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import jwt
from flask import request
from backend import conn, config
import ibm_db
# Middleware function that checks for JWT token in header # All routes that have the @token_required decorator will be protected
def token_required(f):
   @wraps(f)
   def decorated(*args, **kwargs):
token = None
      if "Authorization" in request.headers:
token = request.headers["Authorization"].split(" ")[1]
      if not token:
         return {
            "error": "Unauthorized"
         }, 401
     try:
# Get the user's email from the decoded token
         data = jwt.decode(
token, config["APP_SECRET"], algorithms=["HS256"])
         # Retreive user's info from the database
         sql = f"select * from users where email='{data['email']}'"
         stmt = ibm_db.prepare(conn, sql)
         ibm_db.execute(stmt)
         current_user = ibm_db.fetch_assoc(stmt)
         # If user does not exist throw error.
         if current_user is None:
           return {
               "error": "Unauthorized"
            }, 401
      except Exception as e:
         return {
           "error": str(e)
         }, 500
      # Pass the authorized user in function args.
      return f(current_user, *args, **kwargs)
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from functools import wraps

return decorated