

## Module 5: REST APIs And GraphQL

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## Working with GraphQL API

**Step 1:** We will be creating GraphQL API using Nodejs and express. For that first we must generate the package.json file

```
Avyaans-MacBook-Pro:module7 avi$ clear
Avyaans-MacBook-Pro:module7 avi$ cd grpahqlapi/
Avyaans-MacBook-Pro:grpahqlapi avi$ npm init
This utility will walk you through creating a package.json file.
It only covers the most common items, and tries to guess sensible defaults.

See `npm help json` for definitive documentation on these fields
and exactly what they do.

Use `npm install <pkg>` afterwards to install a package and
save it as a dependency in the package.json file.

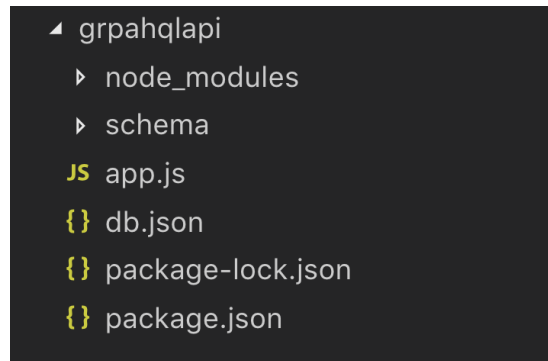
Press ^C at any time to quit.
package name: (grpahqlapi) graphqlapi
version: (1.0.0)
description: node with garphql
entry point: (index.js)
test command:
git repository:
keywords: Graphql Nodejs
author: Edureka
license: (ISC)
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  "version": "1.0.0",
  "description": "node with garphql",
  "main": "index.js",
  "scripts": {
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  },
  "keywords": [
    "Graphql",
    "Nodejs"
  ],
  "author": "Edureka",
  "license": "ISC"
}

Is this OK? (yes) yes
Avyaans-MacBook-Pro:grpahqlapi avi$
```

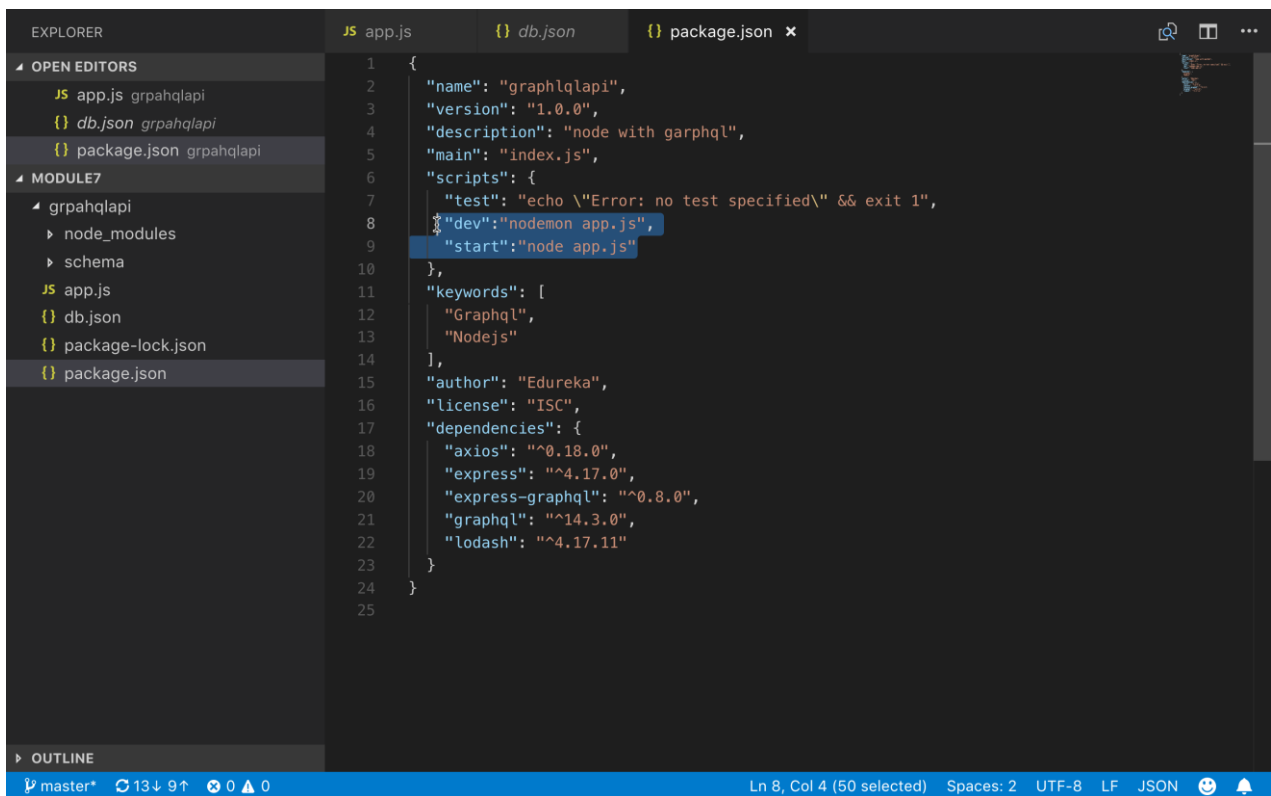
**Step 2:** Then we need to install package listed below for GraphQL Api

```
Avyaans-MacBook-Pro:grpahqlapi avi$ npm install express express-graphql graphql axios lodash
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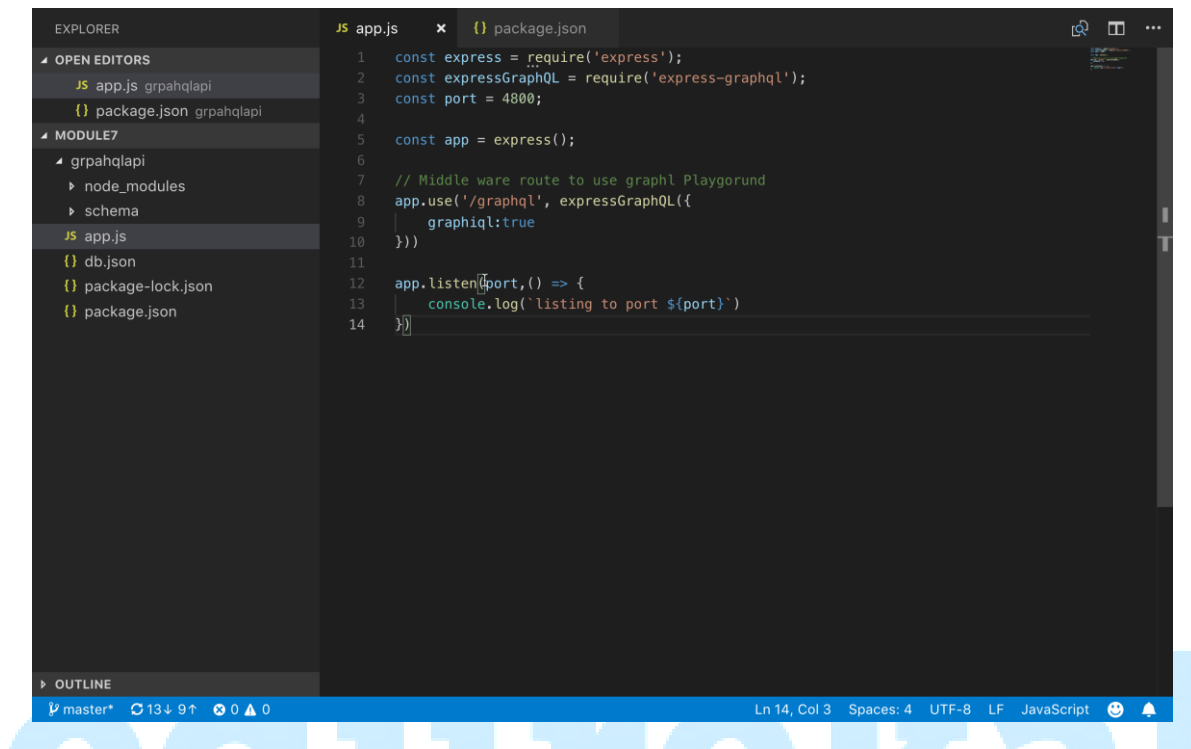
**Step 3:** In the graphql api folder we need to one schema folder to define graphql Schema



**Step 4:** Then we need to start application in Production and Dev mode. For this we need to add commands in package.json



**Step 5:** Add Grpahql as middleware and set graphQLi as true to use GraphQL interface on the browser



The screenshot shows the VS Code editor with the following code in `app.js`:

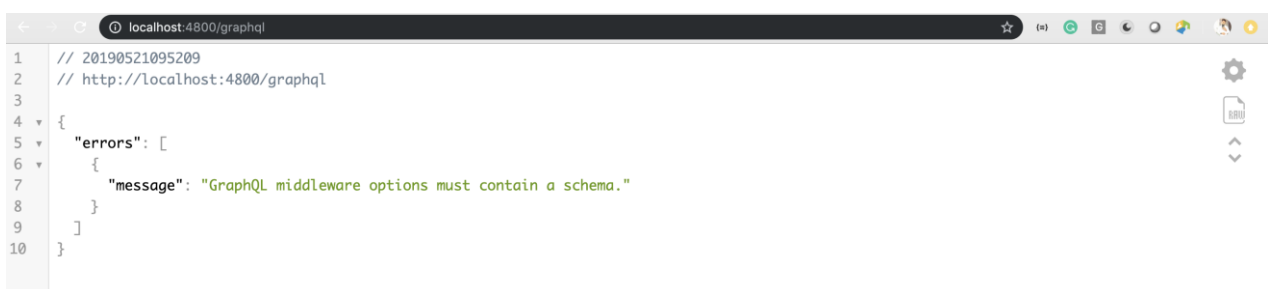
```

1  const express = require('express');
2  const expressGraphQL = require('express-graphql');
3  const port = 4800;
4
5  const app = express();
6
7  // Middle ware route to use graphl Playgorund
8  app.use('/graphql', expressGraphQL({
9    graphiql:true
10  }))
11
12  app.listen(port, () => {
13    console.log(`listing to port ${port}`)
14  })

```

The Explorer sidebar on the left shows the project structure with files like `app.js`, `package.json`, `db.json`, and `package-lock.json`.

**Step 6:** After that when we run app it will give you error as Graphql need schema to execute the app



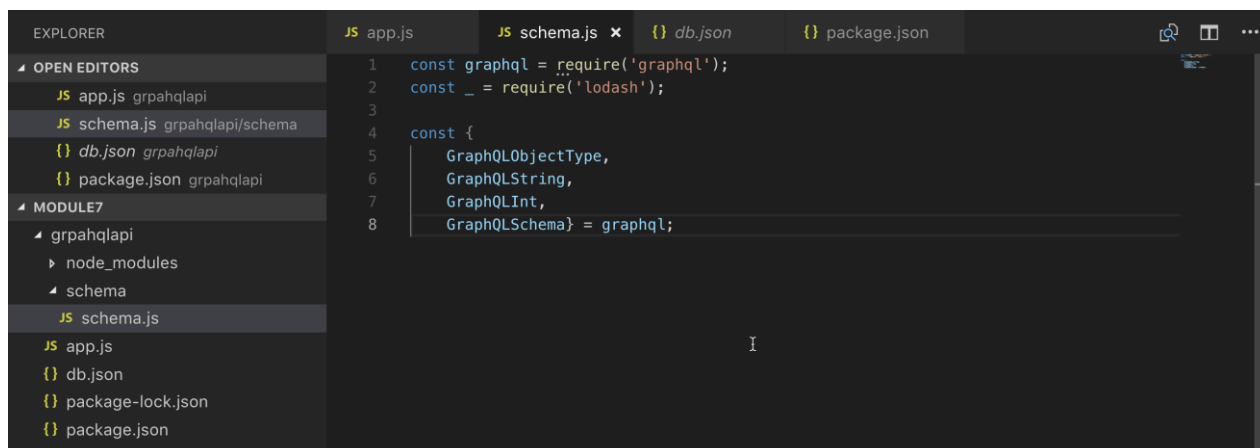
The screenshot shows a web browser at `localhost:4800/graphql` displaying the following JSON error response:

```

1  // 20190521095209
2  // http://localhost:4800/graphql
3
4  {
5    "errors": [
6      {
7        "message": "GraphQL middleware options must contain a schema."
8      }
9    ]
10  }

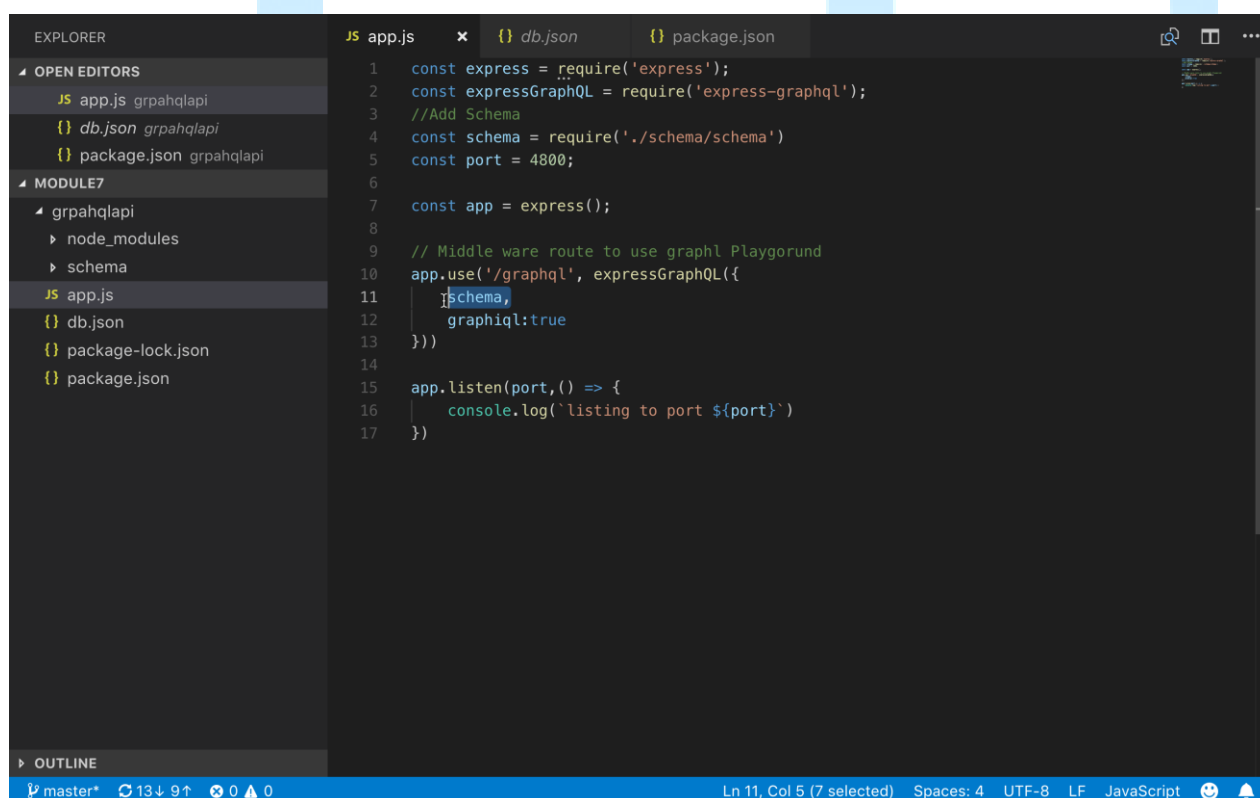
```

**Step 7:** In schema first, we must declare object of graphql



```
1 const graphql = require('graphql');
2 const _ = require('lodash');
3
4 const {
5   GraphQLObjectType,
6   GraphQLString,
7   GraphQLInt,
8   GraphQLSchema } = graphql;
```

**Step 8:** Defined the schema that is needed to be added in app file where we are using graphql as middleware



```
1 const express = require('express');
2 const expressGraphQL = require('express-graphql');
3 //Add Schema
4 const schema = require('./schema/schema')
5 const port = 4800;
6
7 const app = express();
8
9 // Middle ware route to use graphl Playgorund
10 app.use('/graphql', expressGraphQL({
11   schema,
12   graphiql:true
13 }));
14
15 app.listen(port, () => {
16   console.log(`listing to port ${port}`)
17 })
```

**Step 9:** Now we need to define some static data that we will consume in the graphql API

The screenshot shows the VS Code editor with the following files in the Explorer: app.js, schema.js, db.json, and package.json. The schema.js file is open and contains the following code:

```

1  const graphql = require('graphql');
2  const _ = require('lodash');
3
4  const {
5    GraphQLObjectType,
6    GraphQLString,
7    GraphQLInt,
8    GraphQLSchema} = graphql;
9
10 //Static Data
11 const users = [
12   {"id": "23", "firstName": "Bill", "age": 20},
13   {"id": "47", "firstName": "John", "age": 22},
14   {"id": "13", "firstName": "Andy", "age": 11},
15   {"id": "76", "firstName": "Kerio", "age": 33}
16 ]

```

**Step 10:** After data we create an object for the user, where we define the data type of keys using GraphQL Object type.

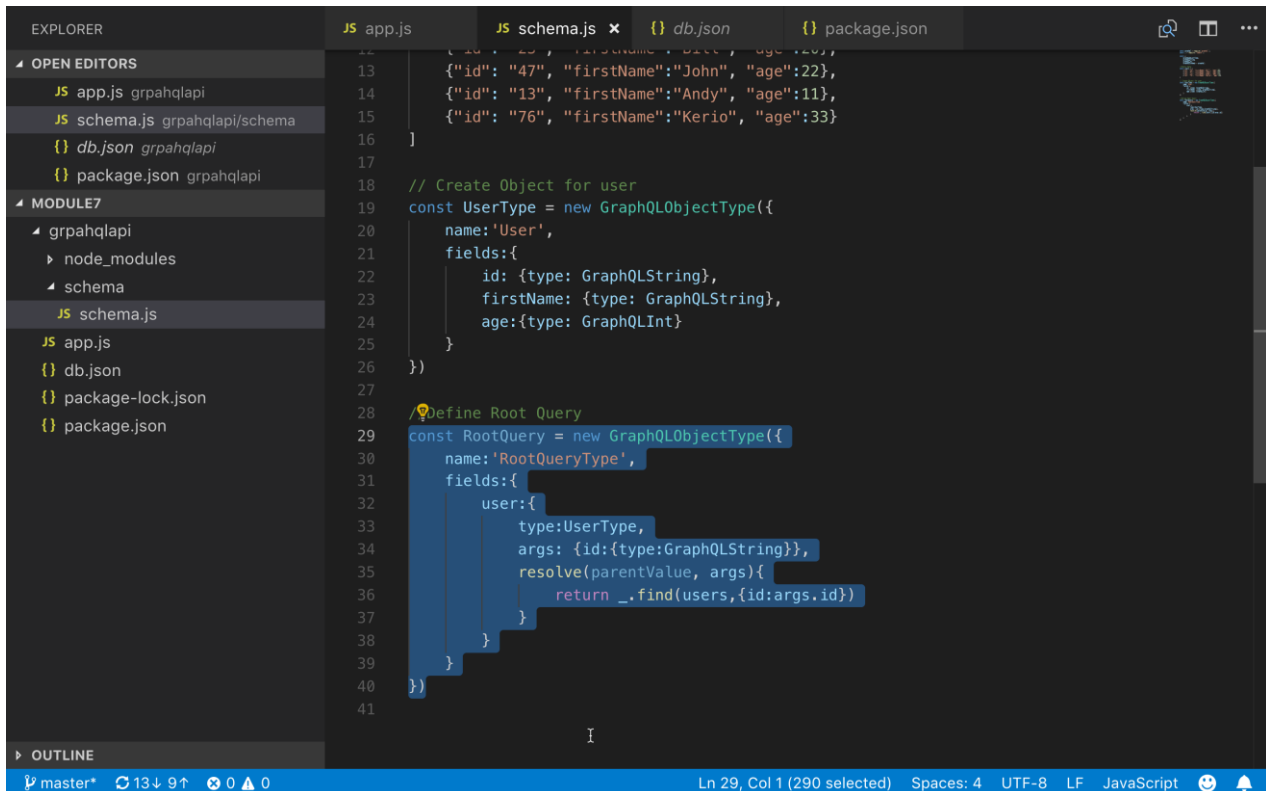
The screenshot shows the VS Code editor with the same files as before. The schema.js file now includes a GraphQLObjectType for the User type. The code is as follows:

```

1  const graphql = require('graphql');
2  const _ = require('lodash');
3
4  const {
5    GraphQLObjectType,
6    GraphQLString,
7    GraphQLInt,
8    GraphQLSchema} = graphql;
9
10 //Static Data
11 const users = [
12   {"id": "23", "firstName": "Bill", "age": 20},
13   {"id": "47", "firstName": "John", "age": 22},
14   {"id": "13", "firstName": "Andy", "age": 11},
15   {"id": "76", "firstName": "Kerio", "age": 33}
16 ]
17
18 // Create Object for user
19 const UserType = new GraphQLObjectType({
20   name: 'User',
21   fields: {
22     id: {type: GraphQLString},
23     firstName: {type: GraphQLString},
24     age: {type: GraphQLInt}
25   }
26 })
27

```

**Step 11:** Finally, we need root query to define the user data and create Query based on which we



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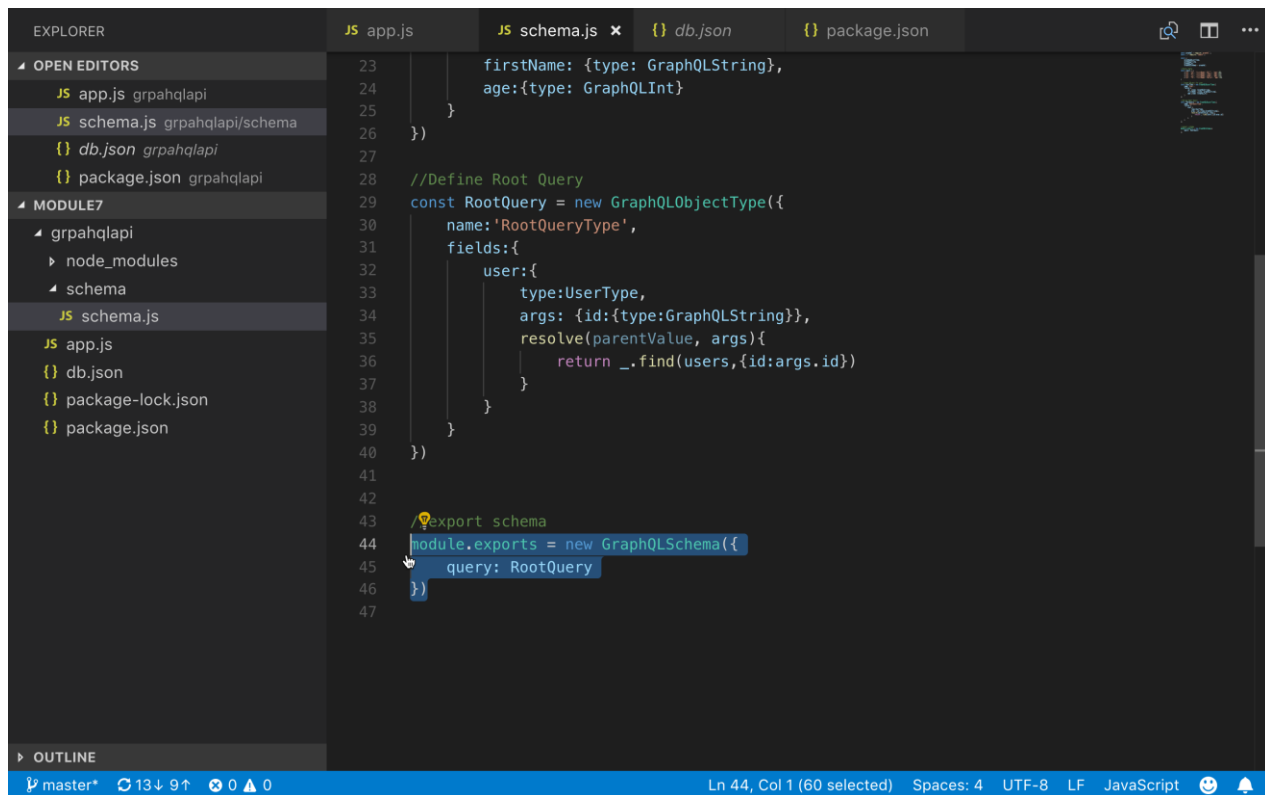
12  {id: "23", "firstName": "John", "age": 22},
13  {"id": "47", "firstName": "John", "age": 22},
14  {"id": "13", "firstName": "Andy", "age": 11},
15  {"id": "76", "firstName": "Kerio", "age": 33}
16  ]
17
18  // Create Object for user
19  const UserType = new GraphQLObjectType({
20    name: 'User',
21    fields: {
22      id: {type: GraphQLString},
23      firstName: {type: GraphQLString},
24      age: {type: GraphQLInt}
25    }
26  })
27
28  // Define Root Query
29  const RootQuery = new GraphQLObjectType({
30    name: 'RootQueryType',
31    fields: {
32      user: {
33        type: UserType,
34        args: {id: {type: GraphQLString}},
35        resolve(parentValue, args) {
36          return _.find(users, {id: args.id})
37        }
38      }
39    }
40  })
41

```

The status bar at the bottom indicates the file is `master*`, has 13 downvotes and 9 upvotes, 0 errors and 0 warnings, and the cursor is at line 29, column 1 (290 selected). The encoding is UTF-8, line feed (LF), and the language is JavaScript.

will process our search.

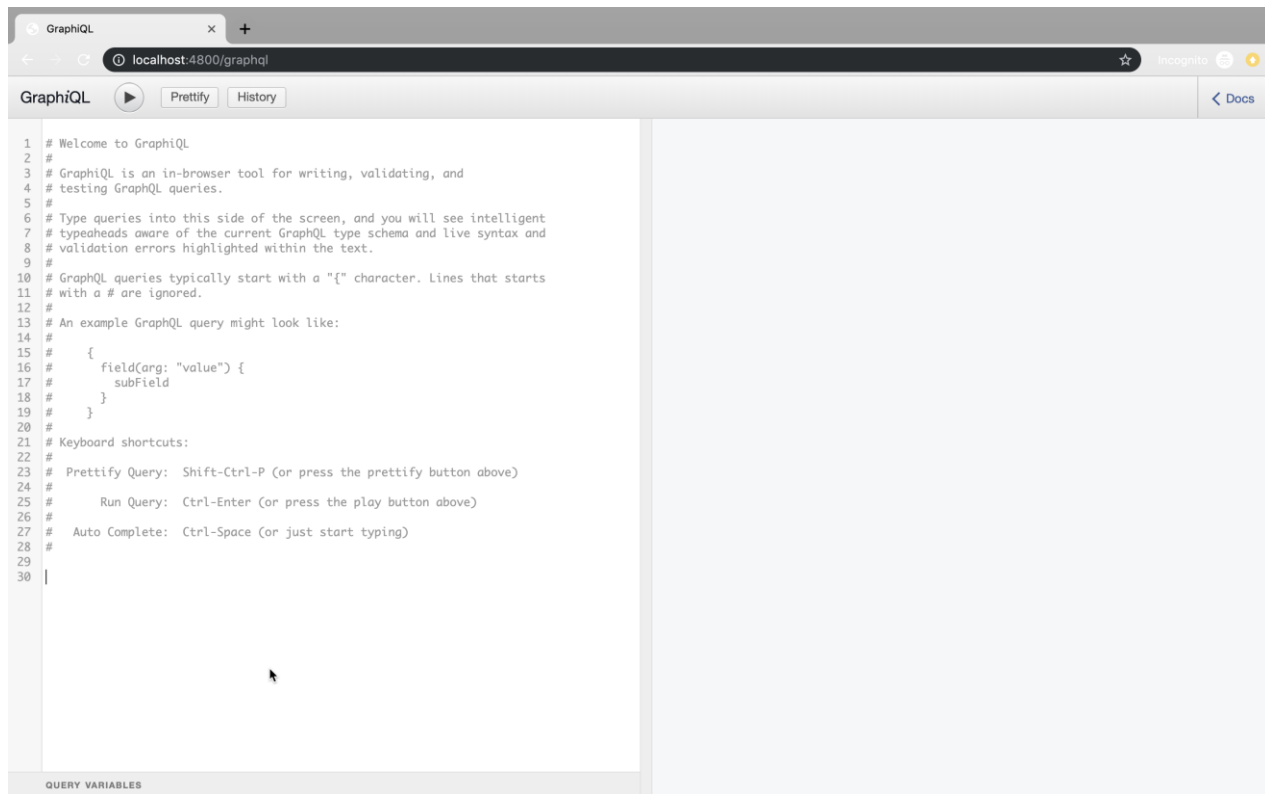
**Step 12:** As we are using schema in app.js we need to export schema file with root Query



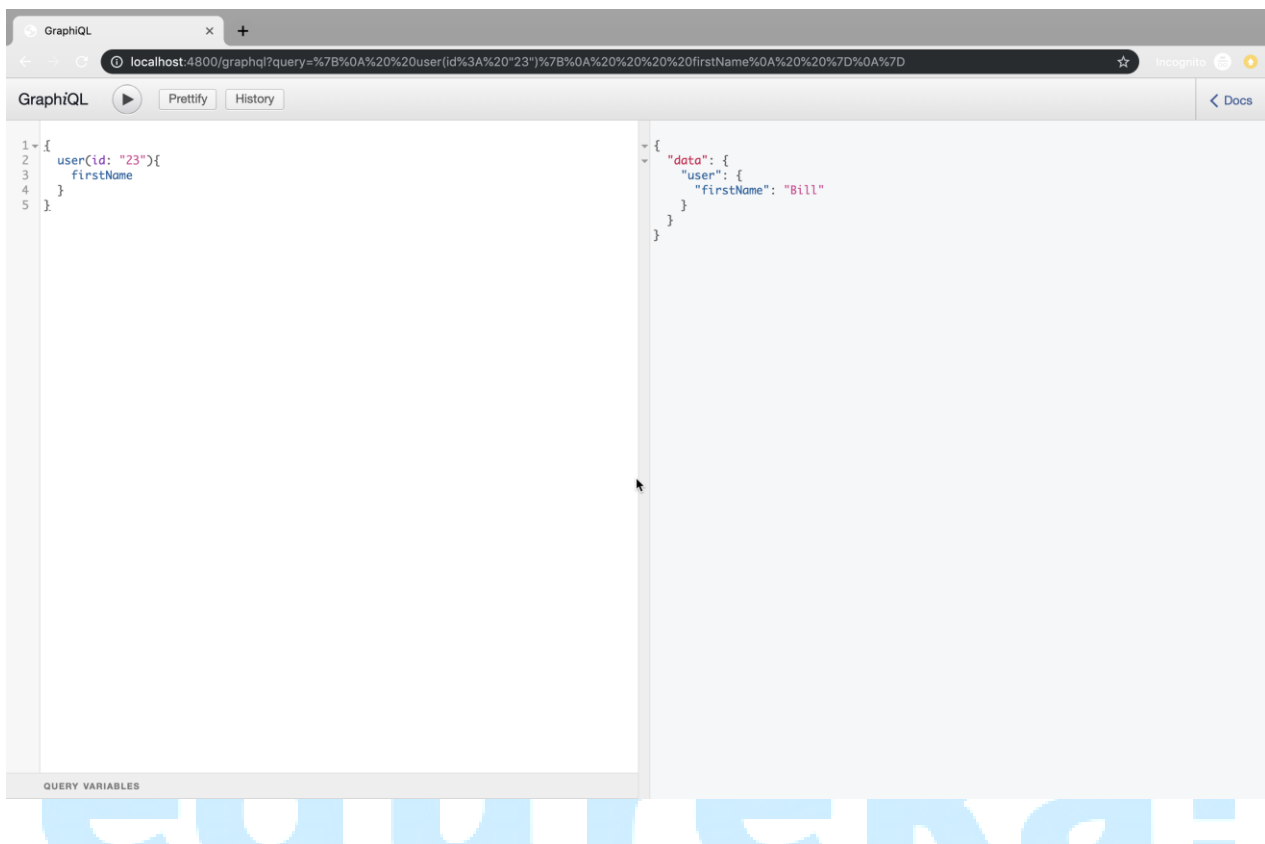
```
23     firstName: {type: GraphQLString},
24     age:{type: GraphQLInt}
25   }
26 })
27
28 //Define Root Query
29 const RootQuery = new GraphQLObjectType({
30   name:'RootQueryType',
31   fields:{
32     user:{
33       type:UserType,
34       args: {id:{type:GraphQLString}},
35       resolve(parentValue, args){
36         return _.find(users,{id:args.id})
37       }
38     }
39   }
40 })
41
42
43 //export schema
44 module.exports = new GraphQLSchema({
45   query: RootQuery
46 })
47
```



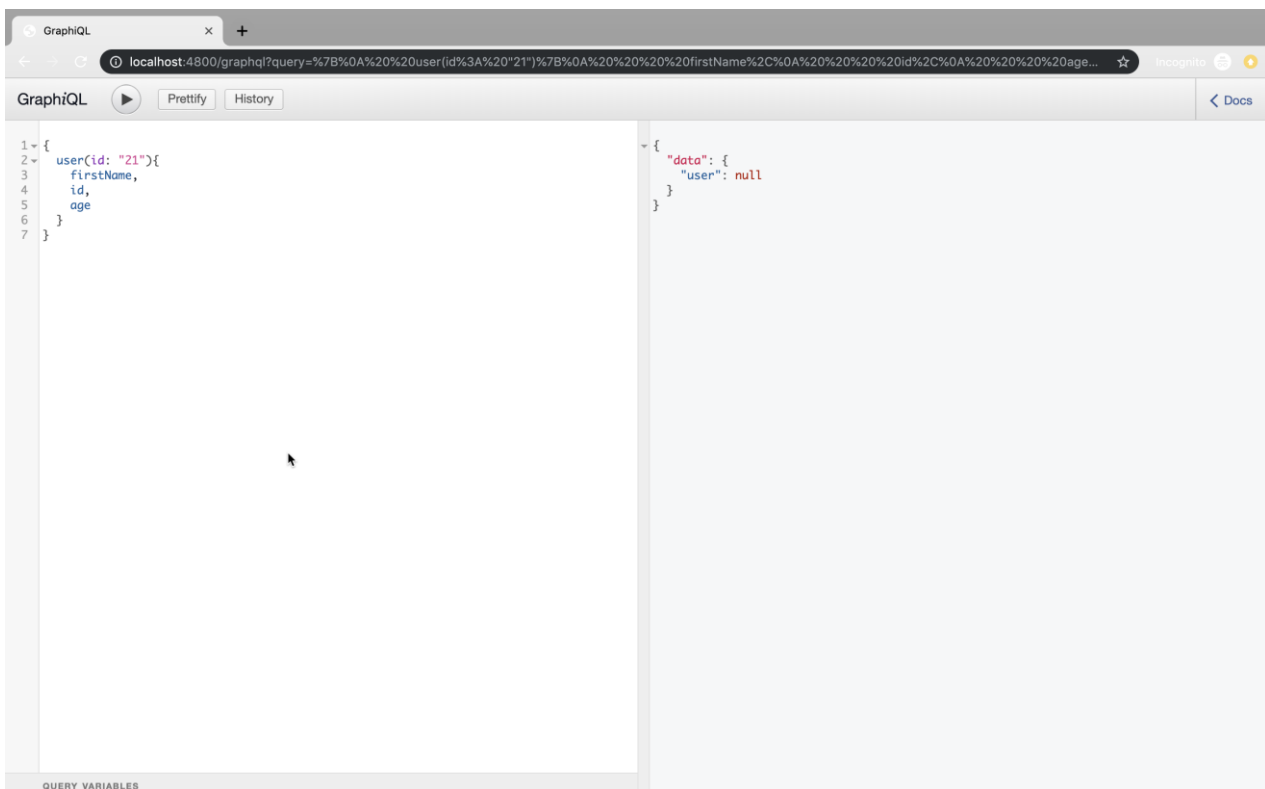
**Step 13:** As all things are in place now when we run our 'localhost:4800/graphql' it will open the playground of graphql for us



**Step 14:** In root Query we have defined search based on the user id. Now we can define what all field we have based on this user ID.



**Step 15:** If we enter wrong user id it will return null

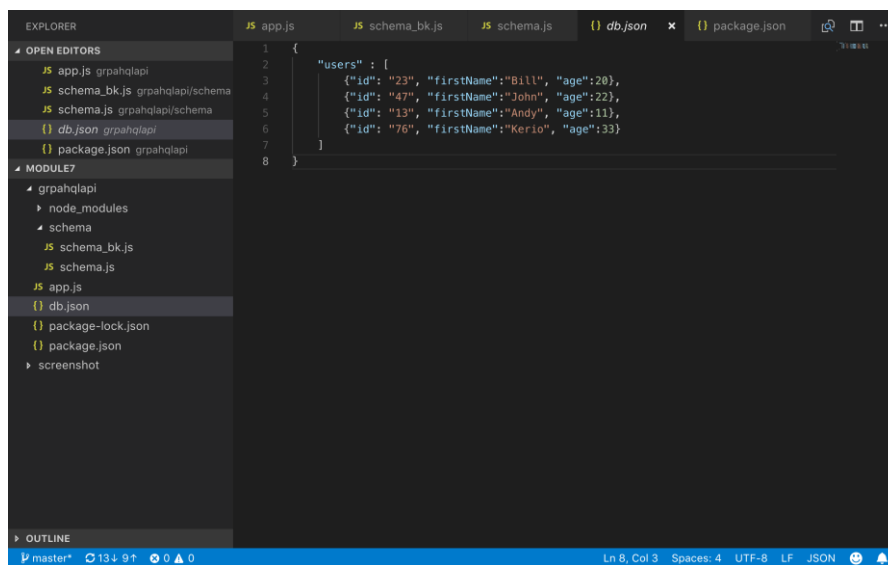


**Step 16:** Now let us see how to consume data through an API.

First we need to install json-server globally.

```
Avyaans-MacBook-Pro:grpahqlapi avi$ sudo npm install -g json-server
```

**Step 17:** Create Db.json file and move all the static data to this file



**Step 18:** By using 'json-server --watch db.json --port 8900' we have generated API with user route

```
Avyaans-MacBook-Pro:grpahqlapi avi$ json-server --watch db.json --port 8900
```

```
\{^_^}/ hi!
```


```
Loading db.json
Done
```

```
Resources
http://localhost:8900/users
```

```
Home
http://localhost:8900
```

```
Type s + enter at any time to create a snapshot of the database
Watching...
```

**Step 19:** When we run api in browser we can see all results. In next step we will consume this data with graphql

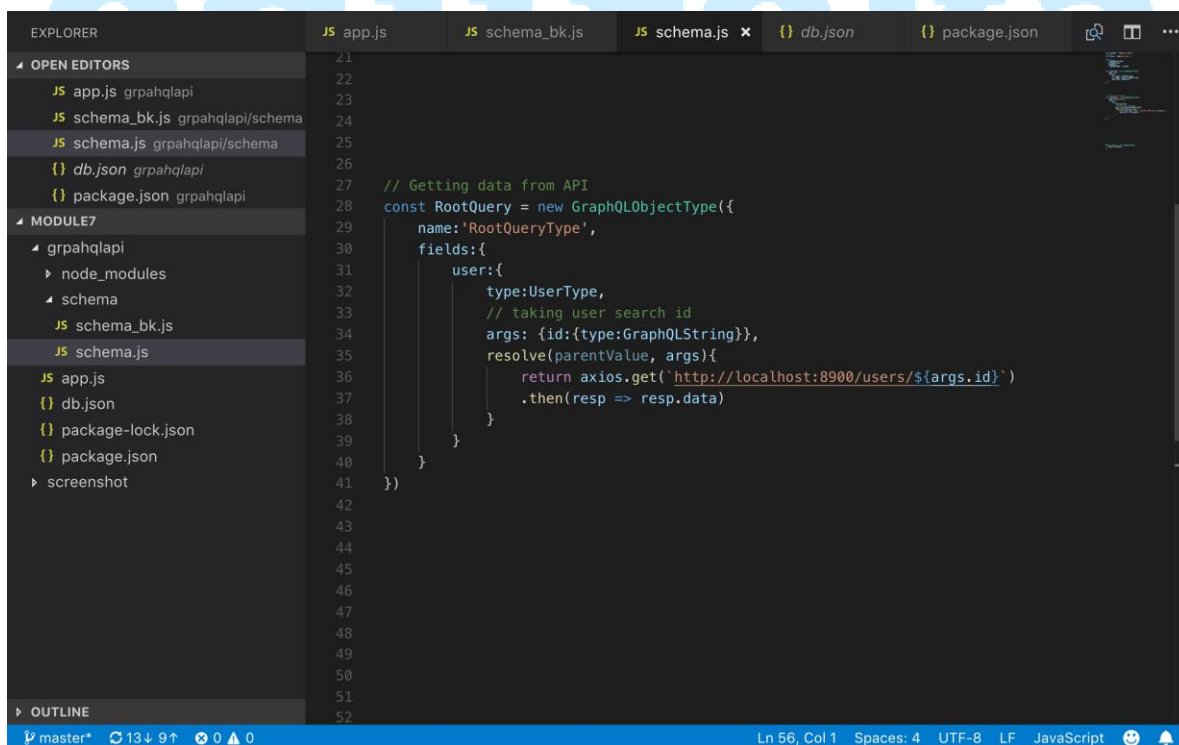


```

[
  {
    "id": "23",
    "firstName": "Bill",
    "age": 20
  },
  {
    "id": "47",
    "firstName": "John",
    "age": 22
  },
  {
    "id": "13",
    "firstName": "Andy",
    "age": 11
  },
  {
    "id": "76",
    "firstName": "Kerio",
    "age": 33
  }
]

```

**Step 20:** With the help of axios we will make an API call to API and in return we are getting user data



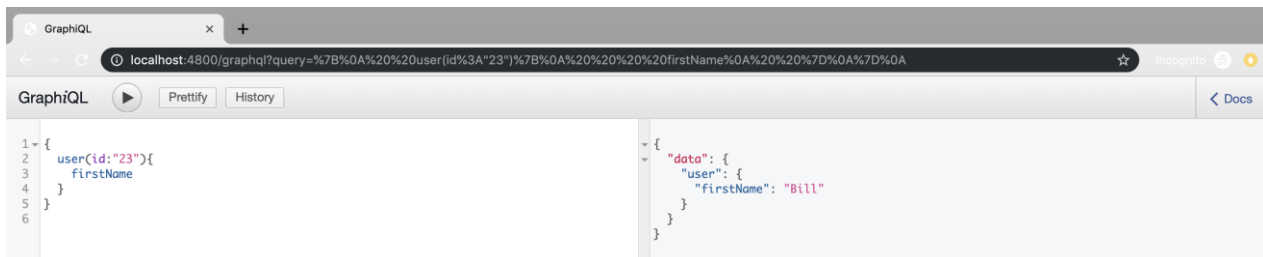
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  OPEN EDITORS
    app.js grphqlapi
    schema_bk.js grphqlapi/schema
    schema.js grphqlapi/schema
    db.json grphqlapi
    package.json grphqlapi
  MODULE7
    grphqlapi
      node_modules
      schema
        schema_bk.js
        schema.js
    app.js
    db.json
    package-lock.json
    package.json
    screenshot
  OUTLINE

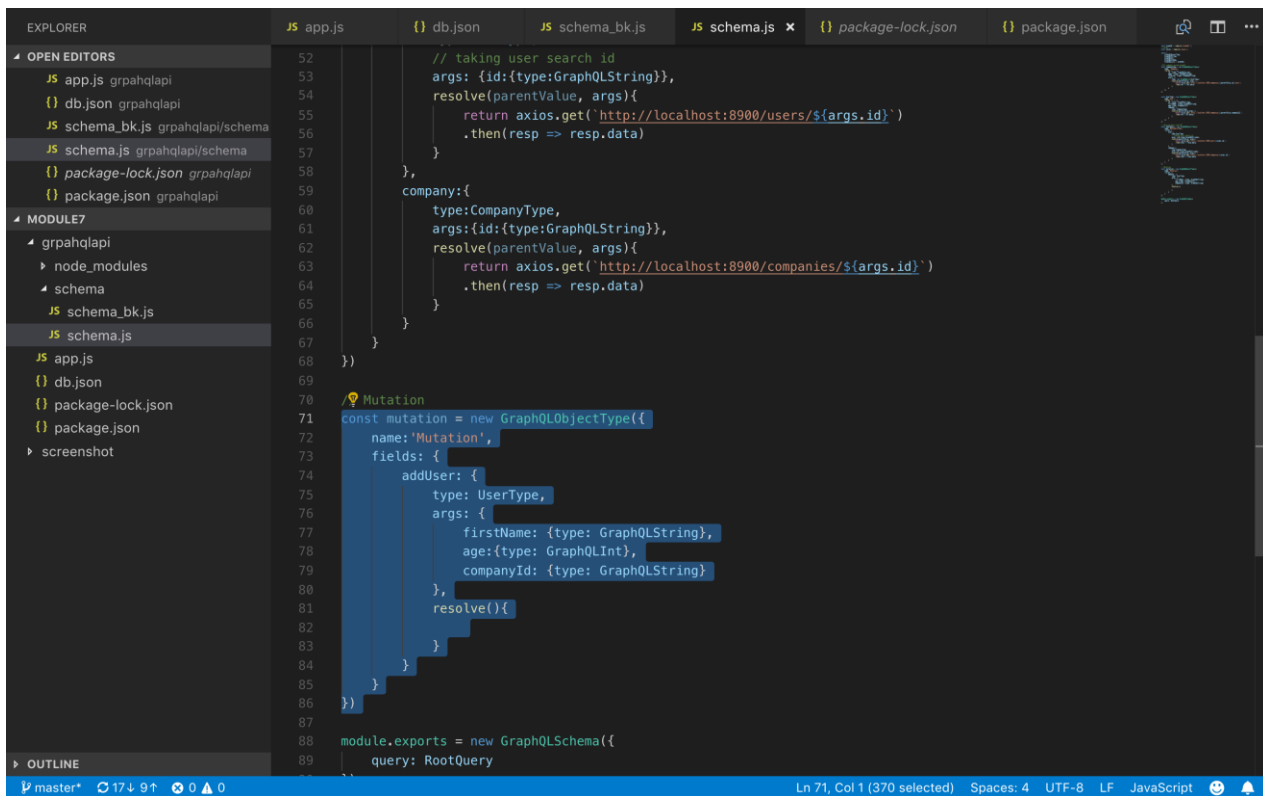
JS app.js
21
22
23
24
25
26
27 // Getting data from API
28 const RootQuery = new GraphQLObjectType({
29   name: 'RootQueryType',
30   fields: {
31     user: {
32       type: UserType,
33       // taking user search id
34       args: { id: { type: GraphQLString } },
35       resolve: (parentValue, args) => {
36         return axios.get(`http://localhost:8900/users/${args.id}`)
37           .then(res => res.data)
38       }
39     }
40   }
41 })
42
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```

**Step 21:** When we try executing GraphQL playground with user id we can get data and this data is coming from API



**Step 22:** As query is for the GET call, we need to add separate script known as mutation



**Step 23:** We have added mutation, now with axios only we can make post call to the API and send data

```

1  const graphql = require('graphql');
2  // axios
3  const axios = require('axios');
4
5  const {
6    GraphQLObjectType,
7    GraphQLString,
8    GraphQLInt,
9    GraphQLSchema,
10   GraphQLList,
11   GraphQLNonNull
12 } = graphql;
13
14 //For company nested graphql
15 const CompanyType = new GraphQLObjectType({
16   name: 'Company',
17   fields: () => ({
18     id: {type: GraphQLString},
19     name: {type: GraphQLString},
20     location: {type: GraphQLString},
21     users: {
22       type: new GraphQLList(UserType),
23       resolve(parentValue, args) {
24         return axios.get(`http://localhost:8900/companies/${parentValue.id}/users`)
25           .then(res => res.data)
26       }
27     }
28   })
29 })
30
31 const UserType = new GraphQLObjectType({
32   name: 'User',
33   fields: () => ({
34     id: {type: GraphQLString},
35     firstName: {type: GraphQLString},
36     age: {type: GraphQLInt},
37     company: {
38       type: CompanyType,
39       resolve(parentValue, args) {

```

**Step 24:** Now we will try to post data using mutation and on return we will get auto generated Id

```

1  mutation{
2    addUser(firstName: "Stephen", age:36 ){
3      id
4      firstName
5      age
6    }
7  }

```

```

{
  "data": {
    "addUser": {
      "id": "o-a_VA0",
      "firstName": "Stephen",
      "age": 36
    }
  }
}

```

**Step 25:** Once done with mutation, if we check the real API then we will get the new data inserted using graphql playground



```
1 // 20190525210753
2 // http://localhost:8900/users
3
4 [
5   {
6     "id": "23",
7     "firstName": "Bill",
8     "age": 20,
9     "companyId": "1"
10  },
11  {
12    "id": "47",
13    "firstName": "John",
14    "age": 22,
15    "companyId": "2"
16  },
17  {
18    "id": "48",
19    "firstName": "Andy",
20    "age": 11,
21    "companyId": "2"
22  },
23  {
24    "id": "49",
25    "firstName": "Kerio",
26    "age": 33,
27    "companyId": "3"
28  },
29  {
30    "firstName": "Stephen",
31    "age": 36,
32    "id": "o-a_VA0"
33  }
34 ]
```

Thus, you have successfully learned how to use the GraphQL API