

# gatsby-transformer-xml

Parses XML files. It also supports attributes

## Install

```
npm install gatsby-transformer-xml
```

## How to use

```
// In your gatsby-config.js
plugins: [`gatsby-transformer-xml`]
```

## Parsing algorithm

The algorithm for arrays is to convert each item in the array into a node.

So if your project has a `books.xml` with

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<catalog>
  <book id="bk101">
    <author>Gambardella, Matthew</author>
    <title>XML Developer's Guide</title>
    <genre>Computer</genre>
    <price>44.95</price>
    <publish_date>2000-10-01</publish_date>
    <description>An in-depth look at creating applications
    with XML.</description>
  </book>
  <book id="bk102">
    <author>Ralls, Kim</author>
    <title>Midnight Rain</title>
    <genre>Fantasy</genre>
    <price>5.95</price>
    <publish_date>2000-12-16</publish_date>
    <description>A former architect battles corporate zombies,
    an evil sorceress, and her own childhood to become queen
    of the world.</description>
  </book>
</catalog>
```

The plugin uses [xml-parser](#) to convert it to json

```
{
  "declaration": {
    "attributes": {
      "version": "1.0"
    }
  }
```

```

},
"root": {
  "name": "catalog",
  "attributes": {},
  "children": [
    {
      "name": "book",
      "attributes": {
        "id": "bk101"
      },
      "children": [
        {
          "name": "author",
          "attributes": {},
          "children": [],
          "content": "Gambardella, Matthew"
        },
        {
          "name": "title",
          "attributes": {},
          "children": [],
          "content": "XML Developer's Guide"
        },
        {
          "name": "genre",
          "attributes": {},
          "children": [],
          "content": "Computer"
        },
        {
          "name": "price",
          "attributes": {},
          "children": [],
          "content": "44.95"
        },
        {
          "name": "publish_date",
          "attributes": {},
          "children": [],
          "content": "2000-10-01"
        },
        {
          "name": "description",
          "attributes": {},
          "children": [],
          "content": "An in-depth look at creating applications\n          with XML."
        }
      ],
      "content": ""
    },
    {
      "name": "book",

```

```

    "attributes": {
      "id": "bk102"
    },
    "children": [
      {
        "name": "author",
        "attributes": {},
        "children": [],
        "content": "Ralls, Kim"
      },
      {
        "name": "title",
        "attributes": {},
        "children": [],
        "content": "Midnight Rain"
      },
      {
        "name": "genre",
        "attributes": {},
        "children": [],
        "content": "Fantasy"
      },
      {
        "name": "price",
        "attributes": {},
        "children": [],
        "content": "5.95"
      },
      {
        "name": "publish_date",
        "attributes": {},
        "children": [],
        "content": "2000-12-16"
      },
      {
        "name": "description",
        "attributes": {},
        "children": [],
        "content": "A former architect battles corporate zombies,\n          an evil\n          sorceress, and her own childhood to become queen\n          of the world."
      }
    ],
    "content": ""
  }
}

```

Which then is used to create the nodes.

## How to query

You'd be able to query your books like:

```
{
  allBooksXml {
    edges {
      node {
        name
        xmlChildren {
          name
          content
        }
      }
    }
  }
}
```

Which would return:

```
{
  "data": {
    "allBooksXml": {
      "edges": [
        {
          "node": {
            "name": "book",
            "xmlChildren": [
              {
                "name": "author",
                "content": "Gambardella, Matthew"
              },
              {
                "name": "title",
                "content": "XML Developer's Guide"
              },
              {
                "name": "genre",
                "content": "Computer"
              },
              {
                "name": "price",
                "content": "44.95"
              },
              {
                "name": "publish_date",
                "content": "2000-10-01"
              },
              {
                "name": "description",
```

```
XML."
    }
  ]
}
},
{
  "node": {
    "name": "book",
    "xmlChildren": [
      {
        "name": "author",
        "content": "Ralls, Kim"
      },
      {
        "name": "title",
        "content": "Midnight Rain"
      },
      {
        "name": "genre",
        "content": "Fantasy"
      },
      {
        "name": "price",
        "content": "5.95"
      },
      {
        "name": "publish_date",
        "content": "2000-12-16"
      },
      {
        "name": "description",
        "content": "A former architect battles corporate zombies,\n          evil sorceress, and her own childhood to become queen\n          of the world."
      }
    ]
  }
}
]
```

Note that the root element "catalog" is ignored, and nodes are created with the children elements.