

Mini Assignment Solution

Mini assignment:

Delete the avatar before updating it with a new one. But before deleting check if the avatar exists or not in the avatars folder corresponding to the file path that's stored in the 'avatar' field of the user.

Solution:

```
if(req.file) {
// check if an avatar exists for the user or not! if yes, delete it!
if( user.avatar
         &&
            fs.existsSync(path.join(__dirname, '..', user.avatar))
) {

            // deleting the avatar
            fs.unlinkSync(path.join(__dirname, '..', user.avatar));

            // this is saving path of the uploaded file into the avatar field
            // in the user
            user.avatar = User.avatarPath + '/' + req.file.filename;
}
```

Note:

fs.existsSync(path.join(__dirname, '..', user.avatar)):

It checks if the avatar file exists corresponding to its file path that's stored in the 'avatar' field of the user. If it exists, only then delete it.