Handling Data with Source and Transformer Plugins



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Summary



Source plugins

Transformer plugins

Markdown files



Introducing Gatsby Plugins



Extend core functionality

Fetch content and data

Transform it

Add third party services

Build your own plugin

Packaged as NPM modules

Configured in gatsby-config.js

Gatsby plugins



Gatsby Source Plugins



Gatsby Source Plugins



Fetch data from their source

- CMS
- Local file system
- API's
- Etc.

Gatsby Source Plugins



gatsby-source-filesystem

- Creates file Nodes from the file system





npm install --save gatsby-source-filesystem

Installing Gatsby Source FileSystem Plugin Type this code in the command line



Demo



Gatsby source plugins



Introducing Markdown Files



Markdown



Convert it to many formats, most notably HTML

title: "Gatsby is awesome"

date: "2019-01-02"

image: "https://tld.com/gatsbyjs.jpg"

keywords: "blog"

#If you are reading this, you know Gatsby is awesome!

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Markdown



Contain data for blog posts

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Markdown



One markdown file is equivalent to one post in the site

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Demo



Creating Markdown files



Gatsby Transformer Plugins



Gatsby Transformer Plugins



Transform data

- Markdown to JSON
- Etc.

Gatsby Transformer Plugins



gatsby-transformer-remark

- Parses Markdown files using Remark





npm install --save gatsby-transformer-remark

Installing Gatsby Transformer Remark

Type this code in the command line



Demo



Gatsby transformer plugins



Demo



Creating article components



Summary



Gatsby has 100's of plugins available

Fetch content and data

Transform data

Access third party services

Build your own plugin

Download plugins as NPM modules

Configure them in gatsby-config.js

Two types of plugins: Source and Transformer plugins



Summary



Source plugins fetch data

We fetched a list of markdown files

Transformed markdown metadata to JSON

Front Matter adds metadata to a Markdown file

