

# Project Calculator Documentation

## 1. Description

The 'Project Calculator' is a simulation of a traditional calculator. It is developed as a part of The Odin Project's curriculum, focusing on the foundational concepts of web development. The application provides a simple yet interesting interface for performing basic arithmetic operations.

Constructed with HTML, CSS, and JavaScript, this project solidifies my understanding of web technologies. HTML portrays the calculator's buttons and display, CSS styles the application for an engaging user experience, and JavaScript implements the calculator's logic and response to user inputs.

The interface is intentionally minimalist, simulating the look and of a physical calculator, with clear labels for each function, including addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, and modulus operation, as well as special functions like clear and sign toggle.

## 2. Objectives

Key objectives include:

- Illustrating the ability to structure web pages with HTML, ensuring that all necessary calculator functions are accessible.
- Applying CSS skills to design a user interface that is visually appealing and also provides a seamless and intuitive experience.
- Demonstrating knowledge in JavaScript by developing a fully functional calculator that can handle a variety of arithmetic operations.
- Showcasing the ability to handle user inputs, perform calculations, and update the display without page reloads, offering immediate feedback to the user.

## 3. Design and Code

The project is structured into three primary files, each serving a distinct purpose in the application's functionality and design: 'index.html', 'index.js' and 'style.css'.

The 'index.html' file sets up the structure of the web calculator. It includes all the necessary HTML elements that form the interface of the calculator. This is how it looks like:

```

1 <!DOCTYPE html>
2 <html lang="en">
3 <head>
4 <meta charset="UTF-8" />
5 <meta http-equiv="X-UA-Compatible" content="IE=edge" />
6 <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0" />
7 <!-- Link to the external CSS for styling -->
8 <link rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" href="style.css" />
9 <!-- JavaScript file that contains the logic of the calculator -->
10 <script type="text/javascript" src="index.js" defer></script>
11 <!-- Title shown on the browser tab -->
12 <title>Calculator</title>
13 </head>
14
15 <body>
16 <div class="calculator">Calculator</div>
17 <!-- The main container that holds the calculator's display and buttons -->
18 <div class="container">
19 <!-- Calculator display area where input and results are shown -->
20 <div class="input-text" id="div"></div>
21 <!-- The section containing all the calculator buttons -->
22 <div class="buttons" id="btns">
23 <!-- Each button is defined with a class for styling -->
24 <button type="button" class="btn-AC">AC</button>
25 <button type="button" class="btn-PlusMinus">+/-</button>
26 <button type="button" class="btn-Mod">%</button>
27 <button type="button" class="btn-div">/</button>
28
29 <!-- Numeric buttons -->
30 <button type="button" class="btn-7">7</button>
31 <button type="button" class="btn-8">8</button>
32 <button type="button" class="btn-9">9</button>
33 <button type="button" class="btn-4">4</button>
34 <button type="button" class="btn-5">5</button>
35 <button type="button" class="btn-6">6</button>
36 <!-- The multiplication button -->
37 <button type="button" class="btn-3">3</button>
38 <!-- The subtraction button -->
39 <button type="button" class="btn-2">2</button>
40
41 <!-- More numeric buttons -->
42 <button type="button" class="btn-1">1</button>
43 <button type="button" class="btn-2">2</button>
44 <button type="button" class="btn-3">3</button>
45 <!-- The subtraction button -->
46 <button type="button" class="btn-4">4</button>
47
48 <!-- The zero, decimal, and operation buttons -->
49 <button type="button" class="btn-0">0</button>
50 <button type="button" class="btn-dot" id="dot">.</button>
51 <button type="button" class="btn-plus">+</button>
52 <button type="button" class="btn-equals">=</button>
53 </div>
54 </div>
55 </body>
56 </html>
57

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It sets up a calculator on the web page with buttons for all digits (0-9), operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, and modulus), and other functions like clear (AC), toggle sign (+/-), and equals (=). The defer attribute in the script tag ensures that the JavaScript file is executed after the HTML document has been parsed. This ensures that all HTML elements are loaded before any JavaScript attempts to interact with them.

Next, we will take a look at the the 'index.js' file to understand how it attaches functionality to these elements. This is how the code looks like:

```

1 // Select all button elements on the page
2 const buttons = document.querySelectorAll("button");
3
4 // Log the width of the button container for debugging purposes
5 console.log(
6   "The width of the buttons is ",
7   document.getElementById("btns").offsetWidth
8 );
9
10 // Select the input display element where the results and inputs are shown
11 const input = document.getElementById("div");
12
13 // Define variables for the number input and the operation mode
14 let num, mode;
15
16 // Function to handle the equals operation based on the mode (operation type)
17 const equals = function (mode) {
18   // Intermediary variables and a switch statement to handle different operations
19   let string1, reverse, count, final_counter;
20
21   switch (mode) {
22     // The case for division operation
23     case "/":
24       let intermediary1 = Number(num) / Number(input.textContent);
25       string1 = intermediary1.toString();
26       reverse = string1.split("").reverse().join("");
27       count = 0;
28
29       for (let i = 0; i < string1.length; i++) {
30         if (reverse[i] !== ".") count++;
31         else break;
32       }
33
34       if (count > 11) {
35         final_counter = count - 11;
36
37         input.textContent = parseFloat(intermediary1.toFixed(final_counter));
38         console.log("count final e ", final_counter);
39         // also input.textContent = intermediary;
40         console.log(
41           "lungimea intermediary la adunare e ",
42           intermediary1.toString().length
43         );
44       }
45       break;
46
47     // The case for multiplication operation
48     case "*":
49       console.log("multire");
50       let intermediary2 = Number(num) * Number(input.textContent);
51       input.textContent = intermediary2;
52       string1 = intermediary2.toString();
53       reverse = string1.split("").reverse().join("");
54       count = 0;
55
56       for (let i = 0; i < string1.length; i++) {
57         if (reverse[i] !== ".") count++;
58         else break;
59       }
60
61       if (count > 11) {
62         final_counter = count - 11;
63         input.textContent = parseFloat(intermediary2.toFixed(final_counter));
64         console.log("count final e ", final_counter);
65         // also input.textContent = intermediary;
66         console.log(
67           "lungimea intermediary la adunare e ",
68           intermediary2.toString().length
69         );
70       }
71       break;
72
73     // The case for addition operation
74     case "+":
75       let intermediary3 = Number(num) + Number(input.textContent);
76       string1 = intermediary3.toString();
77       reverse = string1.split("").reverse().join("");
78       count = 0;
79
80       for (let i = 0; i < string1.length; i++) {
81         if (reverse[i] !== ".") count++;
82         else break;
83       }
84
85       if (count > 11) {
86         final_counter = count - 11;
87         input.textContent = parseFloat(intermediary3.toFixed(final_counter));
88         console.log("count final e ", final_counter);
89         // also input.textContent = intermediary;
90         console.log(
91           "lungimea intermediary la adunare e ",
92           intermediary3.toString().length
93         );
94       }
95       break;
96
97     // The case for subtraction operation
98     case "-":
99       console.log("scadere");
100       if (num.length >= input.textContent.length) {
101         long = num.length;
102       } else long = input.textContent.length;
103       console.log("lungimea e ", long);
104       let intermediary = Number(num) - Number(input.textContent);
105       string1 = intermediary.toString();
106       reverse = string1.split("").reverse().join("");
107       count = 0;
108
109       for (let i = 0; i < string1.length; i++) {
110         if (reverse[i] !== ".") count++;
111         else break;
112       }
113
114       if (count > 11) {
115         final_counter = count - 11;
116         console.log("final counter ", final_counter);
117         input.textContent = parseFloat(intermediary.toFixed(final_counter));
118         console.log("count final e ", final_counter);
119         // also input.textContent = intermediary;
120         console.log(
121           "lungimea intermediary la adunare e ",
122           intermediary.toString().length
123         );
124       }
125       break;
126
127     // The case for modulo operation
128     case "%":
129       console.log("modul");
130       let intermediary4 = Number(num) % Number(input.textContent);
131       string1 = intermediary4.toString();
132       reverse = string1.split("").reverse().join("");
133       count = 0;
134
135       for (let i = 0; i < string1.length; i++) {
136         if (reverse[i] !== ".") count++;
137         else break;
138       }
139
140       if (count > 11) {
141         final_counter = count - 11;
142         input.textContent = parseFloat(intermediary4.toFixed(final_counter));
143         console.log("count final e ", final_counter);
144         // also input.textContent = intermediary;
145         console.log(
146           "lungimea intermediary la adunare e ",
147           intermediary4.toString().length
148         );
149       }
150       break;
151     };
152   }
153
154   // Function to handle operations (+, -, *, /, %)
155   const operationHandler = function (op) {
156     // Store the current input in num and clear the display
157     num = input.textContent;
158     input.textContent = "";
159

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141 console.log(
142   "lungimea intermediary la adunare e ",
143   intermediary4.toString().length
144 );
145 break;
146 }
147 };
148
149 // Function to handle operations (+, -, *, /, %)
150 const operationHandler = function (op) {
151   // Store the current input in num and clear the display
152   num = input.textContent;
153   input.textContent = "";
154 };
155
156 // Function to handle button clicks
157 const buttonHandler = function (e) {
158   // If the button's content is a number, append it to the display
159   if (!isNaN(Number(this.textContent))) {
160     console.log(
161       "btnhandler number",
162       Number(this.textContent),
163       "lungimea ",
164       input.textContent.length
165     );
166     input.textContent += this.textContent;
167     if (input.textContent.length >= 16) {
168       alert(
169         "You have reached the maximum amount of numbers that can be displayed"
170       );
171       console.log(input.textContent.length);
172       input.textContent = 0;
173       return;
174     }
175
176     console.log("lungimea inputului: ", input.textContent.length);
177     return;
178   }
179
180   // Switch statement to handle different button functions like clear, plus/minus, backspace, etc.
181   switch (this.textContent) {
182     case "AC":
183       input.textContent = "";
184       break;
185     case "+/-":
186       if (input.textContent.includes("-"))
187         input.textContent = input.textContent.slice(
188           1,
189           input.textContent.length
190         );
191       else input.textContent = "-" + input.textContent;
192       break;
193     case ".":
194       if (input.textContent.includes(".")) {
195         if (input.textContent.indexOf(".") == input.textContent.length - 1)
196           input.textContent = display.textContent.slice(
197             0,
198             input.textContent.length - 1
199           );
200         console.log("index", input.textContent.indexOf("."));
201       }
202       else input.textContent += ".";
203       break;
204     case "=":
205       console.log(
206         "inainte de taiere: ",
207         input.textContent,
208         "dupa taiere: ",
209         input.textContent.slice(0, -1)
210       );
211       input.textContent = input.textContent.slice(0, -1);
212       break;
213     case "=":
214       equals(mode);
215       break;
216
217     default:
218       mode = this.textContent;
219       operationHandler(this.textContent);
220       break;
221   }
222 };
223 if (input.textContent === undefined) input.textContent = "";
224 buttons.forEach((button) => button.addEventListener("click", buttonHandler));
225

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Let's take a look at each function within the ,index.js' file.

### *equals(mode)*

This is an important function that handles the calculation when the equals button is pressed. It takes the operation mode (like "+", "-", "\*", "/", "%") as an argument and performs the corresponding mathematical operation using the previously stored number (num) and the current number displayed (input.textContent).

It begins by converting the result of the operation to a string to analyze its length and decide how to format it. It reverses the string to count how many digits follow the decimal point, using a ,for' loop.

Depending on the length of the result and the number of decimal places, it either displays the result directly or formats it to a fixed number of decimal places using ,toFixed'.

```

15 // Function to handle the equals operation based on the mode (operation type)
16 const equals = function (mode) {
17   // Intermediary variables and a switch statement to handle different operations
18   let string_i, reverse, count, final_counter;
19
20   switch (mode) {
21     // The case for division operation
22     case "/":
23       let intermediary1 = Number(num) / Number(input.textContent);
24       string_i = intermediary1.toString();
25       reverse = string_i.split("").reverse().join("");
26       count = 0;
27
28       for (let i = 0; i < string_i.length; i++) {
29         if (reverse[i] !== ".") count++;
30         else break;
31       }
32       if (count > 11) {
33         final_counter = count - 11;
34
35         input.textContent = parseFloat(intermediary1.toFixed(final_counter));
36         console.log("count final e ", final_counter);
37       } else input.textContent = intermediary1;
38       console.log(
39         "lungimea intermediary 1a adunare e ",
40         intermediary1.toString().length
41       );
42
43       break;
44     // The case for multiplication operation
45     case "*":
46       console.log("imultire");
47       let intermediary2 = Number(num) * Number(input.textContent);
48       input.textContent = intermediary2;
49       string_i = intermediary2.toString();
50       reverse = string_i.split("").reverse().join("");
51       count = 0;
52
53       for (let i = 0; i < string_i.length; i++) {
54         if (reverse[i] !== ".") count++;
55         else break;
56       }
57       if (count > 11) {
58         final_counter = count - 11;
59         input.textContent = parseFloat(intermediary2.toFixed(final_counter));
60         console.log("count final e ", final_counter);
61       } else input.textContent = intermediary2;
62       console.log(
63         "lungimea intermediary 2a adunare e ",
64         intermediary2.toString().length
65       );
66
67       break;

```

### *operationHandler(op)*

This function captures the current value displayed on the calculator when an operation button is clicked. It stores this value in the ,num' variable for later use, then clears the display in preparation for the next number to be entered by the user.

```

145 // Function to handle operations (+, -, *, /, %)
146 const operationHandler = function (op) {
147   // Store the current input in num and clear the display
148   num = input.textContent;
149   input.textContent = "";
150 };

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### *buttonHandler(e)*

This function is attached to each button's click event and handles the logic for when a button is pressed. It checks the text content of the button to determine what action to take:

- If the button content is a number, it appends this number to the display.
- For function buttons like "AC" (All Clear), it sets ,input.textContent' to an empty string, clearing the display.
- For ,+/- , it toggles the sign of the displayed number by checking if it includes a minus sign and adding or removing it accordingly.
- For ,.' , it ensures only one decimal point is present in the number.
- For ,⇐ , it removes the last character from the display, which is a basic backspace function.
- For ,= , it calls the ,equals' function to perform the calculation based on the stored mode.
- For any other content, it assumes an operation is being set (like "+", "-", "\*", "/"), stores the current display value in ,num', clears the display, and sets the mode to the operation symbol.

```

152 | // Function to handle button clicks
153 | const buttonHandler = function (e) {
154 |     // If the button's content is a number, append it to the display
155 |     if (!isNaN(Number(this.textContent))) {
156 |         console.log(
157 |             "btnhandler number",
158 |             Number(this.textContent),
159 |             "lungimea ",
160 |             input.textContent.length
161 |         );
162 |         input.textContent += this.textContent;
163 |         if (input.textContent.length >= 16) {
164 |             alert(
165 |                 "You have reached the maximum amount of numbers that can be displayed"
166 |             );
167 |             console.log(input.textContent.length);
168 |             input.textContent = 0;
169 |             return;
170 |         }
171 |
172 |         console.log("Lungimea inputului: ", input.textContent.length);
173 |         return;
174 |     }
175 |
176 |     // Switch statement to handle different button functions like clear, plus/minus, backspace, etc.
177 |     switch (this.textContent) {
178 |         case "AC":
179 |             input.textContent = "";
180 |             break;
181 |         case "+/-":
182 |             if (input.textContent.includes("-"))
183 |                 input.textContent = input.textContent.slice(
184 |                     1,
185 |                     input.textContent.length
186 |                 );
187 |             else input.textContent = "-" + input.textContent;
188 |             break;
189 |         case ".":
190 |             if (input.textContent.includes(".")) {
191 |                 if (input.textContent.indexOf(".") == input.textContent.length - 1) {
192 |                     input.textContent = input.textContent.slice(
193 |                         0,
194 |                         input.textContent.length - 1
195 |                     );
196 |                     console.log("index", input.textContent.indexOf("."));
197 |                 }
198 |             } else input.textContent += ".";
199 |             break;
200 |         case "CE":
201 |             console.log(
202 |                 "inainte de taiere: ",
203 |                 input.textContent,
204 |                 "dupa taiere: ",
205 |                 input.textContent.slice(0, -1)
206 |             );
207 |             input.textContent = input.textContent.slice(0, -1);
208 |             break;
209 |         case "=":
210 |             equals(mode);
211 |             break;
212 |
213 |         default:
214 |             mode = this.textContent;
215 |             operationHandler(this.textContent);
216 |             break;
217 |     }
218 | };
219 | if (input.textContent === undefined) input.textContent = "";
220 | buttons.forEach((button) => button.addEventListener("click", buttonHandler));
221 |

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Lastly, we have the 'style.css' which is responsible for styling the visual presentation of the calculator. This is how the code looks like:

