Securing Your Web Service with JSON Web Token (JWT)

NOTE: Prior to following the steps detailed below, you must successfully integrate into your team project implementation the code that was provided in the AA-files.zip.

A) Finalizing the integration of the AA layer:

To complete what we have started to integrate a token-based authentication and authorization layer around your Web service, follow the steps below:

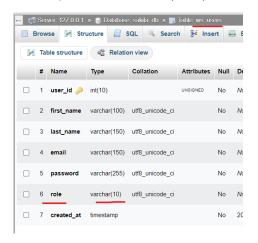
1. Open the .htaccess file and uncomment the last line (just remove the # character as shown below).

```
# TODO: enable slim-jwt-auth related .

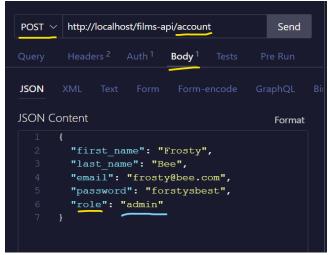
#RewriteRule .* - [env=HTTP_AUTHORIZATION:%{HTTP:Authorization}]
```

2. Add a new column to the ws_users table named role as shown below. Note that this new field will hold the value that determines what the client application's account can do:

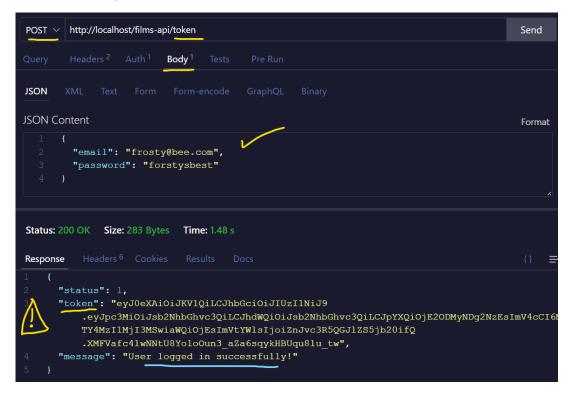
admin (or write: for POST|PUT|DELETE operations), and general (or read, for GET requests).



3. Modify the code of the /account's callback to add support for the new role field (it must be inserted into the ws_users table along with the supplied credentials). A request for creating an account should look like what follows:



4. Modify the code of the /token's callback: the value of the role field that is associated with the account that has been just authenticated must be included in the payload of the JWT token (along with user id and email)

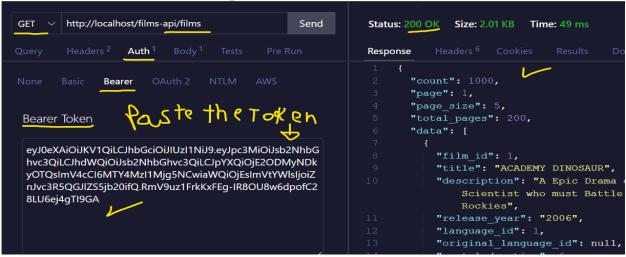


- 5. Use the latest version of the provided JWTManager.php file.
- **6.** Add the provided JWTAuthMiddleware.php to your Slim application.
- 7. Create a new instance of this middleware and add it to your Slim's \$app object in index.php
- 8. Add the following line to your index.php: define('APP_JWT_TOKEN_KEY', 'APP_JWT_TOKEN');
- 9. Add the following to your index.php

```
//-- Load from the config.env file the secret used to encode/decode JWTs.
$jwt_secret = JWTManager::getSecretKey();
$app->add(new JWTAuthMiddleware());
```

B) Interacting with your now-secure Web service:

Once you got a token, now you need to include it in every HTTP request's *Authorization* header. The token must be sent embedded in the request as bearer token (see below).



C) Recording interaction/access/etc., information into the database:

The following code shows you: 1) how to retrieve the decoded JWT's payload that contains the authenticated & authorized account's information from the request object; and 2) how to log access information into the database using the provided WSLoggingModel