

Gatsby

More than a Static Site Generator

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What is Gatsby?



Gatsby is a free and open source framework based on React to build websites & apps



static files !== static app

Gatsby rehydrates into a React app



A static app generator for React

Fast in every way that matters



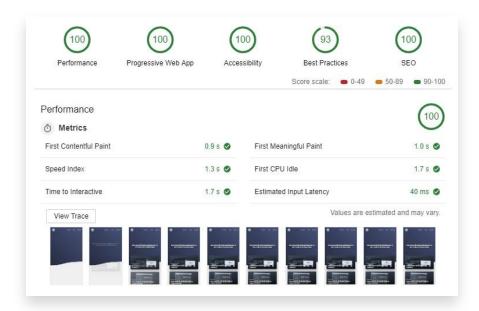
Gatsby *starts* as a static HTML/CSS and then lazy loads the JS to turn the same page into a React app.

So all other things being equal, it'll be the same speed as a static HTML/CSS site.

But things **aren't** equal as Gatsby does a ton of optimizations on its static HTML/CSS.



Blazingly fast by default



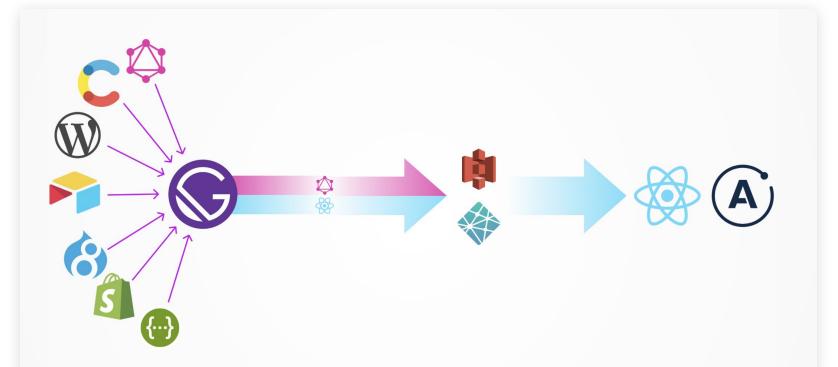


How?

- Follows the PRPL pattern
- Route-based code splitting
- Lazy-loading pages whose links are in the viewport
- Inlining of critical resources
- Simple to do, high performant image optimizations



Life of a Gatsby app





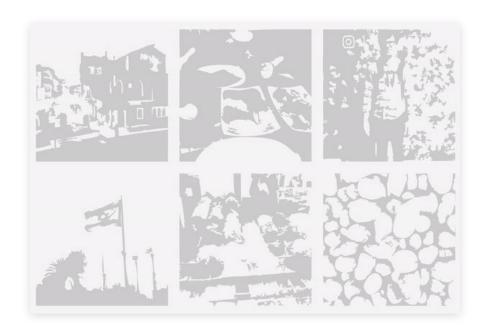
GraphQL

GraphiQL Playground

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gatsby-image





Gatsby by analogies

- Start off with a pre-configured development environment and build process (high-performance car)
- Benefit from built-in performance optimization (Neo's Matrix skills)
- Leverage static site delivery and web app experience (Compressed mattress)
- Prefetch resources for snappy routing (Psychic delivery person)
- Consolidate data sourcing and transformations (Amazon)



Community & Ecosystem



Statistics



★ ~ 34K GitHub stars



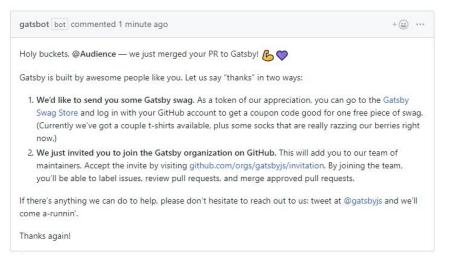


~ 1M monthly downloads

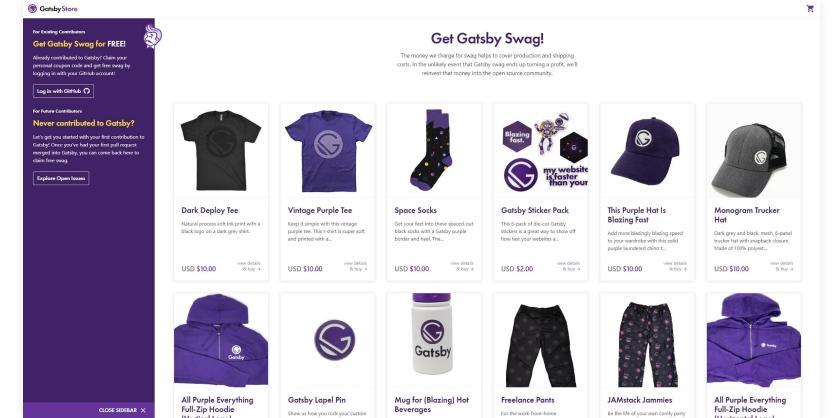


Contributor onboarding

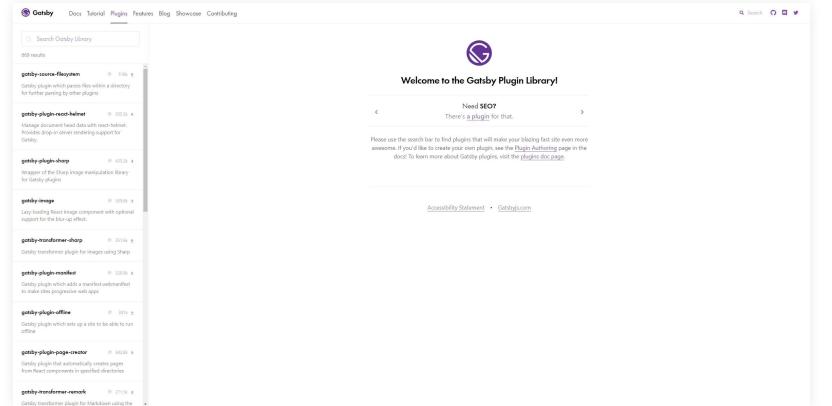




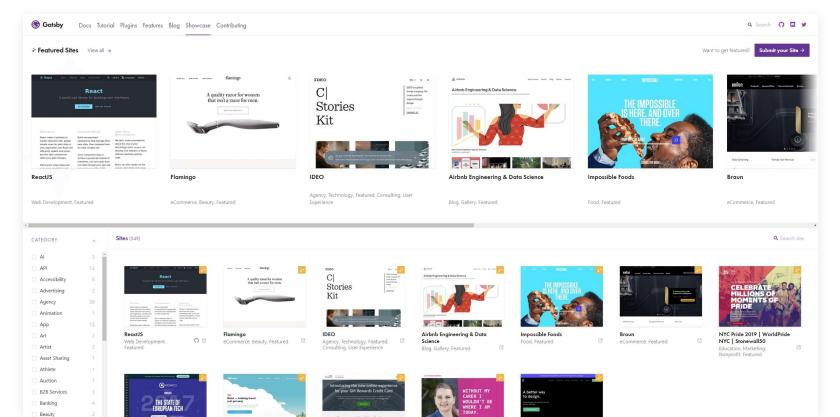




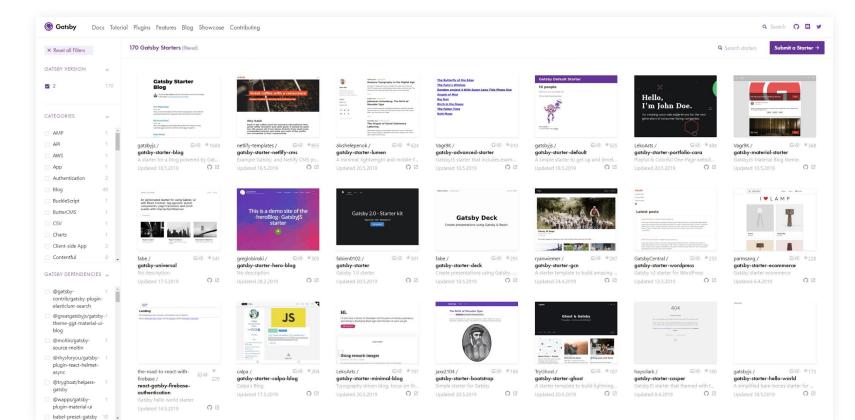














Gatsby Themes

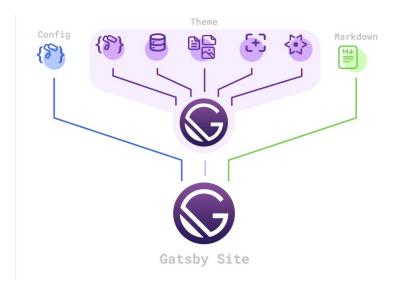
A reusable block of a Gatsby site



These blocks can be:

- shared, extended, customized
- purely data / UI driven, or combination of both

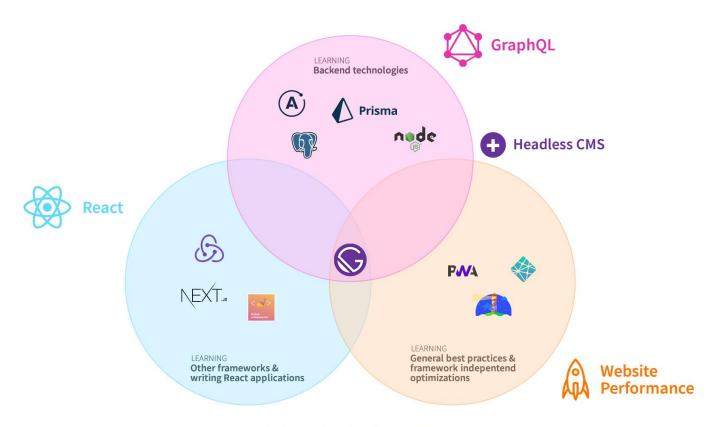






Gatsby offers you a playground to learn React





Gatsby: The incentives to learn more



Demo

The Movie Database

Hybrid App: Statically rendered index, client-only detail pages Uses custom source plugin Uses react-spring & React hooks





That's all, folks!

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Resources

- Beyond Static with Gatsby, React, GraphQL by Dustin Schau
- Beyond Static Gatsby + Apollo by Jason Lengstorf
- Using gatsby-image
- Gatsby by analogies
- Gatsby Swag store
- How Gatsby scales with your expertise & scope