

Coding Exercise: Task Management Web Application

Objective: Your task is to design and implement a simple Task Management Web Application using a frontend framework of your choice and a backend API service.

Requirements:

1. Backend API:

- Create a RESTful API or a GraphQL API to manage tasks.
- Implement the following endpoints or equivalents:
 - **GET /tasks:** Fetch all tasks.
 - **GET /tasks/:id:** Fetch a single task by ID.
 - **POST /tasks:** Add a new task.
 - **PUT /tasks/:id:** Update a task by ID.
 - **DELETE /tasks/:id:** Delete a task by ID.
- Use a persistent data storage (e.g., a relational database, NoSQL database, or an ORM like SQLAlchemy for Python).
- Include error handling (e.g., for incorrect route access or invalid data inputs).

2. Frontend:

- Use a frontend framework or library (e.g., React, Vue, Angular).
- Implement the following views/pages:
 - **List View:** Display all tasks with the ability to delete a task.
 - **Details View:** Display details of a single task.
 - **Add/Edit View:** A form to add a new task or edit an existing one.
- Implement responsive design (either using a framework like Bootstrap, Tailwind, or manual CSS).
- Connect the frontend to the backend API to perform CRUD operations.

3. Authentication (Bonus):

- Implement a simple user authentication system.
- Users should be able to register, log in, and log out.
- Only logged-in users can create, update, or delete tasks.

4. Deployment (Bonus):

- Deploy the frontend and backend services, either separately or as a combined app, to a cloud provider of your choice (e.g., AWS, Heroku, Netlify, Vercel).
- Provide the URL for the live application.

5. Documentation:

- Include a README.md file describing the project setup, endpoints/APIs, and any other necessary information.
- Document the API using tools like Swagger or Postman, or within the README.md.

Evaluation Criteria:

- **Backend Logic:** Structure, clarity, error handling, and efficiency of the server-side code.
- **Frontend Design:** Responsiveness, usability, and aesthetics of the user interface.
- **Data Persistence:** Correct implementation of the database, including schema design and data retrieval/update methods.
- **Code Quality:** Clear, readable, and maintainable code with appropriate comments.
- **Authentication:** Secure implementation of user authentication and authorization (if attempted).
- **Deployment:** Successful deployment of the application (if attempted).
- **Documentation:** Clarity and completeness of the README.md and API documentation.

Submission:

- Provide a link to the GitHub/GitLab repository containing the code.
- If deployed, provide the URL for the live application.
- Include any necessary setup instructions and credentials in the README.md.

Note: This exercise tests a candidate's abilities across both frontend and backend domains, simulating real-world full-stack development scenarios. The candidate should ensure that they pay attention to the user experience, application design, and data integrity.