

React Calculator Enhancement Plan

Project Overview

- Project Name: React Calculator
- Goal: Enhance functionality and user experience using Aider AI-assisted development tool.

Implemented Features

Feature 1: Keyboard Input Support

- User Story: As a user, I want to use my keyboard to input numbers, operators, and actions.
- Technical Requirements:
 - Add global keydown event listener
 - Map keys (0–9, +, -, *, /, Enter, Escape, .) to calculator logic
 - Reuse existing button handlers where possible
- Files Modified:
 - src/component/App.js
- Challenges:
 - Conflicting default browser shortcuts
 - Ensuring numeric inputs matched button-based logic

Feature 2: Backspace Functionality

- User Story: As a user, I want to correct input mistakes without clearing everything.

- Technical Requirements:
 - Add backspace button
 - Remove last character from display input
 - Handle decimals, negatives, and operators
- Files Modified:
 - App.js
 - ButtonPanel.jsx
- Challenges:
 - Managing state correctly when editing partial expressions
 - Avoid breaking calculations mid-edit

Aider Commands Used

Command	Purpose
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/add	Added relevant files to context
/ask	Asked about code structure
/implement	Implemented keyboard input logic
/diff	Reviewed code changes
/edit	Made refinements
/test	Tested functionality
/run	Ran dev server
/commit	Committed final changes

Total: 8+ Aider commands used

Testing Notes

All features were tested manually using ``npm start``.

Both features work reliably across multiple sessions and support consistent user behavior.