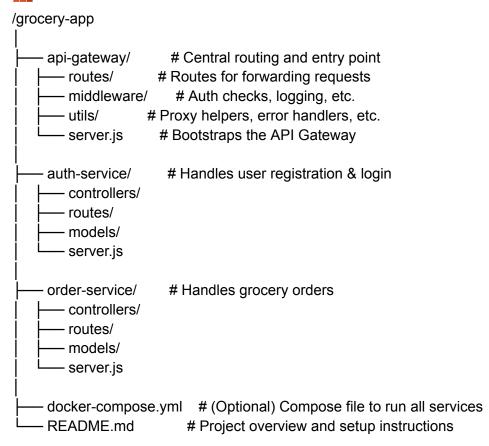
## Microservices-Oriented Folder Structure



## **API** Gateway Responsibilities

- Handles PUT, GET, POST, DELETE requests from the client
- Uses routes / to forward requests to the proper service (auth or order)
- Middleware like authentication, logging, and rate limiting is handled here
- utils/ can include service URL mapping and centralized error handling
- server.js sets up the Express server and mounts everything

## **Summary**

Using microservices allows us to:

- **Decouple** authentication and order logic
- Enable scalability and independent deployments
- Improve code maintainability and testing

Next step: scaffold the api-gateway/ with base files.