Complete Node.js and Express.js Backend Development Guide - ES6 Module Edition

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Introduction

ES6 modules provide a standardized way to organize and share JavaScript code. Unlike CommonJS (require/module.exports), ES6 modules use import and export statements, offering better static analysis, tree shaking, and cleaner syntax.

Benefits of ES6 Modules:

- Static Analysis: Imports/exports are determined at compile time
- Tree Shaking: Dead code elimination in bundlers
- Cleaner Syntax: More readable import/export statements
- Standardized: Part of the JavaScript specification
- Better IDE Support: Enhanced autocomplete and refactoring

Environment Setup

Package.json Configuration

```
"name": "express-es6-backend",
  "version": "1.0.0",
  "type": "module",
  "description": "Express.js backend with ES6 modules",
  "main": "src/app.js",
  "scripts": {
    "start": "node src/app.js",
    "dev": "nodemon src/app.js",
    "test": "jest --experimental-vm-modules"
  "dependencies": {
    "express": "^4.18.2",
    "mongoose": "^7.5.0",
    "bcryptjs": "^2.4.3",
    "jsonwebtoken": "^9.0.2",
    "dotenv": "^16.3.1",
    "helmet": "^7.0.0",
    "cors": "^2.8.5",
    "joi": "^17.9.2",
    "redis": "^4.6.7"
  },
  "devDependencies": {
    "nodemon": "^3.0.1",
    "jest": "^29.6.2",
    "supertest": "^6.3.3"
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```

Environment Variables (.env)

```
NODE_ENV=development
PORT=3000
MONGODB_URI=mongodb://localhost:27017/expressdb
JWT_SECRET=your-super-secret-jwt-key
JWT_EXPIRE=7d
REDIS_URL=redis://localhost:6379
```

Basic Express Server

App Configuration (src/app.js)

```
import express from 'express';
import cors from 'cors';
import helmet from 'helmet';
import dotenv from 'dotenv';
import { connectDB } from './config/database.js';
import { globalErrorHandler } from './middleware/errorHandler.js';
```

```
import { notFound } from './middleware/notFound.js';
import authRoutes from './routes/auth.js';
import userRoutes from './routes/users.js';
import productRoutes from './routes/products.js';
// Load environment variables
dotenv.config();
const app = express();
const PORT = process.env.PORT || 3000;
// Connect to database
connectDB();
// Security middleware
app.use(helmet());
app.use(cors({
    origin: process.env.CORS_ORIGIN || 'http://localhost:3000',
    credentials: true
}));
// Body parsing middleware
app.use(express.json({ limit: '10mb' }));
app.use(express.urlencoded({ extended: true }));
// Routes
app.use('/api/auth', authRoutes);
app.use('/api/users', userRoutes);
app.use('/api/products', productRoutes);
// Health check
app.get('/health', (req, res) => {
    res.json({
        status: 'OK',
        timestamp: new Date().toISOString(),
        uptime: process.uptime()
    });
});
// Error handling middleware
app.use(notFound);
app.use(globalErrorHandler);
app.listen(PORT, () => {
    console.log(`[ Server running on port ${PORT}`);
    console.log(`[ Environment: ${process.env.NODE_ENV}`);
});
export default app;
```

Project Structure

```
src/
— app.js
                         # Main application file
 — config/
    — database.js # Database configuration
    ├── redis.js
                        # Redis configuration
    — config.js
                        # App configuration
  — models/
    User.js # User model
Product.js # Product model
Order.js # 0
    ├─ User.js
    Order.js
  - controllers/
    — authController.js # Authentication controller
       - userController.js # User controller
    productController.js # Product controller
  - services/
    — authService.js # Authentication service
    userService.js # User service
    emailService.js # Email service
cacheService.js # Cache service
  - middleware/
    — auth.js
                        # Authentication middleware
    ├── validation.js # Validation middleware
      — errorHandler.js # Error handling middleware
    └── rateLimiter.js # Rate limiting middleware
  - routes/
    – utils/
    ├── AppError.js # Custom error class
    - Apperion.js # Async error catcher
- logger.js # Logging utility
- helpers.js # Helper functions
  - validators/
    — authValidator.js # Auth validation schemas
     — userValidator.js # User validation schemas

    productValidator.js # Product validation schemas
```

Database Integration

Database Configuration (src/config/database.js)

```
import mongoose from 'mongoose';

export const connectDB = async () => {
    try {
      const conn = await mongoose.connect(process.env.MONGODB_URI, {
          useNewUrlParser: true,
          useUnifiedTopology: true,
      });
```

```
console.log(`I MongoDB Connected: ${conn.connection.host}`);
        // Handle connection events
        mongoose.connection.on('error', (err) => {
            console.error('MongoDB connection error:', err);
        });
        mongoose.connection.on('disconnected', () => {
            console.log('MongoDB disconnected');
        });
        // Graceful shutdown
        process.on('SIGINT', async () => {
            await mongoose.connection.close();
            console.log('MongoDB connection closed.');
            process.exit(0);
        });
    } catch (error) {
        console.error('Database connection failed:', error);
        process.exit(1);
    }
};
export default connectDB;
```

User Model (src/models/User.js)

```
import mongoose from 'mongoose';
import bcrypt from 'bcryptjs';
import jwt from 'jsonwebtoken';
const { Schema } = mongoose;
const userSchema = new Schema({
    firstName: {
        type: String,
        required: [true, 'First name is required'],
        trim: true,
        maxlength: [50, 'First name cannot exceed 50 characters']
    ζ,
    lastName: {
        type: String,
        required: [true, 'Last name is required'],
        trim: true,
        maxlength: [50, 'Last name cannot exceed 50 characters']
    ζ,
    email: {
        type: String,
        required: [true, 'Email is required'],
        unique: true,
        lowercase: true,
        match: [/^\S+@\S+\.\S+\$/, 'Please enter a valid email']
   ζ,
```

```
password: {
        type: String,
        required: [true, 'Password is required'],
        minlength: [6, 'Password must be at least 6 characters'],
        select: false
    ζ,
    role: {
        type: String,
        enum: ['user', 'admin', 'moderator'],
        default: 'user'
    },
    isActive: {
        type: Boolean,
        default: true
    ξ,
    emailVerified: {
        type: Boolean,
        default: false
    ζ,
    avatar: {
        type: String,
        default: ''
    },
    lastLoginAt: {
        type: Date
    ζ,
    profile: {
        bio: String,
        website: String,
        location: String,
        birthday: Date
    }
}, {
    timestamps: true,
    toJSON: { virtuals: true },
    toObject: { virtuals: true }
});
// Virtual for full name
userSchema.virtual('fullName').get(function() {
    return `${this.firstName} ${this.lastName}`;
});
// Indexes for performance
userSchema.index({ email: 1 });
userSchema.index({ role: 1, isActive: 1 });
userSchema.index({ createdAt: -1 });
// Pre-save middleware to hash password
userSchema.pre('save', async function(next) {
    if (!this.isModified('password')) return next();
    try {
        const salt = await bcrypt.genSalt(12);
        this.password = await bcrypt.hash(this.password, salt);
        next();
```

```
} catch (error) {
        next(error);
    3
});
// Instance methods
userSchema.methods.comparePassword = async function(candidatePassword) {
    return await bcrypt.compare(candidatePassword, this.password);
};
userSchema.methods.generateAuthToken = function() {
    return jwt.sign(
        {
            id: this._id,
            email: this.email,
            role: this.role
        ζ,
        process.env.JWT_SECRET,
        { expiresIn: process.env.JWT_EXPIRE }
    );
};
userSchema.methods.toPublicJSON = function() {
    const user = this.toObject();
    delete user.password;
    delete user.__v;
    return user;
};
// Static methods
userSchema.statics.findByEmail = function(email) {
    return this.findOne({ email }).select('+password');
};
userSchema.statics.findActiveUsers = function() {
    return this.find({ isActive: true });
};
export default mongoose.model('User', userSchema);
```

Product Model (src/models/Product.js)

```
import mongoose from 'mongoose';

const { Schema } = mongoose;

const reviewSchema = new Schema({
    user: {
        type: Schema.Types.ObjectId,
        ref: 'User',
        required: true
    },
    rating: {
        type: Number,
        required: true,
    }
}
```

```
min: 1,
        max: 5
    ζ,
    comment: {
        type: String,
        required: true,
        maxlength: 500
   }
}, {
   timestamps: true
});
const productSchema = new Schema({
    name: {
        type: String,
        required: [true, 'Product name is required'],
        trim: true,
        maxlength: [100, 'Product name cannot exceed 100 characters']
    },
    description: {
        type: String,
        required: [true, 'Product description is required'],
        maxlength: [2000, 'Description cannot exceed 2000 characters']
    ζ,
    price: {
        type: Number,
        required: [true, 'Product price is required'],
        min: [0, 'Price cannot be negative']
    ζ,
    category: {
        type: String,
        required: [true, 'Product category is required'],
        enum: ['electronics', 'clothing', 'books', 'home', 'sports', 'beauty', 'toys']
    ζ,
    brand: {
        type: String,
        required: true,
        trim: true
    ξ,
    stock: {
        type: Number,
        required: true,
        min: [0, 'Stock cannot be negative'],
        default: 0
    },
    images: [{
        type: String,
        required: true
    }],
    reviews: [reviewSchema],
    rating: {
        type: Number,
        default: 0,
        min: 0,
        max: 5
    ζ,
```

```
numReviews: {
        type: Number,
        default: 0
    ζ,
    isActive: {
        type: Boolean,
        default: true
    ζ,
    tags: [{
        type: String,
       trim: true
    }],
    specifications: {
        type: Map,
        of: String
}, {
   timestamps: true,
    toJSON: { virtuals: true },
    toObject: { virtuals: true }
});
// Virtual for availability
productSchema.virtual('isAvailable').get(function() {
    return this.stock > 0 && this.isActive;
});
// Indexes
productSchema.index({ name: 'text', description: 'text' });
productSchema.index({ category: 1, isActive: 1 });
productSchema.index({ price: 1 });
productSchema.index({ rating: -1 });
productSchema.index({ createdAt: -1 });
// Update rating when reviews change
productSchema.methods.updateRating = function() {
    if (this.reviews.length === 0) {
        this.rating = 0;
        this.numReviews = 0;
    } else {
        const totalRating = this.reviews.reduce((sum, review) => sum + review.rating, 0);
        this.rating = Math.round((totalRating / this.reviews.length) * 10) / 10;
        this.numReviews = this.reviews.length;
    3
};
// Pre-save middleware to update rating
productSchema.pre('save', function(next) {
    if (this.isModified('reviews')) {
       this.updateRating();
    3
    next();
});
export default mongoose.model('Product', productSchema);
```

User Controller (src/controllers/userController.js)

```
import User from '../models/User.js';
import { catchAsync } from '../utils/catchAsync.js';
import { AppError } from '../utils/AppError.js';
import { createResponse } from '../utils/responseHelper.js';
import { userService } from '../services/userService.js';
// @desc
            Get all users
// @route GET /api/users
// @access Admin
export const getAllUsers = catchAsync(async (req, res) => {
    const {
        page = 1,
        limit = 10,
        sort = '-createdAt',
        role,
        isActive,
        search
    } = req.query;
    const result = await userService.getAllUsers({
        page: parseInt(page),
        limit: parseInt(limit),
        sort,
        isActive: isActive === 'true',
        search
    });
    res.status(200).json(createResponse(
        'Users retrieved successfully',
        result.users,
        result.pagination
    ));
});
          Get user by ID
// @desc
// @route GET /api/users/:id
// @access Public
export const getUserById = catchAsync(async (req, res) => {
    const user = await userService.getUserById(req.params.id);
    if (!user) {
        throw new AppError('User not found', 404);
    }
    res.status(200).json(createResponse(
        'User retrieved successfully',
        user.toPublicJSON()
    ));
```

```
});
// @desc
            Update user
// @route
            PUT /api/users/:id
// @access Private
export const updateUser = catchAsync(async (req, res) => {
    const user = await userService.updateUser(req.params.id, req.body);
    res.status(200).json(createResponse(
        true,
        'User updated successfully',
        user.toPublicJSON()
    ));
});
// @desc
            Delete user
// @route
            DELETE /api/users/:id
// @access Admin
export const deleteUser = catchAsync(async (req, res) => {
    await userService.deleteUser(req.params.id);
    res.status(200).json(createResponse(
        'User deleted successfully'
    ));
});
// @desc
           Get user profile
// @route GET /api/users/profile
// @access Private
export const getProfile = catchAsync(async (req, res) => {
    const user = await User.findById(req.user.id);
    res.status(200).json(createResponse(
        true,
        'Profile retrieved successfully',
        user.toPublicJSON()
    ));
});
// @desc
            Update user profile
// @route
            PUT /api/users/profile
// @access Private
export const updateProfile = catchAsync(async (req, res) => {
    const user = await userService.updateUser(req.user.id, req.body);
    res.status(200).json(createResponse(
        'Profile updated successfully',
        user.toPublicJSON()
    ));
3);
// @desc
            Get user statistics
// @route
            GET /api/users/stats
// @access Admin
```

```
export const getUserStats = catchAsync(async (req, res) => {
   const stats = await userService.getUserStats();

   res.status(200).json(createResponse(
        true,
        'User statistics retrieved successfully',
        stats
   ));
});
```

Product Controller (src/controllers/productController.js)

```
import Product from '../models/Product.js';
import { catchAsync } from '../utils/catchAsync.js';
import { AppError } from '../utils/AppError.js';
import { createResponse } from '../utils/responseHelper.js';
import { productService } from '../services/productService.js';
// @desc
            Get all products
// @route GET /api/products
// @access Public
export const getAllProducts = catchAsync(async (req, res) => {
    const {
        page = 1,
        limit = 12,
        sort = '-createdAt',
        category,
        minPrice,
        maxPrice,
        search,
        inStock
    } = req.query;
    const filters = {};
    if (category) filters.category = category;
    if (minPrice || maxPrice) {
        filters.price = {};
        if (minPrice) filters.price.$gte = parseFloat(minPrice);
        if (maxPrice) filters.price.$lte = parseFloat(maxPrice);
    if (search) {
        filters.$text = { $search: search };
    if (inStock === 'true') {
        filters.stock = { $gt: 0 };
    }
    const result = await productService.getAllProducts({
        page: parseInt(page),
        limit: parseInt(limit),
        sort,
        filters
    });
    res.status(200).json(createResponse(
```

```
true,
        'Products retrieved successfully',
        result.products,
        result.pagination
    ));
});
// @desc
            Get product by ID
// @route GET /api/products/:id
// @access Public
export const getProductById = catchAsync(async (req, res) => {
    const product = await Product.findById(req.params.id)
        .populate('reviews.user', 'firstName lastName avatar');
    if (!product) {
        throw new AppError('Product not found', 404);
    3
    res.status(200).json(createResponse(
        true,
        'Product retrieved successfully',
        product
    ));
});
// @desc
            Create product
// @route
            POST /api/products
// @access Admin
export const createProduct = catchAsync(async (req, res) => {
    const product = await productService.createProduct(req.body);
    res.status(201).json(createResponse(
        true,
        'Product created successfully',
        product
    ));
});
// @desc
            Update product
// @route
            PUT /api/products/:id
// @access Admin
export const updateProduct = catchAsync(async (req, res) => {
    const product = await productService.updateProduct(req.params.id, req.body);
    res.status(200).json(createResponse(
        'Product updated successfully',
        product
    ));
});
// @desc
            Delete product
// @route
            DELETE /api/products/:id
// @access Admin
export const deleteProduct = catchAsync(async (req, res) => {
    await productService.deleteProduct(reg.params.id);
```

```
res.status(200).json(createResponse(
        'Product deleted successfully'
    ));
});
// @desc
            Add product review
// @route POST /api/products/:id/reviews
// @access Private
export const addReview = catchAsync(async (req, res) => {
    const { rating, comment } = req.body;
    const product = await Product.findById(req.params.id);
    if (!product) {
        throw new AppError('Product not found', 404);
    }
    // Check if user already reviewed
    const existingReview = product.reviews.find(
        review => review.user.toString() === req.user.id
    );
    if (existingReview) {
        throw new AppError('Product already reviewed', 400);
    }
    const review = {
        user: req.user.id,
        rating: Number(rating),
        comment
    };
    product.reviews.push(review);
    await product.save();
    res.status(201).json(createResponse(
        'Review added successfully',
        review
    ));
});
// @desc
            Get product categories
// @route GET /api/products/categories
// @access Public
export const getCategories = catchAsync(async (req, res) => {
    const categories = await Product.distinct('category');
    res.status(200).json(createResponse(
        'Categories retrieved successfully',
        categories
    ));
});
```

User Service (src/services/userService.js)

```
import User from '../models/User.js';
import { AppError } from '../utils/AppError.js';
import { cacheService } from './cacheService.js';
class UserService {
    async getAllUsers(options = {}) {
        const {
            page = 1,
            limit = 10,
            sort = '-createdAt',
            role,
            isActive,
            search
        } = options;
        const skip = (page - 1) * limit;
        const filters = {};
        if (role) filters.role = role;
        if (isActive !== undefined) filters.isActive = isActive;
        if (search) {
            filters.$or = [
                { firstName: { $regex: search, $options: 'i' } },
                { lastName: { $regex: search, $options: 'i' } },
                { email: { $regex: search, $options: 'i' } }
            ];
        3
        // Try to get from cache first
        const cacheKey = `users:${JSON.stringify({ filters, sort, page, limit })}`;
        const cached = await cacheService.get(cacheKey);
        if (cached) {
            return cached;
        }
        const users = await User.find(filters)
            .select('-password')
            .sort(sort)
            .skip(skip)
            .limit(limit)
            .lean();
        const total = await User.countDocuments(filters);
        const result = {
            users,
            pagination: {
                current: page,
                pages: Math.ceil(total / limit),
                total,
                hasNext: page < Math.ceil(total / limit),</pre>
                hasPrev: page > 1
```

```
};
    // Cache the result for 5 minutes
    await cacheService.set(cacheKey, result, 300);
    return result;
}
async getUserById(id) {
    const cacheKey = `user:${id}`;
    let user = await cacheService.get(cacheKey);
    if (!user) {
        user = await User.findById(id).select('-password');
        if (user) {
            await cacheService.set(cacheKey, user, 300);
        3
    }
    return user;
3
async createUser(userData) {
    // Check if user already exists
    const existingUser = await User.findOne({ email: userData.email });
    if (existingUser) {
        throw new AppError('User with this email already exists', 400);
    }
    const user = new User(userData);
    await user.save();
    // Clear related cache
    await cacheService.del('users:*');
    return user;
3
async updateUser(id, updateData) {
    // Remove sensitive fields that shouldn't be updated directly
    delete updateData.password;
    delete updateData.role;
    const user = await User.findByIdAndUpdate(
        id,
        updateData,
        { new: true, runValidators: true }
    ).select('-password');
    if (!user) {
        throw new AppError('User not found', 404);
    }
    // Update cache
    const cacheKey = `user:${id}`;
    await cacheService.set(cacheKey, user, 300);
```

```
await cacheService.del('users:*');
    return user;
3
async deleteUser(id) {
    const user = await User.findByIdAndUpdate(
        { isActive: false },
        { new: true }
    );
    if (!user) {
        throw new AppError('User not found', 404);
    }
    // Clear cache
    await cacheService.del(`user:${id}`);
    await cacheService.del('users:*');
    return user;
3
async getUserStats() {
    const cacheKey = 'user:stats';
    let stats = await cacheService.get(cacheKey);
    if (!stats) {
        stats = await User.aggregate([
            {
                $group: {
                    _id: '$role',
                    count: { $sum: 1 },
                    active: {
                        $sum: { $cond: ['$isActive', 1, 0] }
                    ζ,
                    verified: {
                        $sum: { $cond: ['$emailVerified', 1, 0] }
                    }
                3
            { $sort: { count: -1 } }
        ]);
        await cacheService.set(cacheKey, stats, 600); // Cache for 10 minutes
    }
    return stats;
3
async searchUsers(query, options = {}) {
    const {
        page = 1,
        limit = 10,
        sort = '-createdAt'
    } = options;
```

```
const skip = (page - 1) * limit;
        const users = await User.find({
            $or: [
                { firstName: { $regex: query, $options: 'i' } },
                { lastName: { $regex: query, $options: 'i' } },
                { email: { $regex: query, $options: 'i' } }
            isActive: true
        })
        .select('-password')
        .sort(sort)
        .skip(skip)
        .limit(limit);
        const total = await User.countDocuments({
            $or: [
                { firstName: { $regex: query, $options: 'i' } },
                { lastName: { $regex: query, $options: 'i' } },
                { email: { $regex: query, $options: 'i' } }
            isActive: true
        });
        return {
            users,
            pagination: {
                current: page,
                pages: Math.ceil(total / limit),
                total
            3
        };
    3
3
export const userService = new UserService();
export default userService;
```

Authentication & Authorization

Authentication Service (src/services/authService.js)

```
import User from '../models/User.js';
import { AppError } from '../utils/AppError.js';
import { emailService } from './emailService.js';
import { cacheService } from './cacheService.js';

class AuthService {
   async register(userData) {
      const { firstName, lastName, email, password } = userData;

   // Check if user exists
```

```
const existingUser = await User.findOne({ email });
    if (existingUser) {
        throw new AppError('User already exists with this email', 400);
    }
    // Create user
    const user = new User({
        firstName,
        lastName,
        email,
        password
    });
    await user.save();
    // Generate token
    const token = user.generateAuthToken();
    // Send welcome email (async)
    emailService.sendWelcomeEmail(user.email, user.fullName)
        .catch(err => console.error('Welcome email failed:', err));
    return {
        user: user.toPublicJSON(),
        token
    };
}
async login(email, password) {
    // Find user with password
    const user = await User.findByEmail(email);
    if (!user || !(await user.comparePassword(password))) {
        throw new AppError('Invalid email or password', 401);
    }
    if (!user.isActive) {
        throw new AppError('Account is deactivated', 401);
    }
    // Update last login
    user.lastLoginAt = new Date();
    await user.save({ validateBeforeSave: false });
    // Generate token
    const token = user.generateAuthToken();
    return {
        user: user.toPublicJSON(),
        token
    };
3
async changePassword(userId, currentPassword, newPassword) {
    const user = await User.findById(userId).select('+password');
```

```
if (!user) {
        throw new AppError('User not found', 404);
    }
    // Verify current password
    if (!(await user.comparePassword(currentPassword))) {
        throw new AppError('Current password is incorrect', 400);
    // Update password
    user.password = newPassword;
    await user.save();
    return { message: 'Password updated successfully' };
}
async forgotPassword(email) {
    const user = await User.findOne({ email });
    if (!user) {
        throw new AppError('User not found with this email', 404);
    }
    // Generate reset token (you might want to use crypto.randomBytes)
    const resetToken = Math.random().toString(36).substr(2, 15);
    // Store reset token in cache (expires in 1 hour)
    await cacheService.set(
        `reset_token:${resetToken}`,
        user._id.toString(),
        3600
    );
    // Send reset email
    await emailService.sendPasswordResetEmail(user.email, resetToken);
    return { message: 'Password reset email sent' };
3
async resetPassword(resetToken, newPassword) {
    // Get user ID from cache
    const userId = await cacheService.get(`reset_token:${resetToken}`);
    if (!userId) {
        throw new AppError('Invalid or expired reset token', 400);
    }
    // Find user and update password
    const user = await User.findById(userId);
    if (!user) {
        throw new AppError('User not found', 404);
    }
    user.password = newPassword;
    await user.save();
```

```
// Delete reset token from cache
        await cacheService.del(`reset_token:${resetToken}`);
        return { message: 'Password reset successful' };
    3
    async verifyEmail(userId, token) {
        const user = await User.findById(userId);
        if (!user) {
            throw new AppError('User not found', 404);
        }
        // Verify token (implement your verification logic)
        const isValidToken = await this.verifyEmailToken(token, userId);
        if (!isValidToken) {
            throw new AppError('Invalid verification token', 400);
        }
        user.emailVerified = true;
        await user.save({ validateBeforeSave: false });
        return { message: 'Email verified successfully' };
    3
    async verifyEmailToken(token, userId) {
        // Implement your email verification token logic
        const cachedToken = await cacheService.get(`email_verify:${userId}`);
        return cachedToken === token;
    3
    async refreshToken(userId) {
        const user = await User.findById(userId);
        if (!user || !user.isActive) {
            throw new AppError('User not found or inactive', 404);
        }
        const token = user.generateAuthToken();
        return {
            user: user.toPublicJSON(),
            token
        };
    3
3
export const authService = new AuthService();
export default authService;
```

Authentication Controller (src/controllers/authController.js)

```
import { authService } from '../services/authService.js';
import { catchAsync } from '../utils/catchAsync.js';
import { createResponse } from '../utils/responseHelper.js';
            Register user
// @desc
// @route
            POST /api/auth/register
// @access Public
export const register = catchAsync(async (req, res) => {
    const { user, token } = await authService.register(req.body);
    // Set token in httpOnly cookie
    const cookieOptions = {
        expires: new Date(Date.now() + 7 * 24 * 60 * 60 * 1000), // 7 days
        httpOnly: true,
        secure: process.env.NODE_ENV === 'production',
        sameSite: 'strict'
    };
    res.cookie('token', token, cookieOptions);
    res.status(201).json(createResponse(
        true,
        'User registered successfully',
        { user, token }
    ));
3);
// @desc
            Login user
// @route POST /api/auth/login
// @access Public
export const login = catchAsync(async (req, res) => {
    const { email, password } = req.body;
    const { user, token } = await authService.login(email, password);
    // Set token in httpOnly cookie
    const cookieOptions = {
        expires: new Date(Date.now() + 7 * 24 * 60 * 60 * 1000), // 7 days
        httpOnly: true,
        secure: process.env.NODE_ENV === 'production',
        sameSite: 'strict'
    };
    res.cookie('token', token, cookieOptions);
    res.status(200).json(createResponse(
        true,
        'Login successful',
        { user, token }
    ));
});
// @desc
            Logout user
// @route POST /api/auth/logout
```

```
// @access Private
export const logout = catchAsync(async (req, res) => {
    res.clearCookie('token');
    res.status(200).json(createResponse(
        'Logout successful'
    ));
});
// @desc
           Get current user
// @route GET /api/auth/me
// @access Private
export const getCurrentUser = catchAsync(async (req, res) => {
    res.status(200).json(createResponse(
        'User profile retrieved',
        req.user.toPublicJSON()
    ));
});
// @desc
            Change password
// @route
            PUT /api/auth/change-password
// @access Private
export const changePassword = catchAsync(async (req, res) => {
    const { currentPassword, newPassword } = req.body;
    await authService.changePassword(req.user.id, currentPassword, newPassword);
    res.status(200).json(createResponse(
        'Password changed successfully'
    ));
});
// @desc
            Forgot password
// @route POST /api/auth/forgot-password
// @access Public
export const forgotPassword = catchAsync(async (req, res) => {
    const { email } = req.body;
    await authService.forgotPassword(email);
    res.status(200).json(createResponse(
        'Password reset email sent'
    ));
});
// @desc
            Reset password
// @route
            PUT /api/auth/reset-password/:token
// @access Public
export const resetPassword = catchAsync(async (reg, res) => {
    const { token } = req.params;
    const { password } = req.body;
```

```
await authService.resetPassword(token, password);
    res.status(200).json(createResponse(
        true,
        'Password reset successful'
    ));
});
// @desc
           Verify email
// @route GET /api/auth/verify-email/:token
// @access Public
export const verifyEmail = catchAsync(async (req, res) => {
    const { token } = req.params;
    const { userId } = req.query;
    await authService.verifyEmail(userId, token);
    res.status(200).json(createResponse(
        'Email verified successfully'
    ));
});
// @desc
            Refresh token
// @route POST /api/auth/refresh-token
// @access Private
export const refreshToken = catchAsync(async (req, res) => {
    const { user, token } = await authService.refreshToken(req.user.id);
    res.status(200).json(createResponse(
        'Token refreshed successfully',
        { user, token }
    ));
3);
```

Authentication Middleware (src/middleware/auth.js)

```
import jwt from 'jsonwebtoken';
import User from '../models/User.js';
import { AppError } from '../utils/AppError.js';
import { catchAsync } from '../utils/catchAsync.js';

// Protect routes - authentication required
export const protect = catchAsync(async (req, res, next) => {
    let token;

    // 1) Get token from header or cookie
    if (req.headers.authorization && req.headers.authorization.startsWith('Bearer')) {
        token = req.headers.authorization.split(' ')[1];
    } else if (req.cookies.token) {
        token = req.cookies.token;
    }

    // 2) Check if token exists
```

```
if (!token) {
        throw new AppError('You are not logged in! Please log in to get access.', 401);
    }
    try {
        // 3) Verify token
        const decoded = jwt.verify(token, process.env.JWT_SECRET);
        // 4) Check if user still exists
        const currentUser = await User.findById(decoded.id);
        if (!currentUser) {
            throw new AppError('The user belonging to this token no longer exists.', 401)
        3
        // 5) Check if user is active
        if (!currentUser.isActive) {
            throw new AppError('Your account has been deactivated.', 401);
        }
        // Grant access to protected route
        req.user = currentUser;
        next();
    } catch (error) {
        if (error.name === 'JsonWebTokenError') {
            throw new AppError('Invalid token. Please log in again!', 401);
        } else if (error.name === 'TokenExpiredError') {
            throw new AppError('Your token has expired! Please log in again.', 401);
        7
        throw error;
    3
});
// Authorize specific roles
export const authorize = (...roles) => {
    return (req, res, next) => {
        if (!roles.includes(req.user.role)) {
            throw new AppError(
                'You do not have permission to perform this action',
                403
            );
        }
        next();
    };
};
// Optional authentication - doesn't throw error if no token
export const optionalAuth = catchAsync(async (req, res, next) => {
    let token;
    if (req.headers.authorization && req.headers.authorization.startsWith('Bearer')) {
        token = req.headers.authorization.split(' ')[1];
    } else if (req.cookies.token) {
        token = req.cookies.token;
    }
    if (token) {
```

```
try {
    const decoded = jwt.verify(token, process.env.JWT_SECRET);
    const currentUser = await User.findById(decoded.id);

    if (currentUser && currentUser.isActive) {
        req.user = currentUser;
    }
    } catch (error) {
        // Ignore token errors for optional auth
    }
}

next();
});
export default { protect, authorize, optionalAuth };
```

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Validation Middleware (src/middleware/validation.js)

```
import Joi from 'joi';
import { AppError } from '../utils/AppError.js';
export const validate = (schema) => {
    return (req, res, next) => {
        const { error } = schema.validate(req.body, { abortEarly: false });
        if (error) {
            const errors = error.details.map(detail => ({
                field: detail.path.join('.'),
                message: detail.message
            }));
            throw new AppError('Validation Error', 400, errors);
        3
        next();
    };
};
export const validateQuery = (schema) => {
    return (req, res, next) => {
        const { error } = schema.validate(req.query, { abortEarly: false });
        if (error) {
            const errors = error.details.map(detail => ({
                field: detail.path.join('.'),
                message: detail.message
            }));
            throw new AppError('Query Validation Error', 400, errors);
        3
```

```
next();
   };
};
export const validateParams = (schema) => {
    return (req, res, next) => {
        const { error } = schema.validate(req.params, { abortEarly: false });
        if (error) {
            const errors = error.details.map(detail => ({
                field: detail.path.join('.'),
                message: detail.message
            }));
            throw new AppError('Parameter Validation Error', 400, errors);
        }
        next();
    };
};
export default { validate, validateQuery, validateParams };
```

Rate Limiting Middleware (src/middleware/rateLimiter.js)

```
import { cacheService } from '../services/cacheService.js';
import { AppError } from '../utils/AppError.js';
export const createRateLimiter = (options = {}) => {
   const {
       windowMs = 15 * 60 * 1000, // 15 minutes
       max = 100, // limit each IP to 100 requests per windowMs
       message = 'Too many requests from this IP, please try again later.',
       keyGenerator = (req) => req.ip,
       skip = () => false
   } = options;
   return async (req, res, next) => {
       if (skip(req)) {
            return next();
       }
       const key = `rate_limit:${keyGenerator(req)}`;
       const now = Date.now();
       const windowStart = now - windowMs;
       try {
            // Get current requests from cache
            let requests = await cacheService.get(key) || [];
            // Filter out requests outside the window
            requests = requests.filter(time => time > windowStart);
            // Check if limit exceeded
```

```
if (requests.length >= max) {
                const oldestRequest = Math.min(...requests);
                const resetTime = oldestRequest + windowMs;
                res.set({
                    'X-RateLimit-Limit': max,
                    'X-RateLimit-Remaining': 0,
                    'X-RateLimit-Reset': Math.ceil(resetTime / 1000)
                });
                throw new AppError(message, 429);
            }
            // Add current request
            requests.push(now);
            // Store in cache
            await cacheService.set(key, requests, Math.ceil(windowMs / 1000));
            // Set rate limit headers
            res.set({
                'X-RateLimit-Limit': max,
                'X-RateLimit-Remaining': max - requests.length,
                'X-RateLimit-Reset': Math.ceil((now + windowMs) / 1000)
            });
            next();
        } catch (error) {
            if (error instanceof AppError) {
                throw error;
            // If cache fails, allow the request
            next();
        3
   };
};
// Predefined rate limiters
export const authLimiter = createRateLimiter({
    windowMs: 15 * 60 * 1000, // 15 minutes
   max: 5, // limit each IP to 5 requests per windowMs for auth routes
   message: 'Too many authentication attempts, please try again later.'
});
export const apiLimiter = createRateLimiter({
    windowMs: 15 * 60 * 1000, // 15 minutes
    max: 100 // limit each IP to 100 requests per windowMs
});
export const strictLimiter = createRateLimiter({
    windowMs: 60 * 1000, // 1 minute
   max: 10, // limit each IP to 10 requests per minute
   message: 'Rate limit exceeded for this endpoint.'
});
export default { createRateLimiter, authLimiter, apiLimiter, strictLimiter };
```

Request Logging Middleware (src/middleware/logger.js)

```
import { logger } from '../utils/logger.js';
export const requestLogger = (req, res, next) => {
    const start = Date.now();
    const { method, url, ip, headers } = req;
    // Log request
    logger.info(`${method} ${url}`, {
        userAgent: headers['user-agent'],
        timestamp: new Date().toISOString()
    });
    // Capture response
    const originalSend = res.send;
    const originalJson = res.json;
    res.send = function(body) {
        logResponse();
        return originalSend.call(this, body);
    };
    res.json = function(obj) {
        logResponse();
        return originalJson.call(this, obj);
   };
    function logResponse() {
        const duration = Date.now() - start;
        const { statusCode } = res;
        const logLevel = statusCode >= 500 ? 'error' :
                        statusCode >= 400 ? 'warn' : 'info';
        logger[logLevel](`${method} ${url} ${statusCode}`, {
            duration: `${duration}ms`,
            statusCode,
            timestamp: new Date().toISOString()
        });
    3
    next();
};
export default requestLogger;
```

Error Handling

Custom Error Class (src/utils/AppError.js)

```
export class AppError extends Error {
   constructor(message, statusCode, errors = null) {
        super(message);

        this.statusCode = statusCode;
        this.status = `${statusCode}`.startsWith('4') ? 'fail' : 'error';
        this.isOperational = true;
        this.errors = errors;

        Error.captureStackTrace(this, this.constructor);
   }
}
export default AppError;
```

Async Error Catcher (src/utils/catchAsync.js)

```
export const catchAsync = (fn) => {
    return (req, res, next) => {
        Promise.resolve(fn(req, res, next)).catch(next);
    };
};
export default catchAsync;
```

Global Error Handler (src/middleware/errorHandler.js)

```
import { AppError } from '../utils/AppError.js';
import { logger } from '../utils/logger.js';
const handleCastErrorDB = (err) => {
    const message = `Invalid ${err.path}: ${err.value}`;
    return new AppError(message, 400);
};
const handleDuplicateFieldsDB = (err) => {
    const value = err.errmsg.match(/([""])(\?.)*?\1/)?.[0];
    const message = `Duplicate field value: ${value}. Please use another value!`;
    return new AppError(message, 400);
};
const handleValidationErrorDB = (err) => {
    const errors = Object.values(err.errors).map(el => ({
        field: el.path,
        message: el.message
    }));
    return new AppError('Invalid input data', 400, errors);
```

```
};
const handleJWTError = () =>
    new AppError('Invalid token. Please log in again!', 401);
const handleJWTExpiredError = () =>
    new AppError('Your token has expired! Please log in again.', 401);
const sendErrorDev = (err, res) => {
    logger.error('Development Error:', {
        error: err.message,
        stack: err.stack,
        statusCode: err.statusCode
    });
    res.status(err.statusCode).json({
        success: false,
        error: err.message,
        errors: err.errors,
        stack: err.stack,
        statusCode: err.statusCode
    });
3;
const sendErrorProd = (err, res) => {
    // Operational, trusted error: send message to client
    if (err.isOperational) {
        res.status(err.statusCode).json({
            success: false,
            message: err.message,
            errors: err.errors
        });
    } else {
        // Programming or other unknown error: don't leak error details
        logger.error('Production Error:', {
            error: err.message,
            stack: err.stack
        });
        res.status(500).json({
            success: false,
            message: 'Something went wrong!'
        });
    3
};
export const globalErrorHandler = (err, req, res, next) => {
    err.statusCode = err.statusCode || 500;
    err.status = err.status || 'error';
    if (process.env.NODE_ENV === 'development') {
        sendErrorDev(err, res);
    } else {
        let error = { ...err };
        error.message = err.message;
```

```
if (error.name === 'CastError') error = handleCastErrorDB(error);
    if (error.code === 11000) error = handleDuplicateFieldsDB(error);
    if (error.name === 'ValidationError') error = handleValidationErrorDB(error);
    if (error.name === 'JsonWebTokenError') error = handleJWTError();
    if (error.name === 'TokenExpiredError') error = handleJWTExpiredError();
    sendErrorProd(error, res);
}

}

export default globalErrorHandler;
```

Not Found Middleware (src/middleware/notFound.js)

```
import { AppError } from '../utils/AppError.js';

export const notFound = (req, res, next) => {
    const message = `Route ${req.originalUrl} not found`;
    next(new AppError(message, 404));
};

export default notFound;
```

Advanced Patterns with ES6

Repository Pattern (src/repositories/BaseRepository.js)

```
export class BaseRepository {
   constructor(model) {
        this.model = model;
   }
   async findAll(filter = {}, options = {}) {
        const {
            page = 1,
            limit = 10,
            sort = '-createdAt',
            populate = '',
            select = ''
        } = options;
        const skip = (page - 1) * limit;
        let query = this.model.find(filter);
        if (select) query = query.select(select);
        if (populate) query = query.populate(populate);
        query = query.sort(sort).skip(skip).limit(limit);
        const [data, total] = await Promise.all([
```

```
query.exec(),
        this.model.countDocuments(filter)
    ]);
    return {
        data,
        pagination: {
            current: page,
            pages: Math.ceil(total / limit),
            total,
            hasNext: page < Math.ceil(total / limit),</pre>
            hasPrev: page > 1
        3
    };
}
async findById(id, populate = '') {
    let query = this.model.findById(id);
    if (populate) query = query.populate(populate);
    return await query.exec();
3
async findOne(filter, populate = '') {
    let query = this.model.findOne(filter);
    if (populate) query = query.populate(populate);
    return await query.exec();
}
async create(data) {
    const document = new this.model(data);
    return await document.save();
}
async createMany(dataArray) {
    return await this.model.insertMany(dataArray);
3
async update(id, data) {
    return await this.model.findByIdAndUpdate(
        id,
        data,
        { new: true, runValidators: true }
    );
}
async updateMany(filter, data) {
    return await this.model.updateMany(filter, data);
}
async delete(id) {
    return await this.model.findByIdAndDelete(id);
}
async deleteMany(filter) {
    return await this.model.deleteMany(filter);
3
```

```
async count(filter = {}) {
    return await this.model.countDocuments(filter);
}

async exists(filter) {
    const doc = await this.model.findOne(filter).select('_id');
    return !!doc;
}

async aggregate(pipeline) {
    return await this.model.aggregate(pipeline);
}

export default BaseRepository;
```

User Repository (src/repositories/UserRepository.js)

```
import { BaseRepository } from './BaseRepository.js';
import User from '../models/User.js';
export class UserRepository extends BaseRepository {
   constructor() {
        super(User);
   }
   async findByEmail(email) {
        return await this.model.findOne({ email }).select('+password');
   }
   async findActiveUsers(filter = {}) {
        return await this.model.find({ ...filter, isActive: true });
   }
   async updateLastLogin(userId) {
        return await this.model.findByIdAndUpdate(
            userId,
            { lastLoginAt: new Date() },
            { new: true }
        );
   }
   async getUsersStats() {
        return await this.model.aggregate([
            £
                $group: {
                    _id: '$role',
                    count: { $sum: 1 },
                    active: { $sum: { $cond: ['$isActive', 1, 0] } },
                    verified: { $sum: { $cond: ['$emailVerified', 1, 0] } }
                3
            ζ,
            { $sort: { count: -1 } }
        ]);
```

```
async searchUsers(searchTerm, options = {}) {
        const searchFilter = {
            $or: [
                { firstName: { $regex: searchTerm, $options: 'i' } },
                { lastName: { $regex: searchTerm, $options: 'i' } },
                { email: { $regex: searchTerm, $options: 'i' } }
            ],
            isActive: true
        };
        return await this.findAll(searchFilter, options);
    3
    async deactivateUser(userId) {
        return await this.update(userId, { isActive: false });
    }
3
export const userRepository = new UserRepository();
export default userRepository;
```

Event Emitter Pattern (src/events/EventEmitter.js)

```
import { EventEmitter } from 'events';
import { logger } from '../utils/logger.js';
class AppEventEmitter extends EventEmitter {
    emit(event, data) {
        logger.info(`Event emitted: ${event}`, { data });
        return super.emit(event, data);
    }
    onAny(listener) {
        this.originalEmit = this.emit;
        this.emit = (event, ...args) => {
            listener(event, ...args);
            return this.originalEmit(event, ...args);
        };
    3
3
export const eventEmitter = new AppEventEmitter();
// Set max listeners to prevent memory leak warnings
eventEmitter.setMaxListeners(20);
export default eventEmitter;
```

Event Handlers (src/events/handlers.js)

```
import { eventEmitter } from './EventEmitter.js';
import { emailService } from '../services/emailService.js';
import { logger } from '../utils/logger.js';
// User events
eventEmitter.on('user.created', async (userData) => {
    try {
        await emailService.sendWelcomeEmail(userData.email, userData.fullName);
        logger.info(`Welcome email sent to ${userData.email}`);
    } catch (error) {
        logger.error('Error sending welcome email:', error);
    }
});
eventEmitter.on('user.updated', async (userData) => {
        logger.info(`User ${userData.id} profile updated`);
        // Add other user update logic here
    } catch (error) {
        logger.error('Error handling user update:', error);
    }
});
eventEmitter.on('user.deleted', async (userData) => {
    try {
        logger.info(`User ${userData.id} deactivated`);
        // Add cleanup logic here
    } catch (error) {
        logger.error('Error handling user deletion:', error);
    }
});
// Product events
eventEmitter.on('product.created', async (productData) => {
    try {
        logger.info(`Product ${productData.name} created`);
        // Add product creation logic here
    } catch (error) {
        logger.error('Error handling product creation:', error);
});
eventEmitter.on('product.outOfStock', async (productData) => {
    try {
        logger.warn(`Product ${productData.name} is out of stock`);
        // Send notification to admin
    } catch (error) {
        logger.error('Error handling out of stock event:', error);
});
// Order events
eventEmitter.on('order.created', async (orderData) => {
    try {
```

```
await emailService.sendOrderConfirmation(orderData.userEmail, orderData);
    logger.info(`Order confirmation sent for order ${orderData.id}`);
} catch (error) {
    logger.error('Error sending order confirmation:', error);
}
});
export default eventEmitter;
```

Complete Real-World Example

Main Routes (src/routes/users.js)

```
import express from 'express';
import {
    getAllUsers,
    getUserById,
    updateUser,
    deleteUser,
    getProfile,
    updateProfile,
    getUserStats
} from '../controllers/userController.js';
import { protect, authorize } from '../middleware/auth.js';
import { validate, validateParams, validateQuery } from '../middleware/validation.js';
import { userUpdateSchema, userQuerySchema, idParamSchema } from '../validators/userValic
import { apiLimiter } from '../middleware/rateLimiter.js';
const router = express.Router();
// Apply rate limiting to all routes
router.use(apiLimiter);
// Public routes
router.get('/:id', validateParams(idParamSchema), getUserById);
// Protected routes
router.use(protect); // All routes after this middleware require authentication
router.get('/profile/me', getProfile);
router.put('/profile/me', validate(userUpdateSchema), updateProfile);
// Admin routes
router.get(
    '/',
    authorize('admin'),
    validateQuery(userQuerySchema),
    getAllUsers
);
router.put(
    '/:id',
    authorize('admin'),
```

```
validateParams(idParamSchema),
    validate(userUpdateSchema),
    updateUser
);
router.delete(
    '/:id',
    authorize('admin'),
    validateParams(idParamSchema),
    deleteUser
);
router.get(
    '/stats/overview',
    authorize('admin'),
    getUserStats
);
export default router;
```

Authentication Routes (src/routes/auth.js)

```
import express from 'express';
import {
    register,
    login,
    logout,
    getCurrentUser,
    changePassword,
    forgotPassword,
    resetPassword,
    verifyEmail,
    refreshToken
from '../controllers/authController.js';
import { protect } from '../middleware/auth.js';
import { validate, validateParams } from '../middleware/validation.js';
import {
   registerSchema,
    loginSchema,
    changePasswordSchema,
    forgotPasswordSchema,
    resetPasswordSchema,
    tokenParamSchema
} from '../validators/authValidator.js';
import { authLimiter } from '../middleware/rateLimiter.js';
const router = express.Router();
// Apply stricter rate limiting to auth routes
router.use(authLimiter);
// Public routes
router.post('/register', validate(registerSchema), register);
router.post('/login', validate(loginSchema), login);
router.post('/forgot-password', validate(forgotPasswordSchema), forgotPassword);
```

```
router.put(
    '/reset-password/:token',
    validateParams(tokenParamSchema),
    validate(resetPasswordSchema),
    resetPassword
);
router.get(
    '/verify-email/:token',
    validateParams(tokenParamSchema),
    verifyEmail
);
// Protected routes
router.use(protect);
router.get('/me', getCurrentUser);
router.post('/logout', logout);
router.put('/change-password', validate(changePasswordSchema), changePassword);
router.post('/refresh-token', refreshToken);
export default router;
```

Validation Schemas (src/validators/userValidator.js)

```
import Joi from 'joi';
export const userUpdateSchema = Joi.object({
    firstName: Joi.string().trim().min(2).max(50),
    lastName: Joi.string().trim().min(2).max(50),
    email: Joi.string().email().lowercase(),
    profile: Joi.object({
        bio: Joi.string().max(500).allow(''),
        website: Joi.string().uri().allow(''),
        location: Joi.string().max(100).allow(''),
        birthday: Joi.date().max('now')
    })
}).min(1);
export const userQuerySchema = Joi.object({
    page: Joi.number().integer().min(1).default(1),
    limit: Joi.number().integer().min(1).max(100).default(10),
    sort: Joi.string().valid('createdAt', '-createdAt', 'firstName', '-firstName', 'email
    role: Joi.string().valid('user', 'admin', 'moderator'),
    isActive: Joi.boolean(),
    search: Joi.string().trim().min(1).max(100)
});
export const idParamSchema = Joi.object({
    id: Joi.string().regex(/^[0-9a-fA-F]{24}$/).required().messages({
        'string.pattern.base': 'Invalid ID format'
    })
});
export default {
    userUpdateSchema,
```

```
userQuerySchema,
idParamSchema
};
```

Validation Schemas (src/validators/authValidator.js)

```
import Joi from 'joi';
export const registerSchema = Joi.object({
    firstName: Joi.string().trim().min(2).max(50).required(),
    lastName: Joi.string().trim().min(2).max(50).required(),
    email: Joi.string().email().lowercase().required(),
    password: Joi.string().min(6).max(128).required()
        .pattern(/^{?=.*[a-z]})(?=.*[A-Z])(?=.*^d)/)
        .messages({
            'string.pattern.base': 'Password must contain at least one lowercase letter,
        })
});
export const loginSchema = Joi.object({
    email: Joi.string().email().required(),
    password: Joi.string().required()
});
export const changePasswordSchema = Joi.object({
    currentPassword: Joi.string().required(),
    newPassword: Joi.string().min(6).max(128).required()
        .pattern(/^{?=.*[a-z]})(?=.*[A-Z])(?=.*\d)/)
        .messages({
            'string.pattern.base': 'Password must contain at least one lowercase letter,
        })
});
export const forgotPasswordSchema = Joi.object({
    email: Joi.string().email().required()
});
export const resetPasswordSchema = Joi.object({
    password: Joi.string().min(6).max(128).required()
        .pattern(/^{?=.*[a-z]})(?=.*[A-Z])(?=.*\d)/)
        .messages({
            'string.pattern.base': 'Password must contain at least one lowercase letter,
        })
});
export const tokenParamSchema = Joi.object({
    token: Joi.string().required()
});
export default {
    registerSchema,
    loginSchema,
    changePasswordSchema,
    forgotPasswordSchema,
    resetPasswordSchema,
```

```
tokenParamSchema
};
```

Utility Functions (src/utils/responseHelper.js)

```
export const createResponse = (success, message, data = null, pagination = null, errors =
    const response = {
        success,
        message,
        timestamp: new Date().toISOString()
    };
    if (data !== null) response.data = data;
    if (pagination !== null) response.pagination = pagination;
    if (errors !== null) response.errors = errors;
    return response;
};
export const createErrorResponse = (message, errors = null) => {
    return createResponse(false, message, null, null, errors);
};
export const createSuccessResponse = (message, data = null, pagination = null) => {
    return createResponse(true, message, data, pagination);
};
export default {
    createResponse,
    createErrorResponse,
    createSuccessResponse
};
```

Logger Utility (src/utils/logger.js)

```
import fs from 'fs';
import path from 'path';

class Logger {
   constructor() {
      this.logDir = 'logs';
      this.ensureLogDirectory();
   }

   ensureLogDirectory() {
      if (!fs.existsSync(this.logDir)) {
           fs.mkdirSync(this.logDir, { recursive: true });
      }
   }

   formatMessage(level, message, meta = {}) {
      return JSON.stringify({
           timestamp: new Date().toISOString(),
```

```
level: level.toUpperCase(),
            message,
            ...meta
        ) + '\n';
    3
   writeToFile(filename, content) {
        const filePath = path.join(this.logDir, filename);
        fs.appendFileSync(filePath, content);
    3
    info(message, meta = {}) {
        const formatted = this.formatMessage('info', message, meta);
        console.log(formatted.trim());
        this.writeToFile('app.log', formatted);
    }
    error(message, meta = {}) {
        const formatted = this.formatMessage('error', message, meta);
        console.error(formatted.trim());
        this.writeToFile('error.log', formatted);
        this.writeToFile('app.log', formatted);
    3
    warn(message, meta = {}) {
        const formatted = this.formatMessage('warn', message, meta);
        console.warn(formatted.trim());
        this.writeToFile('app.log', formatted);
    3
    debug(message, meta = {}) {
        if (process.env.NODE_ENV === 'development') {
            const formatted = this.formatMessage('debug', message, meta);
            console.log(formatted.trim());
            this.writeToFile('debug.log', formatted);
        3
    3
3
export const logger = new Logger();
export default logger;
```

Running the Application

Start Script (package.json scripts)

```
"scripts": {
    "start": "node src/app.js",
    "dev": "nodemon src/app.js",
    "test": "NODE_ENV=test jest --detectOpenHandles",
    "test:watch": "NODE_ENV=test jest --watchAll --detectOpenHandles",
    "test:coverage": "NODE_ENV=test jest --coverage --detectOpenHandles"
```

```
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```

Development Server

```
# Install dependencies
npm install

# Start development server
npm run dev

# The server will start on http://localhost:3000
```

Key Benefits of ES6 Modules

- 1. Static Analysis: Import/export statements are analyzed at compile time
- 2. Tree Shaking: Unused code can be eliminated by bundlers
- 3. Better IDE Support: Enhanced autocomplete and refactoring
- 4. Cleaner Syntax: More readable than CommonJS
- 5. **Standard Compliance**: Part of the JavaScript specification
- 6. Circular Dependencies: Better handling than CommonJS
- 7. Named Exports: Multiple exports from a single module
- 8. **Default Exports**: Single main export per module

This complete ES6 modules example demonstrates a production-ready Express.js backend with modern JavaScript features, proper error handling, authentication, validation, caching, and more. The modular structure makes the codebase maintainable and scalable.