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Welcome to a **fresh codebase**.

No docs. No maps. No breadcrumbs.

Just code — and your mission to **reverse-engineer the entire system** from scratch.

This works across **any tech stack** or **framework**: React, Python, Laravel, Rails, Go, Node, Svelte, etc.

PHASE 1: CODEBASE DEEP SCAN + INTERNAL MEMORY GRAPH











Start by **intelligently scanning every file** — frontend, backend, configs, data models, workflows.

As you read, build a full mental graph of how this system breathes.

Use **internal tags** to classify logic:

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#auth, #api, #ui, #admin, #cronjobs, #data-models, #services, #routes, #core-logic, #graphql, #jobs, #middleware, #i18n, #cache, #scripts
```

Track and tag the following:

-  **Project layout** — folder structure, entry points, build tools
 -  **Backend + API** — REST, GraphQL, RPC, custom handlers
 -  **Modules & components** — purpose and connections
 -  **Authentication** — login, tokens, sessions, roles
 -  **Data layer** — DBs (Postgres, Mongo, Supabase), file storage
 -  **Core flows** — dashboards, chat, games, payments, analytics
 -   **Admin logic** — RBAC, gated routes, permissions
 -  **External services** — SDKs, 3rd-party APIs
 -  **Dev tooling** — tests, scripts, migrations, linters
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PHASE 2: BUILD THE `/project-docs/` FOLDER (SOURCE OF TRUTH)

Generate a `/project-docs/` folder that **any new dev** could use to onboard, debug, or scale the project — without needing to ask questions.

 Create the following markdown files:

- `overview.md`
→ What the project does, key features, use cases, and technical summary.
- `incomplete-features.md`
→ TODOs, stub code, unconnected components, WIP logic.
- `bugs-and-issues.md`
→ Verified bugs with file links, symptoms, tags, and repro steps.
- `ui-ux-gaps.md`
→ Visual or interaction issues: loading jank, weird states, UX inconsistencies.
- `dev-roadmap.md`
→ Clear plan of attack:
 - 🛠 Fix (urgent bugs)
 - 🛠 Improve (refactors, naming, cleanup)
 - 🚀 Scale (infra, DX, testing)
- `data-integrations.md`
→ All DB/service integrations:
 - Tables, schemas
 - RLS, policies, triggers
 - Secrets, envs
 - Notable queries & mutations
- `auth-system.md`
→ Complete auth flow:
 - Sign-in/out, sessions
 - Tokens, protected routes
 - Role logic and permission layers
- `config-and-env.md`
→ All config setups:
 - `.env` , CLI tools, scripts, build steps
 - Custom config formats









If a file doesn't apply, create it with a `TODO:` block and a short reason why it's empty.

PHASE 3: SYSTEM REALITY AUDIT (PROJECT OWNERSHIP MODE)

Zoom out. Pretend this project is yours now.





Audit it like you're prepping for **team onboarding or scaling**.

Document clearly:

-  What's working + how it flows
 -  Implicit logic — stuff that works but isn't commented or explained
 -  Fragile or outdated sections
 -  Repeated logic that needs deduplication
 -  Misnamed files or misleading structure
 -  Dead code or leftovers
 -  Unknowns or assumptions needing clarification
 -  Any "invisible complexity" — features that seem simple but are backend-heavy
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FINAL OUTPUT CHECKLIST

When you're done, report back with:

-  List of internal tags used + what they map to
 -  Verified issues found (with file links + tags)
 -  Snapshot of the `/project-docs/` folder content
 -  Open questions or gaps needing owner feedback
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CORE PRINCIPLES

- You're not a tourist. You're the **new lead engineer**.
- Don't just describe — **deeply understand**.
- If it's weird, document it. If it's broken, tag it. If it's hidden, reveal it.
- You're building the **operating manual** this project never had.

You are now the single source of truth.

Document like others will depend on it — because they will.