

Design Document: Resume and Job Description Analysis API

Overview

This API processes job descriptions and candidate resumes to evaluate the suitability of a candidate for a given job role. It extracts text from uploaded files (PDF, DOCX, TXT), analyzes the content using OpenAI's GPT-4o-mini model, and returns a structured JSON response with the evaluation.

Technology Stack

- **Backend:** Next.js API Routes
- **AI Service:** OpenAI GPT-4o-mini
- **File Parsing:** Mammoth (DOCX), PdfReader (PDF)
- **Environment Management:** dotenv

Endpoints

POST /api/analyze

Processes job descriptions and resumes, returning a structured JSON evaluation.

Request

- **Headers:** `Content-Type: multipart/form-data`
- **Body:**
 - `jobDescription`: (String) The job description (Minimum 50 characters).
 - `file`: (File) Candidate's resume (DOCX, PDF, or TXT format).

Response

Success (200)

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{
```

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"message": "Processing complete",
"parsedJson": {
  "candidate": {
    "about": "Candidate Name",
    "skills": ["Skill 1", "Skill 2"],
    "short_description": ["Brief summary", "Key highlights"],
    "other_summary": {
      "experience": "X Years",
      "preferred_location": "Location",
      "current_company": "Company Name"
    },
  },
  "evaluation": {
    "title": "Evaluation based on JD and Resume",
    "scores": {
      "Overall": 0-100,
      "Skill": 0-100,
      "Experience": 0-100,
      "Others": 0-100
    },
    "evaluation_reason": ["Reason 1", "Reason 2"]
  },
  "can_we_take_this_candidate": "yes" or "no"
}
}
}

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- **Client Error (400):**
 - {"error": "Job description must be at least 50 characters long"}
 - {"error": "No file uploaded"}
- **Server Error (500):**
 - {"error": "Failed to extract text from PDF"}
- **Rate Limit Error (429):**
 - {"error": "Too Many Request Token Limit Exit!"}

Core Functionalities

1. Input Validation

- Ensures `jobDescription` has at least 50 characters.
- Ensures a file is uploaded.

2. File Processing

- **DOCX:** Extracts raw text using Mammoth.
- **TXT:** Reads the content directly.
- **PDF:** Uses PdfReader to extract text from each page.

3. AI Processing

- Sends the job description and extracted resume text to OpenAI's GPT-4o-mini.
- Follows a strict JSON response format for evaluation.

4. JSON Parsing & Response Handling

- Ensures a valid JSON response is received.
- If an error occurs in parsing, retries the AI request.

Error Handling

- Logs errors for debugging.
- Returns appropriate HTTP status codes and messages.

Security Considerations

- Uses environment variables (**dotenv**) for API keys.
- Validates file type before processing.
- Limits AI token usage to prevent excessive API costs.

Future Enhancements

- Support for additional file formats (e.g., ODT, RTF).
- Enhanced AI model for better candidate-job matching.
- Web-based UI for file uploads and visualization of results.

Data Flow Description

1. User Uploads Data

- The user submits a **job description** and a **resume file** via a form.

2. Input Validation

- The system checks if the job description is at least 50 characters long.
- The system verifies the file type (DOCX, PDF, TXT).

3. Text Extraction

- If the file is DOCX → Extract text using **Mammoth**.
- If the file is PDF → Extract text using **PdfReader**.
- If the file is TXT → Read as UTF-8 text.

4. AI Processing (GPT-4o-mini)

- The system sends the **job description** and **extracted resume text** to OpenAI.
- The AI generates a **structured JSON response** with evaluation scores.

5. JSON Parsing & Response Handling

- The system parses the JSON response and sends it back to the user.

6. Error Handling (if any issue occurs)

- Invalid input → Returns 400 Bad Request.
- File parsing failure → Returns 500 Internal Server Error.
- OpenAI token limit exceeded → Returns 429 Too Many Requests.