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### **Dr-online**

Dr. Online is a frontend-only React web application that simulates a small online medical community. Users register and log in as either Doctor or Patient, then interact inside a Discussion Board by creating posts, liking/unliking, commenting, editing, deleting, and filtering topics by role. There is no backend/database. All users and posts are stored in React state, so refreshing the page resets the demo data.

### **Technologies & Tools Used**

- React JS (component-based UI)
- React Router DOM (multi-page navigation without reload)
- React Hooks (useState) (state management)
- HTML/CSS (custom page styling)
- react-icons (icons for UI)
- Demo data modules (static JS arrays)

### **High-Level Architecture & Data Flow**

#### Architecture Type

A React SPA (Single Page Application).

Routing changes the visible page without refreshing the browser.

#### Data Flow

Global data lives in [APP.js](#):

- current user
- all users
- all posts
  
- App.js sends these to pages using props.
- Pages run handlers (post, like, comment, login, register...)
- Handlers update state using setState.
- React re-renders the UI immediately.

So it follows one-way data flow:

App state → props to pages → user action → handler → update App state → UI refresh

## Code Documentation

### App.js (Main Controller)

Main responsibilities:

Defines global state

- user: currently logged-in user (null if guest)
- users: registered users list, seeded by demo users
- posts: discussion posts list, seeded by demo posts

Handles logout

- handleLogout() sets user back to null and alerts.

Defines routes

- Home, Doctors, Dashboard, Contact, Login, Register.
- Data and setters are passed to the right pages.

Layout wrapper

- Navbar appears above routes.
- Footer appears below routes.

Why this is correct:

Keeping global state in App.js allows multiple pages to work with the same shared data.

### Navbar.js

1. Shows navigation links: Home / Doctors / Discussion / Contact.
2. Handles mobile menu open/close
  - local state menuOpen
  - toggle icon changes between hamburger and X.
3. Role-based right section
  - If user is logged in → shows:
    - Login link
    - Register link
4. Logout button triggers:
  - onLogout() from App.j
  - then closes menu

**Pattern used:** conditional rendering based on user.

### Footer.js (Global Footer)

What it does:

- Shows quick navigation links.
- Shows social/contact icons.

- Shows copyright.
- Shows a medical disclaimer to clarify this is general info.

### **Home.js (Landing Page)**

1. Creates isLoggedIn = !!user
2. Displays a hero intro about platform mission.
3. CTA button changes depending on login:
  - Guest → “Join the Community” → Register
  - Logged in → “Go to Discussion Board” → Dashboard
4. Shows an extra login link only if user is guest.
5. Also includes:
  - Features section
  - How-it-works explanation
  - Services cards
  - Role-based CTAs later in the page

### **DoctorsList.js (Static Doctor Data)**

Each doctor object includes:

- id
- name
- specialty
- Bio

This is used in Doctors.js for mapping.

### **DoctorCard.js (Reusable Presentational Component)**

What it does:

- Receives one doctor object as prop.
- Displays name, specialty, and bio.
- No state and no logic → purely for UI

### **Doctors.js (Doctors Directory Page)**

Logic:

- Imports doctorsData
- Maps through it and renders one DoctorCard per doctor.

## usersData.js (Static Users Seed)

Structure:

- id
- name
- email
- password
- role (doctor/patient)

## postsData.js (Static Posts Seed)

Each post object has:\

- id
- author
- role
- text
- likes: []
- comments: []
- date

## Register.js (Account Creation)

Controlled form pattern:

- Form values stored in one object state:
  - name, email, password, role
- handleChange() updates the correct field.
- Clears any previous errors

Submit logic (handleSubmit):

1. Prevents page refresh.
2. Validates required fields (name/email/password).
3. Checks if email already exists in users:
  - if yes → show error and stop.
4. If valid:
  - Creates new user object with unique id.
  - Adds user to users list.
  - Auto logs in by setting user.

- Shows success alert.

### Login.js (Authentication)

Controlled inputs:

- email & password stored in form state.
- handleChange updates state + clears old errors.

Submit logic (handleSubmit):

1. Prevents page refresh.
2. Searches users list for matching email & password.
3. If not found:
  - Sets error message.
4. If found:
  - Sets global user.
  - Marks logged state true.
  - Shows success alert.

### Dashboard.js

Role: Main interactive forum.

Access guard

- If user is null, the component returns a message asking user to login.
- This blocks posting by guests.

**Local states**

1. postText → new post textarea value
2. filter → “all / doctor / patient”
3. commentInput → stores comment text per post id
4. editingPostId → which post is in edit mode
5. editText → textarea for editing

**Main handlers**

1. Create Post (handlePost)
  - Runs on submit of the form
  - Validates non-empty text
  - Creates new post object:
    - id, author, role, text, likes[], comments[], date
  - Adds it to top of posts list
  - Clears textarea
2. Delete Post (handleDelete)
  - Removes the post by filtering out the id

- 3. Edit Post
  - o startEdit(post) enables edit mode and loads text
  - o saveEdit() updates post text and exits edit mode
  - o cancelEdit() exits edit mode without saving
- 4. Like / Unlike (toggleLike)
  - o If user name already exists in likes → remove it
  - o Else → add it
  - o This is done immutably using map + ternary
  
- 5. Add Comment (addComment)
  - o Reads commentInput by postId
  - o Validates non-empty
  - o Appends {author, text} into post comments
  - o Clears that post's input
- 6. Filtering (filteredPosts)
  - o if filter = all → show posts
  - o else → show only posts matching role

UI result

Dashboard renders:

- Header with name + role
- Post creation form with role-based placeholder
- Filter buttons
- List of filtered posts
- Each post card supports:
  - o like button + count
  - o comments section
  - o edit/delete (only if author is current user)

## Contact.js (Feedback Form)

State:

- One object state stores:
  - o fname, email, subject, message
- submitted state tracks whether to show success message.

Handlers:

1. handleChange() updates the correct field

2. handleSubmit():
  - o prevents refresh
  - o validates required fields
  - o alerts demo JSON
  - o shows submitted message
  - o resets form

## Core User Flows

Flow A: Guest → Register → Discussion

1. Guest visits Home
2. Clicks Join Community
3. Registers role (doctor/patient)
4. Auto login
5. Opens Dashboard and posts

Flow B: Existing User Login

1. Guest goes Login
2. Enters credentials
3. Navbar updates
4. Can access Discussion Board fully

Flow C: Discussion Interaction

1. User posts topic
2. Other users like/comment
3. Author can edit/delete own post
4. Feed can be filtered by role

## React Patterns Demonstrated

- Controlled components (all forms)
- Prop drilling for shared state
- Conditional rendering (role-based UI, access blocks)
- Immutable state updates
  - o map/filter/spread to avoid mutation
- Component reusability (DoctorCard)

## Edge Cases Handled

- Empty register fields
- Duplicate email on register
- Wrong login credentials
- Guest access blocked from discussion
- Empty post blocked
- Empty comment blocked
- Editing empty text blocked

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├── App.js
├── assets/
│   ├── doctor.png
│   └── services.png
├── pages/
│   ├── Home.js
│   ├── Doctors.js
│   ├── Dashboard.js
│   └── Contact.js
└── components/
    ├── Navbar.js
    ├── Footer.js
    └── DoctorCard.js
├── auth/
    ├── Login.js
    └── Register.js
├── data/
    ├── usersData.js
    ├── postsData.js
    └── DoctorsList.js
└── demo/
    └── demo.mp4
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