

NoteCards

Evolving Outline

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- File Compatibility with Xerox Workstations
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4 6 Building NoteCard Structures & Modes of Use.

- Introduction to hypertext
- Introduction to what NC is and does; isn't and doesn't
- Some examples of applications NoteCards has been used for
 - Documentation
 - Bug & feature tracking/Software development records
- Using embedded fileboxes or text to group cards
- When to use multiple notefiles for a single project

III Reference Manual

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2 **Programmers Interface to NoteCards**

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Status Codes:

- 0 Nothing done.
- 1 Chapter started.
- 2 Initial draft written, needs major cleanup.
- 3 Needs minor cleanup.
- 4 Ready for initial release.
- 5 Ready for final release.