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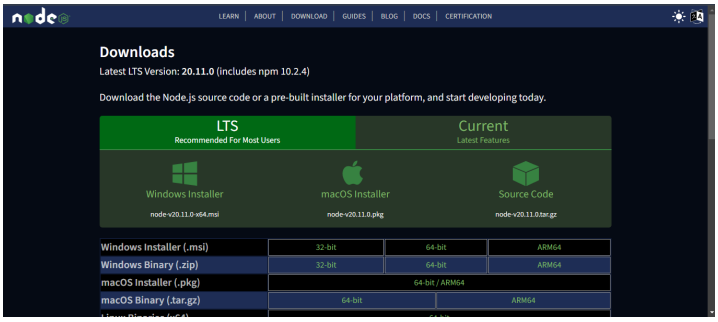
Build a REST API with Typescript, NodeJS, ExpressJS and a file-based storage system.

Step 1: Install the necessary software & runtime environment for building the API.



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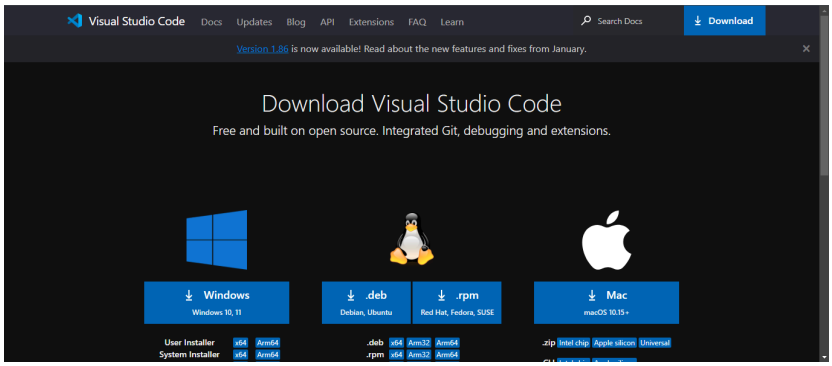
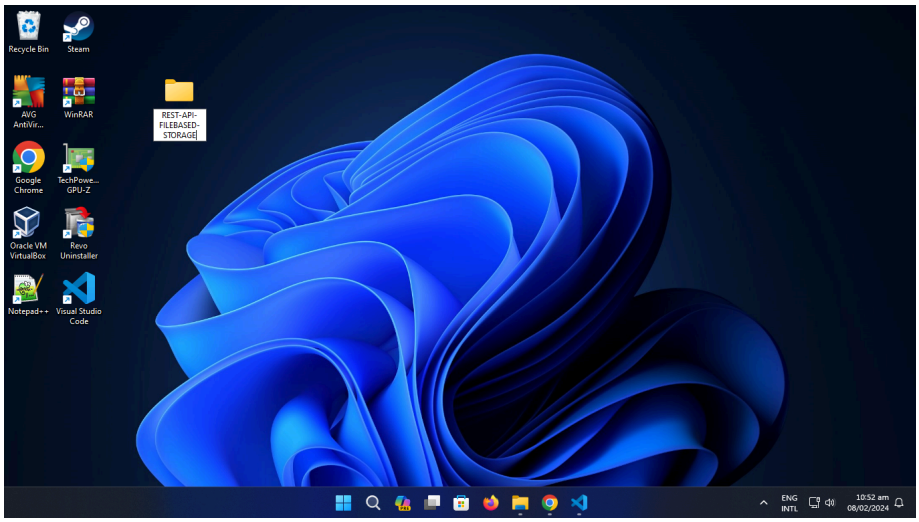
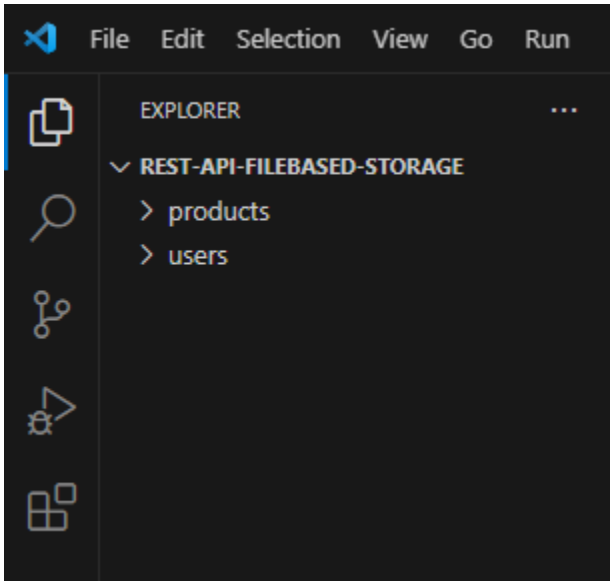


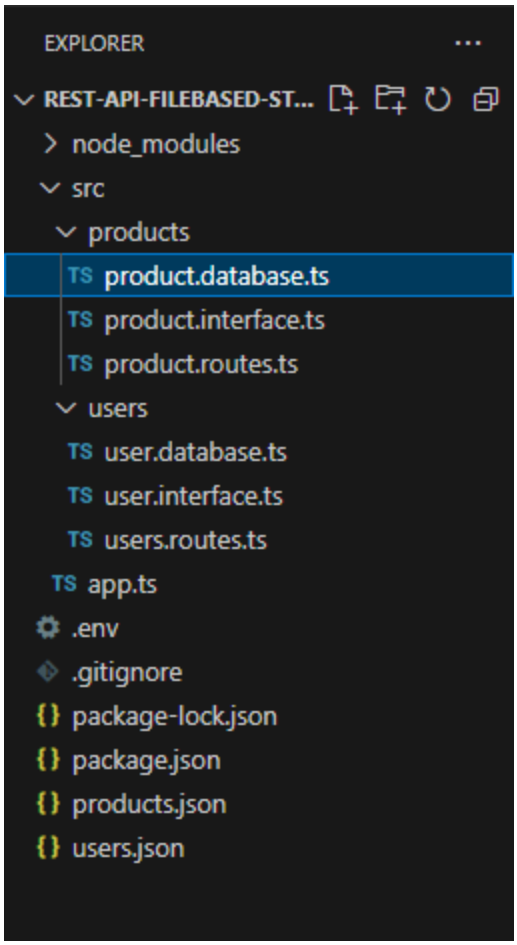
Step 2: Getting Started with TypeScript in Node.js



Create a New Folder for your project on your local machine.

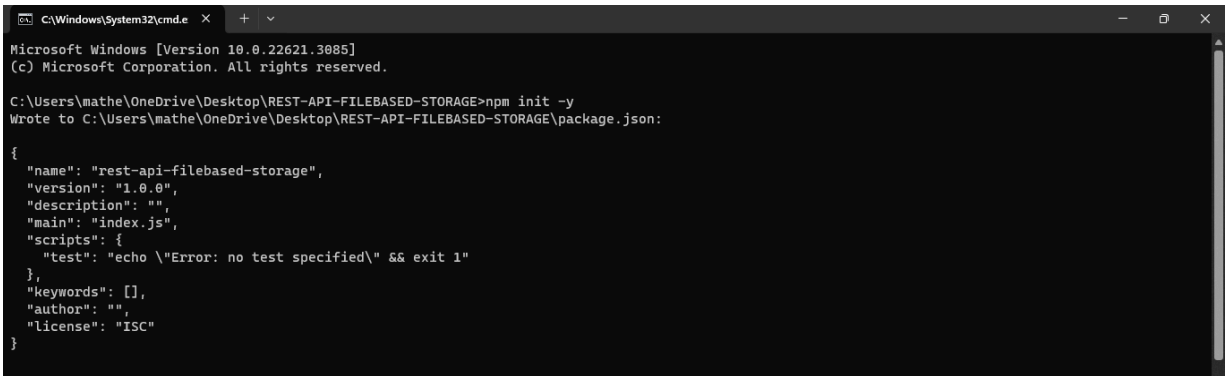
Create a project directory that looks like this:





- All the **files** and **directories** created on the right side are user-defined except for the **node_modules** folder which is generated after initializing the node package module (npm).

Initializing a NodeJS project



Next, initialize a Node.js project within the project directory by creating a package.json file with default settings, using this command:

- npm init -y

Installing Project Dependencies

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C:\Users\mathe\OneDrive\Desktop\REST-API-FILEBASED-STORAGE>npm i express dotenv helmet cors http-status-codes uuid bcryptjs

added 70 packages, and audited 71 packages in 7s

13 packages are looking for funding
  run `npm fund` for details

found 0 vulnerabilities

C:\Users\mathe\OneDrive\Desktop\REST-API-FILEBASED-STORAGE>npm i -D typescript

added 1 package, and audited 72 packages in 3s

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Your Node.js project requires a couple of dependencies to create a secure Express server with TypeScript. You also need the TypeScript for enhanced code development Install them like so:

- npm i express dotenv helmet cors http-status-codes uuid bcryptjs
- npm i -D typescript

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C:\Users\mathe\OneDrive\Desktop\REST-API-FILEBASED-STORAGE>npm i -D @types/express @types/dotenv @types/helmet @types/cors @types/http-status-codes
@types/uuid @types/bcryptjs

up to date, audited 90 packages in 8s

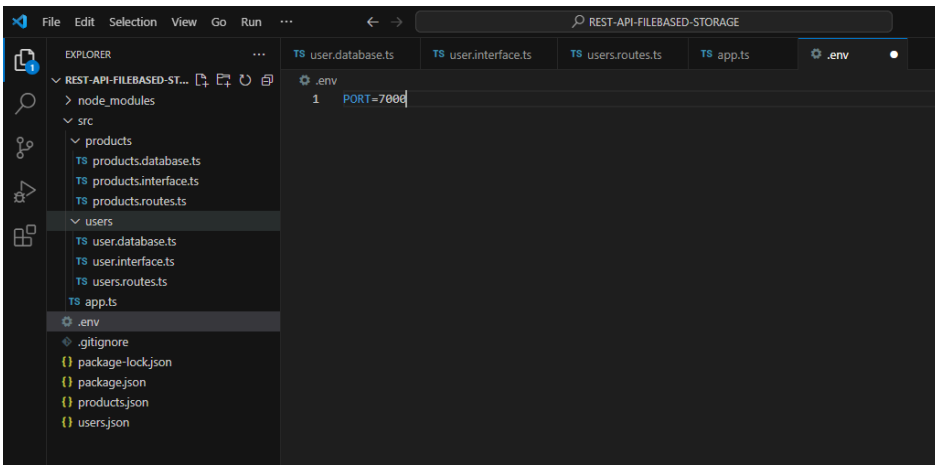
13 packages are looking for funding
  run `npm fund` for details

found 0 vulnerabilities

C:\Users\mathe\OneDrive\Desktop\REST-API-FILEBASED-STORAGE>
```

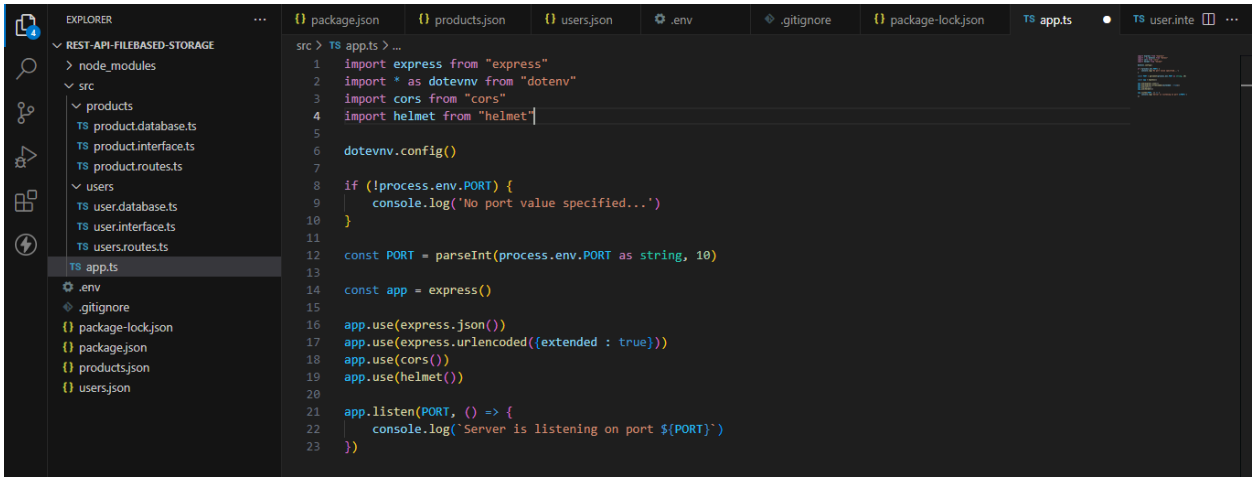
To use TypeScript effectively, you need to install type definitions for the packages you installed previously:

- npm i -D @types/express @types/dotenv @types/helmet @types/cors @types/http-status-codes @types/uuid @types/bcryptjs



Populate the .env file with a variable called **PORT** with a value of 7000 for which the server can use to listen for requests

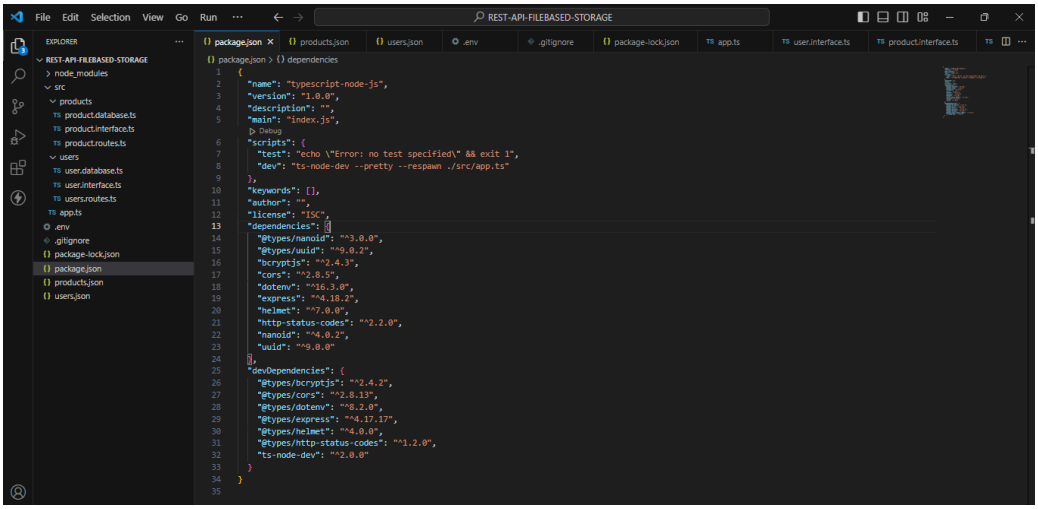
Import the project dependencies installed earlier on the app.ts file and load any environmental variables from the local .env file using the dotenv.config() method.



Step 3: Improve the TypeScript Development Workflow

Start by installing this package to power up your development workflow:

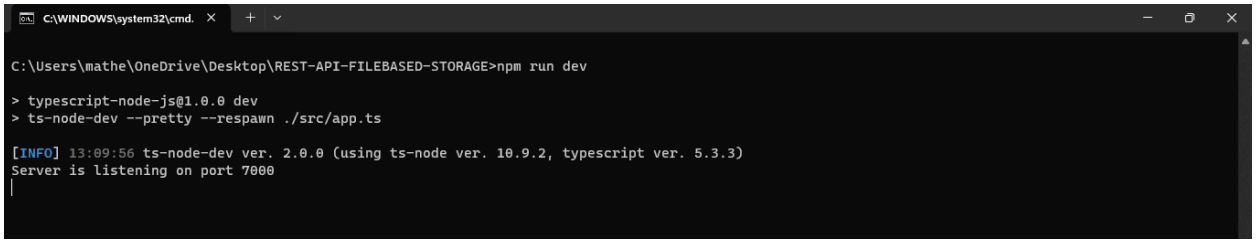
- npm i -D ts-node-dev



You can create a dev npm script in package.json to run your server. Update your package.json file like this.

Now, simply run the dev script to launch your project:

- npm run dev



If everything is working correctly, you'll see a message indicating that the server is listening for requests on port 7000.

Step 4: Model Data with TypeScript Interfaces
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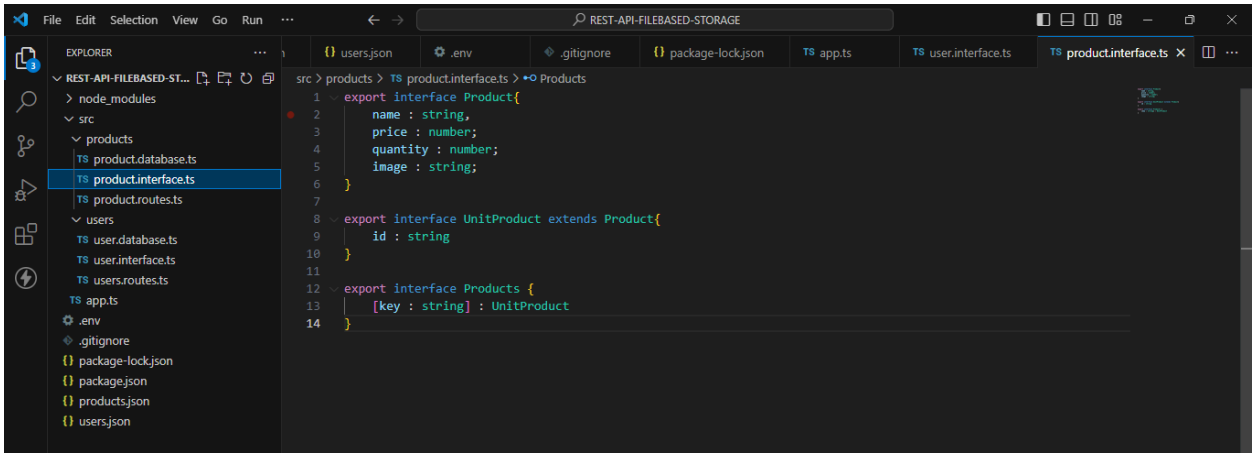
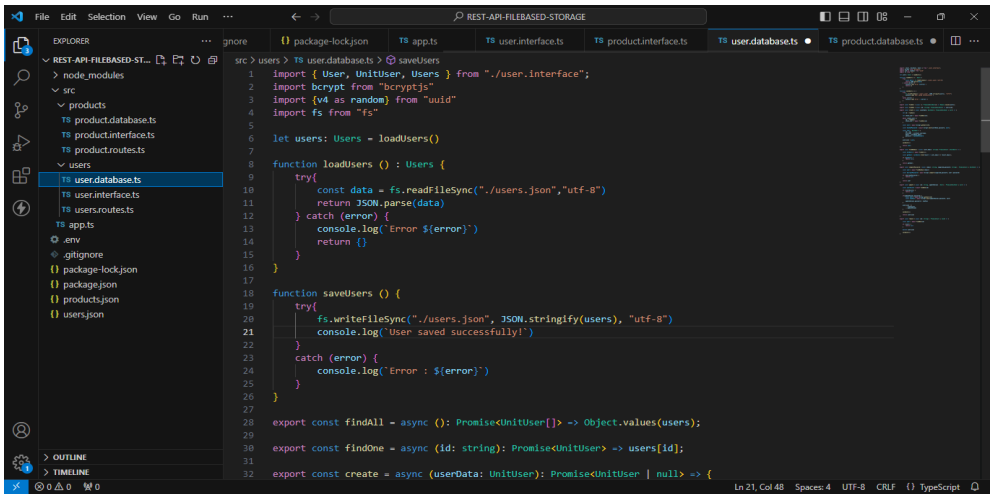
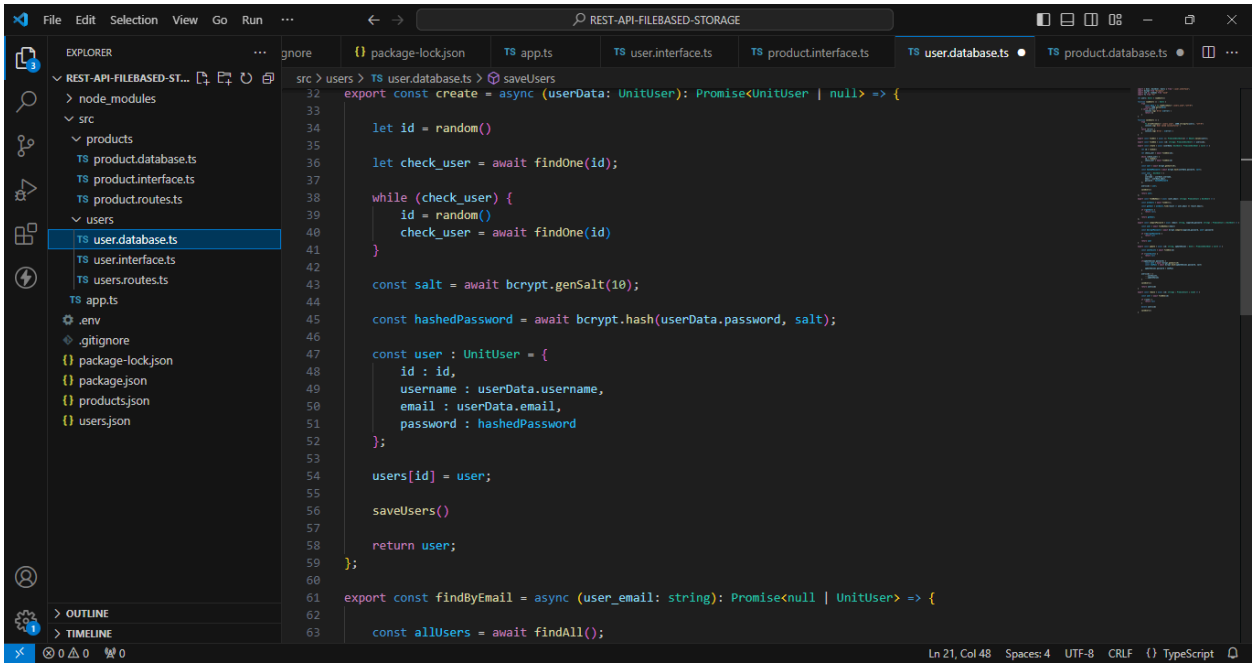
Populate src/users/user.interface.ts with the following definition:



Next, we will create the logic for our data storage. You can call it a database if you like. Populate src/users/user.database.ts with the following code:

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export const create = async (userData: UnitUser): Promise<UnitUser | null> => {
let id = random()
let check_user = await findOne(id);
while (check_user) {
id = random()
check_user = await findOne(id)
}
const salt = await bcrypt.genSalt(10);
const hashedPassword = await bcrypt.hash(userData.password, salt);
const user : UnitUser = {
id : id,
username : userData.username,
email : userData.email,
password : hashedPassword
};
users[id] = user;
saveUsers()
return user;
};
export const findByEmail = async (user_email: string): Promise<null | UnitUser> => {
const allUsers = await findAll();
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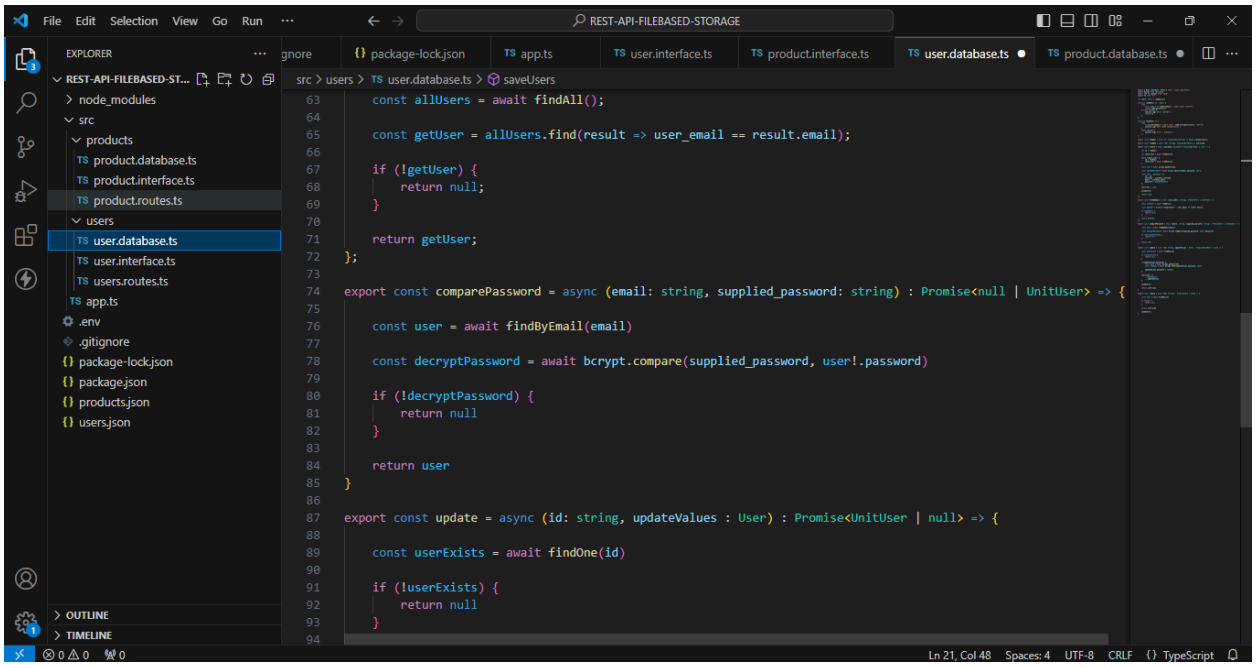
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const getUser = allUsers.find(result => user_email == result.email);
if (!getUser) {
return null;
}
return getUser;
};
export const comparePassword = async (email: string, supplied_password: string) : Promise<null | UnitUser> => {
const user = await findByEmail(email)
const decryptPassword = await bcrypt.compare(supplied_password, user!.password)
if (!decryptPassword) {
return null
}
return user
}
export const update = async (id: string, updateValues : User) : Promise<UnitUser | null> => {
const userExists = await findOne(id)
if (!userExists) {
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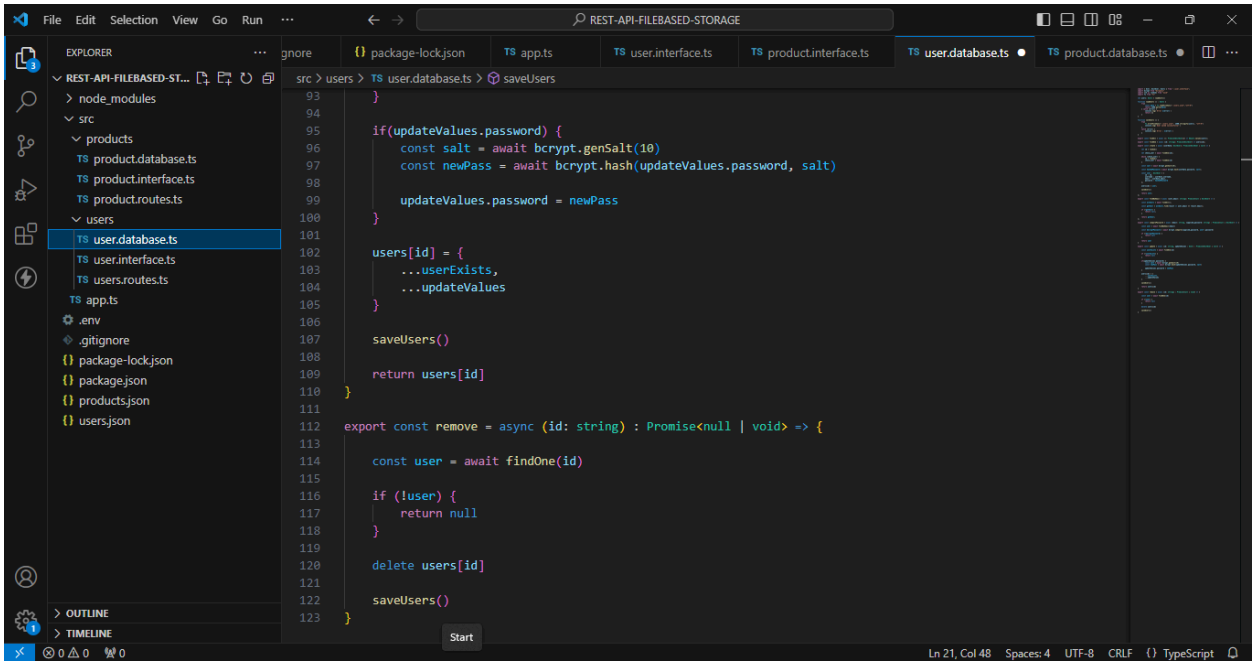
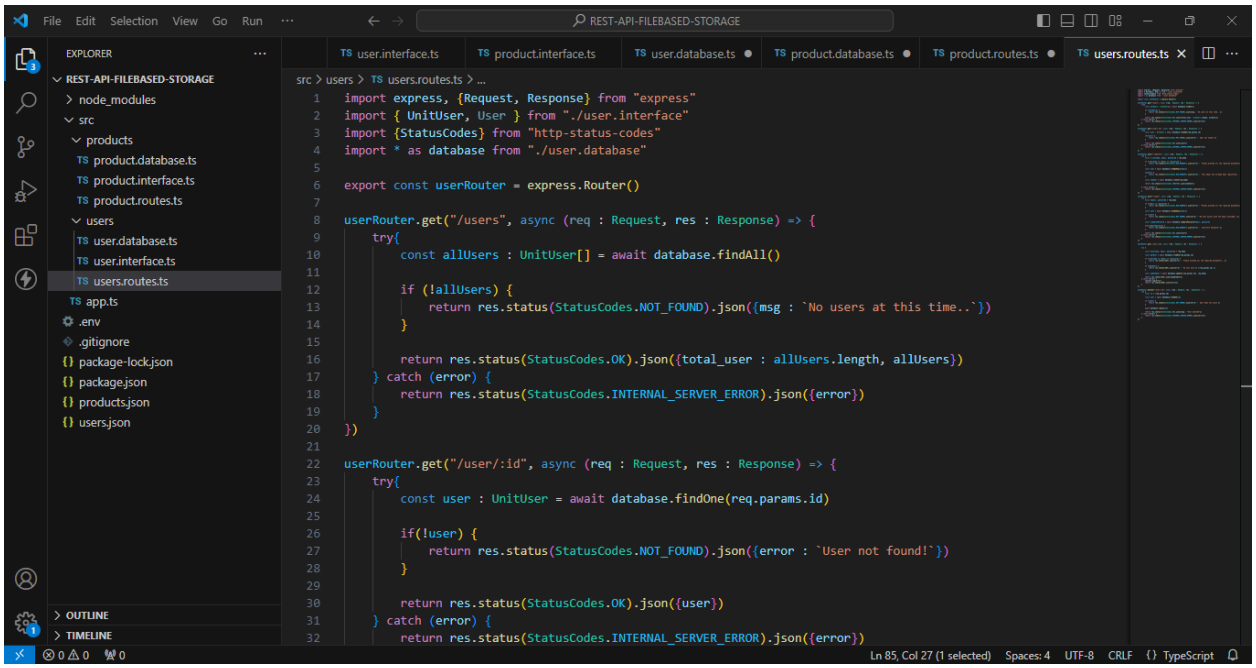
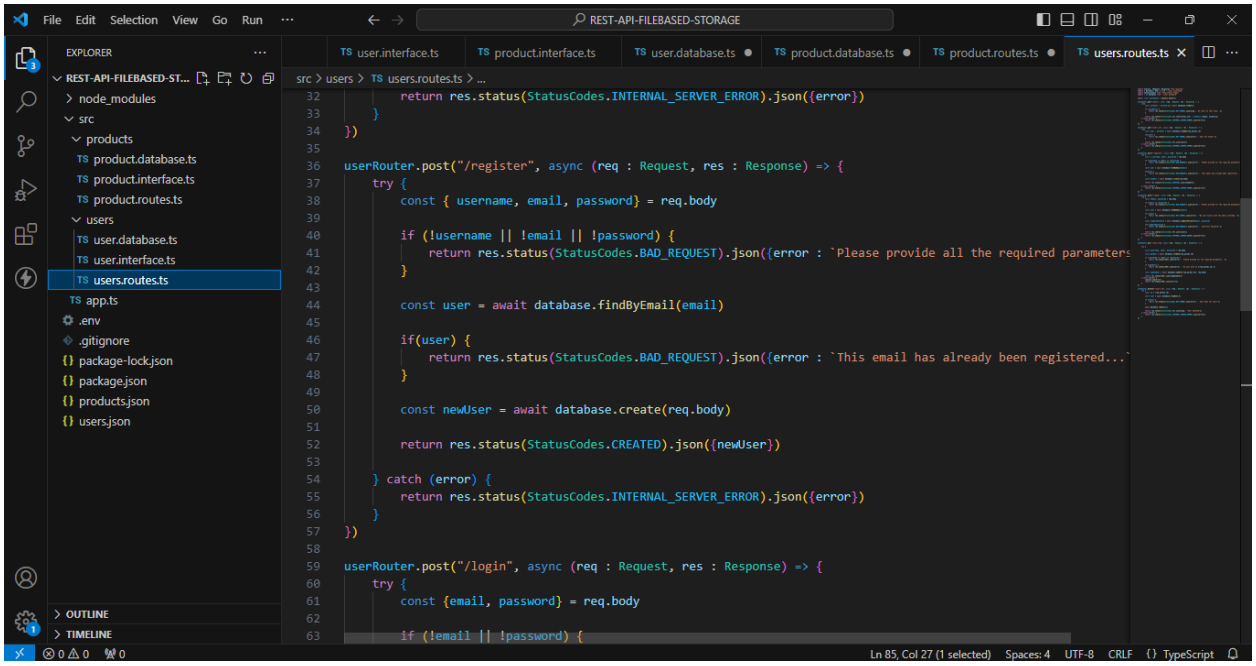


Next, let all import all the required functions and modules into the routes file ./src/users.routes.ts and populate as follows:

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return res.status(StatusCodes.INTERNAL_SERVER_ERROR).json({error})
}
})
userRouter.post("/register", async (req : Request, res : Response) => {
try {
const { username, email, password} = req.body
if (!username || !email || !password) {
return res.status(StatusCodes.BAD_REQUEST).json({error : `Please provide all the required parameters
}
const user = await database.findByEmail(email)
if(user) {
return res.status(StatusCodes.BAD_REQUEST).json({error : `This email has already been registered...`
}
const newUser = await database.create(req.body)
return res.status(StatusCodes.CREATED).json({newUser})
} catch (error) {
return res.status(StatusCodes.INTERNAL_SERVER_ERROR).json({error})
}
})
userRouter.post("/login", async (req : Request, res : Response) => {
try {
const {email, password} = req.body
if (!email || !password) {
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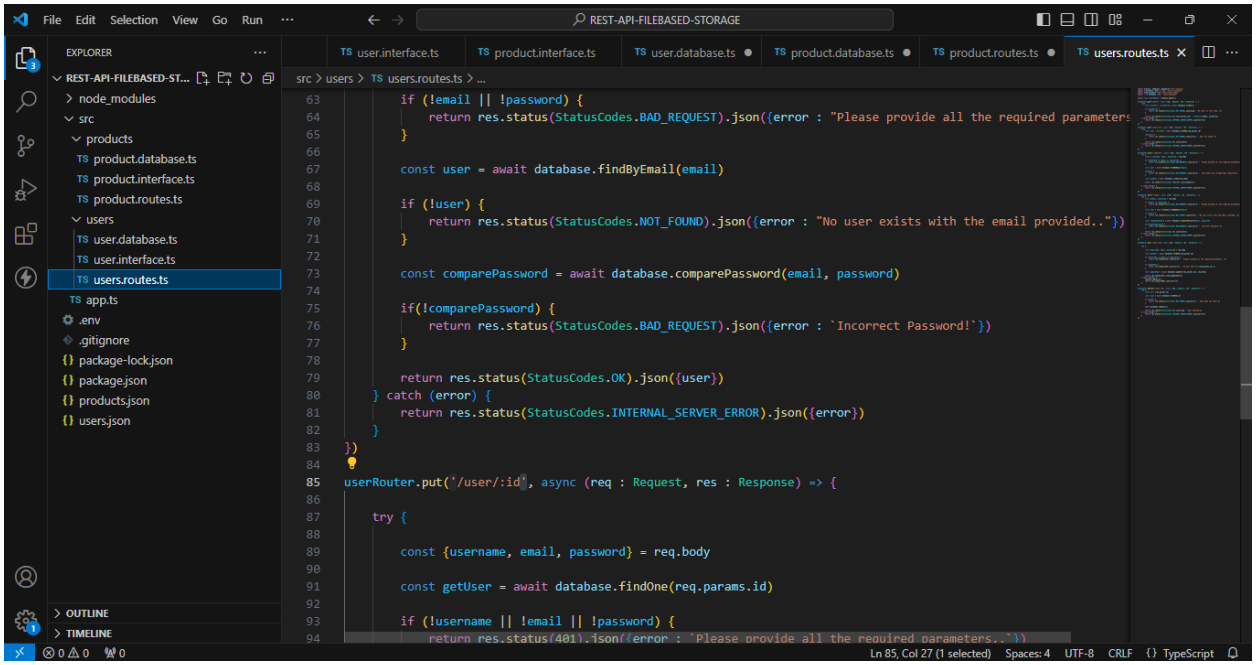
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if (!email || !password) {
return res.status(StatusCodes.BAD_REQUEST).json({error : "Please provide all the required parameters
}
const user = await database.findByEmail(email)
if (!user) {
return res.status(StatusCodes.NOT_FOUND).json({error : "No user exists with the email provided.."})
}
const comparePassword = await database.comparePassword(email, password)
if(!comparePassword) {
return res.status(StatusCodes.BAD_REQUEST).json({error : `Incorrect Password!`})
}
return res.status(StatusCodes.OK).json({user})
} catch (error) {
return res.status(StatusCodes.INTERNAL_SERVER_ERROR).json({error})
}
})
userRouter.put('/user/:id', async (req : Request, res : Response) => {
try {
const {username, email, password} = req.body
const getUser = await database.findOne(req.params.id)
if (!username || !email || !password) {
return res.status(401).json({error : `Please provide all the required parameters..`})
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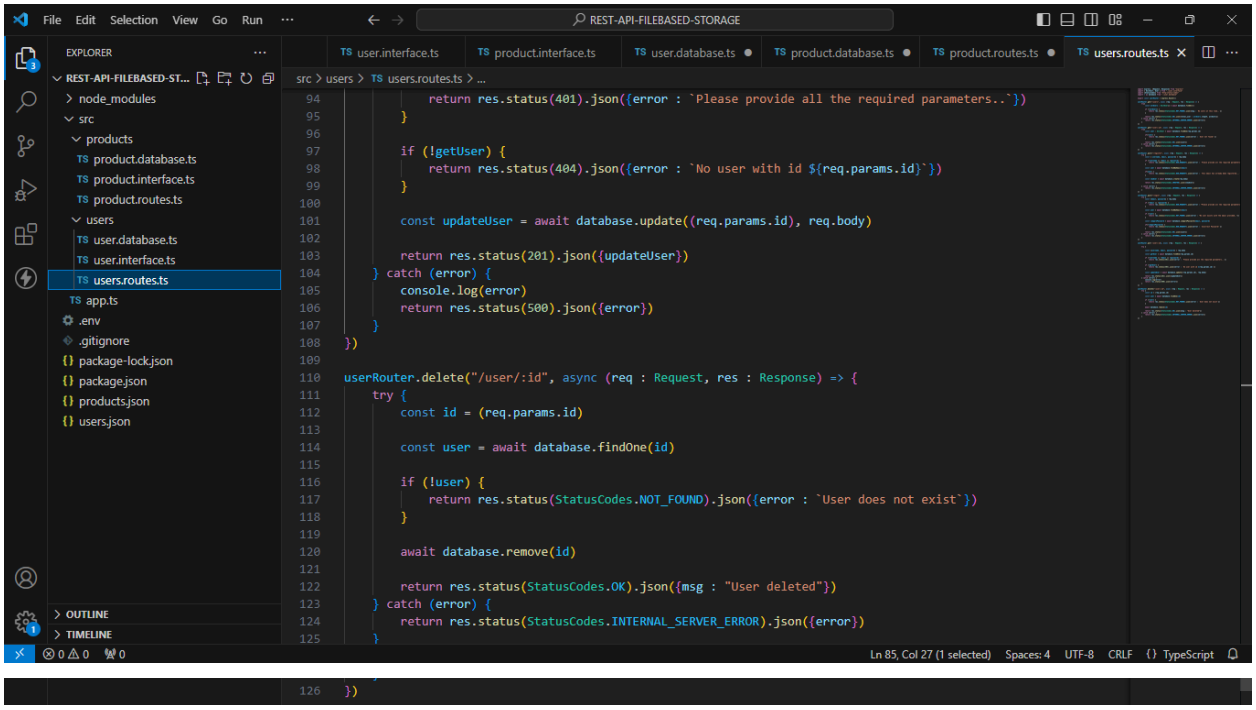

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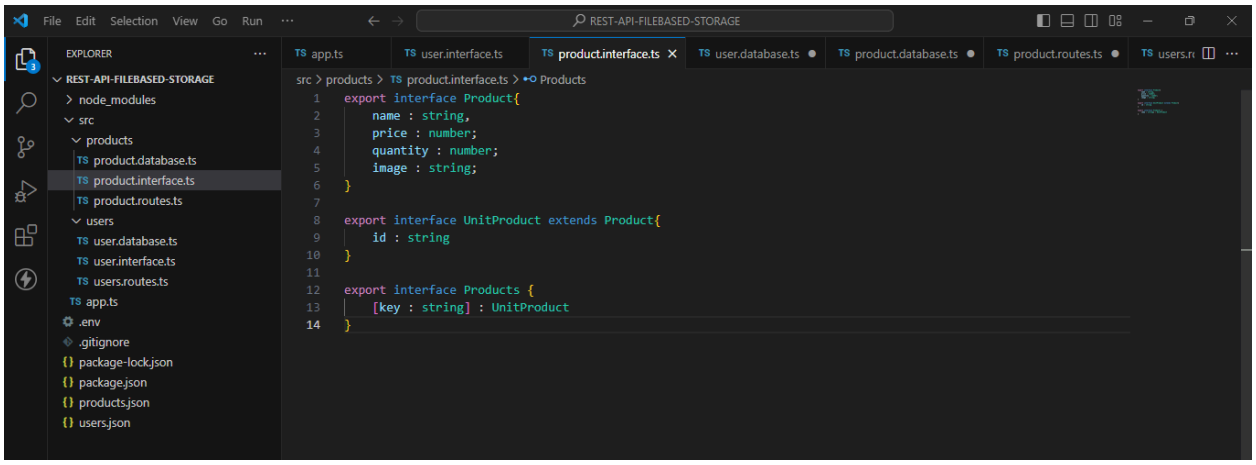
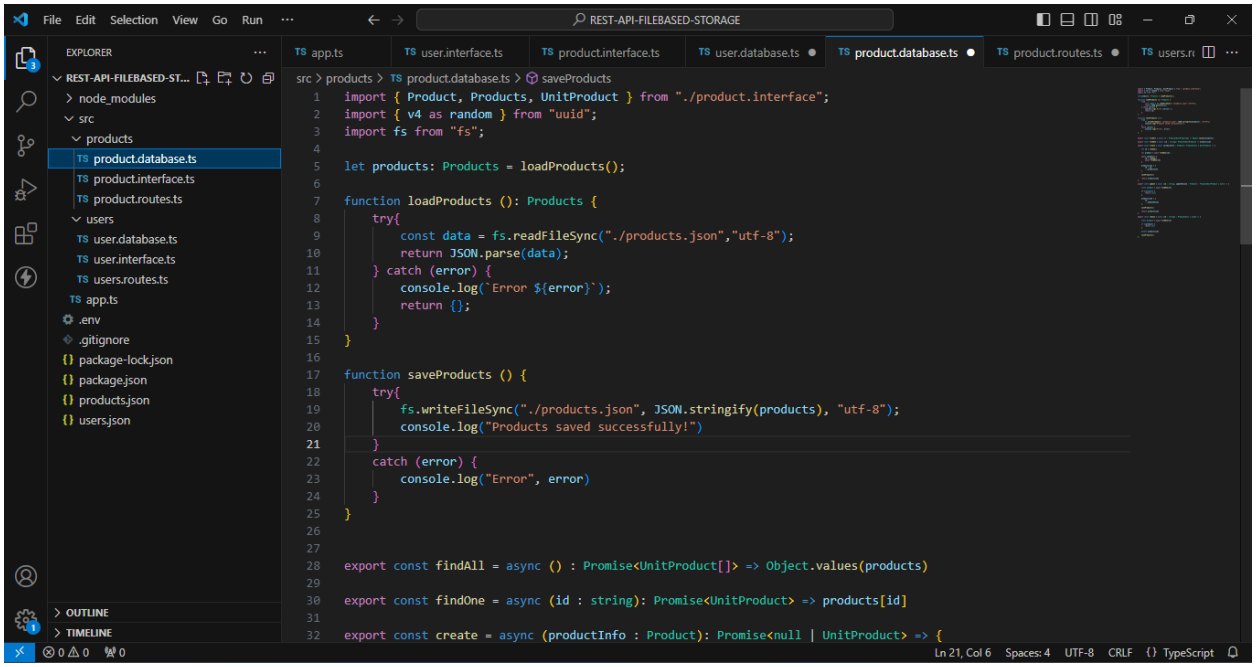
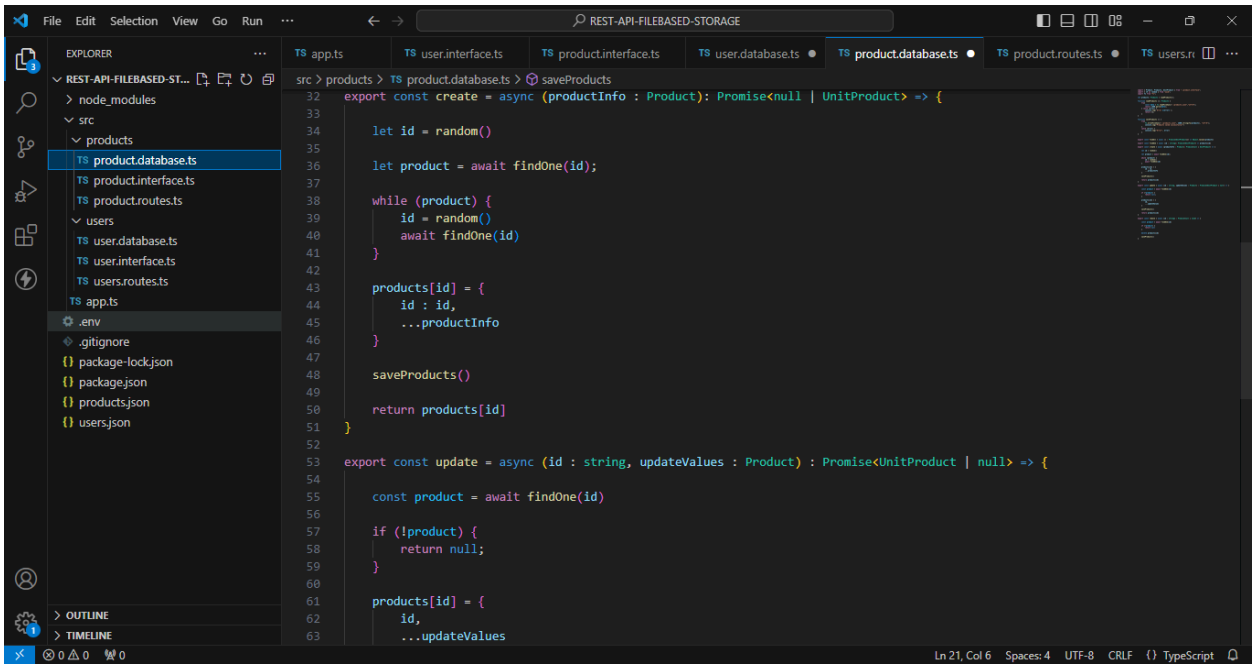
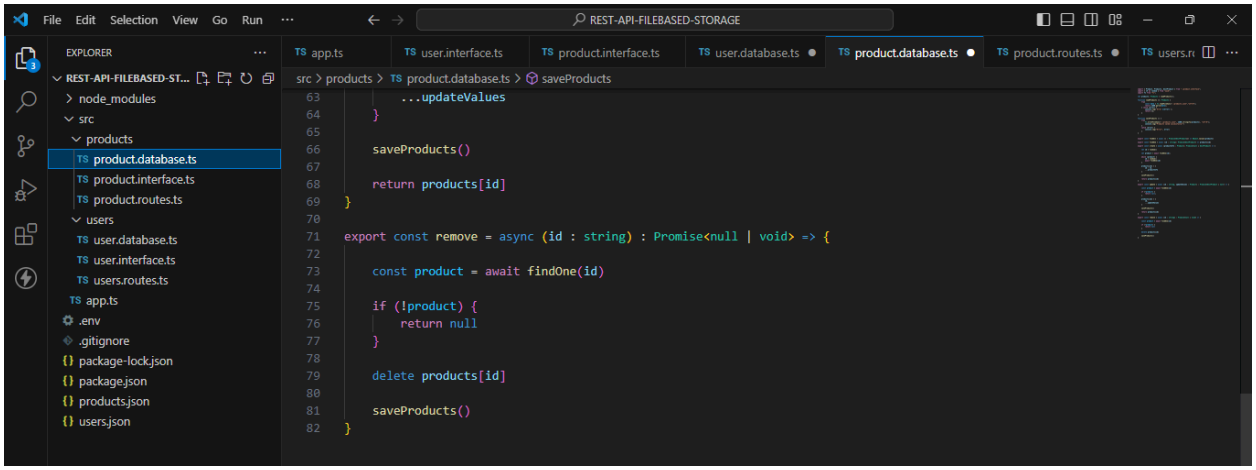
Create the login and routes for our products.
So let's duplicate the contents of our users interface with minor changes into the file ./src/product.interface.ts



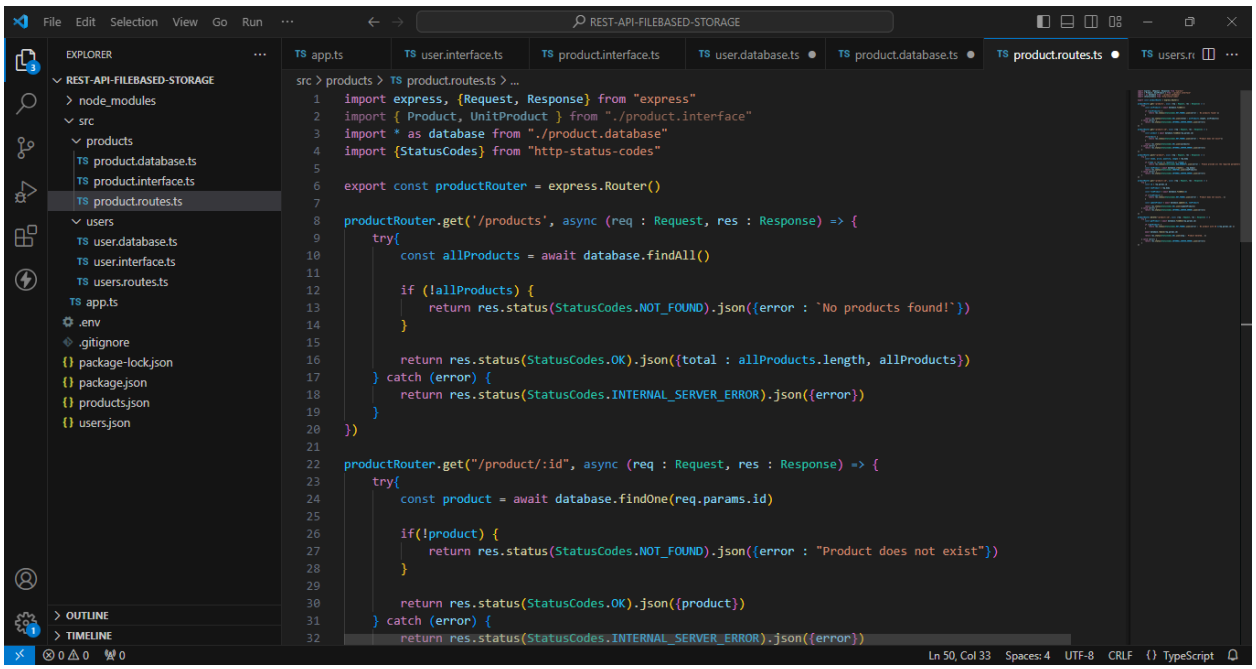
Next, just like in the ./src/users.database.ts file, let us populate the ./src/products.database.ts with a similar logic.

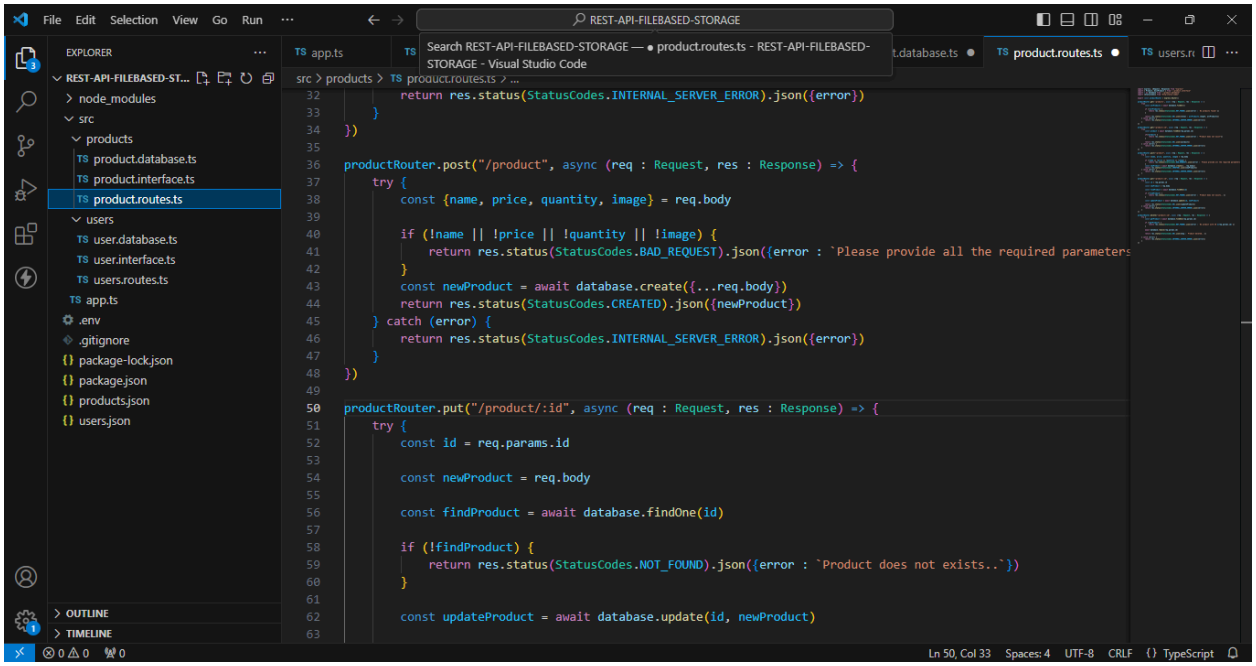






Once our logic checks out, it's time to implement the routes for our products. Populate the ./src/products.routes.ts file with the following code :

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return res.status(StatusCodes.INTERNAL_SERVER_ERROR).json({error})
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productRouter.post("/product", async (req : Request, res : Response) => {
try {
const {name, price, quantity, image} = req.body
if (!name || !price || !quantity || !image) {
return res.status(StatusCodes.BAD_REQUEST).json({error : `Please provide all the required parameters
}
const newProduct = await database.create({...req.body})
return res.status(StatusCodes.CREATED).json({newProduct})
} catch (error) {
return res.status(StatusCodes.INTERNAL_SERVER_ERROR).json({error})
}
})
productRouter.put("/product/:id", async (req : Request, res : Response) => {
try {
const id = req.params.id
const newProduct = req.body
const findProduct = await database.findOne(id)
if (!findProduct) {
return res.status(StatusCodes.NOT_FOUND).json({error : `Product does not exists..`})
}
const updateProduct = await database.update(id, newProduct)
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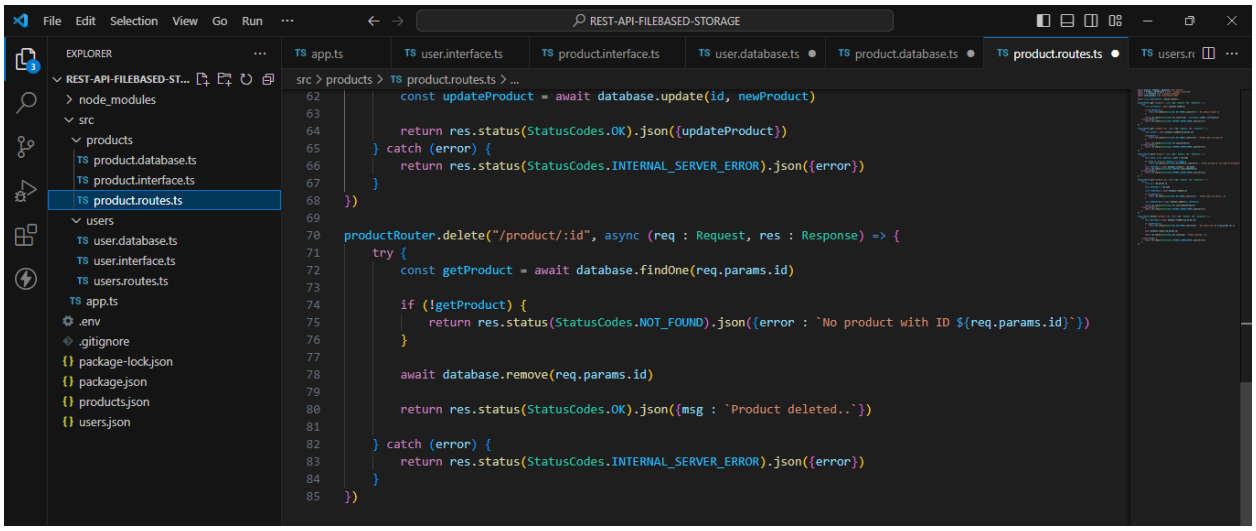
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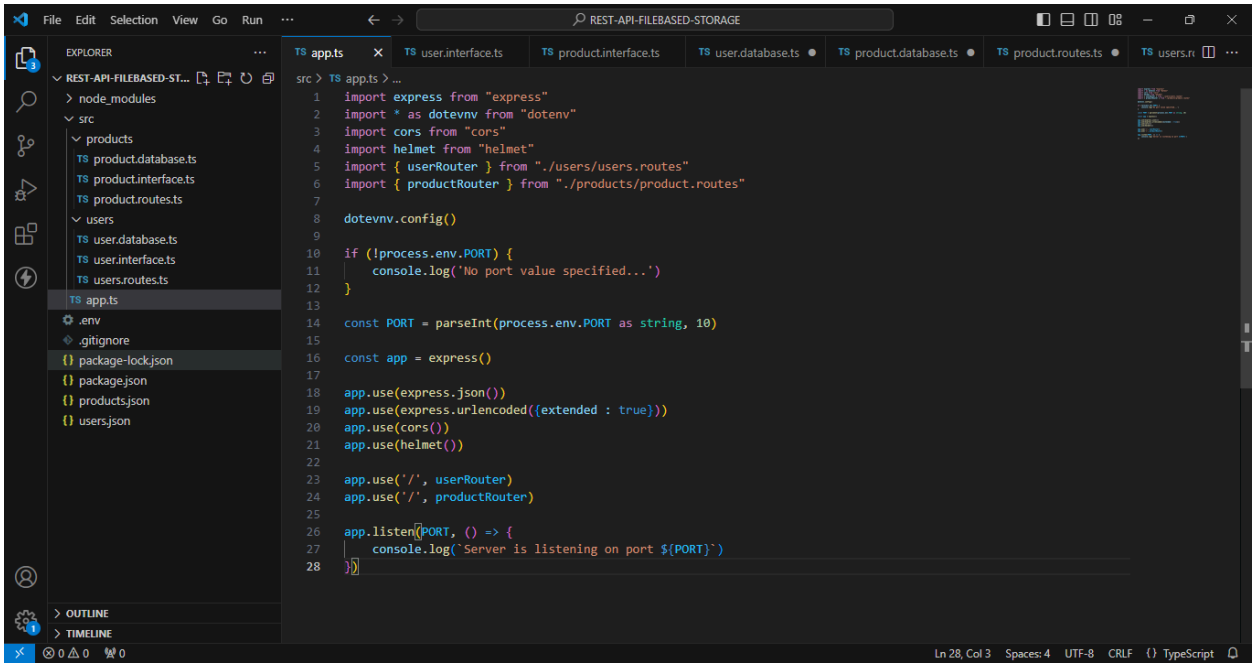
return res.status(StatusCodes.OK).json({updateProduct})
} catch (error) {
return res.status(StatusCodes.INTERNAL_SERVER_ERROR).json({error})
}
})
productRouter.delete("/product/:id", async (req : Request, res : Response) => {
try {
const getProduct = await database.findOne(req.params.id)
if (!getProduct) {
return res.status(StatusCodes.NOT_FOUND).json({error : `No product with ID ${req.params.id}`})
}
await database.remove(req.params.id)
return res.status(StatusCodes.OK).json({msg : `Product deleted..`})
} catch (error) {
return res.status(StatusCodes.INTERNAL_SERVER_ERROR).json({error})
}
})

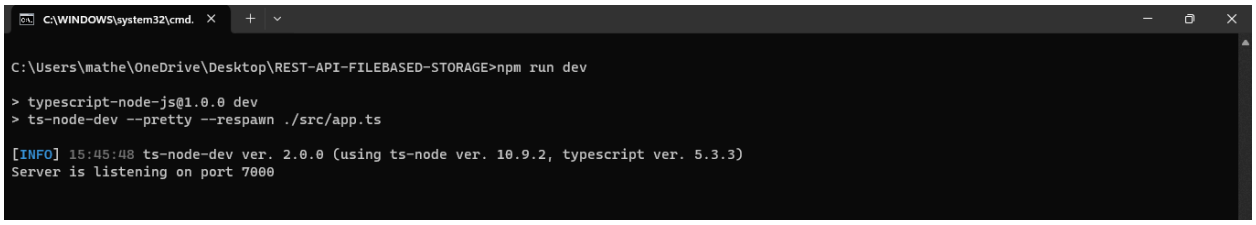
Finally, to make API calls to these routes we need to import them into our app.ts file and update our code like this :



Step 5: Testing the API

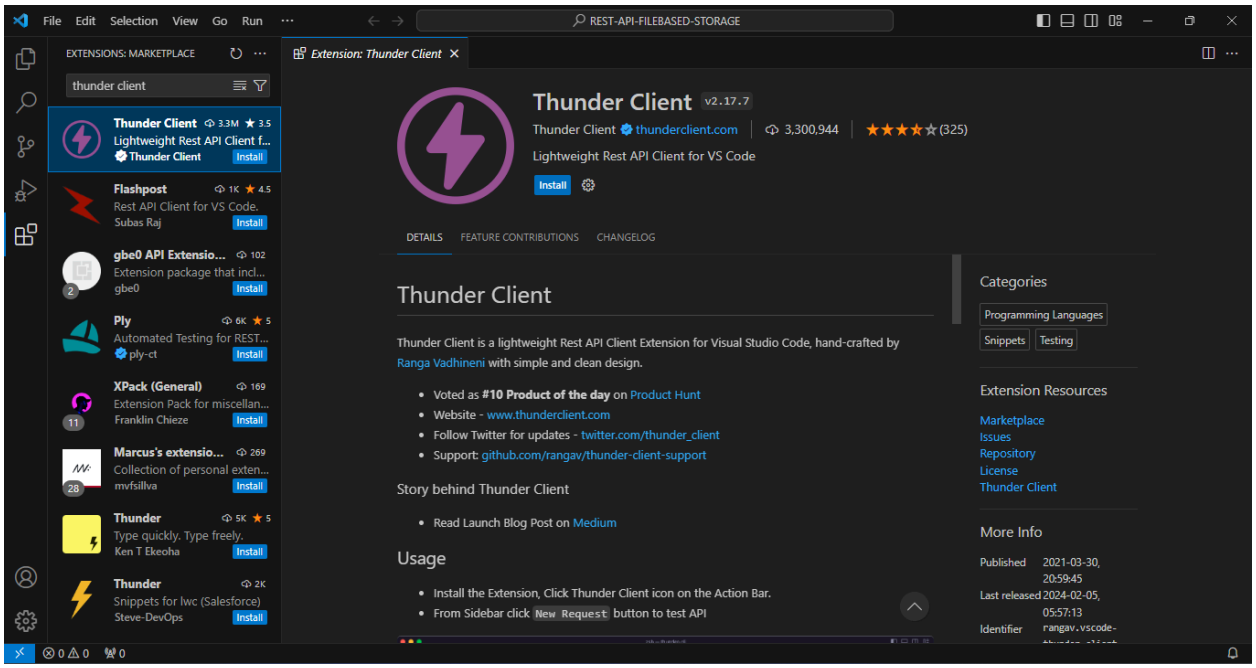
Start the server and test our API using Thunder Client (VS Code Extension).
Note: You can use any other app to test the API if you had used a different IDE.

- run the npm run dev command in your terminal
- If there are no errors, the server should be listening to port 7000



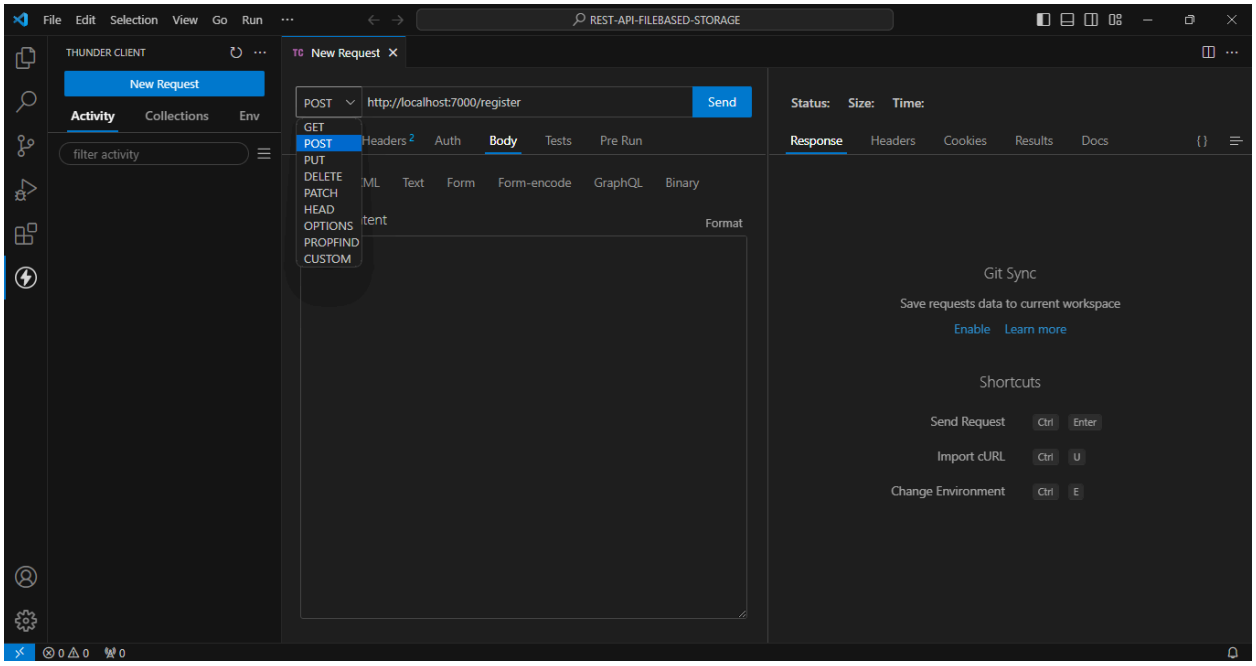
Install Thunder Client

- Click the Extensions tab on the left sidebar
- Search the thunder client extension
- And click the install button.



Making Requests (Thunder Client)

- Click on the new request button
- You can configure the request url and what type of request you want to send on the page next to the activity/collections/env tab.
- If you are done with the configurations then click the send button.



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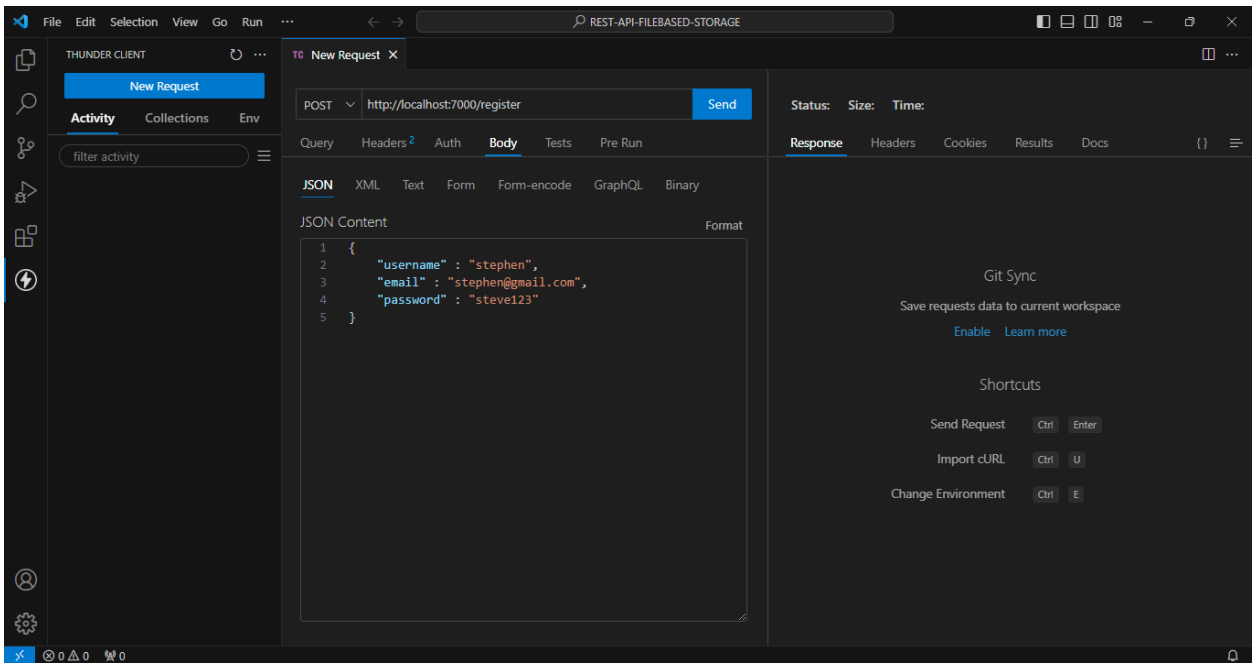

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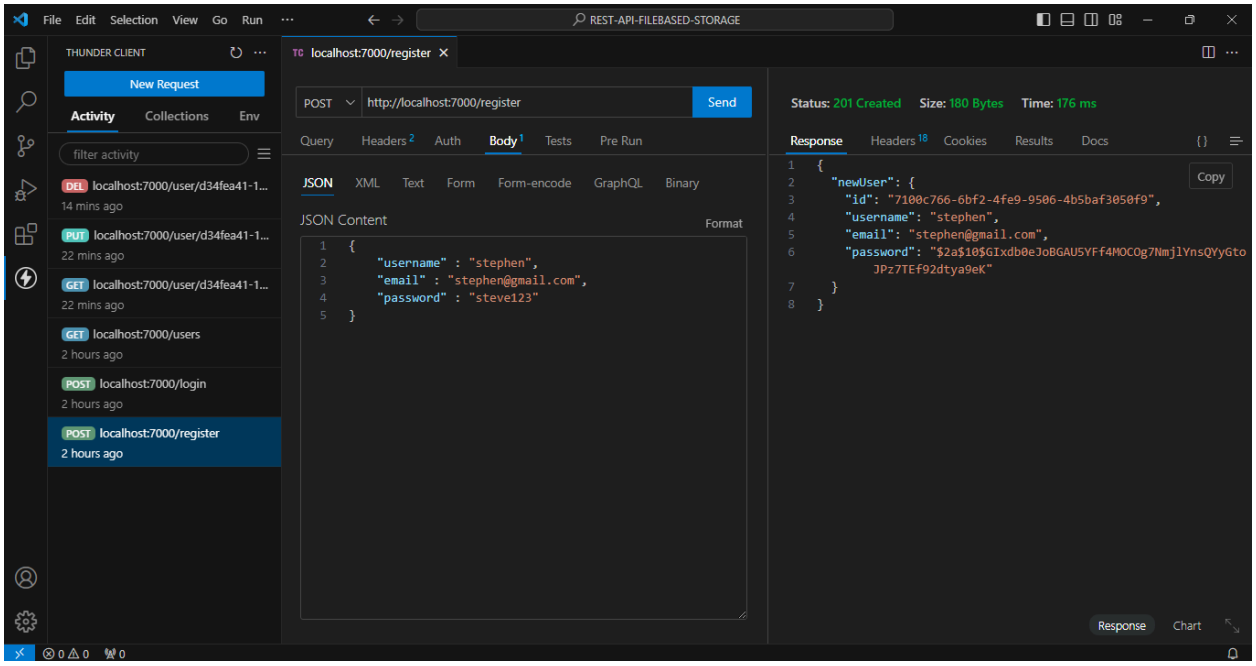

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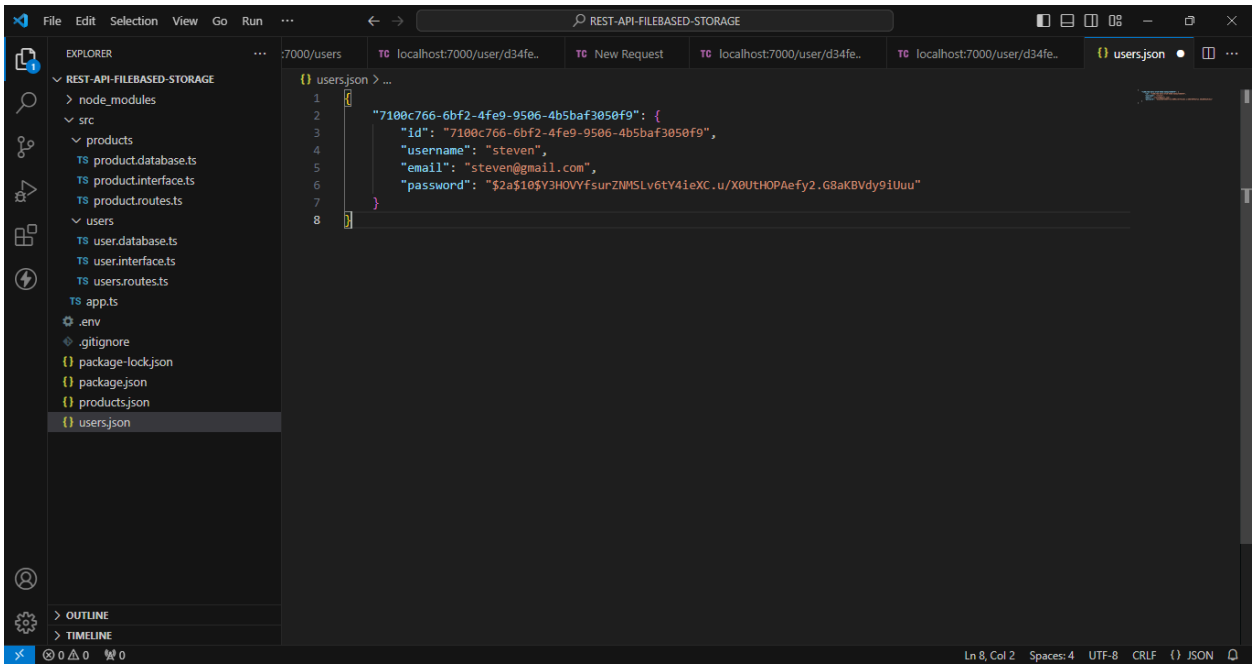

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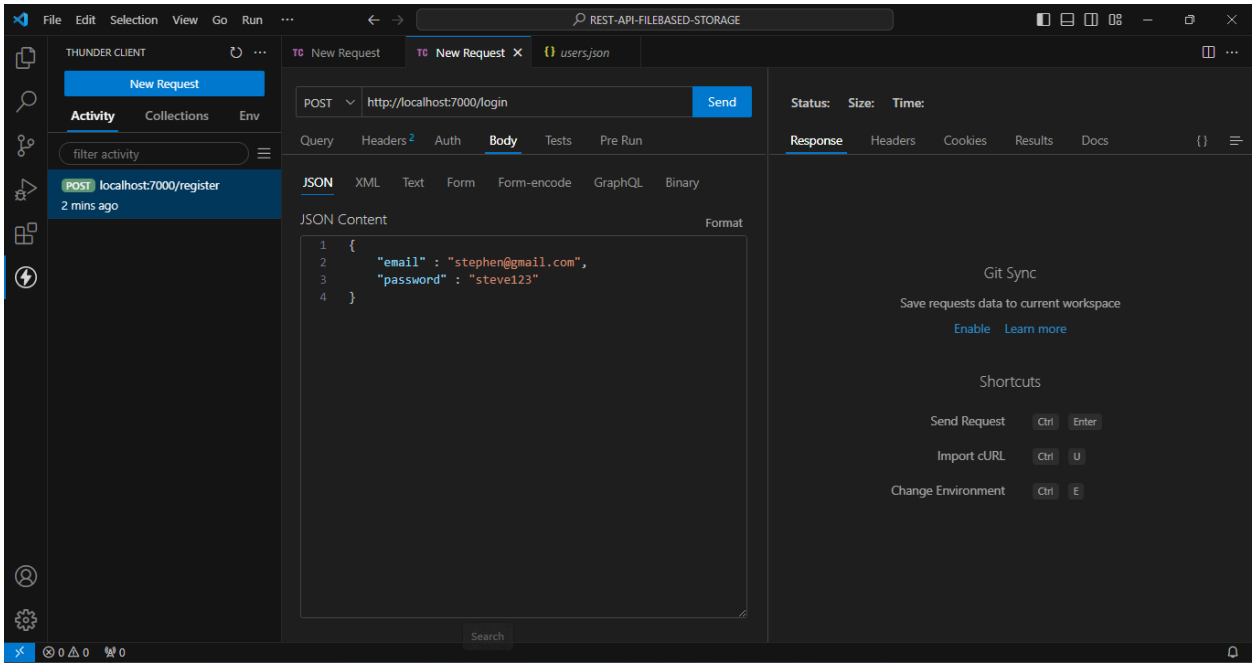

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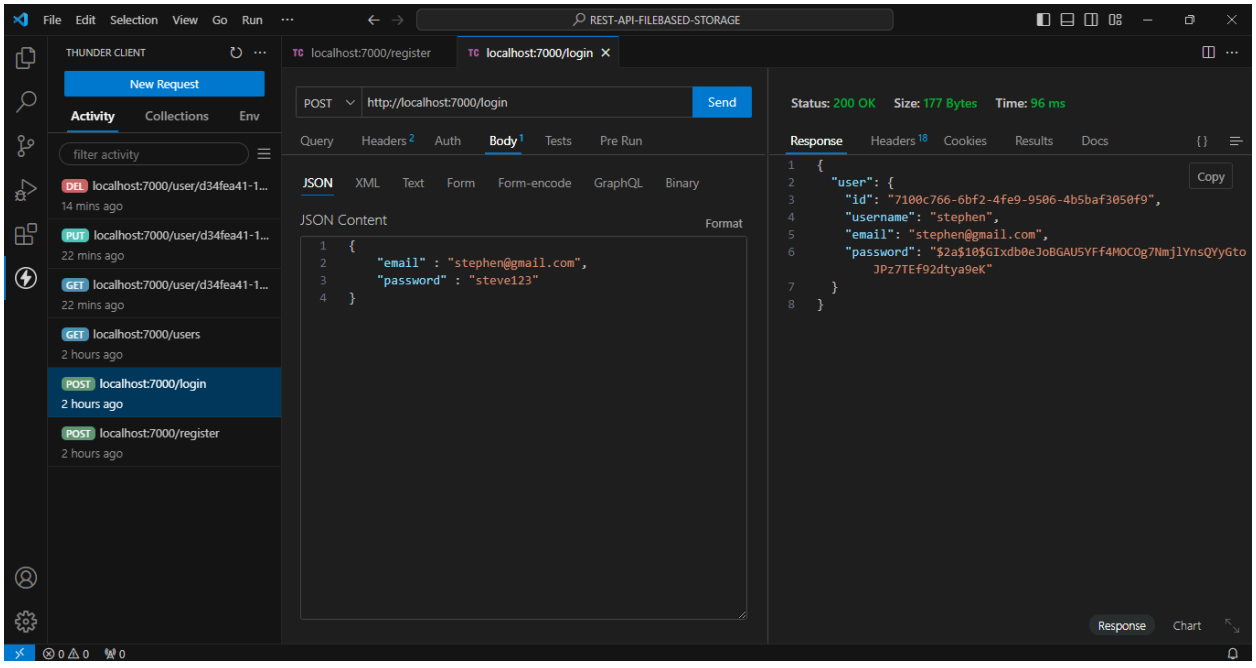

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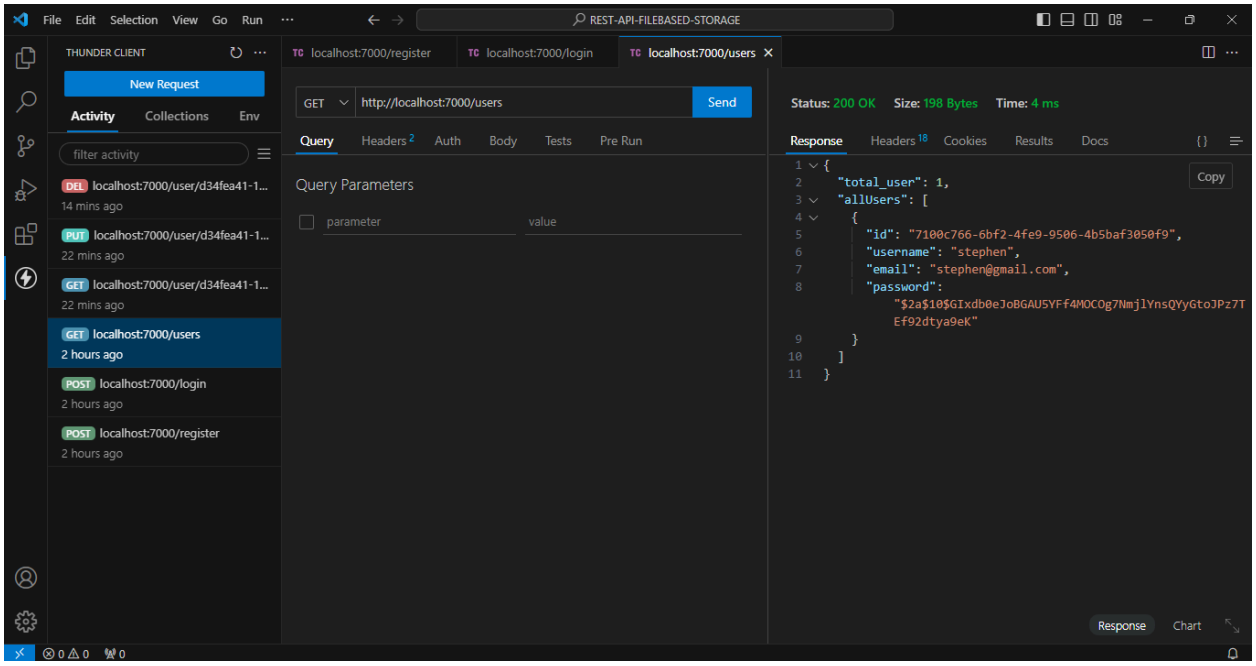

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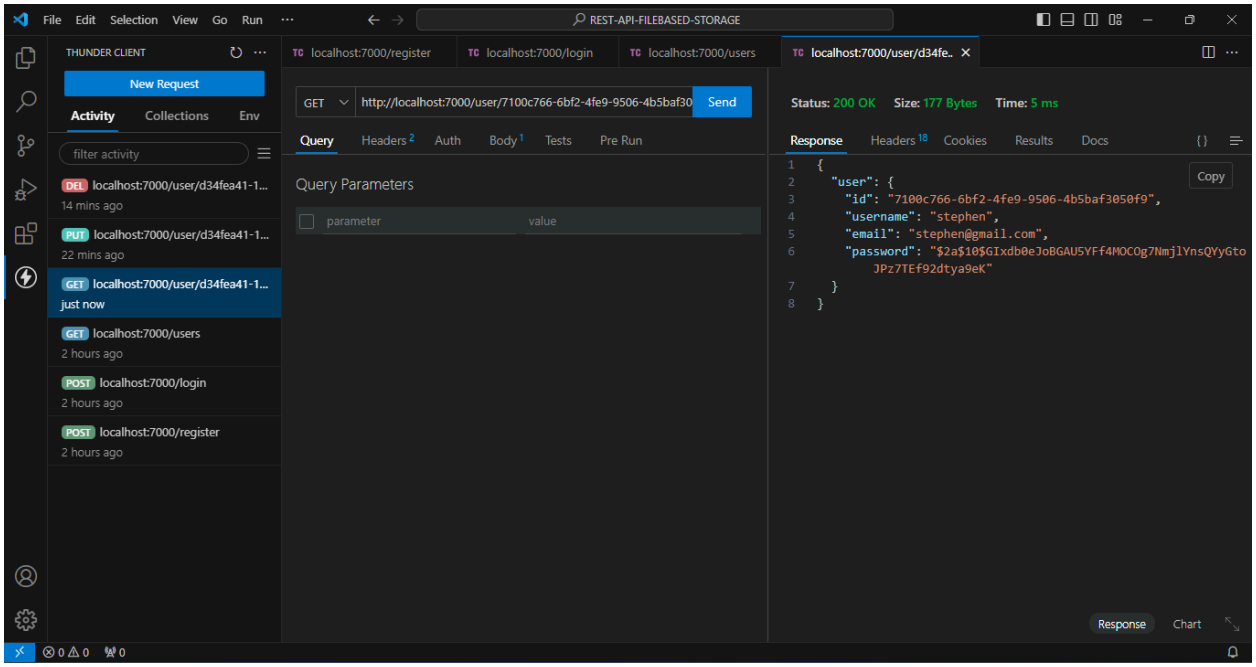

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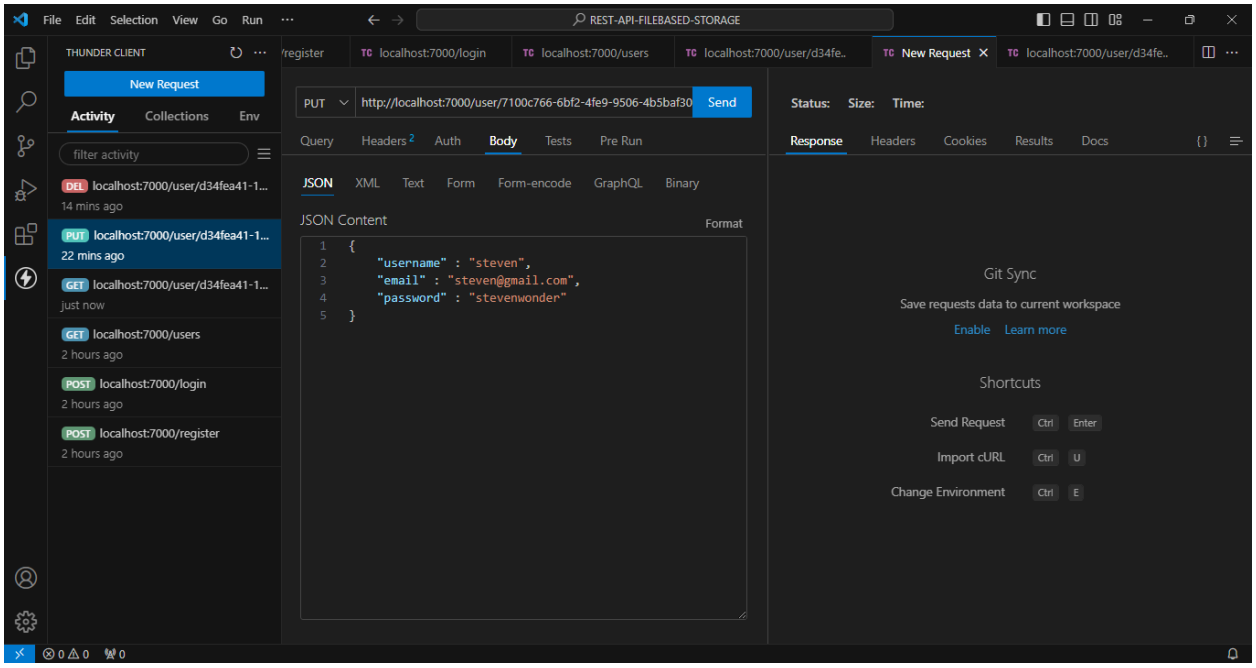

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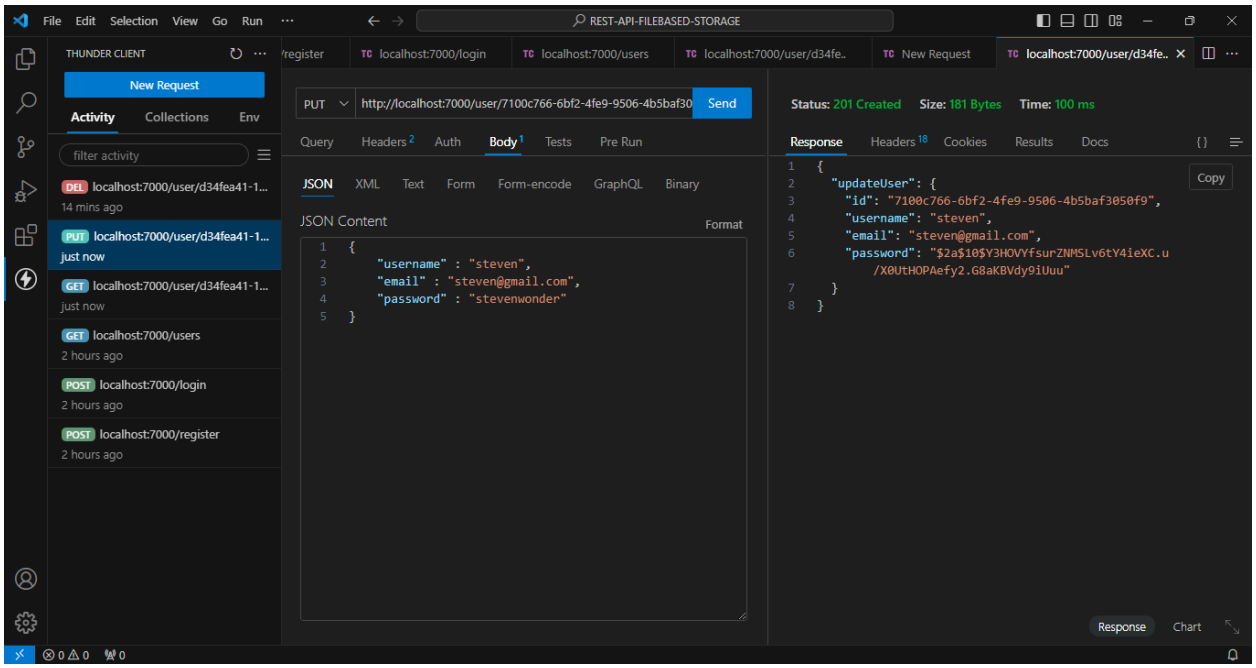

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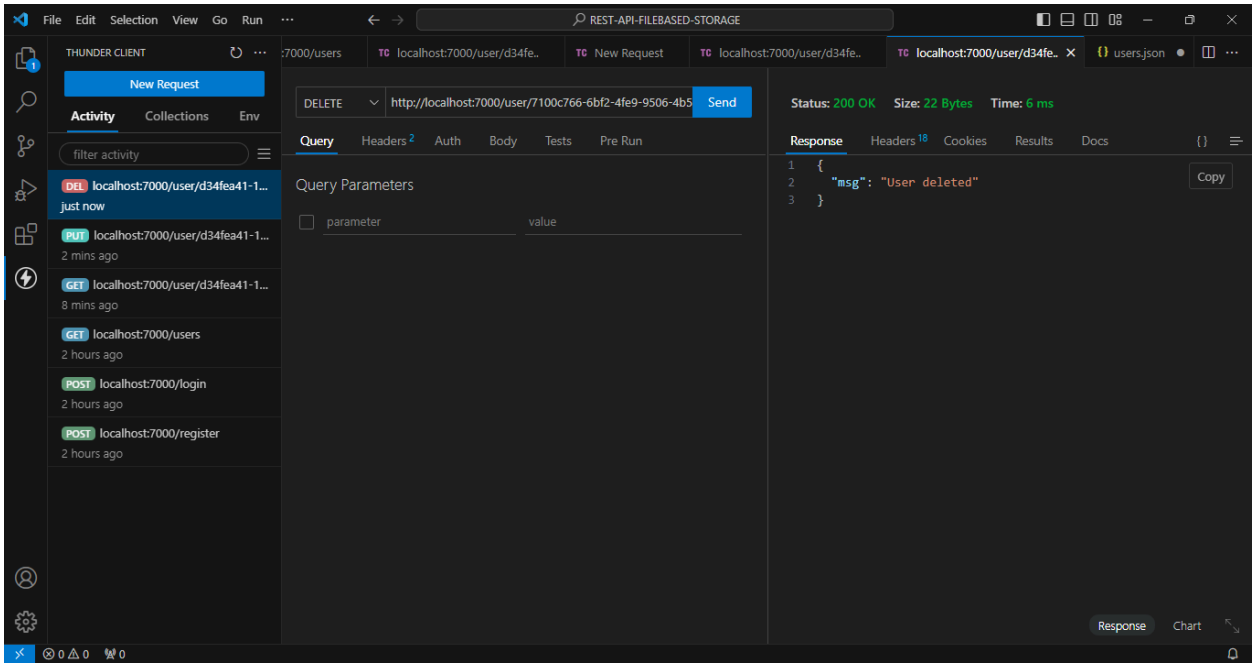

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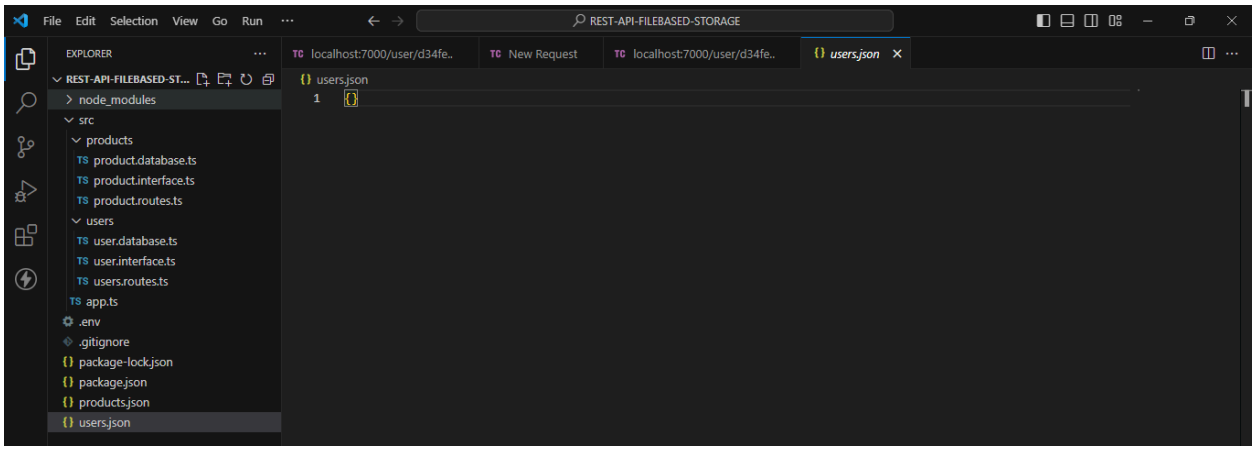

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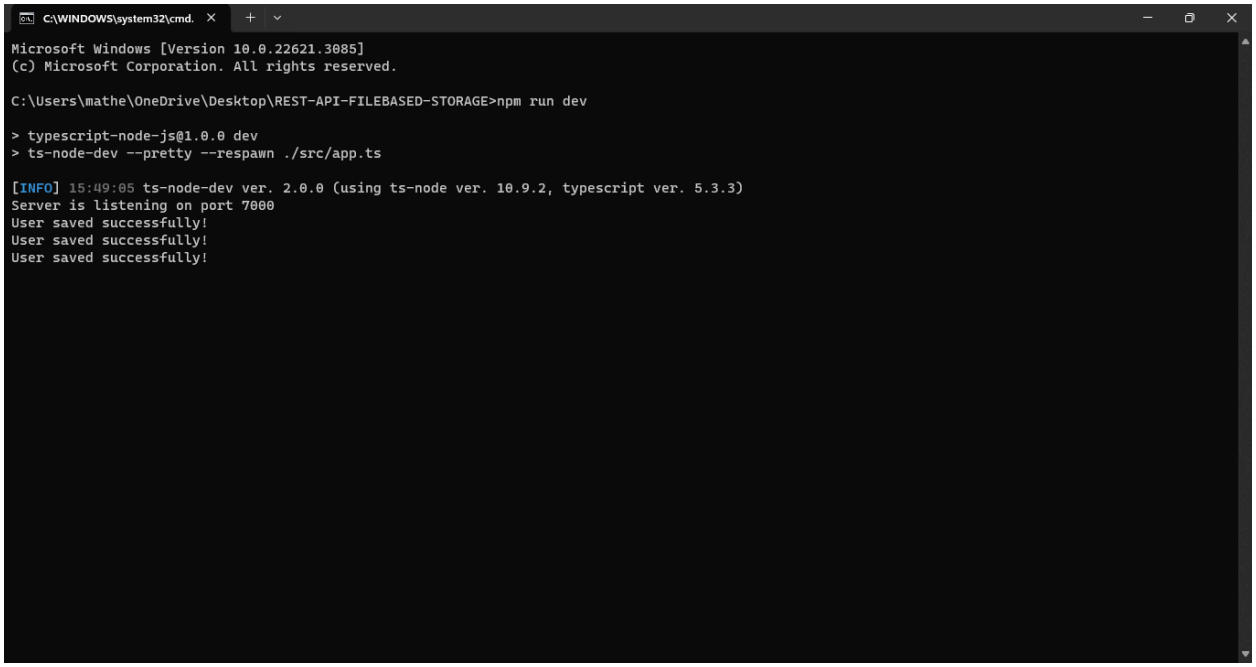

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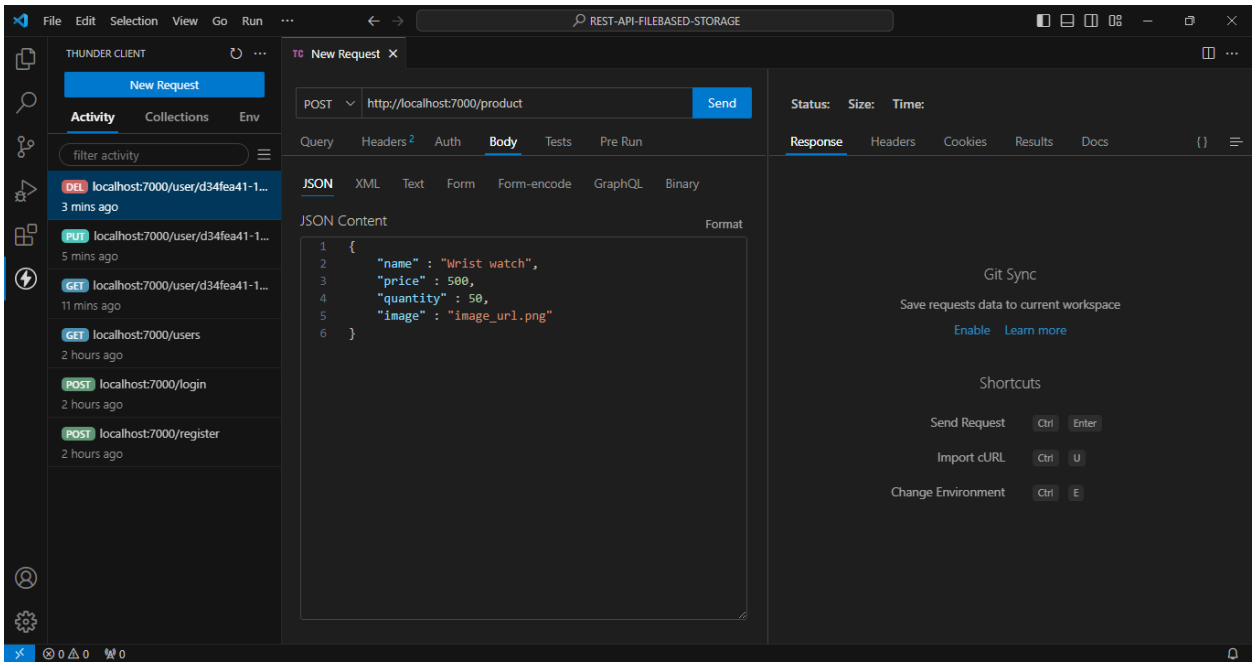

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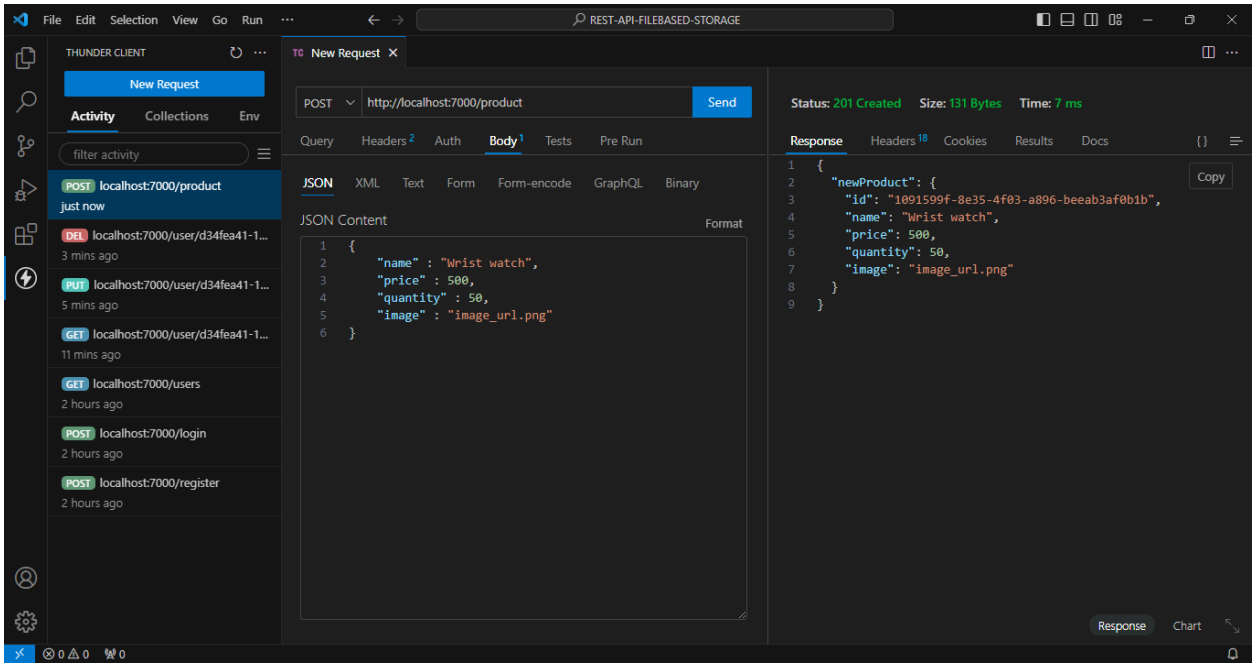

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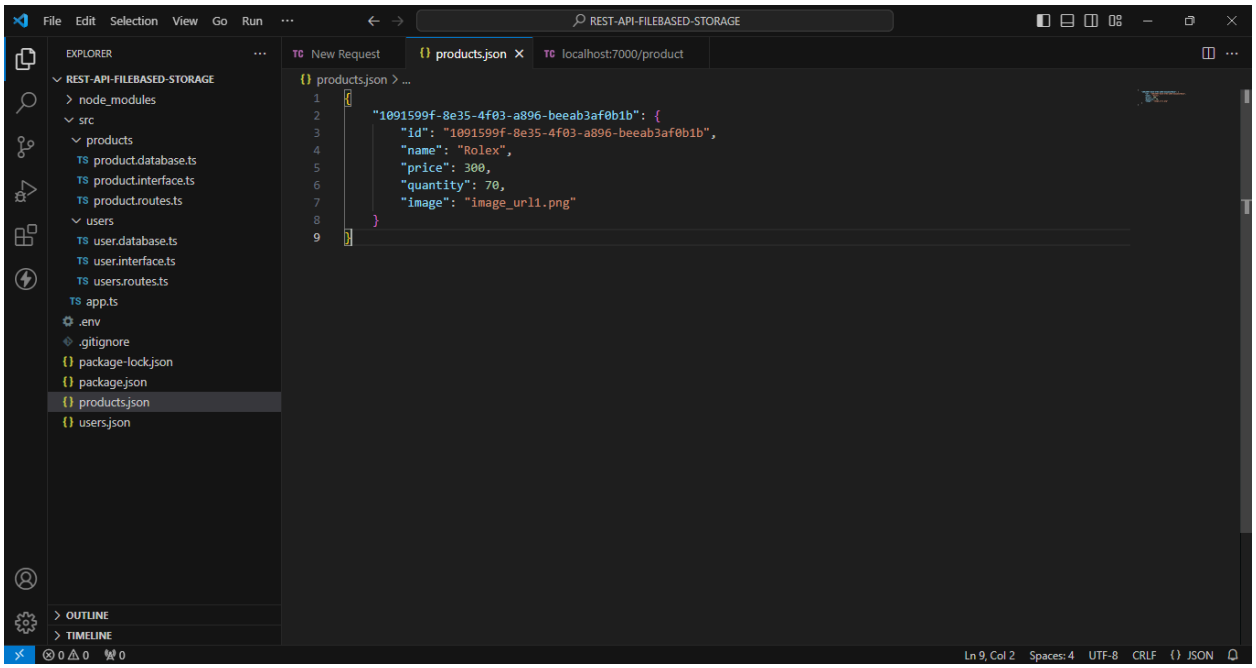

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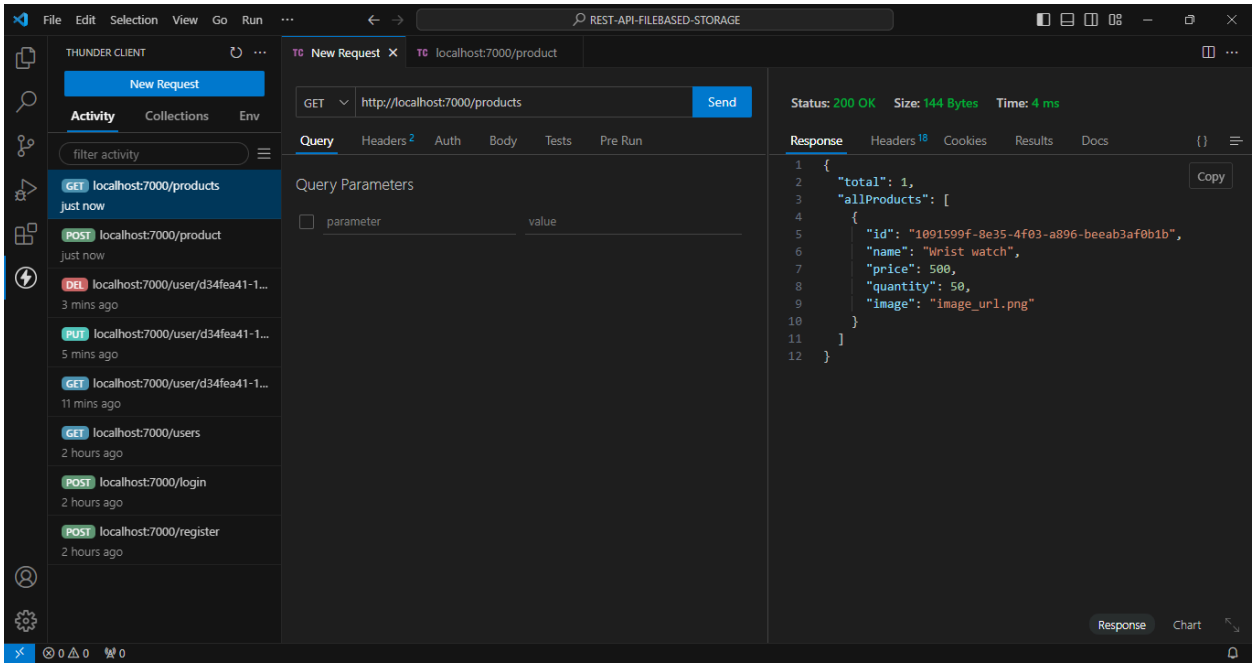

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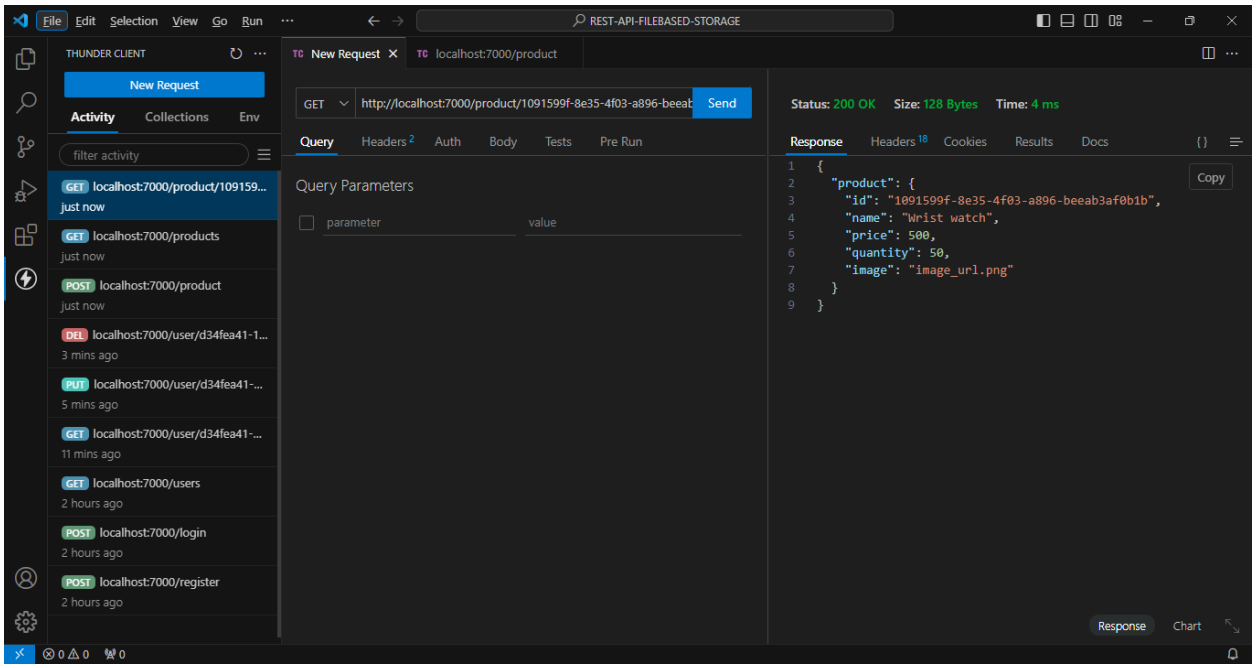

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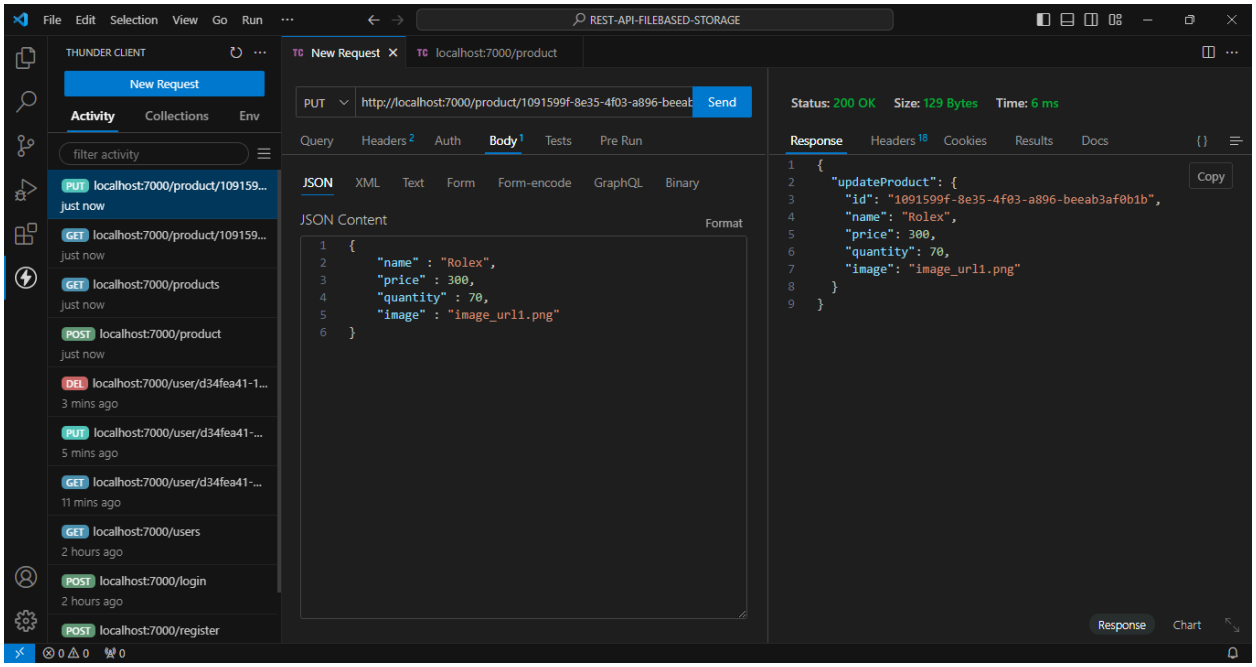

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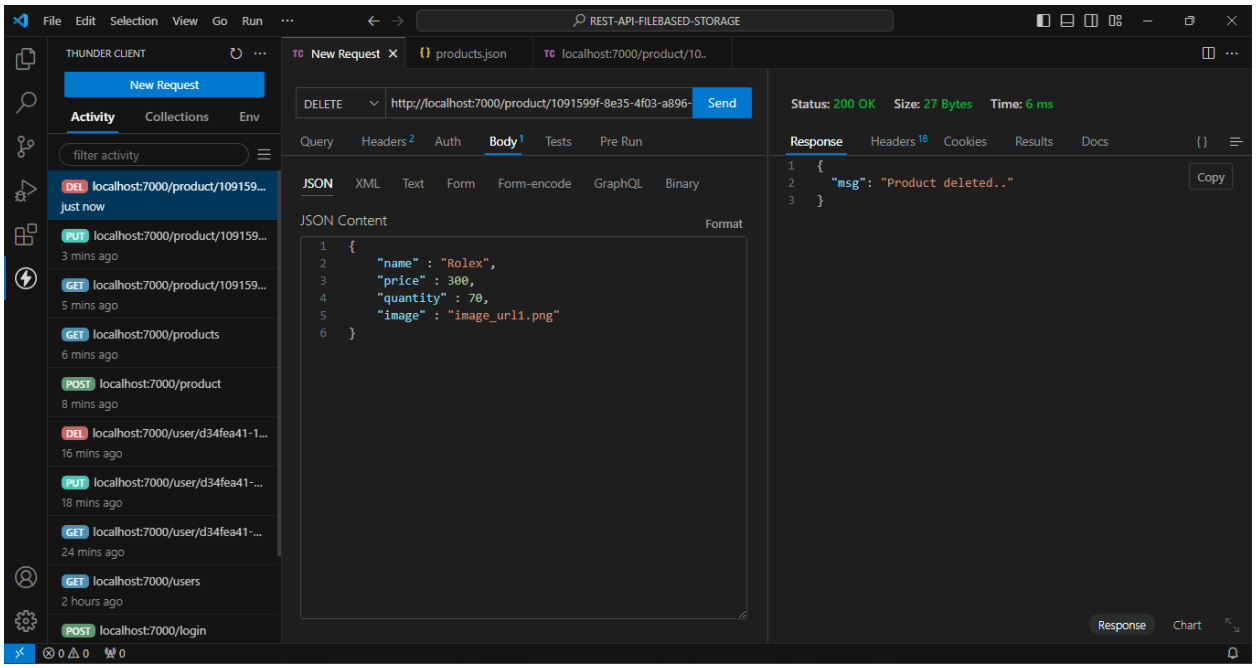

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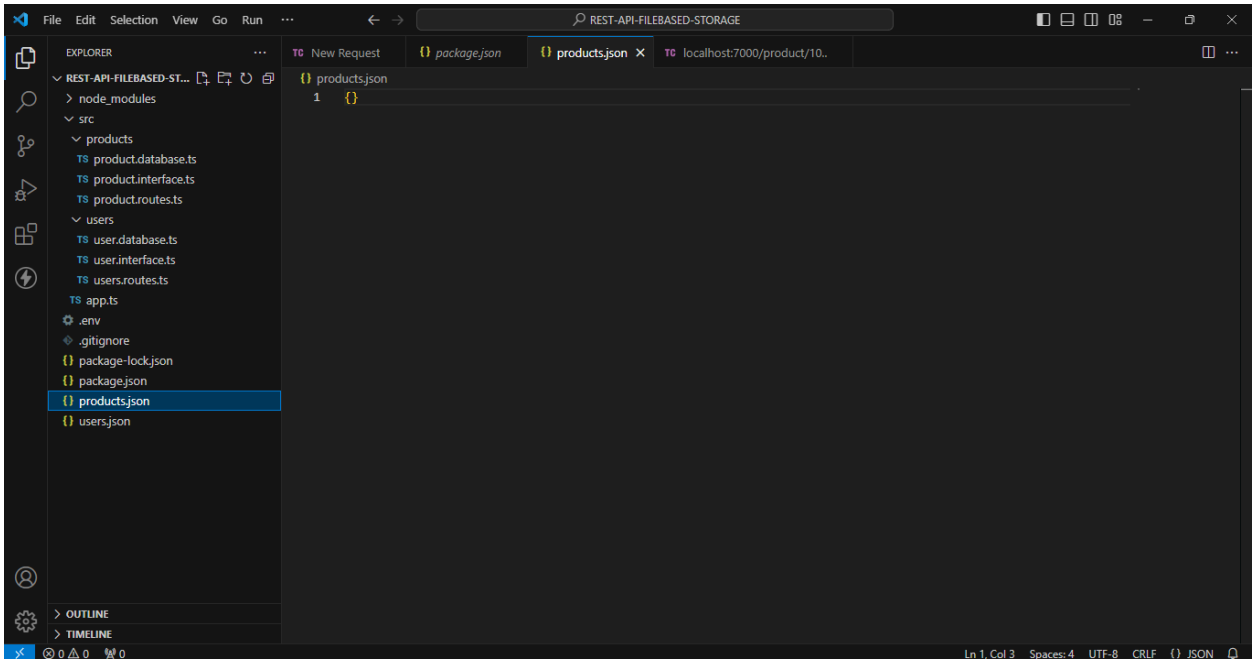

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