

This documentation isn't up to date with the latest version of Gatsby.

Outdated areas are:

- `data.json` doesn't exist anymore
- Add `page-data.json`
- Add `match-paths.json`

You can help by making a PR to [update this documentation](#).

Throughout the Gatsby code, you'll see the below object fields and variables mentioned. Their definitions and reason for existence are defined below.

Page

Page Object

created by calls to [createPage](#) (see [Page Creation](#)).

path

The publicly accessible path in the web URL to access the page in question. E.g

```
/blog/2018-07-17-announcing-gatsby-preview/ .
```

It is created when the page object is created (see [Page Creation](#))

updatedAt

Last updated time.

Redux `pages` namespace

Contains a map of Page [path](#) -> [Page object](#).

matchPath

Think of this instead as `client matchPath`. It is ignored when creating pages during the build. But on the frontend, when resolving the page from the path ([find-path.js](#)), it is used (via [reach router](#)) to find the matching page. Note that the [pages are sorted](#) so that those with matchPaths are at the end, so that explicit paths are matched first.

It is also used by [gatsby-plugin-netlify](#) when creating `_redirects`.

jsonName

The logical name for the page's query JSON result. The name is constructed during [createPage](#) using a kebabHash of page path. E.g. For the above page path, it is:

```
blog-2018-07-17-announcing-gatsby-preview-995
```

The actual JSON file is written to disk after [Query Execution](#).

component

The path on disk to the JavaScript file containing the React component. E.g

```
/src/templates/template-blog-post.js
```

Think of this as `componentPath` instead.

Redux `components` namespace

Mapping from `component` (path on disk) to its [Page object](#). It is created every time a page is created (by listening to `CREATE_PAGE`).

```
{
  `src/templates/template-blog-post.js`: {
    query: ``,
    path: `/blog/2018-07-17-announcing-gatsby-preview/`,
    jsonName: `blog-2018-07-17-announcing-gatsby-preview-995`,
    componentPath: `src/templates/template-blog-post.js`,
    ...restOfPage
  }
}
```

Query starts off as empty, but is set during the `extractQueries` phase by [query-watcher/handleQuery](#), once the query has compiled by relay (see [Query Extraction](#)).

`componentChunkName`

The `[name]` portion of the webpack `chunkFilename` (`[name]-[contenthash].js`) (see [Production App webpack config](#)). Its name is the concatenation of `component---` and the `component` name passed through [kebab-hash](#). E.g, the `componentChunkName` for `component`

```
/src/blog/2.js
```

is

```
component---src-blog-2-js
```

This is used extensively throughout Gatsby, but especially during [Code Splitting](#).

`internalComponentName`

If the path is `/`, `internalComponentName` = `ComponentIndex`. Otherwise, for a path of `/blog/foo`, it would be `ComponentBlogFoo`.

Created as part of page, but currently unused.

`page.context`

This is [merged with the page itself](#) and then is [passed to GraphQL](#) queries as the `context` parameter.

Query

`dataPath`

Path to the page's query result. Relative to `/public/static/d/{modInt}`. Name is kebab hash on `path--${jsonName} - result->sha1->base64`. E.g

```
621/path---blog-2018-07-17-announcing-gatsby-preview-995-a74-  
dwfQIanOJGe2gi27a9CLKHjamc
```

Set after [Query Execution](#) has finished.

Redux `jsonDataPaths` namespace (`dataPaths`)

Map of page [jsonName](#) to [dataPath](#). Updated after [Query Execution](#). E.g

```
{
  // jsonName -> dataPath
  "blog-2018-07-17-announcing-gatsby-preview-995": "621/path---blog-2018-07-17-announcing-gatsby-preview-995-a74-dwfQIanOJGe2gi27a9CLKHjmc"
}
```

This is also known via the `dataPaths` variable.

Query result file

```
/public/static/d/621/${dataPath}
```

E.g

```
/public/static/d/621/path---blog-2018-07-17-announcing-gatsby-preview-995-a74-dwfQIanOJGe2gi27a9CLKHjmc.json
```

This is the actual result of the GraphQL query that was run for the page `/blog/2018-07-17-announcing-gatsby-preview/`. The contents would look something like:

```
{
  "data": {
    "markdownRemark": {
      "html": "<p>Today we....",
      "timeToRead": 2,
      "fields": {
        "slug": "/blog/2018-07-17-announcing-gatsby-preview/"
      },
      "frontmatter": {
        "title": "Announcing Gatsby Preview",
        "date": "July 17th 2018",
        ...
      },
      ...
    }
  },
  "pageContext": {
    "slug": "/blog/2018-07-17-announcing-gatsby-preview/",
    "prev": {
      ...
    },
    "next": null
  }
}
```

For a query such as:

```
export const pageQuery = graphql`
  query($slug: String!) {
    markdownRemark(fields: { slug: { eq: $slug } }) {
      html
      timeToRead
      fields {
        slug
      }
      frontmatter {
        title
        date(formatString: "MMMM Do YYYY")
        ...
      }
      ...
    }
  }
`
```

webpack stuff

/.cache/async-requires.js

See [Write Out Pages](#).

.cache/data.json

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