

Number System Converter - Process Documentation

Project Overview

The Number System Converter is a web-based application that allows users to convert numbers between different bases (Binary, Octal, Decimal, and Hexadecimal). It provides a clean interface for entering data, selecting bases, and viewing step-by-step conversion results.

Objectives

1. Simplify learning and practicing number system conversions.
2. Automate conversions between binary, octal, decimal, and hexadecimal.
3. Provide clear step-by-step breakdowns for educational use.

Development Process

The development followed six main stages: Planning, Design, Implementation, Testing, Deployment, and Maintenance.

Planning

Problem: Manual conversions are slow and error-prone. Goal: Build a simple and interactive tool.
Scope: Web-based, browser-accessible, no installation required.

Design

UI Components include input fields, dropdowns for selecting bases, a Convert button, and result/steps display sections. Basic layout created using HTML and CSS.

Implementation

Technologies used: HTML5 (structure), CSS3 (styling), JavaScript (logic), GitHub Pages (hosting).
Conversion logic includes validation, converting from source to decimal, and then to target base using `parseInt()` and `toString()`.

Testing

Validation tests confirmed accuracy, error handling, and browser compatibility. Example: 1010 (Binary to Decimal) = 10.

Deployment

The project is hosted on GitHub Pages under the URL: <https://brnezekiel.github.io/trial/>. Steps include creating a GitHub repo, pushing files, and enabling Pages from settings.

Maintenance & Future Improvements

Future plans include adding support for custom bases, copy result feature, dark mode, conversion history, and real-time error detection.

Team / Roles

Developer: Ezekiel (brnezekiel) - Code, UI, Hosting

Documentation: Chris Munene - Technical documentation and process explanation.

Version Control

GitHub repository used for versioning, commits, and updates. Example commits: 'Added conversion steps', 'Fixed input validation bug'.

References

- `parseInt()`: https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global_Objects/parseInt
- `toString()`: https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global_Objects/Number/toString
- GitHub Pages setup guide.

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