

# CHARLOTTE CRAFT CMS MEETUP GROUP

# CRAFT 2 TO 3 MIGRATIONS

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### AGENDA

- Approaches
- Migrating fields and structures
- Migrating content
- Multi-language/site solutions (locales)
- Data verification
- Template updates
- Routes in Yii 2
- Custom plugins
- Convince your client

### **APPROACHES**

- Use Craft provided migration tool.
  - Create base Craft 3 install
  - Backup your source
  - Match plugins to Craft 3 versions
     (Disable any that don't match)
  - Edit required Craft files (based on guidelines)
  - Cross fingers and toes, perform migration.

### **Upgrading from Craft 2**

The first step to upgrading your site to Craft 3 is updating the CMS itself.

### Preparing for the Upgrade

Before you begin, make sure that:

- you've reviewed the changes in Craft 3
- your server meets Craft 3's minimum requirements (Craft 3 requires PHP 7+ and at least 256 MB of memory allocated to PHP)
- your site is running at least Craft 2.6.2788
- your plugins are all up-to-date, and you've verified that they've been updated for Craft 3 (you can see a report of your plugins' Craft 3 compatibility status from the Updates page in the Craft 2 Control Panel)
- your database is backed up in case everything goes horribly wrong

Once you've completed everything listed above you can continue with the upgrade process.

### **APPROACHES**

- Start with a new Craft 3 site, manually migrate
  - Best approach for complex sites
  - Best approach when compatible plugins may not be available in Craft 3
  - Best approach for locales to sites
  - Best approach for migrating sites that will continue to receive content updates on source (rolling migrations)



### Feed Me

Import content from XML, RSS, CSV or JSON feeds into

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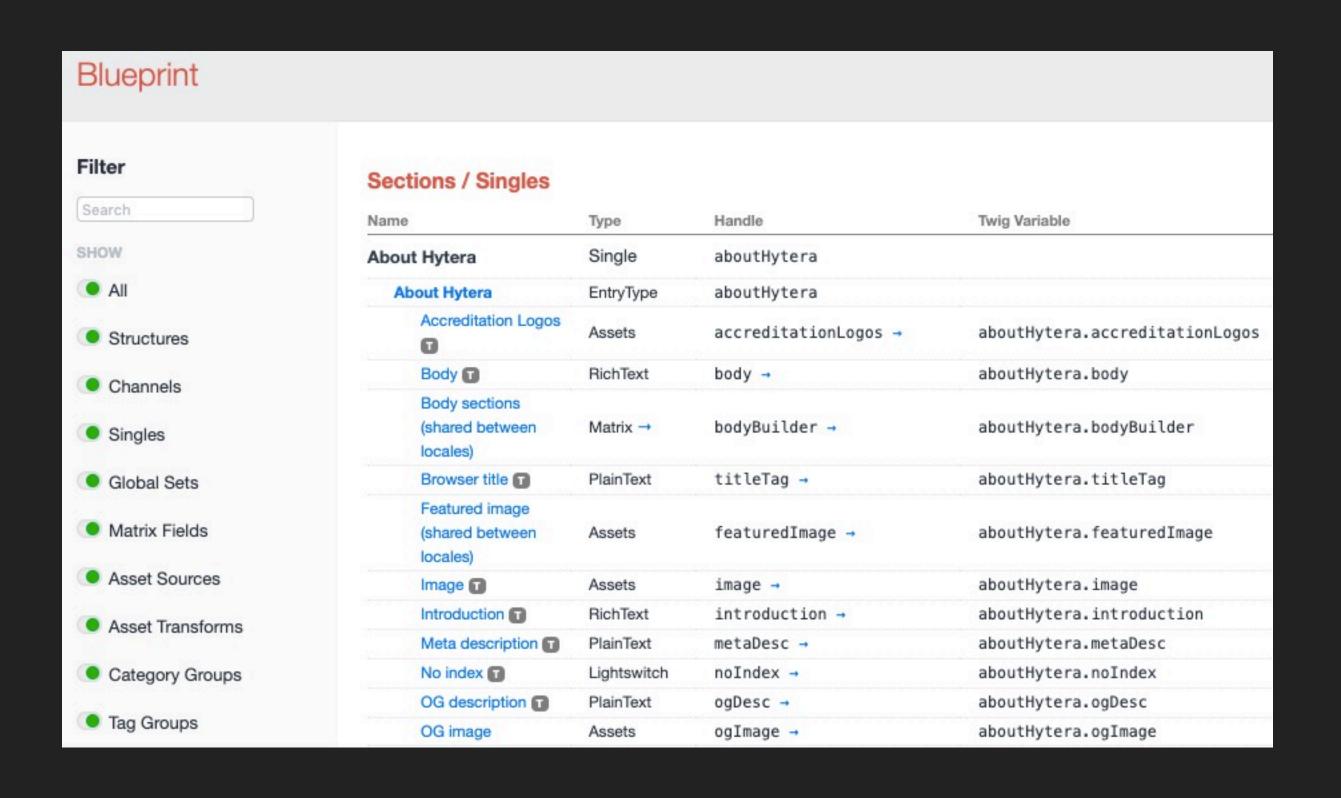
### Architect

CraftCMS plugin to generate content models from JSON

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- First always back up your stable local instance
- Create additional new backups as you perform these suggested processes
  - Rollbacks of partial imports are never fun to resolve.
- Install the Redactor plugin so any Rich Text fields can be properly migrated to Redactor fields
- Review all Craft 2 fields and structure, familiarize yourself

- Craft 2 Blueprint plugin
  - Helps you quickly visualize field structures of:
    - Sections
    - Singles
    - Channels
    - Globals
    - Asset Sources
    - Category Groups
    - Asset sources and transforms



Architect
CraftCMS plugin to generate content models from JSON
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- Craft 2 The Architect plugin
  - Will import schemas of:
  - Fields

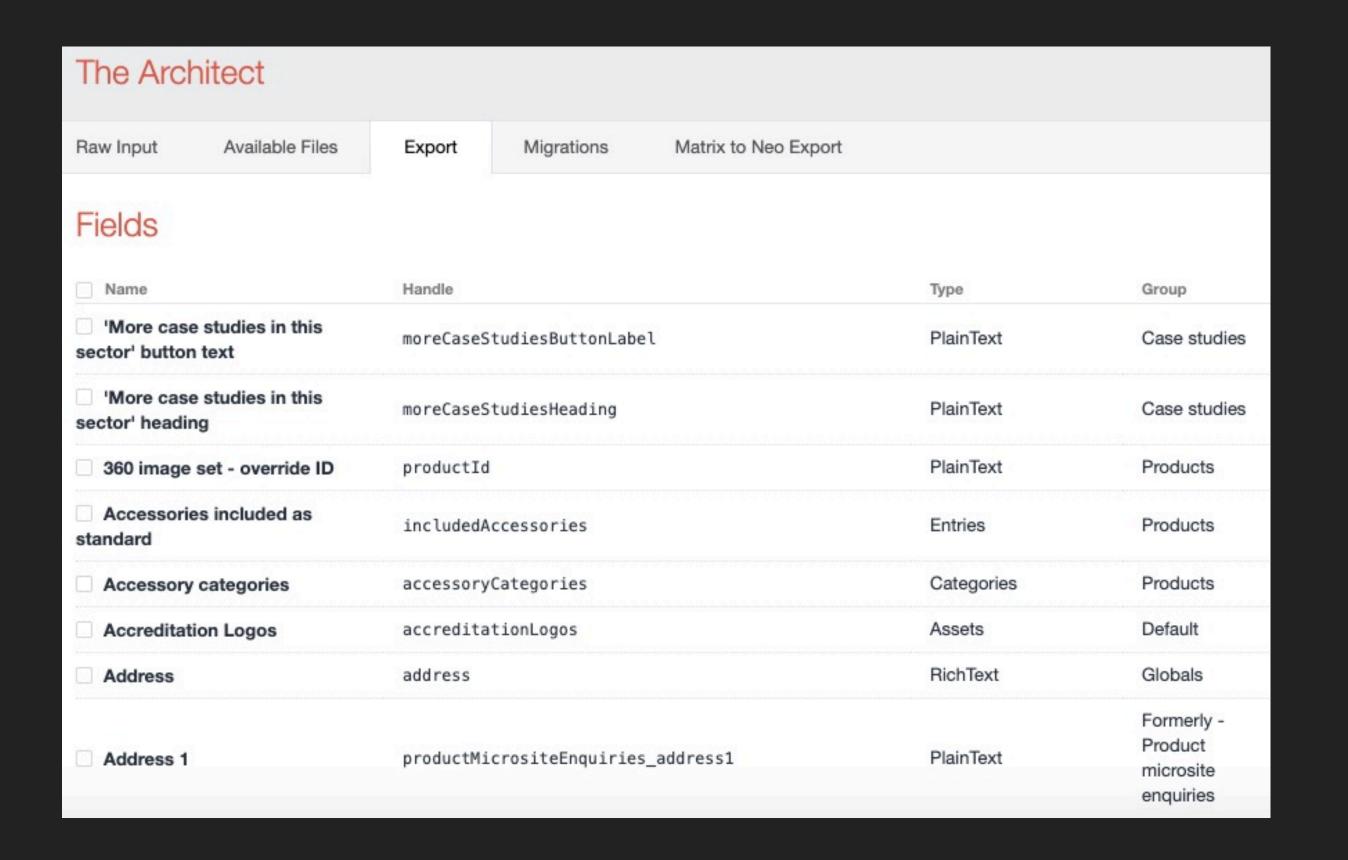
Globals

Sections

Categories

Sources

- Routes
- Image Transforms Tags
- Users and User Groups



- Example export from Architect
  - Be careful to match any changes in scheme for Craft 3
    - Locale is now Site
    - Some settings may not transfer
    - On Craft 3 site, create

      example entry structure,

      export JSON to compare differences

```
"name": "Blockquote",
"handle": "blockquote",
"instructions": "",
"required": false,
"translatable": 1,
"type": "RichText",
"settings": {
   "configFile": "",
   "availableAssetSources": "*",
   "availableTransforms": "*",
   "cleanupHtml": 1,
   "purifyHtml": 1,
   "columnType": "text"
"name": "Client Name",
"handle": "clientName",
"instructions": "",
"required": false,
"translatable": 1,
"type": "PlainText",
"settings": {
   "placeholder": "",
   "maxLength": "",
   "multiline": "",
    "initialRows": 4
```

```
"name": "Company Name",
"handle": "companyName",
"instructions": "",
"required": false,
"translatable": 1,
"type": "PlainText",
"settings": {
    "placeholder": "",
    "maxLength": "",
    "multiline": "",
    "initialRows": 4
"name": "Job Title",
"handle": "jobTitle",
"instructions": "",
"required": false,
"translatable": 1,
"type": "PlainText",
"settings": {
    "placeholder": "",
    "maxLength": "",
    "multiline": "",
    "initialRows": 4
"name": "Testimonial Select",
"handle": "testimonialSelect",
"instructions": "",
"required": false,
"translatable": 0,
"type": "Entries",
"settings": {
    "sources":
       "section:38"
    "targetLocale": "",
    "selectionLabel": ""
```





- Some cautions when using The Architect:
  - Perform imports on Craft 3 in suggested order to prevent missing relationships
  - ▶ 1) Asset Sources

- ▶ 6) Categories (may require additional pass after fields)
- 2) Image Transforms
- > 7) Globals (may require additional pass after fields)

3) User Groups

8) Sections (may require additional pass after fields)

4) Users

9) Fields

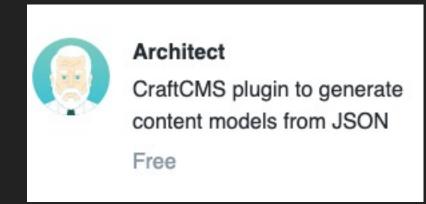
▶ 5) Tags

▶ 10) Rerun your second pass groups

(to match any associations that may not have been made on initial pass)



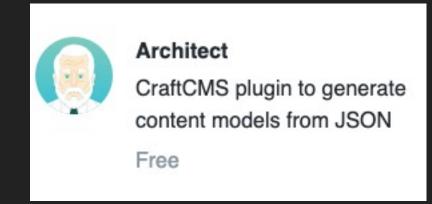
- Approaching as suggested prevents:
  - Image fields missing their image sources
  - Matrix blocks missing their block fields (this still might happen due to some Craft wackiness, be careful)
  - Category fields missing their category groups and entries
  - Other madness that will cause grey hairs



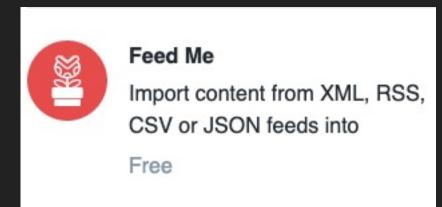
- Matrix to Neo (magic)
  - If you prefer NEO over complex matrices this tool works wonders to match up block structure
  - Be careful with NEO you can get very complex very quickly
  - ▶ Requires that NEO already installed on the new 3 instance



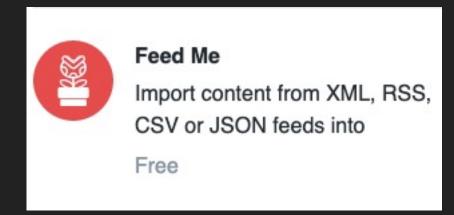
- Don't use migrations
  - These are intended for migrations within a site, not for transferring content models between sites
- Check the Craft 2 version GitHub issues if you run into anything
  - Plugin has been archived, so you may have to resolve any issues manually
- DONT RELY ON ARCHITECT TO ROLLBACK AND USE ITS DB BACKUP AS YOUR ONLY BACKUP you'll have a bad time real fast



- Singles will need to be migrated by hand, including field structure :(
- While Architect for Craft 2 can't give you a schema export for Sites (since they don't exist in 2) you can use their JSON or YAML examples to bake your own solution for locales to sites
  - Unless this is a huge amount of locales to sites, I recommend doing this manually just to save your self some time



- Feed Me by Craft
  - Can handle imports of JSON/XML structured data from Craft
  - Be sure to follow Feed Me guidance on structure of your fields
    - Use Value and not Label for lists, radio, etc.
    - Don't use entry IDs for relationships because they won't match instead, use the titles or slugs of the entries



- Add a field to your entries on Craft 3 to hold the Craft 2 entry IDs
  - ▶ You can then use this field value to check for duplicates when/if you have to rerun the feed to update entries
- Pay extra attention to your Matrix fields when you are structuring them
- Beware that Feed Me doesn't have a way to import the status of blocks, so you will get inactive blocks included in your feed
- When importing Users, you can't import their passwords. Recommendation is to set all users to trigger a password reset on the next login attempt
- Feed Me does NOT support some entry types created by certain plugins, notably SEOMatic data
- ▶ Best to follow the same pattern you used when/if you imported fields and structures with Architect

- Example JSON schema
  - Paginate entries
  - Include locales if needed
  - Spaceless tags
  - Abstract Matrices to reusable templates
  - JSON encode strings

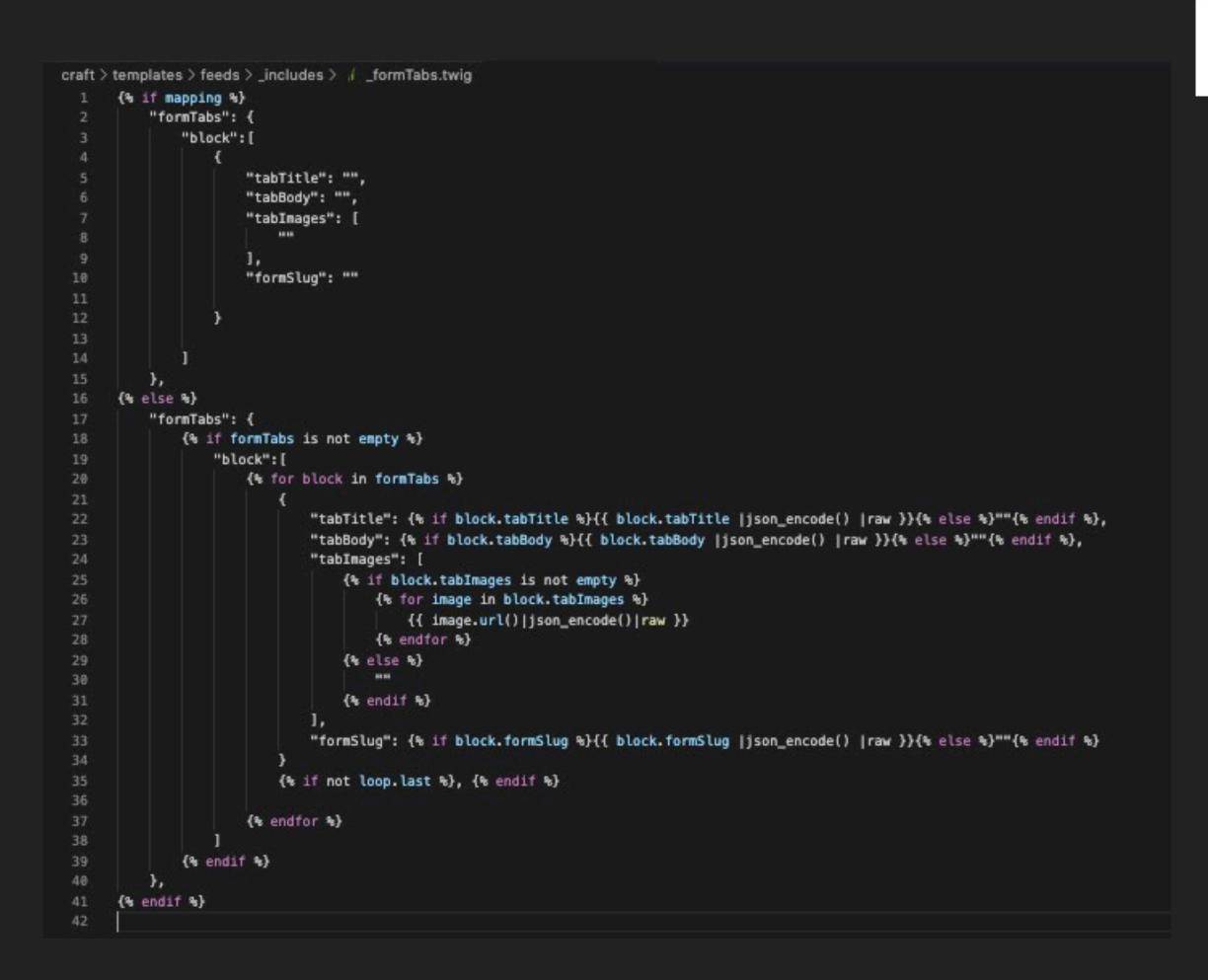
```
craft > templates > feeds > {} accessories.json
         (% header "Content-Type: application/json; charset=utf-8" %)
        {% set mapping = false %}
        (% spaceless %)
        (% paginate craft.entries({
            section: ['accessories'],
            type: 'accessories',
status: null,
             order: 'postDate desc',
limit: 50,
        }) as pageInfo, pageEntries %}
        {"content": {
               "paginationUrl": "{{ pageInfo.nextUrl }}",
                  {% for entry in pageEntries %}
{% set technicalData = entry.technicalData %}
                        "entry_id":{{ entry.id }},
                         "entry_date":{% if entry.postDate is not empty %}{{ entry.postDate.getTimestamp()|date('U') }}{% else %}""{% endif %},
                         "entry_status":"{{ entry.status }}",
                         "entry_slug":"{{ entry.slug }}",
                        "url":{% if entry.url %}{{ entry.url |json_encode() |raw }}{% else %}""{% endif %},
"title":{{ entry.title |json_encode() |raw }},
                         "author": "{{ entry.author.username }}",
                        "preparsedProductImages": {% if entry.preparsedProductImages %}{{ entry.preparsedProductImages | json_encode() | raw }}{% else %}""{% endif %},
"summary": {% if entry.summary %}{{ entry.summary | json_encode() | raw }}{% else %}""{% endif %},
"productImage":{% if entry.productImage is not empty %}{{ entry.productImage.first().url()|json_encode()|raw }}{% else %}""{% endif %},
                         "accessoryCategories": [
                             {% set categories = entry.accessoryCategories.all() %}
{% for category in categories %}
                                   "{{ category.slug }}"
                                   {% if not loop.last %},{% endif %}
                       "brochure":{% if entry.brochure is not empty %}{{ entry.brochure.first().url()|json_encode()|raw }}{% else %}""{% endif %},
{% include '/feeds/_includes/_technical-data' with {
                         "titleTag": {% if entry.titleTag %}{{ entry.titleTag |json_encode() |raw }}{% else %}""{% endif %},
                         "metaDesc": {% if entry.metaDesc %}{{ entry.metaDesc | json_encode() | raw }}{% else %}""{% endif %},
                         "noIndex": "{{ entry.noIndex }}",
                        "ogDesc": {% if entry.ogDesc %}{{ entry.ogDesc | json_encode() | raw }}{% else %}""{% endif %},

"ogImage": {% if entry.ogImage is not empty %}{{ entry.ogImage.first().url()|json_encode()|raw }}{% else %}""{% endif %},

"ogTitle": {% if entry.ogTitle %}{{ entry.ogTitle | json_encode() | raw }}{% else %}""{% endif %},
                         "ogType": "{{ entry.ogType.value }}",
                          'twitterCard": "{{ entry.twitterCard.value }}",
                        "twitterCreator": {% if entry.twitterCreator %}{{ entry.twitterCreator | json_encode() | raw }}{% else %}""{% endif %}
                  (% if not loop.last %),(% endif %)
                  (% endfor %)
```



- Example Matrix schema
  - DON'T name your blocks Feed Me will loop the block structure in Craft 3 site, you will map fields.
  - If block field names are same, rename them to be unique.
  - Arrays can be empty
  - Loop index for JSON

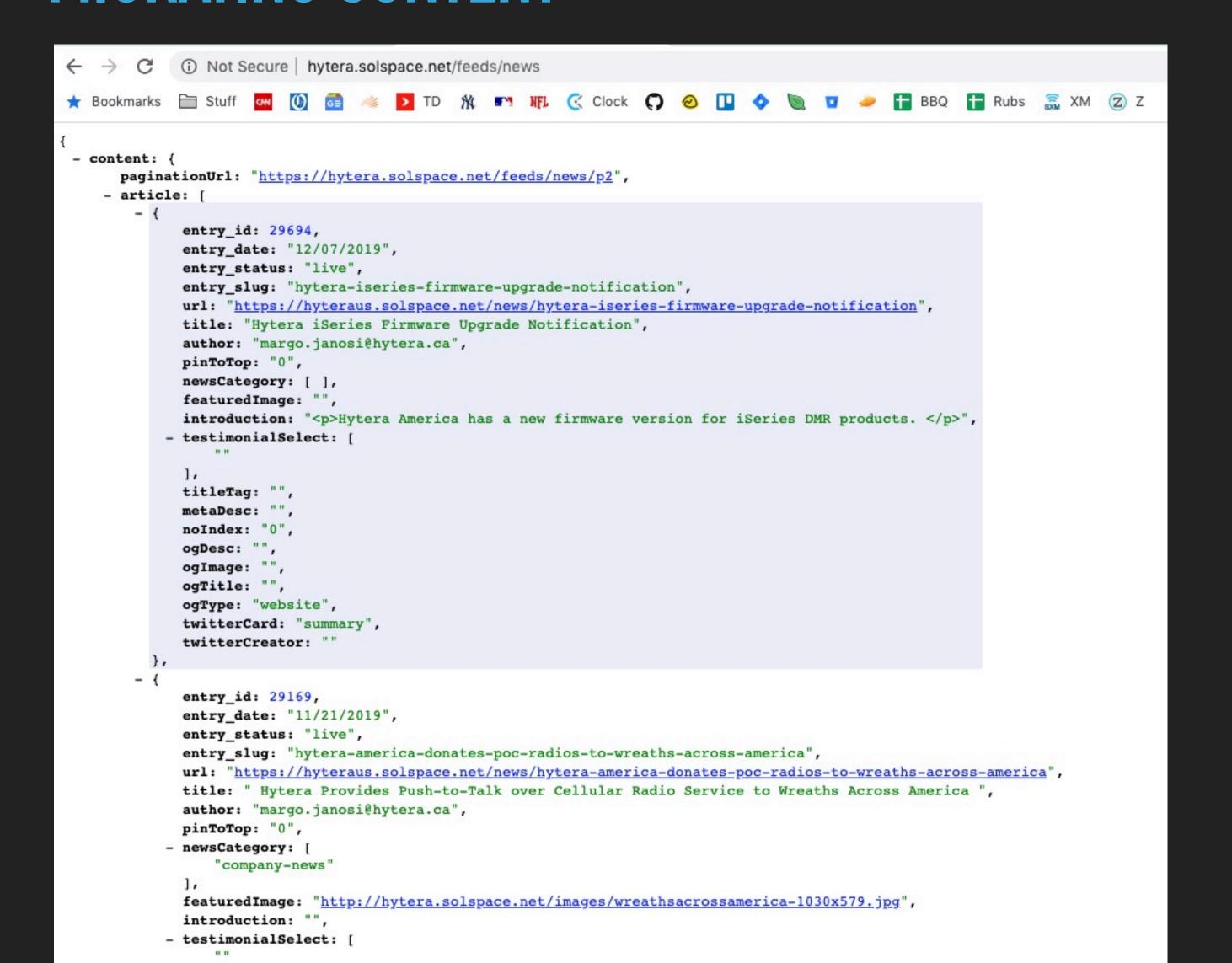




- Example Matrix schema
  - Table fields require special structure.



Compiled JSON feed example:



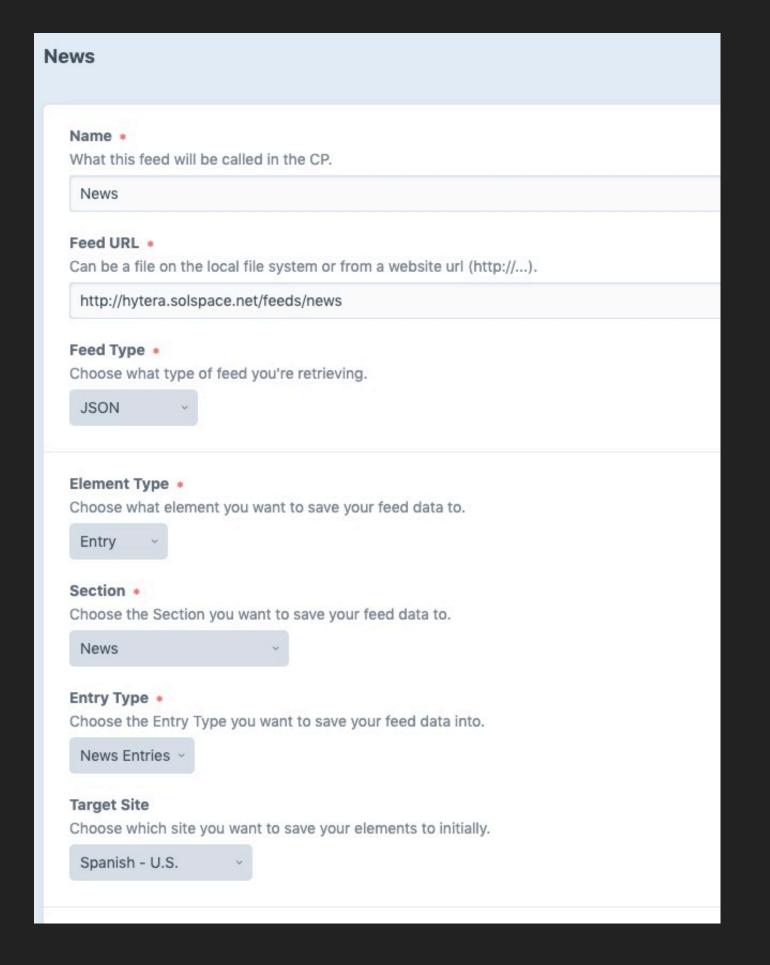


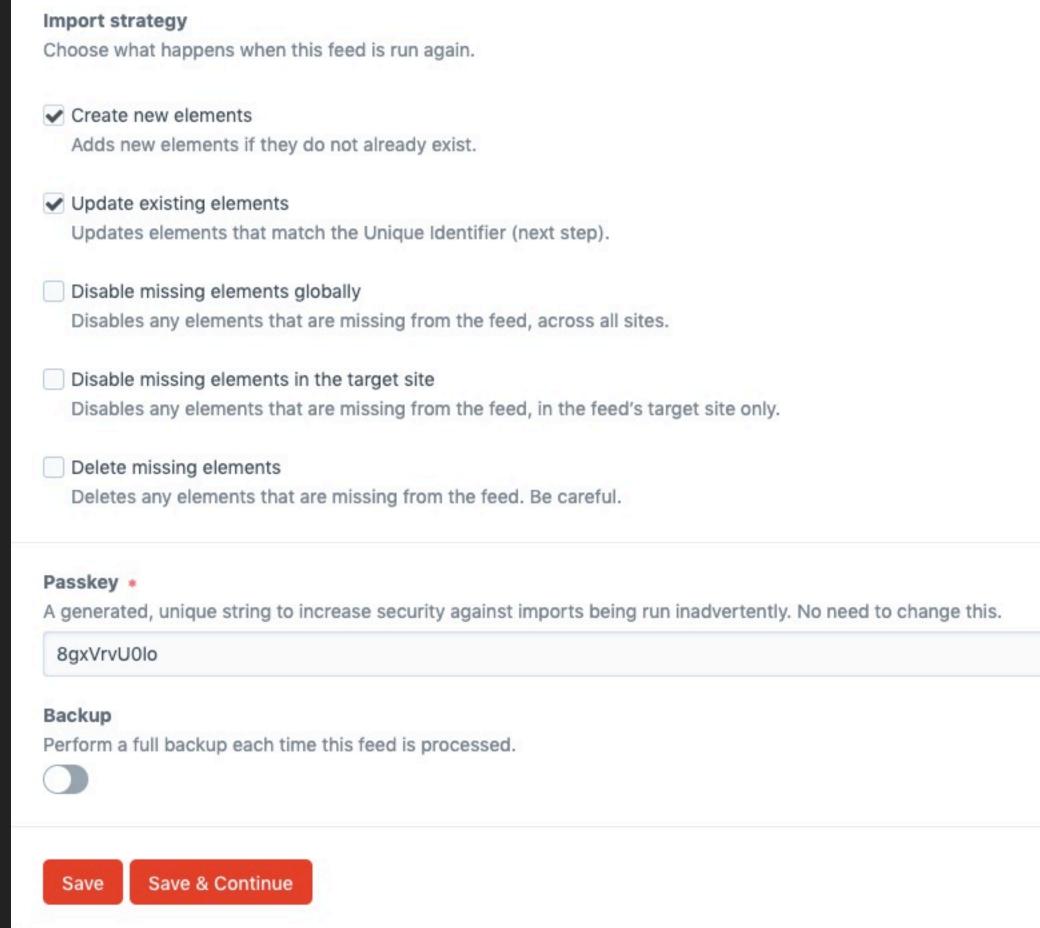
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### Feed Me step 1



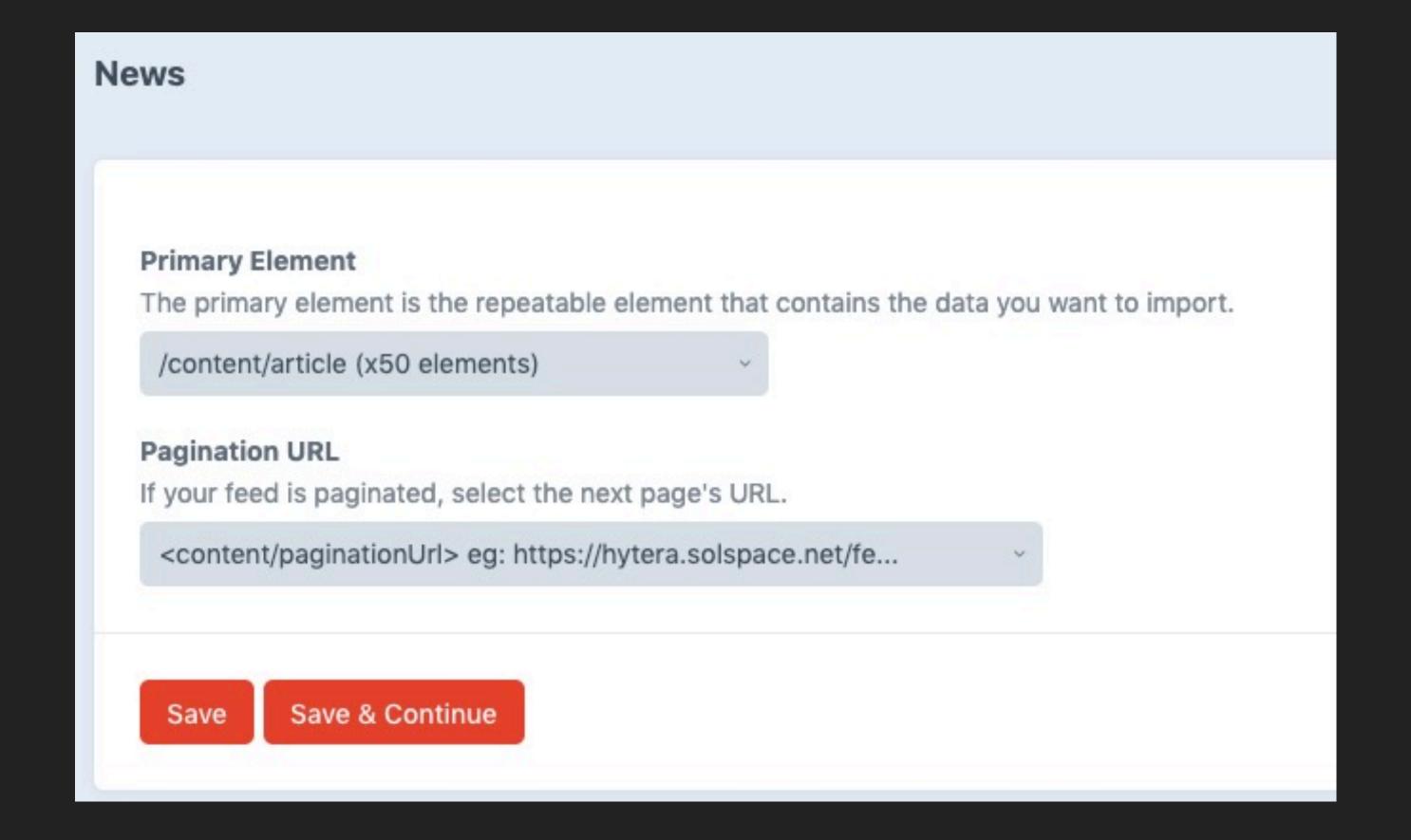


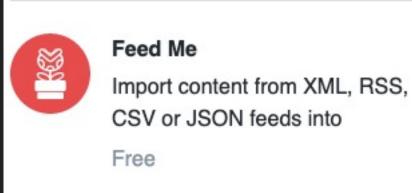


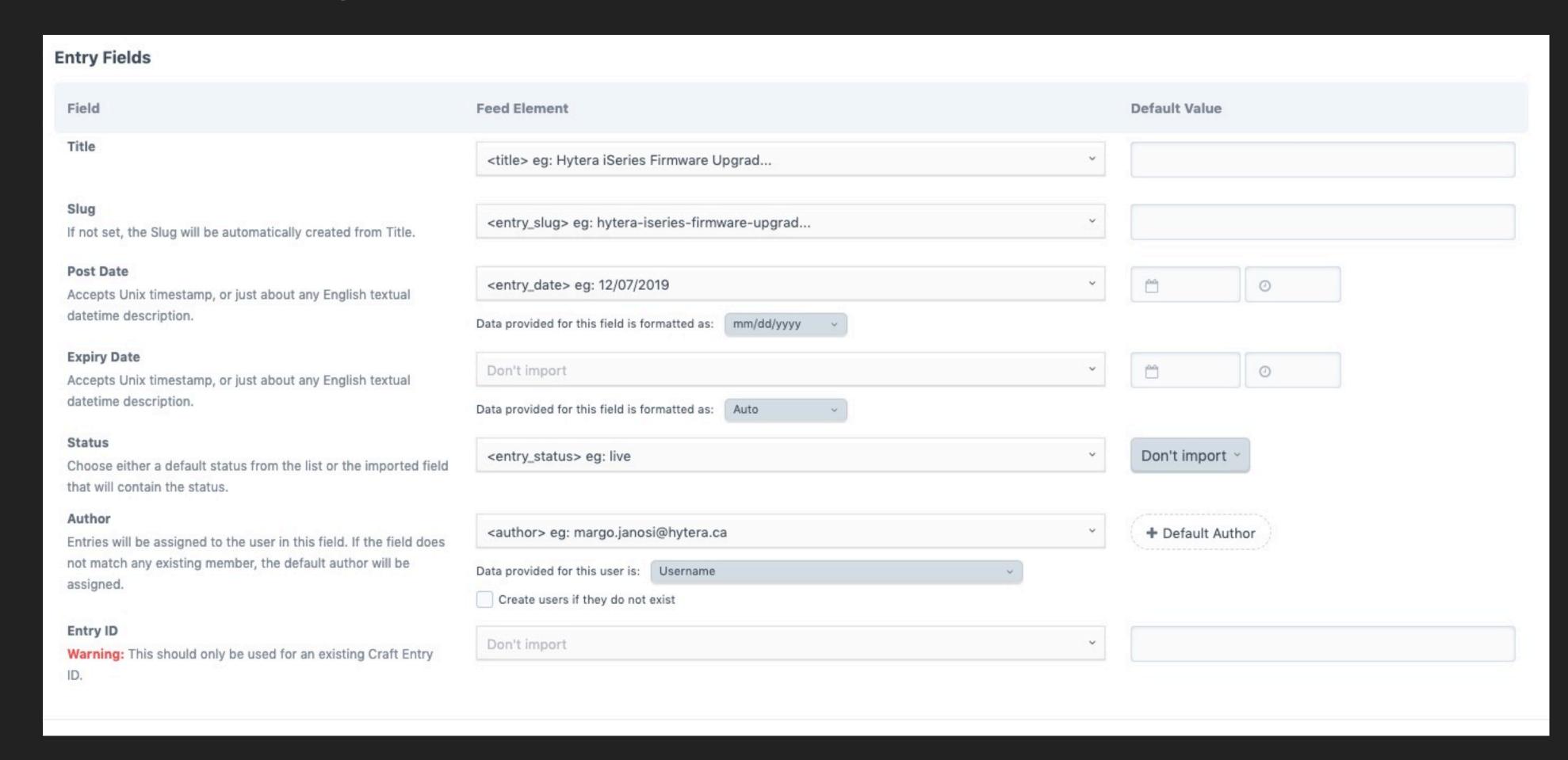
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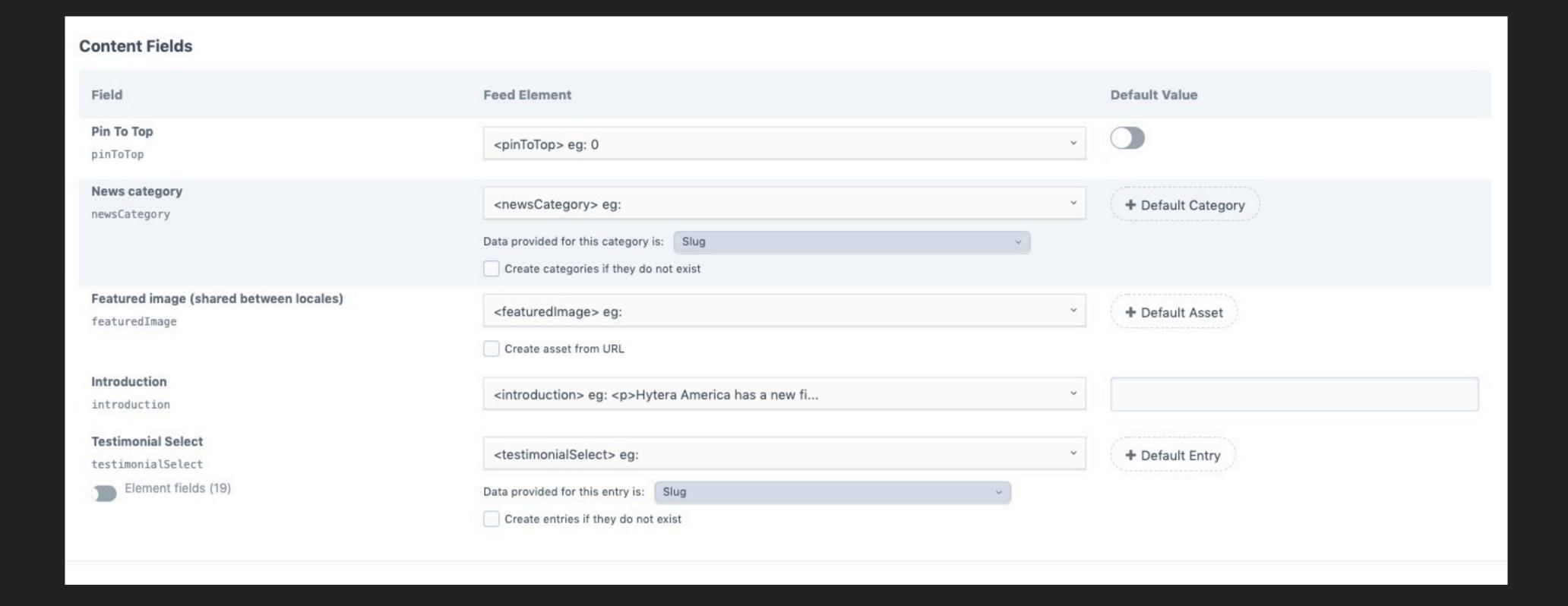
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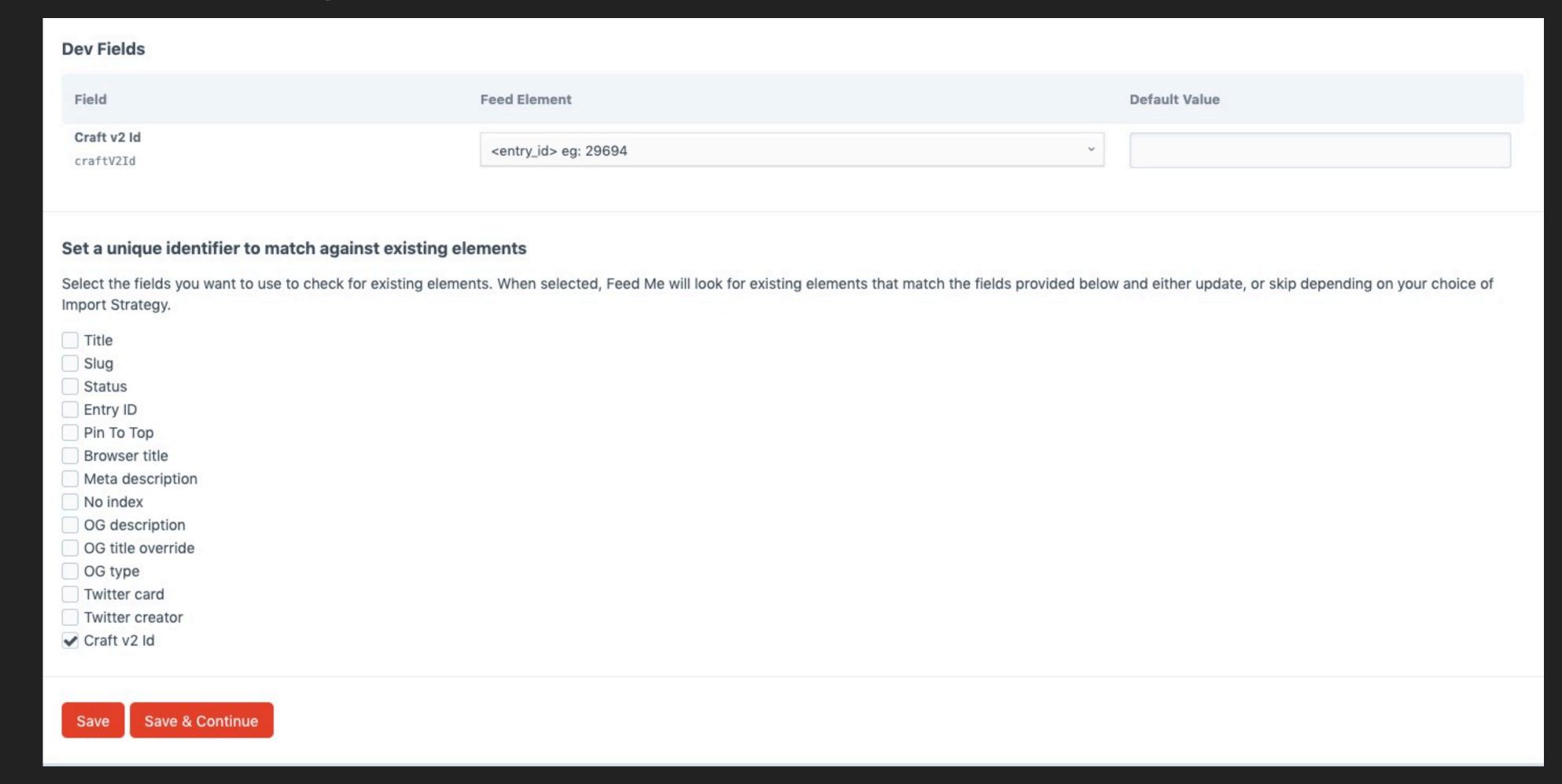


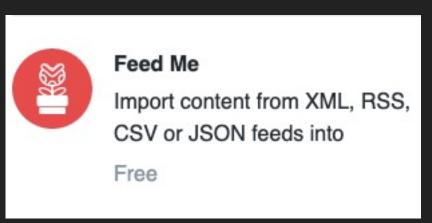










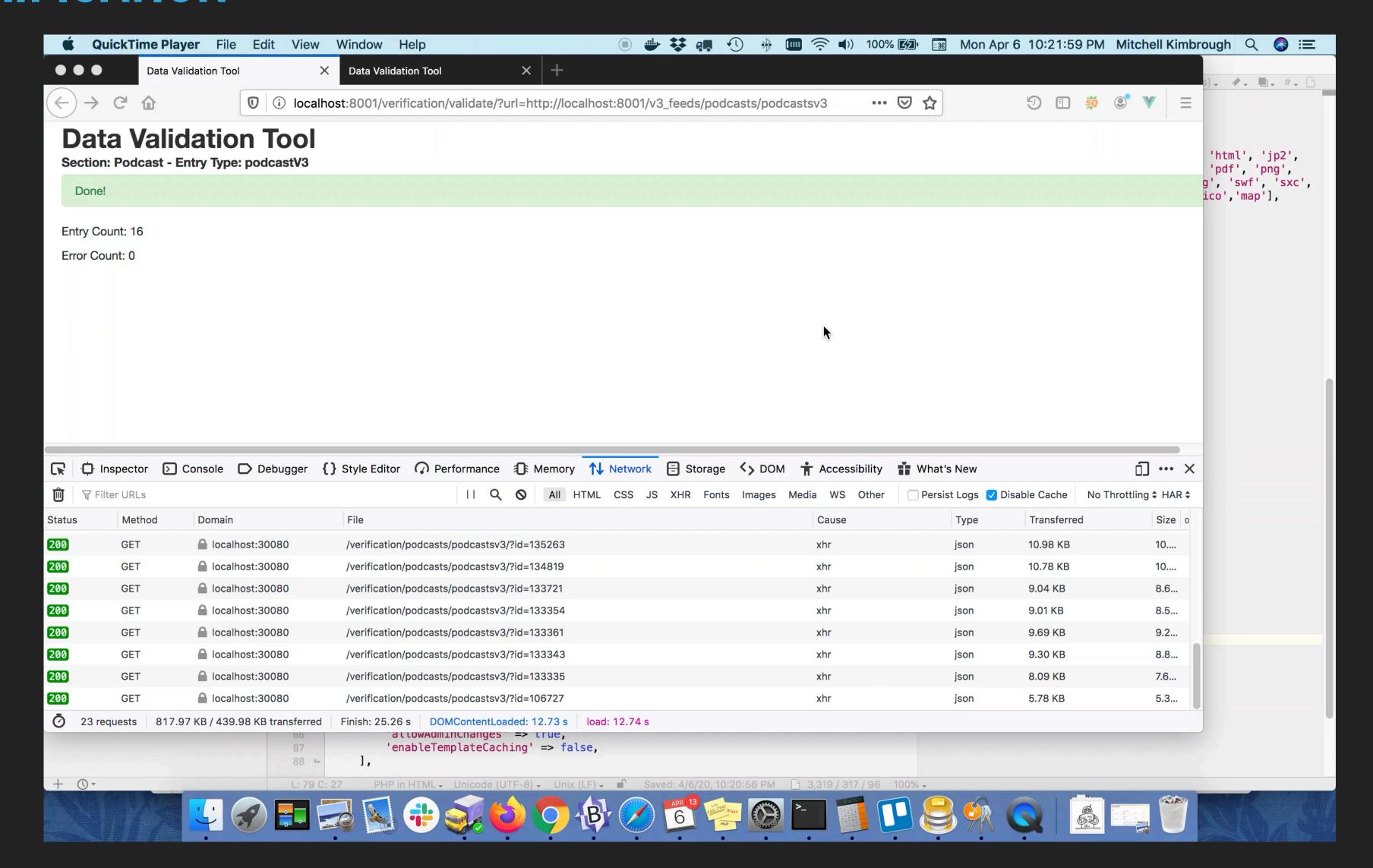


# MULTI-LANGUAGE/SITE SOLUTIONS (LOCALES)

- ▶ Locales are now supported via Sites in Craft 3. The PHP constant CRAFT\_LOCALE is now CRAFT\_SITE.
  - You also now don't have to have a separate index.php and site/locale web root directories.
  - Static localization files now need to be in subdirectories within your root translations/ directory.
- Feed Me can target language/site on reruns of feeds.
  - Initially target the main site/language. You can set FeedMe to first check Title for duplicates.
  - After initial import, edit settings for your JSON feed and target a different language.
  - Then you can edit your FeedMe feed settings to target the appropriate language, and change the Duplicates settings to check ONLY the Craft 2 entry ID field you added earlier.
  - ▶ This allows Craft to find each entry, match the Craft 2 ID so its not a new entry (unless it needs to be), and then import the new content to the appropriate language/site.
  - ▶ Repeat steps as needed per language.

### DATA VERIFICATION

Upcoming tool from Solspace to verify imports of large datasets.



# TEMPLATE UPDATES (BY NO MEANS AN EXHAUSTIVE LIST)

- Craft deprecation errors list is your friend here.
- .all() or .one() on everything.
- URL requests including segment requests have new syntax
- Macros must be explicitly imported in the templates that use them, each time. You can't globally load them anymore in inherited templates.
- Frontend forms and JavaScript calling/submitting to controller actions will now require:
  - Action params must be kebab-case instead of camelCase.
  - > Redirect params must be hashed now, also some of the redirect param tokens have changed.
- CSRF token protection is now enabled by default, so your forms and JavaScript calling/submitting to controller actions will need to include the token.

# TEMPLATE UPDATES (BY NO MEANS AN EXHAUSTIVE LIST)

https://docs.craftcms.com/v3/changes-in-craft-3.html

#### **Changes in Craft 3**

- Rich Text Fields
- Redactor Configs
- Position Select Fields
- Remote Volumes
- Configuration
- Config Settings
- omitScriptNameInUrls and usePathInfo
- URL Rules
- PHP Constants
- Static Translation Files
- User Photos
- Twig 2
- Macros
- Undefined Blocks
- Template Tags
- Template Functions
- Date Formatting
- Currency Formatting
- Element Queries
- Query ParamsQuery Methods
- Treating Queries as Arrays
- last()
- Elements
- Models
- Locales
- Request Params
- action Params
- redirect Params
- CSRF Token Params
- Plugins

#### **Template Tags**

The {% paginate %} tag no longer has an {% endpaginate %} closing tag, so remove any instances of that.

Some Twig template tags have been deprecated in Craft 3, and will be completely removed in Craft 4:

Old Tag	What to do instead
{% includeCss %}	Use the {% css %} tag
{% includeHiResCss %}	Use the {% css %} tag and write your own media selector
{% includeJs %}	Use the {% js %} tag
{% includeCssFile url %}	{% do view.registerCssFile(url) %}
{% includeJsFile url %}	{% do view.registerJsFile(url) %}
{% includeCssResource path %}	Use an asset bundle
{% includeJsResource path %}	Use an asset bundle

#### **Template Functions**

Some template functions have been removed completely:

Old Template Function	What to do instead
craft.hasPackage()	(n/a)
craft.entryRevisions.getDraftByOffset()	(n/a)
craft.entryRevisions.getVersionByOffset()	(n/a)
craft.fields.getFieldType(type)	<pre>craft.app.fields.createField(type)</pre>
craft.fields.populateFieldType()	(n/a)
craft.tasks.areTasksPending()	<pre>craft.app.queue.getHasWaitingJobs() 1</pre>
craft.tasks.getRunningTask()	(n/a)
craft.tasks.getTotalTasks()	(n/a)
craft.tasks.haveTasksFailed()	(n/a)
craft.tasks.isTaskRunning()	<pre>craft.app.queue.getHasReservedJobs()</pre>

### ROUTES IN YII 2

- Routes now need to use the Yii 2 pattern-route syntax
- https://docs.craftcms.com/v3/changes-in-craft-3.html#url-rules

```
// PRODUCTS
'products/ajax-fetch/(.*?)' => '/products/ajax-fetch', /
'products/(.*?)' => '/products/index', // need this for
'produits/(.*?)' => '/products/index',
'productos/(.*?)' => '/products/index',
'productos/(.*?)' => 'products/index',
'busca-rápida/(.*?)' => 'products/index',

// ACCESSORIES
'accessories/(.*?)' => '/accessories/index',
'accessories/(.*?)' => '/accessories/index',
'accessorios/(.*?)' => '/accessories/index',
'accessorios/(.*?)' => '/accessories/index',
'accessorios/(.*?)' => '/accessories/index',
```

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// PRODUCTS
'products/ajax-fetch/(.*?)'=> ['template' => '/products/ajax-fetch'],
'products/(.*?)'=> ['template' => '/products/index'], // need this for
'produits/(.*?)'=> ['template' => '/products/index'],
'productos/(.*?)'=> ['template' => '/products/index'],
'productos/(.*?)'=> ['template' => 'products/index'],
'busca-rápida/(.*?)'=> ['template' => 'products/index'],

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'accessories/(.*?)'=> ['template' => '/accessories/index'],
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### **CUSTOM PLUGINS**

- You're going to have to rewrite them
- Consider offloading some less complex versions to Modules which can also be autoloaded
- Pluginfactory.io can help you scaffold your new plugin structure or module structure
- You have to adhere to PSR-4 coding standards
- Get up to speed with Composer
- Take some deep breaths. Beer might help also
- https://docs.craftcms.com/v3/extend/updating-plugins.html#high-level-notes

### **CONVINCE YOUR CLIENT**

- ▶ This might be the hardest part of the entire Craft 2 to Craft 3 migration. Some approaches that have been wins in my experience:
- Clients that value the security of their stack would be especially interested in end-of-life support for Craft 2 which is getting closer and closer each month
- ▶ Clients that have invested heavily in custom plugin functionality would be eager to ensure the long-term viability of that work. Making them realize that support and ongoing development resources/manpower will steadily decline as you approach and exceed end of life for Craft 2
- ▶ Clients that are especially tuned to data channel/social integrations and publishing should also be made aware of the same declining viability/support/manpower aspects. The next big social channel they want to target in a few months might not be available with a plugin in Craft 2
- Clients using third-party plugins are also at risk as support for those plugins will be dwindling as plugin developers move their efforts to supporting Craft 3 versions
- Special note for developers, before approaching this ensure that the plugins have comparable Craft 3 versions or find an alternative

### WRAP UP AND SOME ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- Craft Migration guide: <a href="https://docs.craftcms.com/v3/upgrade.html">https://docs.craftcms.com/v3/upgrade.html</a>
- Ryan's course on upgrading at Mijingo: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i029">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i029</a> DNFsmc
- Ben's video at Straight Up Craft: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T6wBZbH0oDU">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T6wBZbH0oDU</a>
- Additional articles from Ben: <a href="https://straightupcraft.com/articles/upgrading-from-craft-2-to-craft-3-should-i-update">https://straightupcraft.com/articles/upgrading-from-craft-2-to-craft-3-update-everything-on-craft-2</a>
- ▶ Michael Westwood blog: <a href="https://medium.com/@mijewe/migrating-a-craft-2-site-to-craft-3-1e2a3d8ebae7">https://medium.com/@mijewe/migrating-a-craft-2-site-to-craft-3-1e2a3d8ebae7</a>
- ▶ Garret Winder blog: <a href="https://simplygoodwork.com/articles/updating-your-website-to-craft-cms-3">https://simplygoodwork.com/articles/updating-your-website-to-craft-cms-3</a>