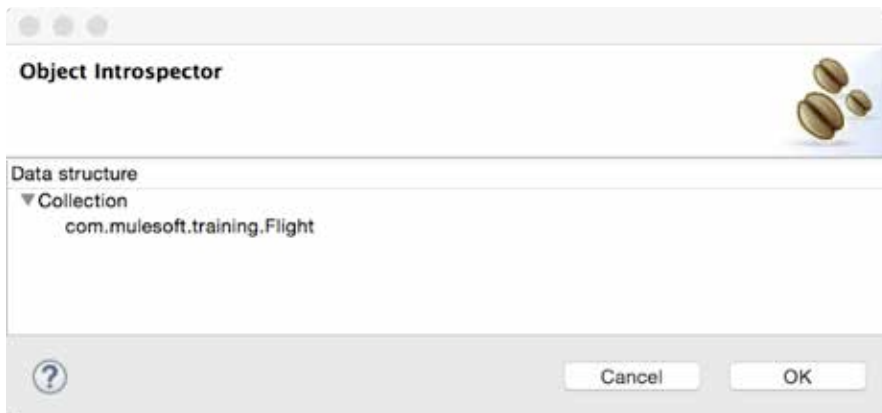
### Configure the DataMapper output

5. In the Output section, set the type to Pojo.

- Beneath the type, click the button next to Class.



- In the Object Introspector window that opens, click the Click here to select an option link and select Collection.
- Click the Click here to select an option link again and select Java Object.
- In the Select entries window that opens, enter Fli and then press the Enter key to add an entry of com.mulesoft.training.Flight.



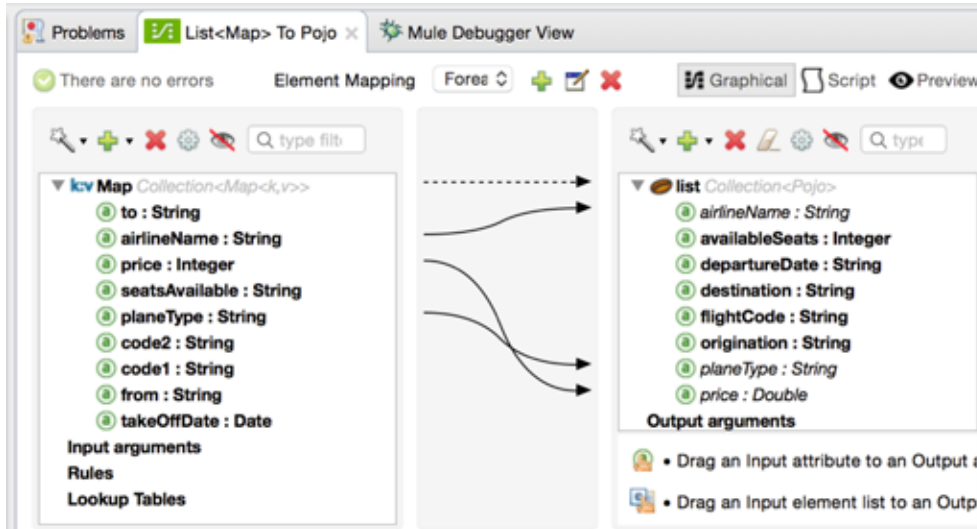
- Click OK.
- Look at the output section; the class should now be set to a collection of Flight objects.





## Create the mapping

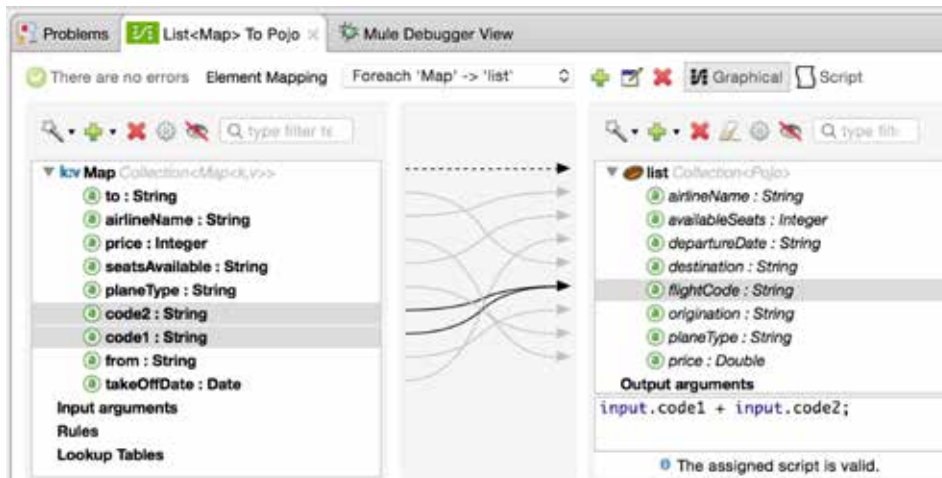
12. Click the Create mapping button at the bottom of the Properties view; some of the fields in the objects had the same names so were automatically mapped.



13. Drag and drop fields from the left pane to the right pane to make the following mappings.

- toAirport > destination
- seatsAvailable > availableSeats
- fromAirport > origination
- takeOffDate > departureDate
- code1 > flightCode
- code2 > flightCode

14. Select flightCode in the right pane and see the concatenation expression below the right pane.



## Debug the application

15. Save the file.
16. Add a breakpoint to the American DB Request endpoint and debug the application.
17. Make a request to <http://localhost:8081/american>.
18. Watch the payload value and step through the flow; you should get a `NumberFormatException` for the input string "none".

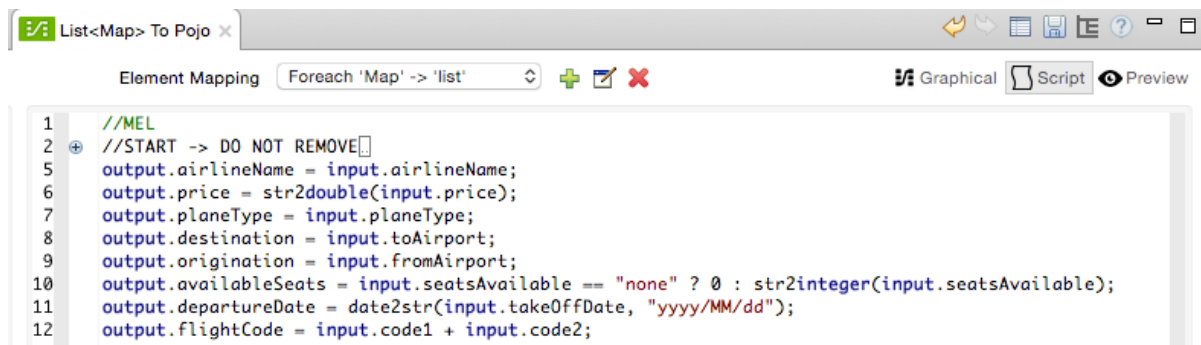
```
... 105 more
Caused by: java.lang.NumberFormatException: For input string: "none"
    at java.lang.NumberFormatException.forInputString(NumberFormatException.java:65)
    at java.lang.Integer.parseInt(Integer.java:492)
```

## Modify the DataMapper

19. Return to the DataMapper Properties view.
20. Click the Script button in the upper-right corner of the Properties view.
21. In the Script window, modify the expression setting availableSeats to use a ternary expression to set it to 0 or to the input value.

```
output.availableSeats = input.seatsAvailable == "none" ? 0 :
str2integer(input.seatsAvailable);
```

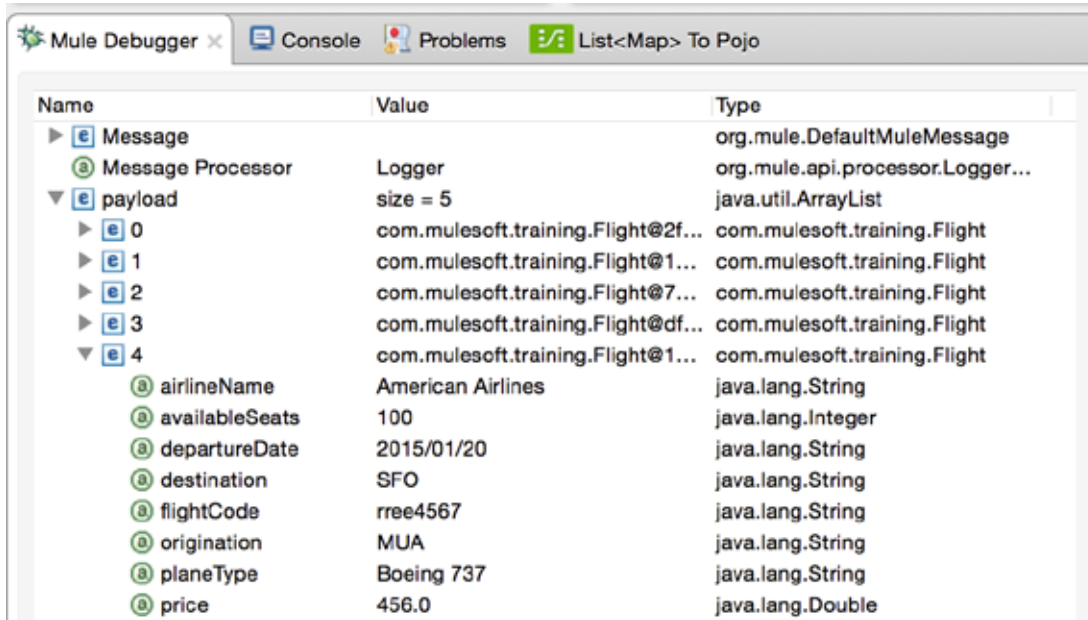
*Note: Be sure to end the line with a semi-colon.*



## Debug the application

22. Save the file to redeploy the application.
23. Make a request to <http://localhost:8081/american>.

24. Watch the payload value and step through the flow; you should now see the payload transformed into an ArrayList of Flight objects.



The screenshot shows the Mule Debugger interface with the following tabs: Mule Debugger, Console, Problems, and List<Map> To Pojo. The main table displays the state of the message and its payload.

Name	Value	Type
Message		org.mule.DefaultMuleMessage
Message Processor	Logger	org.mule.api.processor.Logger...
payload	size = 5	java.util.ArrayList
0	com.mulesoft.training.Flight@2f...	com.mulesoft.training.Flight
1	com.mulesoft.training.Flight@1...	com.mulesoft.training.Flight
2	com.mulesoft.training.Flight@7...	com.mulesoft.training.Flight
3	com.mulesoft.training.Flight@df...	com.mulesoft.training.Flight
4	com.mulesoft.training.Flight@1...	com.mulesoft.training.Flight
airlineName	American Airlines	java.lang.String
availableSeats	100	java.lang.Integer
departureDate	2015/01/20	java.lang.String
destination	SFO	java.lang.String
flightCode	rree4567	java.lang.String
origination	MUA	java.lang.String
planeType	Boeing 737	java.lang.String
price	456.0	java.lang.Double

25. Stop the Mule Debugger.

## Walkthrough 5-6: Use the DataMapper to pass arguments to a SOAP web service

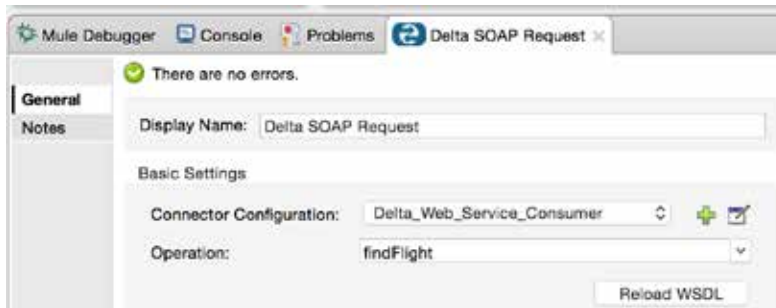
In this walkthrough, you will work with the Delta flight data. You will:

- Return the flights for a specific destination instead of all the flights.
- Change the web service operation invoked to one that requires a destination as an input argument.
- Use the DataMapper to pass an argument to a web service operation.
- Create a variable to set the destination to a dynamic query parameter value.

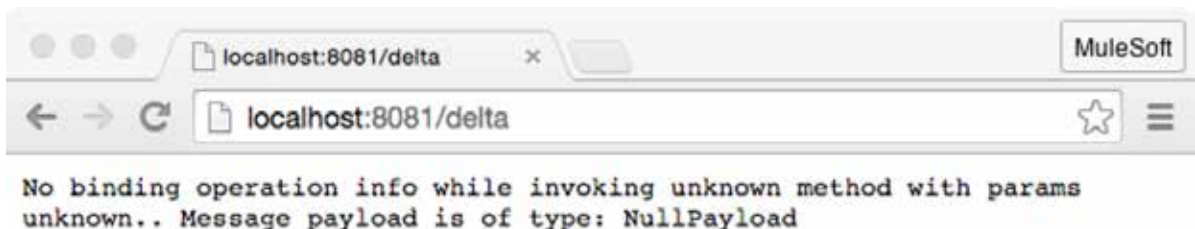


### Call a different web service operation

1. Return to apessentials.com and locate getDeltaFlightsFlow.
2. In the Properties view for the Delta SOAP Request endpoint, change the operation to findFlight.

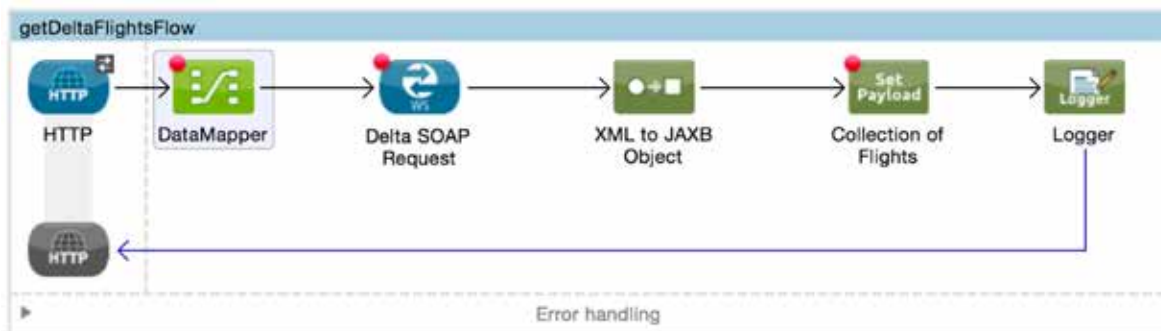


3. Apply the changes and run the application.
4. Make a request to <http://localhost:8081/delta>; you should get an error because you are calling an operation that requires parameters but you have not passed it any.



## Add a DataMapper

5. Add a DataMapper transformer to the left of the Delta SOAP Request endpoint.



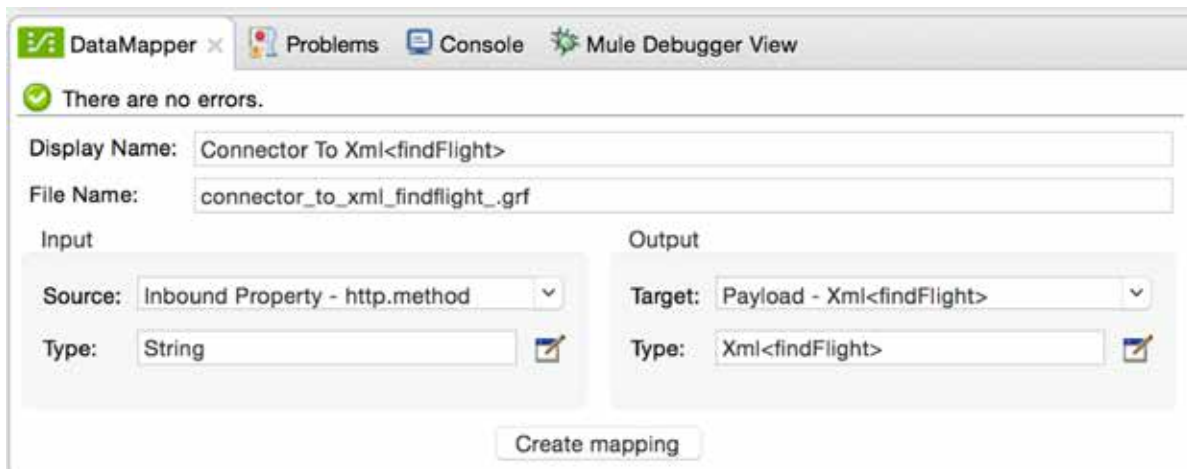
6. In the DataMapper Properties view, verify that the output target and type are set to Xml <findFlight>; the Web Service Consumer global element is set to use DataSense by default.

## Use the DataMapper to pass an argument to the web service

7. Set the Input Source to any one of the inbound properties that is of type String, like http.method.

*Note: It does not matter which value you select; it will not be used, as you will see in the next steps.*

8. Click the Create mapping button.



9. In the graphical mapping editor, right-click Input arguments and select Add Input argument.



10. In the New input argument dialog box, set the following values and click OK.

- Name: destination
- Type: string
- Mule expression: SFO



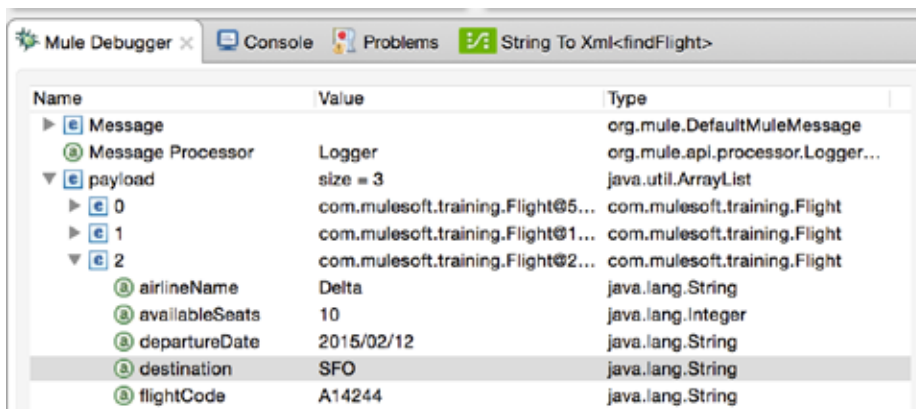
11. Drag and drop the destination input argument to the destination argument of findFlight.



## Test the application

12. Save the file and debug the application.

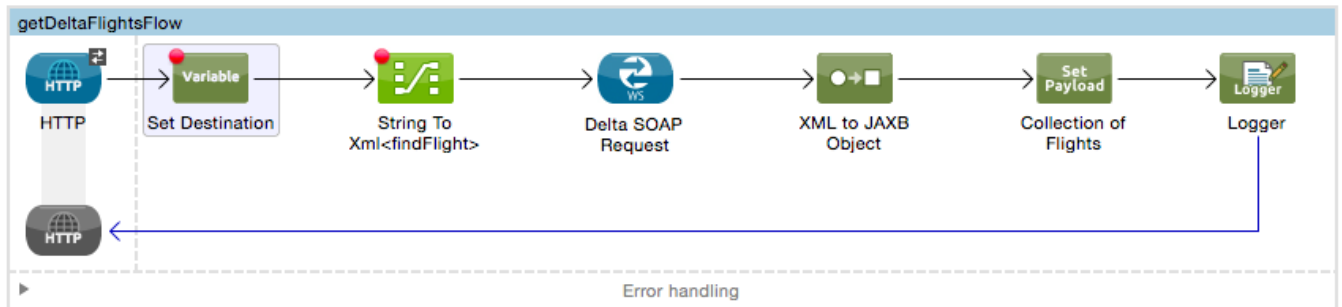
13. Make a request to <http://localhost:8081/delta> and step to the Logger; you should now see only the SFO flights.



14. Step through the rest of the application.

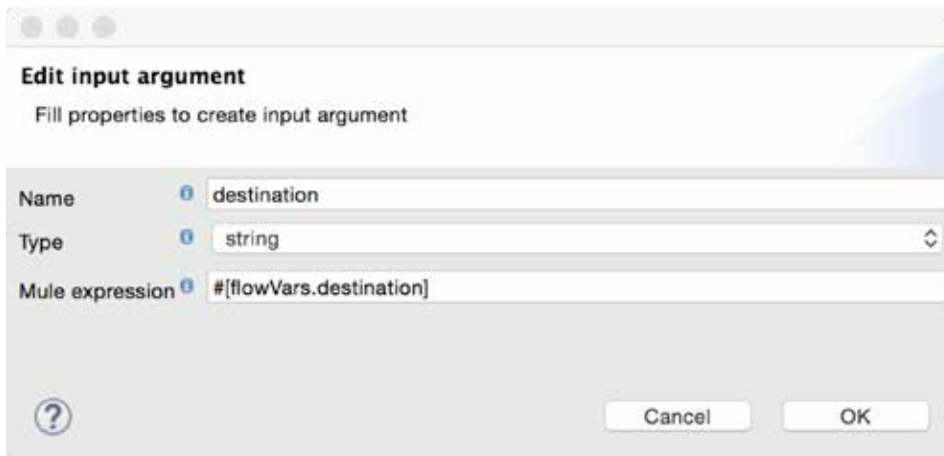
## Set a flow variable to hold the value of a query parameter

15. Select the Set Destination transformer in getUnitedFlightsFlow and from the main menu, select Edit > Copy (or press Cmd+C/Ctrl+C).
16. Click in the process section of getDeltaFlightsFlow and from the main menu, select Edit > paste (or press Cmd+V/Ctrl+V); you should see a copy of the transformer added to the flow.
17. Move the transformer before the DataMapper.
18. In the Variable Properties view, change the display name to Set Destination and review the expression.



## Modify the input argument to use a dynamic destination from a query parameter

19. In the Properties view for the DataMapper, double-click the Input Argument to modify it.
20. Change the value from SFO to use the flow variable, `#[flowVars.destination]`.



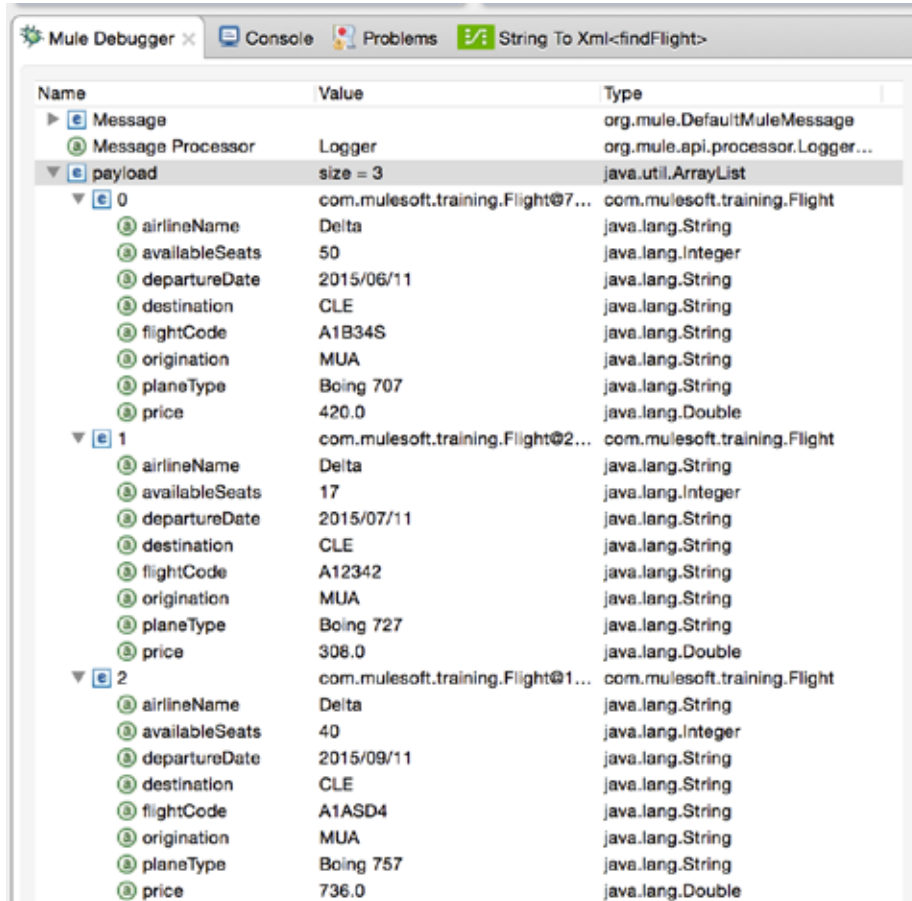
21. Click OK.

## Test the application

22. Save the file and redeploy the application.
23. Make a request to <http://localhost:8081/delta> and step to the Logger; you should only see flights to SFO.



24. Click Resume.
25. Make another request to <http://localhost:8081/delta?code=CLE> and step to the Logger; you should now see flights to CLE.
26. Look at the price of each flight; the flights are not ordered by price.



Name	Value	Type
Message		org.mule.DefaultMuleMessage
Message Processor	Logger	org.mule.api.processor.Logger...
payload	size = 3	java.util.ArrayList
0	com.mulesoft.training.Flight@7...	com.mulesoft.training.Flight
airlineName	Delta	java.lang.String
availableSeats	50	java.lang.Integer
departureDate	2015/06/11	java.lang.String
destination	CLE	java.lang.String
flightCode	A1B34S	java.lang.String
origination	MUA	java.lang.String
planeType	Boeing 707	java.lang.String
price	420.0	java.lang.Double
1	com.mulesoft.training.Flight@2...	com.mulesoft.training.Flight
airlineName	Delta	java.lang.String
availableSeats	17	java.lang.Integer
departureDate	2015/07/11	java.lang.String
destination	CLE	java.lang.String
flightCode	A12342	java.lang.String
origination	MUA	java.lang.String
planeType	Boeing 727	java.lang.String
price	308.0	java.lang.Double
2	com.mulesoft.training.Flight@1...	com.mulesoft.training.Flight
airlineName	Delta	java.lang.String
availableSeats	40	java.lang.Integer
departureDate	2015/09/11	java.lang.String
destination	CLE	java.lang.String
flightCode	A1ASD4	java.lang.String
origination	MUA	java.lang.String
planeType	Boeing 757	java.lang.String
price	736.0	java.lang.Double

27. Click the Resume button.

## Walkthrough 5-7: Use a custom Java transformer

In this walkthrough, you will use a custom transformer to sort the airline flight results from lowest to highest price. You will:

- Review a pre-written Java class to be used as the transformer class.
- Use a custom Java transformer.
- Sort the United flight data by price.

▼ payload	[com.mulesoft.training....	java.util.ArrayList
▼ 0	com.mulesoft.training....	com.mulesoft.training....
airlineName	Delta	java.lang.String
availableSeats		java.lang.Integer
departureDate		java.lang.String
destination		java.lang.String
flightCode		java.lang.String
origination	MUA	java.lang.String
planeType	Boeing 727	java.lang.String
price	308.0	java.lang.Double
▼ 1	com.mulesoft.training....	com.mulesoft.training....
airlineName	Delta	java.lang.String
availableSeats	50	java.lang.Integer
departureDate	2015/06/11	java.lang.String
destination	CLE	java.lang.String
flightCode	A1B34S	java.lang.String
origination	MUA	java.lang.String
planeType	Boeing 707	java.lang.String
price	420.0	java.lang.Double
▼ 2	com.mulesoft.training....	com.mulesoft.training....
airlineName	Delta	java.lang.String

### Review the Java class

1. Open Flight.java.
2. Review the code; notice that it implements Comparable and has a compareTo() function.

```
144 @Override
145 public int compareTo(Flight otherFlight) {
146     int value = Double.compare(this.getPrice(), otherFlight.getPrice());
147     return value;
148 }
149
150 };
```

3. Open the FlightSortTransformer class, which is also located in the com.mulesoft.training package of your project.

- Review the code; because the class only needs to operate on the payload (to sort it) and not the rest of the message, it extends the `org.mule.transformer.AbstractTransformer` class.

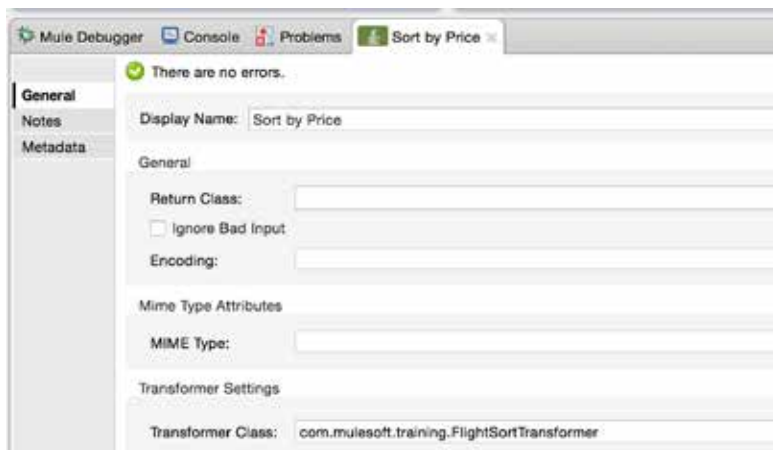
```
apessentials Flight.java FlightSortTransformer.java x
1 package com.mulesoft.training;
2
3 import java.util.ArrayList;
4
5
6
7
8
9
10 public class FlightSortTransformer extends AbstractTransformer {
11
12     @Override
13     protected Object doTransform(Object src, String enc)
14         throws TransformerException {
15         if (src instanceof ArrayList<?>){
16             List<Flight> flightList = (ArrayList<Flight>) src;
17             Collections.sort(flightList);
18             return flightList;
19         }
20         else{
21             return src;
22         }
23     }
24 }
25
26
27
```

## Add a Java transformer

- Navigate to `getDeltaFlightsFlow` in `apessentials.xml`.
- Add a Java transformer after the `Collection of Flights` transformer.
- In the `Java Properties` view, set the display name to `Sort by Price`.

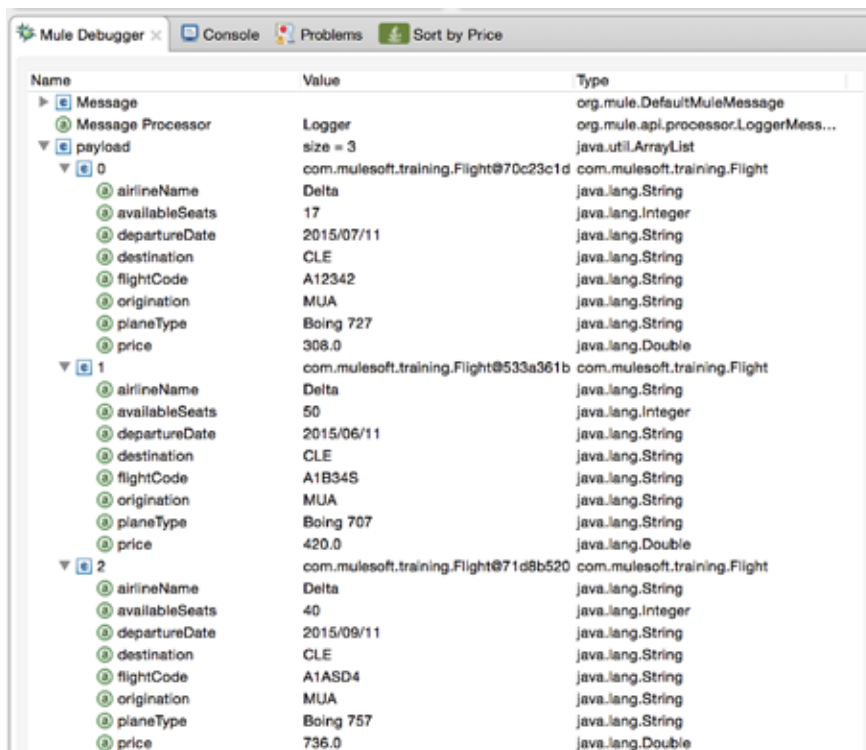


- Set the transformer class to `com.mulesoft.training.FlightSortTransformer`.



## Debug the application

- Save the file to redeploy the application in debug mode.
- Make a request to <http://localhost:8081/delta?code=CLE>.
- Step through to the Logger; you should see the collection has been reordered by price.



*Note: If the sort is not working, the visual view and the XML may be out of sync. Check the order of the elements in the XML and fix them if necessary.*

- Stop the Mule Debugger.