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2.0 General Information:

2.1 Document Purpose

This document introduces the fundamentals of Docker containerization, emphasizing automation and efficient management of application environments. It includes hands-on assignments to containerize applications, set up multi-container architectures using Docker Compose, and deploy workloads to production environments. The purpose is to equip users with practical skills in Docker for building scalable, portable, and repeatable application deployments.

2.2 Document Revisions

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3.0 Document Overview:

Containerization with Docker is a modern approach to building, deploying, and managing applications in lightweight, portable containers. Docker simplifies application development by allowing developers to package an application and its dependencies into a single, self-sufficient unit. This document provides a comprehensive guide to using Docker for containerizing applications, setting up multi-container environments with Docker Compose, and deploying containerized workloads to production. It also includes best practices for optimizing Docker images, managing container security, and leveraging Docker Hub for efficient application distribution.



4.0 Project Overview:

4.1 Architecture

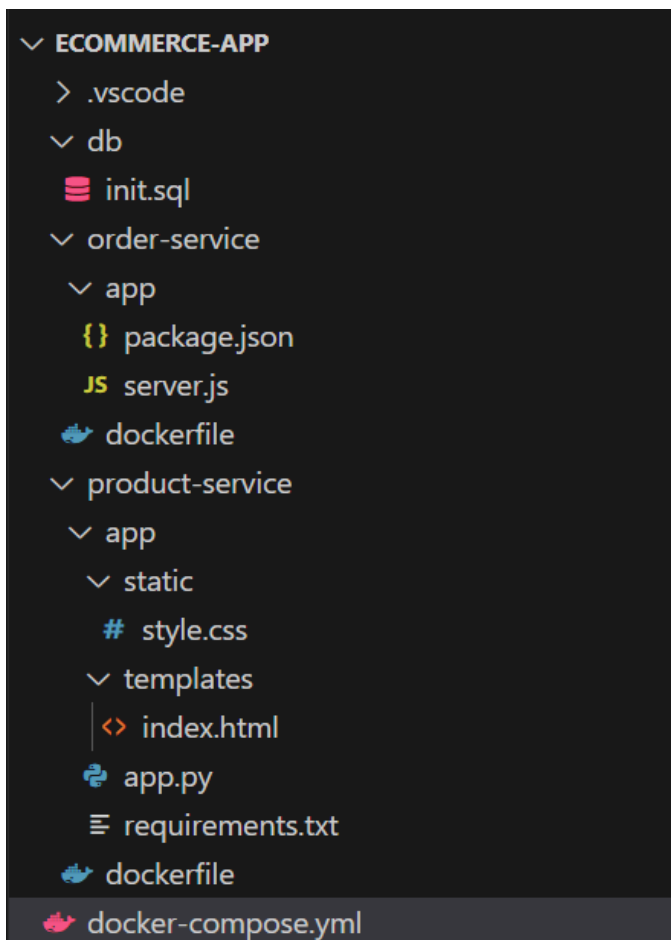
The application consists of three main components:

- Product Service (Python/Flask)
- Order Service (Node.js)
- Shared MySQL Database

4.2 Prerequisites

- Docker Desktop
- Visual Studio Code
- Python 3.9+
- Node.js 16+

4.3 Project Structure

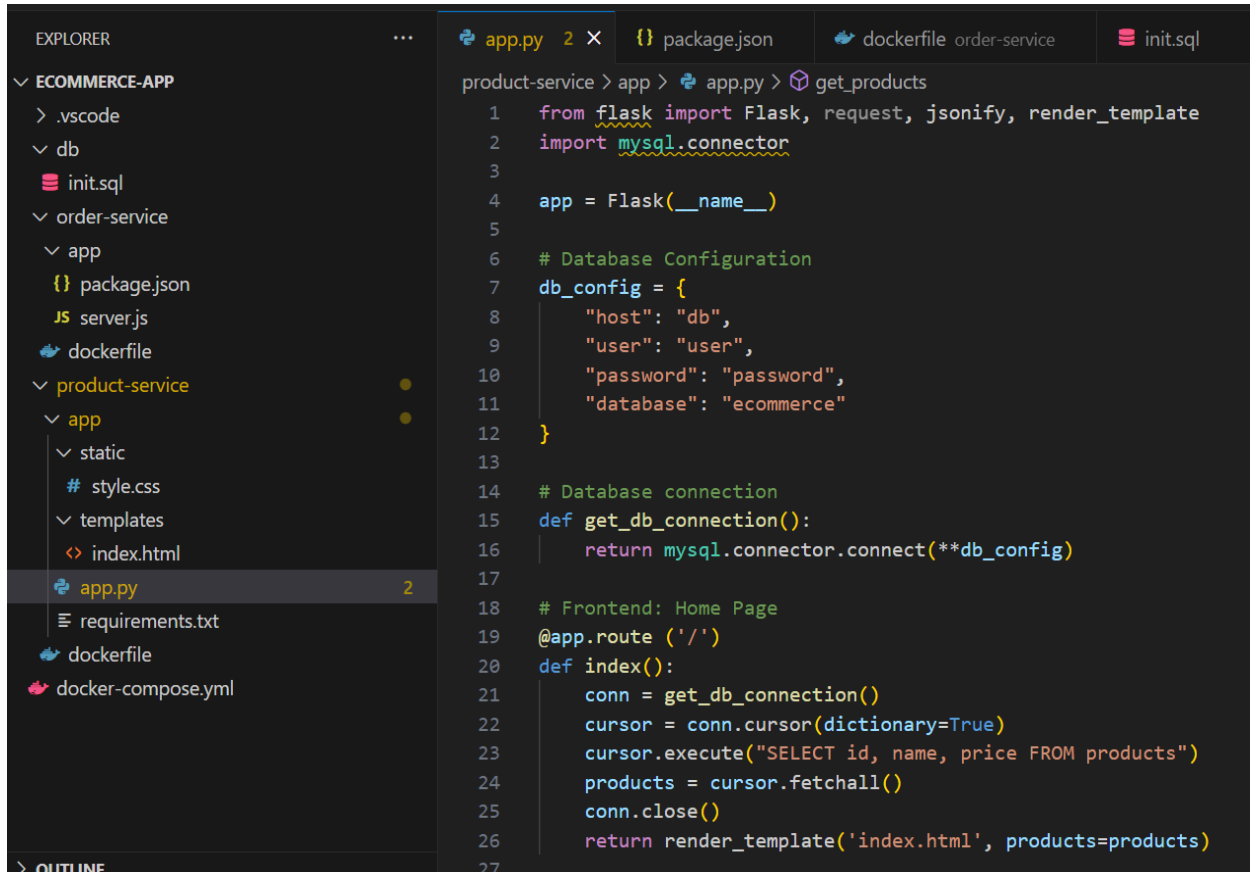


5.0 Product Service (Python/Flask):

5.1 Application Setup:

Create product-service/app.py:

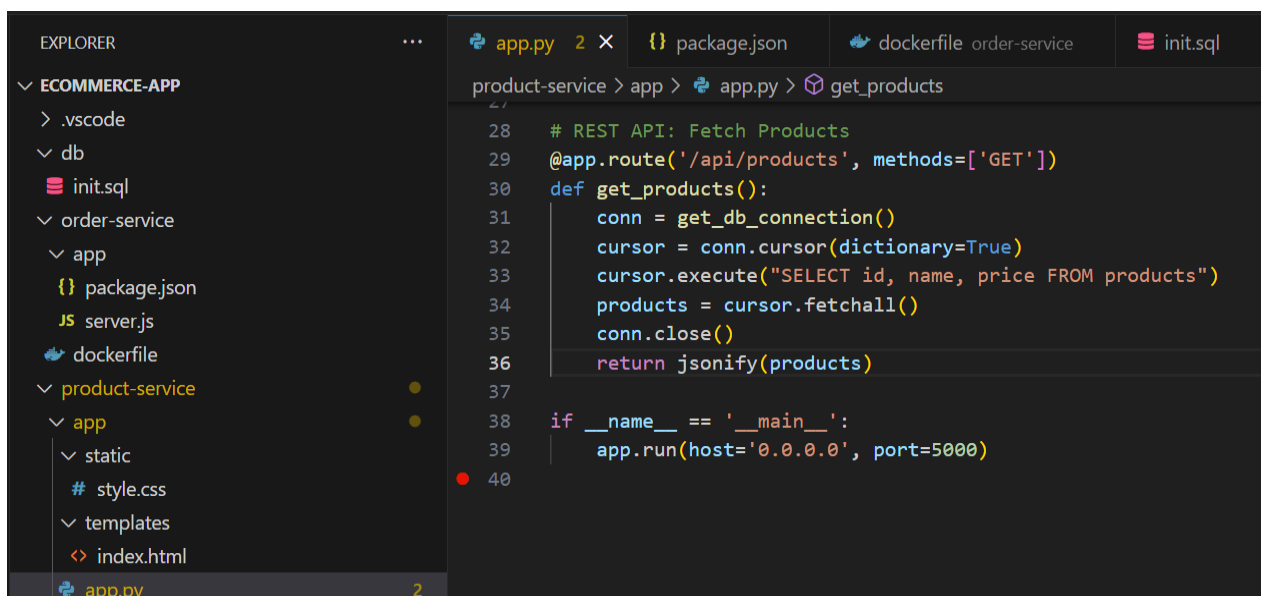
The product-service/app.py file is likely the entry point for your service. The file starts by importing necessary libraries and modules, such as the framework (e.g., Flask or) and any custom modules. Defines the API routes where the service handles specific HTTP requests. Specifies how the app starts running (e.g., through app.run()).



```

product-service > app > app.py > get_products
1  from flask import Flask, request, jsonify, render_template
2  import mysql.connector
3
4  app = Flask(__name__)
5
6  # Database Configuration
7  db_config = {
8      "host": "db",
9      "user": "user",
10     "password": "password",
11     "database": "ecommerce"
12 }
13
14 # Database connection
15 def get_db_connection():
16     return mysql.connector.connect(**db_config)
17
18 # Frontend: Home Page
19 @app.route('/')
20 def index():
21     conn = get_db_connection()
22     cursor = conn.cursor(dictionary=True)
23     cursor.execute("SELECT id, name, price FROM products")
24     products = cursor.fetchall()
25     conn.close()
26     return render_template('index.html', products=products)
27

```



```

product-service > app > app.py > get_products
28 # REST API: Fetch Products
29 @app.route('/api/products', methods=['GET'])
30 def get_products():
31     conn = get_db_connection()
32     cursor = conn.cursor(dictionary=True)
33     cursor.execute("SELECT id, name, price FROM products")
34     products = cursor.fetchall()
35     conn.close()
36     return jsonify(products)
37
38 if __name__ == '__main__':
39     app.run(host='0.0.0.0', port=5000)
40

```

5.2 product-service/requirements.txt:

The requirements.txt file is a standard way to list the dependencies your Python application needs. It allows others (or deployment environments) to install the exact versions of the libraries used in your project by running `pip install -r requirements.txt`.

```

product-service > app > requirements.txt
1 flask
2 mysql-connector-python
3

```

5.3 product-service/Dockerfile:

The Dockerfile is a script that contains instructions to build a Docker image for your application. For a product-service Python application, the Dockerfile would define how to package your code, dependencies, and configurations into a lightweight, portable container.

```

product-service > dockerfile > ...
1 FROM python:3.9-slim
2
3 WORKDIR /app
4
5 COPY app/requirements.txt requirements.txt
6 RUN pip install -r requirements.txt
7
8 COPY app/ .
9 EXPOSE 5000
10
11 CMD ["python", "app.py"]
12

```

5.4 product-service/templates/index.html :

The product-service/templates/index.html file is likely an HTML template used in a web application, typically for rendering a user interface related to the product service.

```

product-service > app > templates > index.html > html > head
1 <!DOCTYPE html>
2 <html lang="en">
3 <head>
4   <meta charset="UTF-8">
5   <title>E-Commerce Product Catalog</title>
6   <link rel="stylesheet" href="/static/style.css">
7 </head>
8 <body>
9   <h1>Product Catalog</h1>
10  <ul>
11    {% for product in products %}
12    <li>{{ product['name'] }} - ${{ product['price'] }}</li>
13    {% endfor %}
14  </ul>
15 </body>
16 </html>

```

5.5 product-service/static/style.css

The screenshot shows the VS Code interface. The Explorer on the left shows the project structure with 'product-service' expanded to 'static', where 'style.css' is selected. The main editor shows the content of 'style.css' with the following CSS code:

```

1  body {
2      font-family: Arial, sans-serif;
3      margin: 20px;
4      background-color: #f9f9f9;
5  }
6
7  h1 {
8      color: #333;
9  }
10
11  ul {
12      list-style: none;
13      padding: 0;
14  }
15
16  li {
17      padding: 10px;
18      background: #fff;
19      margin-bottom: 10px;
20      border: 1px solid #ddd;
21      border-radius: 5px;
22  }

```

6.0 Order Service (Node.js)

6.1 Order-service/package.json:

The package.json file is a configuration file used in Node.js projects to define the metadata, dependencies, and scripts for the application.

The screenshot shows the VS Code interface with 'package.json' selected in the Explorer. The main editor displays the following JSON content:

```

1  {
2      "name": "order-service",
3      "version": "1.0.0",
4      "main": "server.js",
5      "dependencies": {
6          "express": "^4.18.2",
7          "mysql2": "^3.2.0"
8      },
9      "scripts": {
10         "start": "node server.js"
11     }
12 }

```

6.2 order-service/server.js

The server.js file in a Node.js application typically serves as the entry point for the application. It is responsible for setting up the server, configuring middleware, defining routes, and starting the application to listen for incoming requests.

The screenshot shows the VS Code interface with 'server.js' selected in the Explorer. The main editor displays the following JavaScript code:

```

1  const express = require('express');
2  const mysql = require('mysql2');
3
4  const app = express();
5  app.use(express.json());
6
7  const db = mysql.createConnection({
8      host: 'db',
9      user: 'user',
10     password: 'password',
11     database: 'ecommerce'
12 });
13
14 db.connect((err) => {
15     if (err) {
16         console.error('Database connection failed:', err.stack);
17         return;
18     }
19     console.log('Connected to the database.');
```

```

20 });
21
22 // Root route for the service
23 app.get('/', (req, res) => {
24     res.send('<h1>Welcome to the Order Service</h1><p>Use /api/orders to interact with the API.</p>');
25 });

```


The screenshot shows the VS Code interface with the Explorer on the left and the editor on the right. The Explorer shows a project structure with folders like .vscode, db, order-service, and product-service. The order-service folder is expanded, showing an app folder with package.json and JS server.js. The editor shows the content of JS server.js, which is a Node.js application using Express and MySQL. The code includes a POST endpoint for creating orders and a GET endpoint for retrieving all orders. The application listens on port 3000.

```

27 // Create an order
28 app.post('/api/orders', (req, res) => {
29   const { product_id, quantity } = req.body;
30
31   if (!product_id || !quantity) {
32     return res.status(400).json({ error: 'Invalid order data' });
33   }
34
35   const query = "INSERT INTO orders (product_id, quantity) VALUES (?, ?)";
36   db.query(query, [product_id, quantity], (err, result) => {
37     if (err) throw err;
38     res.status(201).json({ message: 'Order created', order_id: result.insertId });
39   });
40 });
41
42 // Get all orders
43 app.get('/api/orders', (req, res) => {
44   const query = "SELECT * FROM orders";
45   db.query(query, (err, results) => {
46     if (err) throw err;
47     res.status(200).json(results);
48   });
49 });
50 const PORT = 3000;
51 app.listen(PORT, () => console.log(`Order service running on port ${PORT}`));

```

6.3 order-service/dockerfile:

The Dockerfile for the order-service defines how to build a Docker image for your Node.js application. This file specifies the base image, installs dependencies, copies application files, and sets up the application to run in a container.

The screenshot shows the VS Code interface with the Explorer on the left and the editor on the right. The Explorer shows the project structure, and the order-service folder is expanded, showing a dockerfile. The editor shows the content of the dockerfile, which is a Dockerfile for a Node.js application. The Dockerfile starts with the FROM node:14-alpine base image, sets the WORKDIR to /app, copies the package.json file, runs npm install, copies the rest of the application files, exposes port 3000, and sets the CMD to run npm start.

```

1 FROM node:14-alpine
2
3 WORKDIR /app
4
5 COPY app/package.json .
6
7 RUN npm install
8
9 COPY app/ .
10 EXPOSE 3000
11
12 CMD ["npm", "start"]

```

7.0 Database Setup (MySQL)

7.1 db/init.sql:

The db/init.sql file is typically used to initialize a database by defining its structure and sometimes inserting initial data. It contains SQL statements for creating tables.

```

package.json x  dockerfile order-service  init.sql x  docker-compose.yml  JS server.js
db > init.sql > INSERT INTO orders (product_id, quantity) VALUES (1, 2), (2, 1);

1  CREATE DATABASE IF NOT EXISTS ecommerce;
2
3  Run
4  USE ecommerce;
5  Run | Select
6  CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS products (
7      id INT AUTO_INCREMENT PRIMARY KEY,
8      name VARCHAR(255) NOT NULL,
9      price DECIMAL(10, 2) NOT NULL
10 );
11 Run | Select
12 CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS orders (
13     id INT AUTO_INCREMENT PRIMARY KEY,
14     product_id INT NOT NULL,
15     quantity INT NOT NULL,
16     FOREIGN KEY (product_id) REFERENCES products(id)
17 );
18 -- Insert sample data
19 Run | Select
20 INSERT INTO products (name, price) VALUES
21 ('Laptop', 999.99),
22 ('Smartphone', 499.99),
23 ('Headphones', 99.99);
24 Run
25 INSERT INTO orders (product_id, quantity) VALUES (1, 2), (2, 1);

```

8.0 Docker Compose Configuration

8.1 docker-compose.yml

The docker-compose.yml file is a configuration file used by Docker Compose to define and manage multi-container Docker applications. It specifies how services (containers), networks, and volumes work together for your application.

```

EXPLORER  ...  docker-compose.yml x  JS server.js  # style.css  requirements.txt  dockerfile
v ECOMMERCE-APP
  > .vscode
  v db
  init.sql
  v order-service
    v app
      {} package.json
      JS server.js
      dockerfile
  v product-service
    v app
      # style.css
      templates
      index.html
      app.py 2
      requirements.txt
      dockerfile
  docker-compose.yml

docker-compose.yml > {} services > {} order-service > [ ] networks > [ ] 0
docker-compose.yml - The Compose specification establishes a standard for the definition of multi-container pl
1  version: '3.8'
2
3  services:
4    product-service:
5      build: ./product-service
6      ports:
7        - "5000:5000"
8      networks:
9        - ecommerce-network
10     depends_on:
11       - db
12
13    order-service:
14      build: ./order-service
15      ports:
16        - "3000:3000"
17      networks:
18        - ecommerce-network
19     depends_on:
20       - db

```

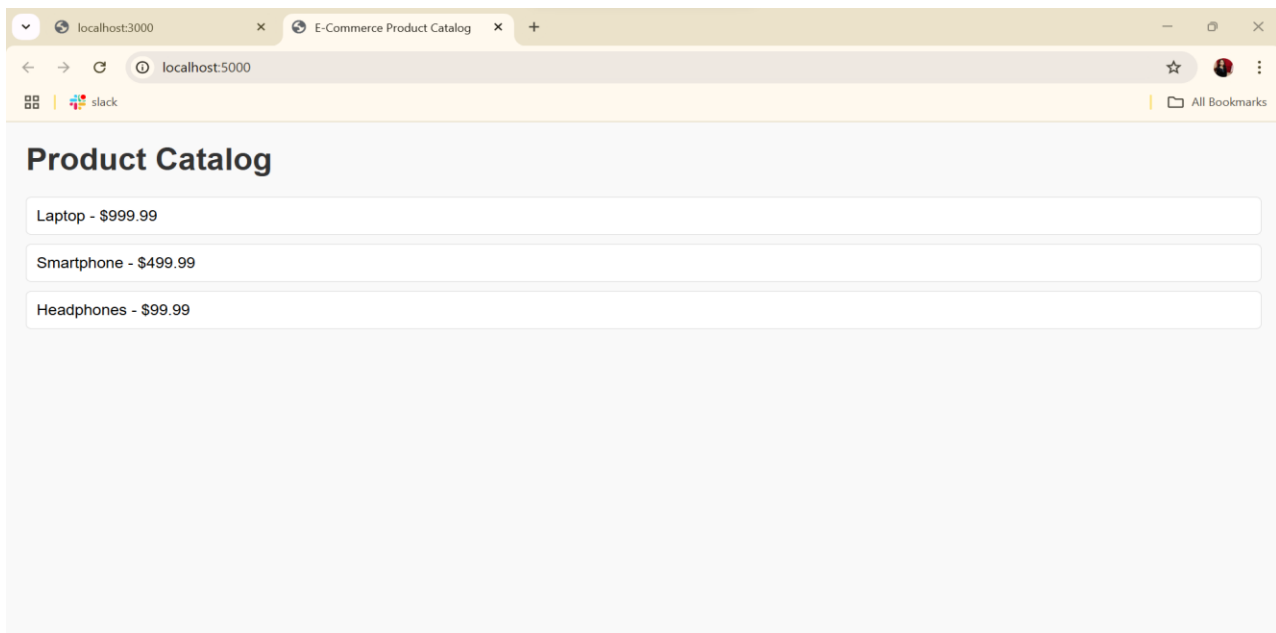
9.0 Running the Application:

9.1 Navigate to project directory in VS Code and build and start services:

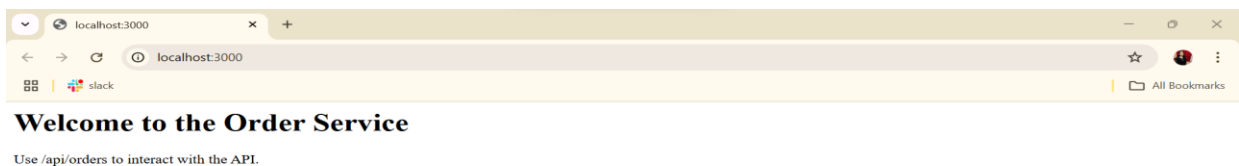
- docker-compose build
- docker-compose up

9.2 Verify services:

- Product service: <http://localhost:5000>

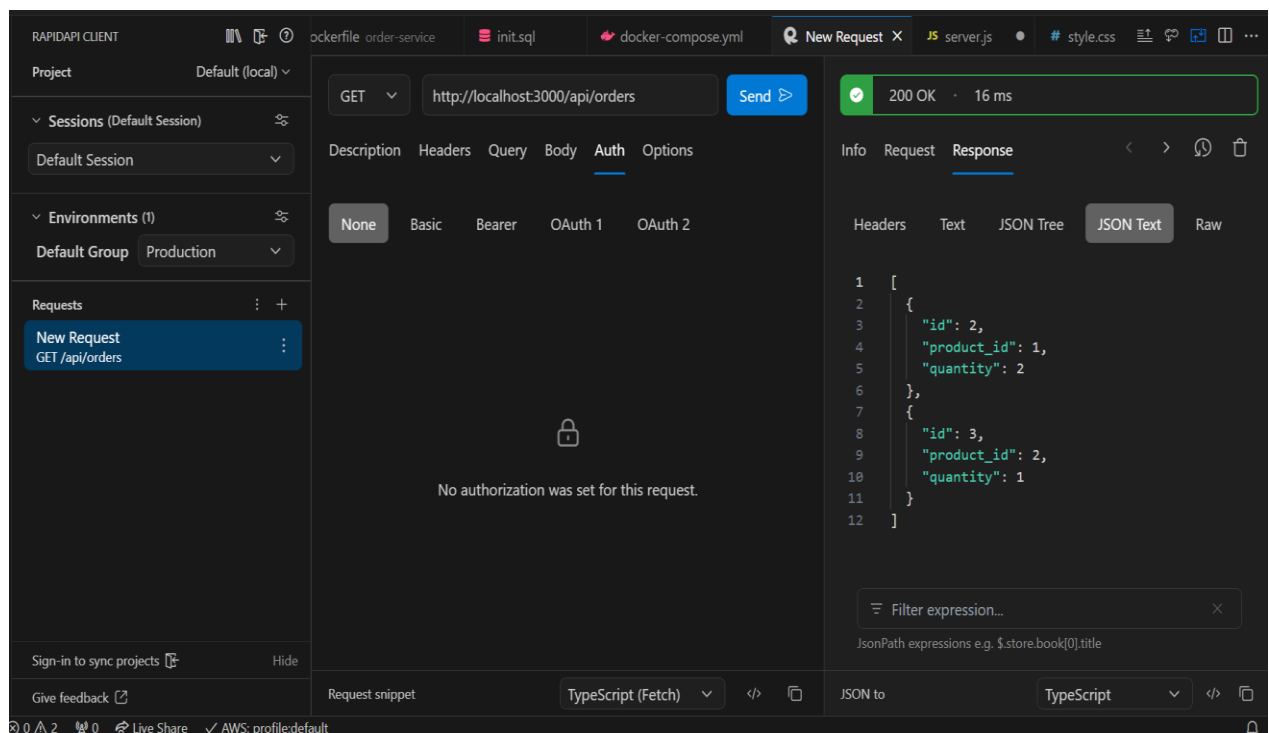
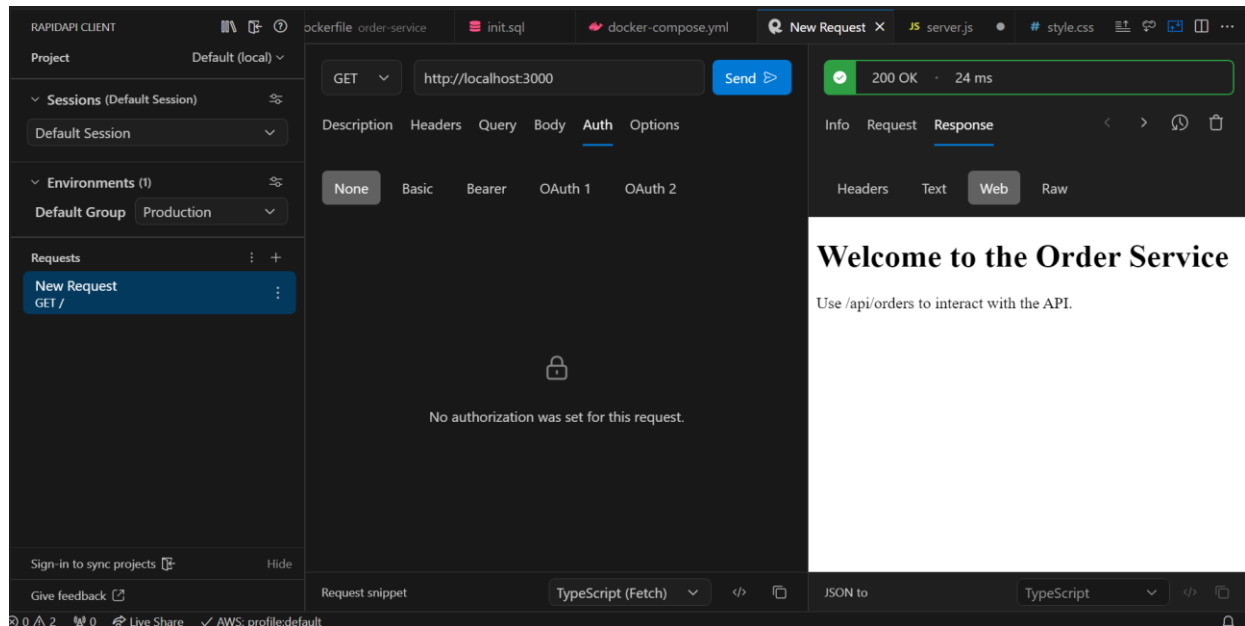


- Order service: <http://localhost:3000>



5.8 Testing:

Test the services using RapidAPI Client :



Setting Up Persistent Storage in Docker on Windows

Sample-compose/dockerfile:

The Dockerfile defines the application image and its runtime environment

```

1 FROM python:3.9
2 WORKDIR /app
3 COPY . .
4 RUN pip install flask mysql-connector-python
5 CMD ["python", "app.py"]
6

```

Data Persistence Strategy

docker-compose.yml

The docker-compose.yml file defines the service and volume mapping. Bind a Windows folder to the container for persistent storage. Database persistence is achieved through named volumes:

```

1 version: '3.9'
2
3 services:
4   backend:
5     build:
6       context: .
7     ports:
8       - "5001:5001"
9     depends_on:
10      - db
11   environment:
12     - DATABASE_HOST=db
13     - DATABASE_USER=user
14     - DATABASE_PASSWORD=password
15     - DATABASE_NAME=mydatabase
16

```

```

17 db:
18   image: mysql:8.0
19   ports:
20     - "3306:3306"
21   environment:
22     MYSQL_ROOT_PASSWORD: rootpassword
23     MYSQL_DATABASE: mydatabase
24     MYSQL_USER: user
25     MYSQL_PASSWORD: password
26   volumes:
27     - db_data:/var/lib/mysql
28
29 volumes:
30   db_data:
31

```

Verify Data Persistence:

Name	Note	Size	Last modified	Mode
> misc			3 months ago	drwxr-xr-x
> mysql	VOLUME		5 hours ago	dtrwxrwxrwx
#ib_16384_0.dblwr	Volume mounted at /var/lib/mysql	192 kB	5 hours ago	-rw-f----
#ib_16384_1.dblwr	VOLUME	8.2 MB	9 hours ago	-rw-f----
> #innodb_redo	VOLUME		5 hours ago	drwxr-xr-x
> #innodb_temp	VOLUME		5 hours ago	drwxr-xr-x
auto.cnf	VOLUME	56 Bytes	9 hours ago	-rw-f----
binlog.000001	VOLUME	2.8 MB	9 hours ago	-rw-f----

