Task: Backend developer (NestJS)

This section focuses on assessing the practical skills of a backend developer using Node.js and NestJS. The tasks evaluate the candidate's ability to build and optimize APIs, handle databases, and implement key backend functionalities.

Timebox and submission guidelines

- Framework: Nest/S
- Format: Please submit your work as a Git repository (e.g., via GitHub, GitLab) or as a ZIP file containing the project files.
- Instructions: Ensure that your submission's README file includes all required setup instructions (e.g., how to run the project and install dependencies).

Task 1: Basic API development

Objective: Build a simple CRUD API for managing a list of users.

Requirements:

- Create endpoints for creating, reading, updating, and deleting users.
- Implement proper validation for the input data.
- Ensure error handling is in place for invalid operations (e.g., trying to update a non-existent user).

Task 2: Middleware implementation

Objective: Implement a middleware to log the time taken for each API request.

Requirements:

- The middleware should log the start and end times of each request.
- Ensure the log includes the endpoint accessed and the HTTP method used.

Task 3: Error handling

Objective: Create a global error-handling mechanism.

Requirements:

- Implement a global exception filter to handle exceptions (e.g., NotFoundException, BadRequestException).
- Ensure that the error responses are consistent and informative.

Task 4: Database integration

Objective: Set up a PostgreSQL database connection and integrate it with the API.

Requirements:

- Use Prisma or TypeORM to connect to the PostgreSQL database.
- Create a service that fetches data from a specific table and returns it as a REST endpoint response.

Task 5 (optional): Unit testing

Objective: Write unit tests for one of the services implemented in the API.

Requirements:

- Use Jest for writing the tests.
- Ensure the tests cover both positive and negative cases.

Task 6 (optional): JWT authentication

Objective: Implement JWT-based authentication for the user CRUD API.

Requirements:

- Secure the CRUD endpoints so that only authenticated users can access them.
- Ensure the JWT tokens are properly validated and handled.