- 1. To use this application, simply choose a file from your computer.
- 2. Below I explain my approach.
- 3. I iterate through each row of pixels.
- 4. Each time I encounter a row such that there are at least two pixels with differing colors
- 5. and the previous row (if it exists) is single-colored,
- 6. I increment the line count.
- 7. Therefore the input must be a PDF with only text that reads horizontally,
- 8. a solid color background, and at least one pixel of space between lines.
- 9. I threw this together as a simple prototype, so the algorithm is not very robust,
- 10. the set of valid inputs is quite limited,
- 11. and the user interface is extremely bare bones.
- 12. Expanding the set of valid inputs (PDFs with images, multi-colored backgrounds, etc.)
- 13. requires a much more complex solution, probably using computer vision.
- 14. The only library I used for this project was <u>PDF.js</u>.
- 15. Everything else is written in HTML and vanilla Javascript.
- 16. I deployed the app here using Github Pages.
- 17. Here is my source code.