Notes Application
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Introduction
● Overview of the Existing App:
○ The current note app is used for adding and deleting notes
● Objective of the Critique:
○ We will mainly be focusing on the overall design of the application as well as its functionality. The website lacks any sort of design or anything that makes it easier to look at.

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Current Design Analysis
● User Interface (UI) Analysis:
○ Layout and Navigation:
The application has an input form in the center of the page which is used for adding notes. There is no proper layout to display the notes added. It's shown as a list

○ Visual Design:
The design is not that user friendly. It's just boxes and lists.

○ Interaction Design:
The interactivity note app is not there. There really is nothing there other than making the notes themselves and that's it.

● User Experience (UX) Analysis:
○ Usability:
The app is not very user friendly but it is still functional, there aren't much features present
○ Accessibility:
The site doesn't appear to have any accessibility features that users would need, there is no option to add a note through keyboard, user has to click on add button.
● Functionality Analysis:
○ Core Features:
The core features of the app is to simply write notes and store them there.
○ Performance:
The performance of the site doesn't seem to be an issue, each page is responsive and doesn't really lag.

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Identified Areas for Improvement
- Area 1: [Overall UI Design]
  - Current State:
    - The overall UI Design is lacking and could use some improvement. There is a severe lack on interaction that needs to be addressed

  - Suggested Improvement:
    - We want to make the app feel more usable and modern. We plan on adding more colors to the note cards. We also plan on adding animation so that the app feels a little more alive.

- Area 2: [More control to the user]
  - Current State:
    - Currently the application only supports adding and removing a note. And it doesn't have much CSS in it

  - Suggested Improvement:
    - One way this could be improved is to require users to just press enter to add a note into the list
    - Another suggestion is to show character count and allow users to edit the note.

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Proposed Enhancements
- Feature Enhancements:
- Enhanced Feature 1: Adding character count
  - Currently there isn't a feature to show character count.
Adding this feature would help the users to show the number of characters present in their note and limit the number of characters so that it the note doesn't overwhelm

This wireframe shows a scale that users would set the min/max and it could show how much the job pays in that range.
- Enhanced Feature 2: Option to edit the note
  - Currently there isn't any option to edit the note.
Having this option would help users to edit a note if they have made any mistakes

- Visual Enhancements:
  - Visual Enhancement 1: [New Color Scheme]
    - We would change the color scheme to be more universal.
    - This would make it so the audience is not just staring at half a page of blank white space.
  - Visual Enhancement 2: [Even layout]

■   We would change the layout of the listings to a card style so that the listings could be displayed evenly to the user.

○   Explain how this will improve the app's aesthetics and user appeal.

This would make the app more visually appealing as right now it is just a list format with little else going on.

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Conclusion

●   Summary of Key Findings:

○   Overall, we would like to improve the layout, readability, color scheme, and overall feel of the app so that users can feel like they have more control over the notes they are creating.

●   Next Steps:

○   Our next steps would be to create digital mockups and prototypes so that we can visualize our end goal with the notes app.