

# CloudWatch Calculator Documentation

## 1. Project Structure

```
nodejstrial/
├── app.js          # Main calculator application
├── logger.js       # CloudWatch logging configuration
├── test-cloudwatch.js # Test script for logging
├── package.json    # Project dependencies
└── node_modules/   # Installed packages
```

## 2. How It Works

### 2.1 Logger Setup (logger.js)

- Uses `winston` as the logging framework
- `winston-cloudwatch` sends logs to AWS CloudWatch
- AWS credentials are used to authenticate with AWS services
- Creates a log group and stream in CloudWatch
- Formats logs with timestamp and metadata

### 2.2 Calculator Application (app.js)

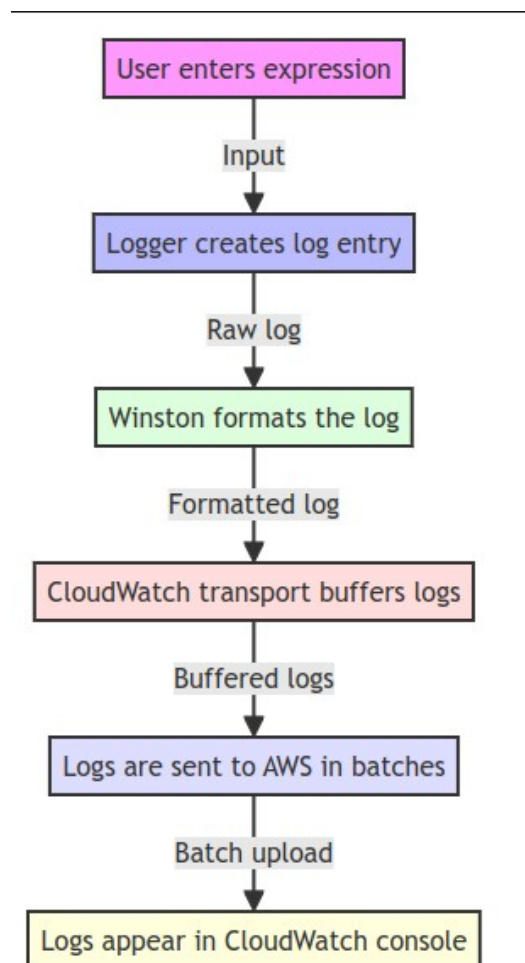
- Takes mathematical expressions as input
- Logs various events:
  - Application start/stop
  - User input
  - Calculation attempts
  - Success/failure results
- Includes error handling with logging

## 3. Flow of Data

1. User enters expression
2. Logger creates log entry
3. Winston formats the log
4. CloudWatch transport buffers logs
5. Logs are sent to AWS in batches
6. Logs appear in CloudWatch console

## 4. AWS Services Used

- **CloudWatch Logs:** Stores application logs
- **IAM:** Manages permissions for logging
- **AWS SDK:** Communicates with AWS services



## 5. Cost Management ⚠️

### 5.1 How to Stop Incurring Charges

# 1. Delete Log Groups in AWS Console

- Go to CloudWatch console
- Select "Log groups" from left sidebar
- Find "calculator-app-logs"
- Select it and click "Delete"

# 2. Or use AWS CLI

```
aws logs delete-log-group --log-group-name calculator-app-logs
```

### 5.2 View Current Usage

# Check log group size

```
aws logs describe-log-groups \
  --log-group-name-prefix calculator-app-logs
```

### 5.3 Cost Reduction Tips

#### Delete logs when done testing

1. Set shorter retention periods
2. Use log filters to store only important logs
3. Consider local logging for development

## 6. Local Testing Without AWS

Replace logger.js with local-only logging:

```
const winston = require('winston');

const logger = winston.createLogger({
  transports: [
    new winston.transports.Console(),
    new winston.transports.File({ filename: 'calculator.log' })
  ]
});

module.exports = logger;
```

### 7. AWS Pricing Information (as of 2024)

- Data ingestion: \$0.50 per GB
- Data storage: \$0.03 per GB per month
- Free Tier:
  - 5GB of ingestion
  - 5GB of storage
  - 3 dashboards per month

## 8. Safety Checklist

- ✓ Never commit AWS credentials to code
- ✓ Delete unused log groups
- ✓ Monitor AWS billing dashboard
- ✓ Set up billing alerts
- ✓ Use local logging for development

## 9. Best Practices

1. Use environment variables for credentials
2. Implement log rotation
3. Log appropriate level of detail
4. Handle errors gracefully
5. Include relevant metadata in logs

## 10. Troubleshooting

1. Check AWS credentials are set
2. Verify IAM permissions
3. Confirm correct region
4. Look for error messages in console
5. Check network connectivity

## 11. How to Turn Everything Off

### Step 1: Delete AWS Resources

# Delete log group

```
aws logs delete-log-group --log-group-name calculator-app-logs
```

# Verify deletion

```
aws logs describe-log-groups --log-group-name-prefix calculator-app-logs
```

### Step 2: Switch to Local Logging

#### 1. Remove CloudWatch dependencies

```
npm uninstall winston-cloudwatch aws-sdk
```

Update logger.js to local-only version (as shown in section 6)

### Step 3: Clean Up Credentials

# Clear environment variables

```
unset AWS_ACCESS_KEY_ID
```

```
unset AWS_SECRET_ACCESS_KEY
```

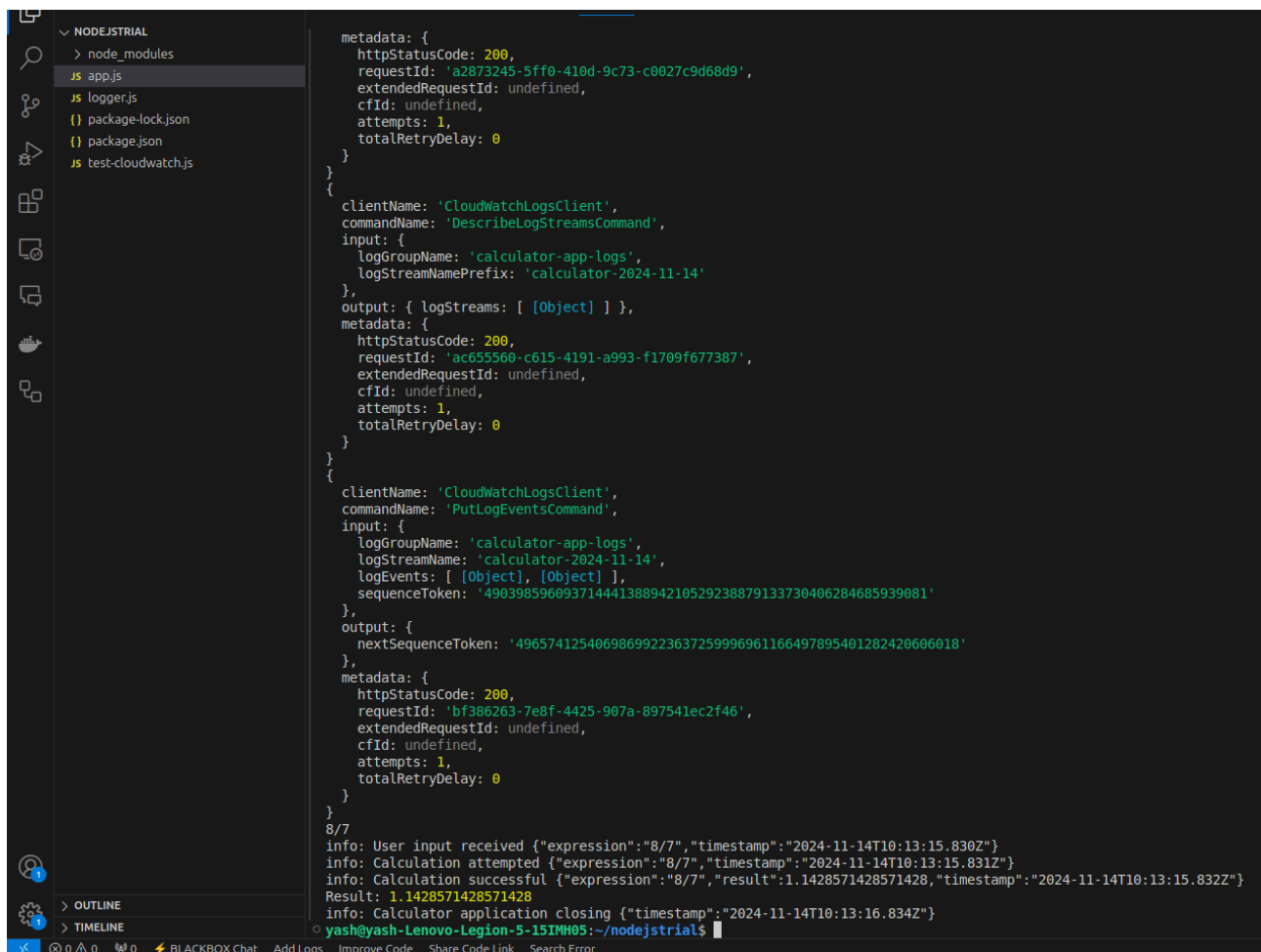
```
unset AWS_REGION
```

## 12. Monitor AWS Costs

1. Visit AWS Billing Dashboard
2. Check CloudWatch usage
3. Set up billing alerts:
  - Go to Billing Dashboard
  - Create budget
  - Set alert threshold (e.g., \$5)

Remember: Always delete test resources and monitor your AWS billing dashboard to avoid unexpected charges!

## Outputs



```

  > node_modules
  JS app.js
  JS logger.js
  {} package-lock.json
  {} package.json
  JS test-cloudwatch.js

metadata: {
  httpStatusCode: 200,
  requestId: 'a2873245-5ff0-410d-9c73-c0027c9d68d9',
  extendedRequestId: undefined,
  cfId: undefined,
  attempts: 1,
  totalRetryDelay: 0
}
}
{
  clientName: 'CloudWatchLogsClient',
  commandName: 'DescribeLogStreamsCommand',
  input: {
    logGroupName: 'calculator-app-logs',
    logStreamNamePrefix: 'calculator-2024-11-14'
  },
  output: { logStreams: [ [Object] ] },
  metadata: {
    httpStatusCode: 200,
    requestId: 'ac655560-c615-4191-a993-f1709f677387',
    extendedRequestId: undefined,
    cfId: undefined,
    attempts: 1,
    totalRetryDelay: 0
  }
}
}
{
  clientName: 'CloudWatchLogsClient',
  commandName: 'PutLogEventsCommand',
  input: {
    logGroupName: 'calculator-app-logs',
    logStreamName: 'calculator-2024-11-14',
    logEvents: [ [Object], [Object] ],
    sequenceToken: '49039859609371444138894210529238879133730406284685939081'
  },
  output: {
    nextSequenceToken: '49657412540698699223637259996961166497895401282420606018'
  },
  metadata: {
    httpStatusCode: 200,
    requestId: 'bf386263-7e8f-4425-907a-897541ec2f46',
    extendedRequestId: undefined,
    cfId: undefined,
    attempts: 1,
    totalRetryDelay: 0
  }
}
}
8/7
info: User input received {"expression":"8/7","timestamp":"2024-11-14T10:13:15.830Z"}
info: Calculation attempted {"expression":"8/7","timestamp":"2024-11-14T10:13:15.831Z"}
info: Calculation successful {"expression":"8/7","result":1.1428571428571428,"timestamp":"2024-11-14T10:13:15.832Z"}
Result: 1.1428571428571428
info: Calculator application closing {"timestamp":"2024-11-14T10:13:16.834Z"}
yash@yash-Lenovo-Legion-5-15IMH05:~/nodejstrial$
```

CloudWatch

Favorites and recents

Dashboards

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Log groups

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Metrics

All metrics

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Events

Application Signals

Network monitoring

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Settings

Getting Started

What's new

CloudWatch > Log groups > calculator-app-logs > calculator-2024-11-14

Log events

You can use the filter bar below to search for and match terms, phrases, or values in your log events. [Learn more about filter patterns](#)

Filter events - press enter to search

Clear

1m

30m

1h

12h

Custom

Local timezone

Display

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Timestamp

Message

No older events at this moment. [Retry](#)

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2024-11-14T15:36:23.337+05:30

{ "test": "basic logging", "level": "info", "message": "Test message 1" }

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2024-11-14T15:36:23.339+05:30

{ "test": "error logging", "level": "error", "message": "Test error message" }

▶

2024-11-14T15:39:20.412+05:30

{ "region": "us-east-1", "logGroup": "calculator-app-logs", "logStream": "calculator-2024-11-14", "level": "info", "message": "Logger initialized", "timestamp": "2024-11-14T15:39:20.412+05:30" }

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2024-11-14T15:39:20.416+05:30

{ "test": "info logging", "level": "info", "message": "Info message", "timestamp": "2024-11-14T15:39:20.416+05:30" }

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2024-11-14T15:39:20.417+05:30

{ "test": "warning logging", "level": "warn", "message": "Warning message", "timestamp": "2024-11-14T15:39:20.417+05:30" }

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2024-11-14T15:39:20.418+05:30

{ "userId": 123, "action": "test", "timestamp": "2024-11-14T15:39:20.418+05:30", "level": "info", "message": "Structured log test" }

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2024-11-14T15:39:20.418+05:30

{ "test": "error logging", "level": "error", "message": "Error message", "timestamp": "2024-11-14T15:39:20.418+05:30" }

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2024-11-14T15:42:46.124+05:30

{ "region": "us-east-1", "logGroup": "calculator-app-logs", "logStream": "calculator-2024-11-14", "level": "info", "message": "Logger initialized", "timestamp": "2024-11-14T15:42:46.124+05:30" }

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2024-11-14T15:42:46.129+05:30

{ "timestamp": "2024-11-14T15:42:46.129+05:30", "nodeVersion": "v18.19.1", "level": "info", "message": "Calculator application started" }

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2024-11-14T15:43:04.773+05:30

{ "region": "us-east-1", "logGroup": "calculator-app-logs", "logStream": "calculator-2024-11-14", "level": "info", "message": "Logger initialized", "timestamp": "2024-11-14T15:43:04.773+05:30" }

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2024-11-14T15:43:04.778+05:30

{ "timestamp": "2024-11-14T15:43:04.778+05:30", "nodeVersion": "v18.19.1", "level": "info", "message": "Calculator application started" }

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2024-11-14T15:43:15.831+05:30

{ "expression": "8/7", "timestamp": "2024-11-14T15:43:15.831+05:30", "level": "info", "message": "User input received" }

▶

2024-11-14T15:43:15.832+05:30

{ "expression": "8/7", "timestamp": "2024-11-14T15:43:15.832+05:30", "level": "info", "message": "Calculation attempted" }

▶

2024-11-14T15:43:15.832+05:30

{ "expression": "8/7", "result": 1.1428571428571428, "timestamp": "2024-11-14T15:43:15.832+05:30", "level": "info", "message": "Calculation successful" }

No newer events at this moment. [Auto retry paused. Resume](#)

CloudShell

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