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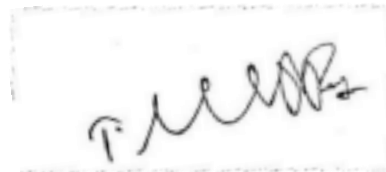
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- **PSO3:** Graduates should be able to create, select and apply the theoretical knowledge of AI and Data Analytics along with practical industrial tools and techniques to manage and solve wicked societal problems.

ABSTRACT

The Currency Converter Application is a Java-based tool designed to provide accurate and real-time currency conversions, addressing the growing need for reliable financial solutions in global transactions. By integrating a trusted API for fetching live exchange rates, the application ensures up-to-date results that cater to the diverse requirements of users, such as travelers, traders, and businesses. The application is built with a user-friendly interface using JavaFX or Swing, allowing seamless interaction for currency selection, input, and conversion results. Core Java programming concepts, including Object-Oriented Programming (OOP), multi-threading, and exception handling, have been effectively utilized to enhance functionality and ensure performance. The use of data caching minimizes repetitive API calls, improving response time and reducing resource consumption. To ensure stability, the Error Handling Module manages invalid inputs, network issues, and API failures, while the Testing and Debugging Module validates the application's functionality through comprehensive testing. The multi-threading implementation allows background tasks, such as fetching exchange rates, to run smoothly without affecting the responsiveness of the user interface. This project highlights the application of modern software development techniques and engineering principles, demonstrating proficiency in designing efficient, scalable, and reliable solutions. With its robust architecture and seamless performance, the Currency Converter Application serves as a practical and efficient tool for real-time currency conversions, meeting user expectations and industry standards.

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 INTRODUCTION

Currency conversion is essential in today's global economy, facilitating international trade, travel, and financial transactions. Traditional methods, like manual calculations or outdated rates, are prone to errors and inefficiencies, creating a need for reliable tools. The Currency Converter Application addresses this need by providing a simple, accurate platform for converting between currencies such as USD, EUR, and INR. Developed in Java, it offers quick calculations and a user-friendly interface, showcasing the practical application of programming in solving real-world challenges. This project lays the groundwork for future enhancements like real-time exchange rates and expanded currency support to meet global demands.

1.2 OBJECTIVE

The objective of the Currency Converter Application is to provide a reliable and efficient tool for real-time currency conversion. This application aims to simplify global transactions by fetching live exchange rates, performing accurate calculations, and presenting results through a user-friendly interface. By leveraging modern software development practices, the application is designed to cater to individuals and businesses involved in travel, trading, and financial transactions.

CHAPTER 2

PROJECT METHODOLOGY

2.1 PROPOSED WORK

The Currency Converter Application is designed to provide accurate, real-time currency conversion by integrating multiple software components and modern Java programming techniques. The proposed work includes:

1. **User Interface Development:** Design a responsive and user-friendly graphical interface using JavaFX or Swing, enabling users to select currencies, input amounts, and view results seamlessly.
2. **API Integration:** Incorporate a reliable API (e.g., Open Exchange Rates) to fetch live exchange rates, ensuring the application uses up-to-date data for conversions.
3. **Currency Conversion Logic:** Implement efficient algorithms to calculate conversions between selected currencies based on the fetched exchange rates.
4. **Data Caching:** Optimize performance by temporarily storing fetched exchange rates, reducing redundant API calls for repeated conversions within a session.
5. **Error Handling:** Include robust mechanisms to detect and manage invalid inputs, API failures, and network issues, ensuring application stability.
6. **Multi-threading:** Enhance responsiveness by performing background tasks, such as fetching exchange rates, without blocking the user interface.

Testing and Validation: Conduct comprehensive testing of all modules to ensure the functionality, accuracy, and reliability of the application

2.2 BLOCK DIAGRAM

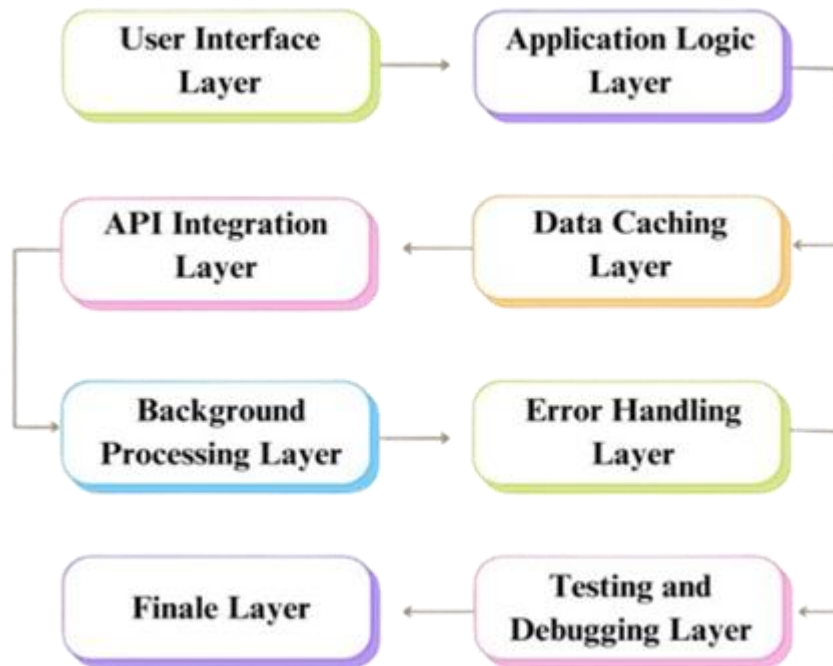


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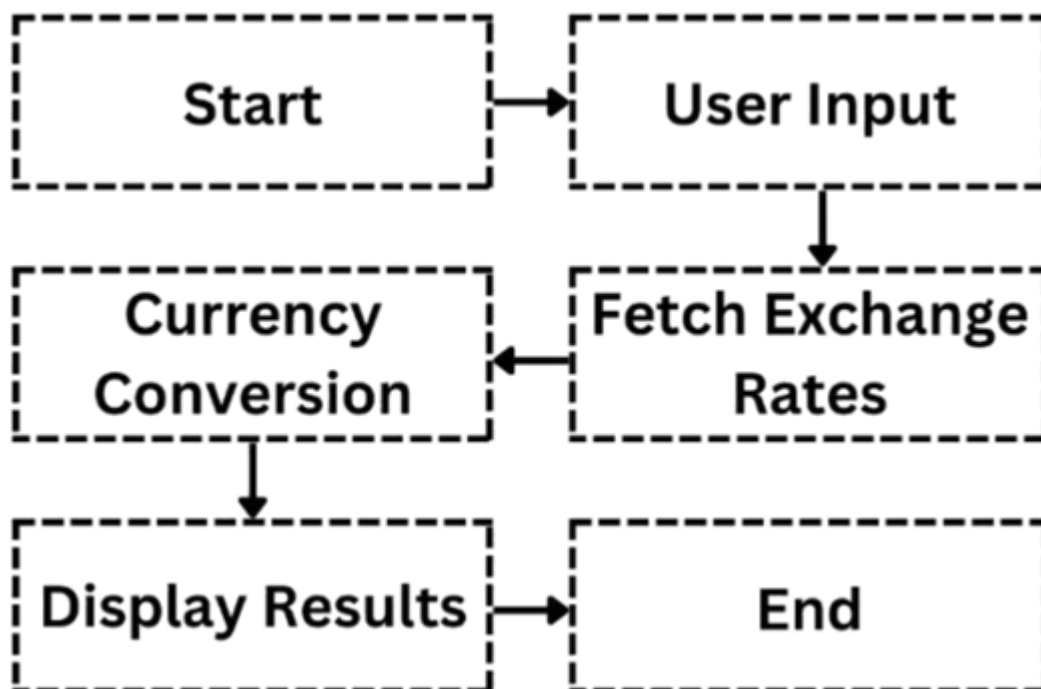


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CHAPTER 3

JAVA PROGRAMMING CONCEPTS

The application leverages key Java programming concepts, including:

1. **Object-Oriented Programming (OOP):** Utilizes principles like encapsulation, inheritance, and polymorphism for modular and maintainable code.
2. **JavaFX or Swing:** Implements a graphical user interface for intuitive interaction.
3. **Multi-threading:** Manages background tasks like fetching exchange rates without disrupting user interaction.
4. **API Integration:** Connects to external APIs for live exchange rate data.
5. **Exception Handling:** Ensures stability by managing invalid inputs and network or API-related issues.
6. **Data Caching:** Temporarily stores exchange rates to enhance performance by reducing API calls.
7. **Testing and Debugging:** Validates application functionality to ensure accuracy and reliability.

By applying these concepts, the project demonstrates how Java's versatility and capabilities can be effectively utilized to create a robust and efficient software solution.

CHAPTER 4

MODULE DESCRIPTION

4.1 User Interface Module

The User Interface Module provides an intuitive platform for users to interact with the application. It enables users to select the source and target currencies, input the amount to be converted, and view the results. Developed using JavaFX or Swing, this module ensures a responsive and user-friendly experience. Additionally, it clearly displays the conversion results and error messages, offering a seamless and accessible interface for users.

4.2 API Integration Module

The API Integration Module connects the application to a trusted API, such as Open Exchange Rates, to fetch live exchange rates. This module processes the API responses and converts them into usable data for currency conversions. By providing real-time exchange rate updates, the API Integration Module ensures the accuracy and reliability of the currency conversion process.

4.3 Currency Conversion Logic Module

The Currency Conversion Logic Module implements the core algorithm for converting amounts between the selected currencies. It ensures high precision and accuracy in calculations while supporting multiple currency pairs. This module acts as the backbone of the application, fulfilling diverse user needs with its robust conversion capabilities.

4.4 Data Caching Module

The Data Caching Module temporarily stores fetched exchange rates, minimizing the need for repeated API calls. This feature significantly enhances the application's performance by reducing response times during repeated conversions. It also maintains data integrity throughout the session, ensuring

consistent and reliable results.

4.5 Error Handling Module

The Error Handling Module is designed to detect and manage invalid user inputs, API errors, and network issues. It provides meaningful feedback to users through descriptive error messages, ensuring that they understand the problem and how to resolve it. This module plays a critical role in maintaining the stability of the application under various scenarios.

4.6 Background Processing Module

The Background Processing Module leverages multi-threading to handle tasks like fetching exchange rates in the background. This prevents disruptions to the user interface, ensuring a smooth and responsive user experience. The module efficiently manages concurrent operations, enhancing the overall performance of the application.

4.7 Testing and Debugging Module

The Testing and Debugging Module conducts rigorous testing of all components to validate their functionality and accuracy. It identifies and resolves bugs to ensure seamless performance. This module includes unit testing, integration testing, and system testing, guaranteeing the reliability and robustness of the application in various scenarios.

CHAPTER 5

CONCLUSION

The Currency Converter Application is a versatile and reliable tool designed to simplify the process of converting currencies in a globalized world where international transactions are a common requirement. Built using Java, this application showcases the effective utilization of programming principles to address real-world problems. By incorporating predefined exchange rates and the ability to integrate real-time APIs in the future, the application ensures precise and dynamic currency conversions, making it an indispensable tool for travelers, businesses, and individuals involved in financial operations. The application's modular design plays a pivotal role in its scalability and maintainability. Each module, from the user-friendly interface to the multi-threaded background processing, works cohesively to deliver a seamless user experience. The data caching module enhances efficiency by reducing API calls during repeated conversions, while the error handling module ensures application stability by detecting and addressing invalid inputs, API errors, and network issues. The integration of these components makes the Currency Converter Application robust and reliable under varying conditions. The application has been designed with future scalability in mind, making it capable of handling a larger number of currencies, supporting real-time exchange rate data, and providing advanced features such as conversion history tracking and graphical representation of exchange rate trends. This project underscores the application of engineering principles and modern software development practices to create a solution that addresses the challenges of manual currency conversion. By leveraging Java's capabilities, the application seamlessly integrates efficiency, usability, and accuracy, delivering a practical tool for financial tasks. While the current version uses static exchange rates, future enhancements like real-time data integration, improved user interface design, and expanded currency support will elevate the application to a professional-grade solution for global currency conversion needs.

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APPENDICES

APPENDIX A – SOURCE CODE

```
import java.awt.*;
import java.awt.event.*;

public class CurrencyConverter extends Frame implements ActionListener {
    Label lblAmount, lblFrom, lblTo, lblResult;
    TextField txtAmount, txtResult;
    Choice choiceFrom, choiceTo;
    Button btnConvert, btnClear, btnExit;
    // Exchange rates (relative to USD)
    double[] rates = {
        1.0, // USD - United States Dollar
        0.85, // EUR - Euro
        109.5, // JPY - Japanese Yen
        0.75, // GBP - British Pound
        1.5, // AUD - Australian Dollar
        1.34, // CAD - Canadian Dollar
        0.91, // CHF - Swiss Franc
        7.15, // CNY - Chinese Yuan
        7.8, // HKD - Hong Kong Dollar
        1.25, // NZD - New Zealand Dollar
        0.75, // SEK - Swedish Krona
        0.7, // NOK - Norwegian Krone
        1.37, // SGD - Singapore Dollar
        20.0, // MXN - Mexican Peso
        12.0, // ZAR - South African Rand
        82.0, // INR - Indian Rupee
    }
}
```

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11.5, // BRL - Brazilian Real
26.0, // TRY - Turkish Lira
100.0, // RUB - Russian Ruble
1320.0, // KRW - South Korean Won
3.67 // AED - UAE Dirham
};

String[] currencies = {
    "USD", "EUR", "JPY", "GBP", "AUD", "CAD", "CHF",
    "CNY", "HKD", "NZD", "SEK", "NOK", "SGD",
    "MXN", "ZAR", "INR", "BRL", "TRY", "RUB", "KRW", "AED"
};

public CurrencyConverter() {
    setTitle("Currency Converter");
    setSize(600, 400);
    setLayout(null);
    setVisible(true);
    // Labels
    lblAmount = new Label("Amount:");
    lblAmount.setBounds(50, 50, 100, 30);
    add(lblAmount);
    lblFrom = new Label("From:");
    lblFrom.setBounds(50, 100, 100, 30);
    add(lblFrom);
    lblTo = new Label("To:");
    lblTo.setBounds(50, 150, 100, 30);
    add(lblTo);
    lblResult = new Label("Result:");
    lblResult.setBounds(50, 200, 100, 30);
    add(lblResult);
}

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```

// Text fields
txtAmount = new TextField();
txtAmount.setBounds(150, 50, 250, 30);
add(txtAmount);
txtResult = new TextField();
txtResult.setBounds(150, 200, 250, 30);
txtResult.setEditable(false);
add(txtResult);
// Choice dropdowns
choiceFrom = new Choice();
choiceTo = new Choice();
for (String currency : currencies) {
    choiceFrom.add(currency);
    choiceTo.add(currency);
}
choiceFrom.setBounds(150, 100, 250, 30);
choiceTo.setBounds(150, 150, 250, 30);
add(choiceFrom);
add(choiceTo);
// Buttons
btnConvert = new Button("Convert");
btnConvert.setBounds(50, 300, 100, 30);
btnConvert.addActionListener(this);
add(btnConvert);
btnClear = new Button("Clear");
btnClear.setBounds(200, 300, 100, 30);
btnClear.addActionListener(this);
add(btnClear);
btnExit = new Button("Exit");

```

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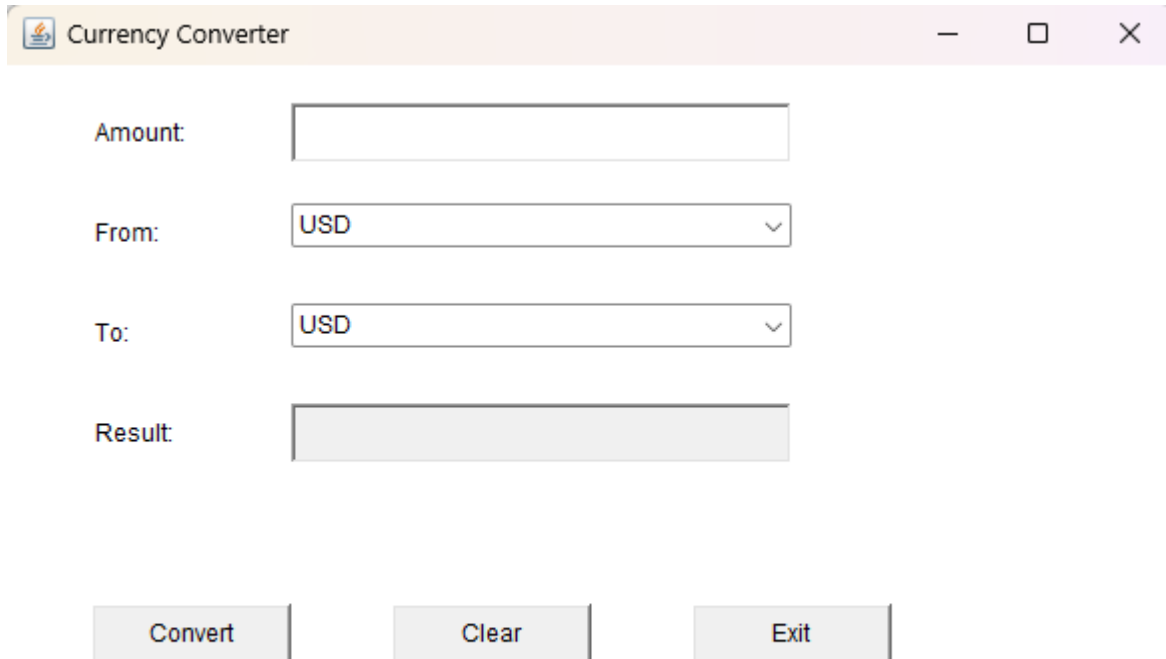
btnExit.setBounds(350, 300, 100, 30);
btnExit.addActionListener(this);
add(btnExit);
// Window closing
addWindowListener(new WindowAdapter() {
    public void windowClosing(WindowEvent e) {
        dispose();
    }
});
}
@Override
public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {
    if (e.getSource() == btnConvert) {
        try {
            double amount = Double.parseDouble(txtAmount.getText());
            int fromIndex = choiceFrom.getSelectedIndex();
            int toIndex = choiceTo.getSelectedIndex();
            // Conversion logic
            double result = amount * (rates[toIndex] / rates[fromIndex]);
            txtResult.setText(String.format("%.2f", result));
        } catch (NumberFormatException ex) {
            txtResult.setText("Invalid Input");
        }
    } else if (e.getSource() == btnClear) {
        txtAmount.setText("");
        txtResult.setText("");
        choiceFrom.select(0);
        choiceTo.select(0);
    } else if (e.getSource() == btnExit) {

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        dispose();
    }
}
public static void main(String[] args) {
    new CurrencyConverter();
}
}
```

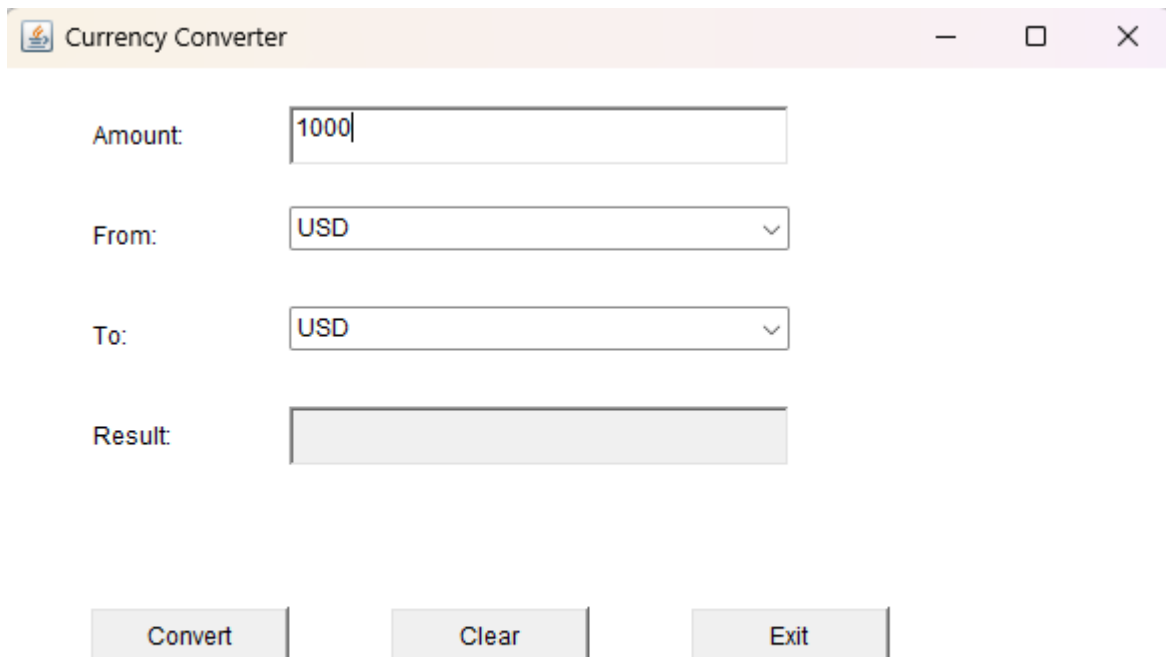
APPENDIX B – SCREENSHOTS

Figure No. : 3 - **Interface Screenshot**



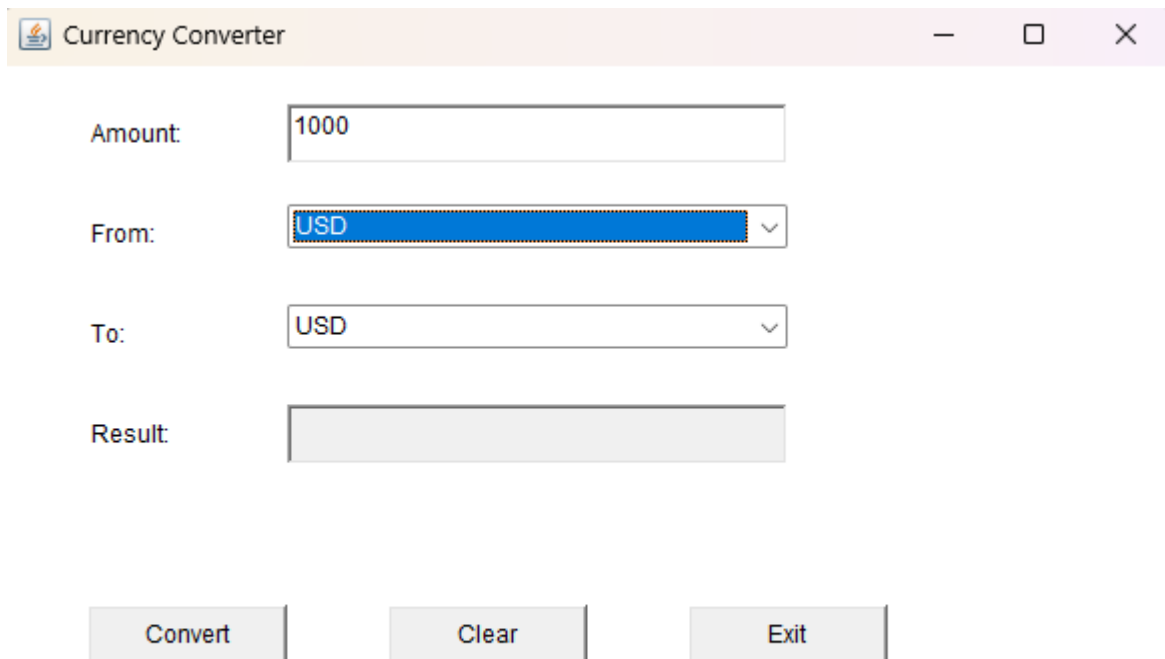
A screenshot of a Windows application window titled "Currency Converter". The window has a standard title bar with minimize, maximize, and close buttons. The interface contains four labeled input fields: "Amount" (a text box), "From:" (a dropdown menu showing "USD"), "To:" (a dropdown menu showing "USD"), and "Result:" (a disabled text box). Below these fields are three buttons: "Convert", "Clear", and "Exit".

Figure No. : 4 - **Amount Entering Screenshot**



A screenshot of the same "Currency Converter" application window. In this state, the "Amount" text box contains the value "1000". The "From:" and "To:" dropdown menus still show "USD", and the "Result:" field remains disabled. The "Convert", "Clear", and "Exit" buttons are still present at the bottom.

Figure No. : 5 - **Select Currency (From) Screenshot**

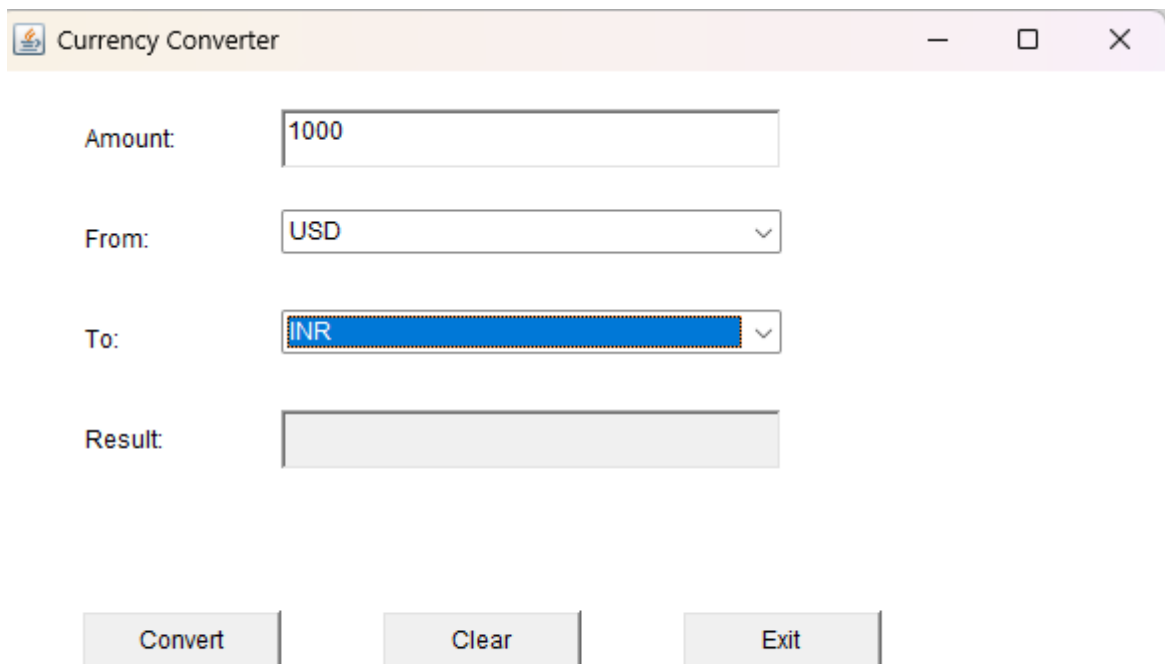


The screenshot shows a window titled "Currency Converter" with a standard Windows title bar (minimize, maximize, close buttons). The interface includes four input fields and three buttons. The "Amount" field contains the value "1000". The "From:" dropdown menu is open, displaying a list of currencies with "USD" highlighted in blue. The "To:" dropdown menu is closed and shows "USD". The "Result" field is empty. At the bottom, there are three buttons: "Convert", "Clear", and "Exit".

Amount:	1000
From:	USD
To:	USD
Result:	

Buttons: Convert, Clear, Exit

Figure No. : 6 - **Select Currency (To) Screenshot**

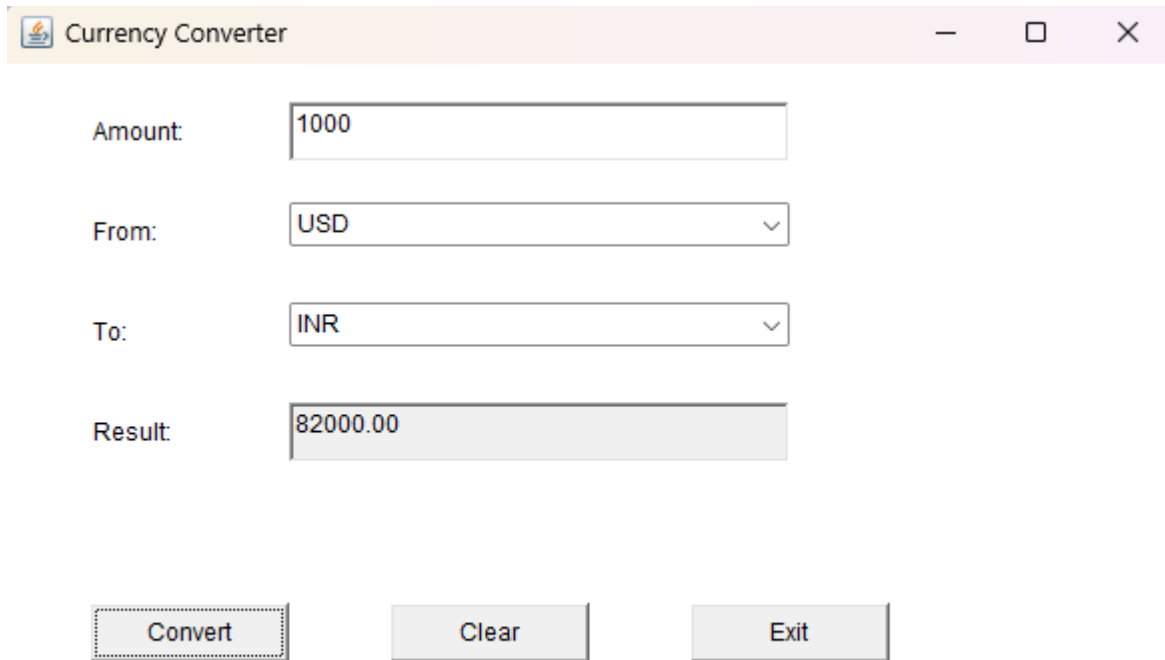


The screenshot shows the same "Currency Converter" window. In this state, the "From:" dropdown menu is closed and shows "USD". The "To:" dropdown menu is open, displaying a list of currencies with "INR" highlighted in blue. The "Amount" field still contains "1000", and the "Result" field remains empty. The "Convert", "Clear", and "Exit" buttons are still present at the bottom.

Amount:	1000
From:	USD
To:	INR
Result:	

Buttons: Convert, Clear, Exit

Figure No. : 7 - **Result Screenshot**



The screenshot shows a window titled "Currency Converter" with a standard Windows title bar (minimize, maximize, close buttons). The window contains the following elements:

- Amount:** A text input field containing the value "1000".
- From:** A dropdown menu with "USD" selected.
- To:** A dropdown menu with "INR" selected.
- Result:** A text input field containing the value "82000.00".
- Buttons:** Three buttons are located at the bottom: "Convert" (highlighted with a dotted border), "Clear", and "Exit".

Field	Value
Amount	1000
From	USD
To	INR
Result	82000.00