Smart To-Do List: A React Hooks PoC App

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Project Overview

Smart To-Do List is a lightweight, single-page React application that demonstrates how to use core **React Hooks** to build an interactive, functional task management app. It includes features such as filtering, theming, and task persistence using localStorage.

This project serves as a Proof of Concept (PoC) illustrating how to use a modern React-based application framework with hooks, fulfilling the assessment requirement for a framework PoC (option D).

Technologies Used

- React (via Vite)
- JavaScript (ES6)
- CSS (custom, no framework)
- React Hooks: useState, useEffect, useContext, useRef

Core Features and Hooks

Feature	Hook Used	Purpose
Add/Delete Tasks	useState	Manage list of tasks in component state.
Task Completion Toggle	useState	Toggle completed status and UI updates.
Filter Tasks	useState	Switch between All, Active, Completed
		views.
Persist to LocalStorage	useEffect	Load and save tasks from/to localStorage.
Autofocus Input	useRef	Automatically focus the input on component
		mount.
Theme Toggle (Dark/Light)	useContext	Use global context to manage theme state.

Table 1: Features and Associated Hooks

Example Code Snippets

useState for Tasks

```
const [tasks, setTasks] = useState([]);
```

useEffect for Local Storage

```
useEffect(() => {
  localStorage.setItem('tasks', JSON.stringify(tasks));
}, [tasks]);
```

useContext for Theme

```
const { darkMode, toggleTheme } = useTheme();
```

useRef for Input Focus

```
const inputRef = useRef();
useEffect(() => {
  inputRef.current.focus();
}, []);
```

How to Run the App

- 1. Clone the repository.
- 2. Install dependencies:

```
npm install
```

3. Start the development server:

```
npm run dev
```

Conclusion

This project demonstrates the core capabilities of React Hooks and their role in building modular, modern frontend apps. The Smart To-Do List is simple, clean, and effectively highlights stateful logic and interaction patterns without any third-party dependencies.