

## Development Approach

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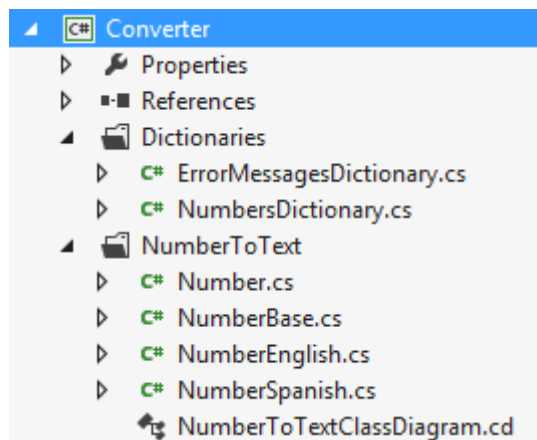


## 2. Implementation approach

The source files for the program are on the “source code” folder. The projects are structured in the following way:

- Converter. Class library component with main logic to convert a decimal number to text.
- ConverterResources. Resource files for the numbers text.
- ConverterUI. Desktop application to test dynamically the converter program.
- ConverterUnitTesting. Unit Testing methods and data for the converter program.

### Converter.dll



#### Class Library.

The converter functionality was built in a class library component so it could be used in a web page, web service, desktop, console application, or any other component by just making a reference.

The name of the library is “Converter” so in the future more classes related to conversions could be added; for example: conversions from imperial to metric units or grade Centigrade to Fahrenheit.

Grouping the classes into folders (“NumberToText”) allows expanding the functionality to other conversions such as “Units” or “Temperature”.

#### Factory Pattern

A factory was implemented in order to create a variety of types based on a fixed abstract definition.

The objective is to set the framework to create numbers into text in different languages. The “NumberBase” class has the whole implementation to convert a decimal number into text; however, probably just some methods might need to be override in order to return the correct text without re-implementing the logic.

Although different languages act differently, for most of them the logic is the same one.

#### Static method.

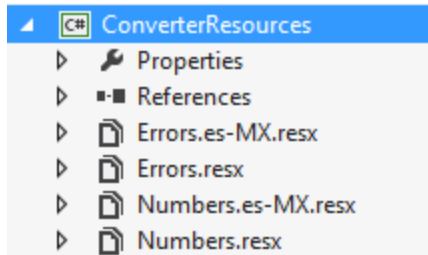
Taking into consideration that the method to convert decimal numbers into text is stateless and we do not need to dispose any object, it is more convenient for the client class to call a static method. For example, the call would be: `Number.ToText(“152.36”);`

#### Decimal.

Working with decimals was chosen because this type is most commonly used for financial and monetary calculation which requires higher accuracy.

This type will determine the maximum value for the input number; which will be 28 significant digits.

## ConverterResources.dll



### Resource Files.

Nowadays, most of the applications need to be localized in order to expand the sales market to more clients over the world; therefore, it is important to consider the resource files in the architecture of the program.

The resource files are set by default in lower case letters; however they could be converted to upper case in the user interface.

### Error Messages

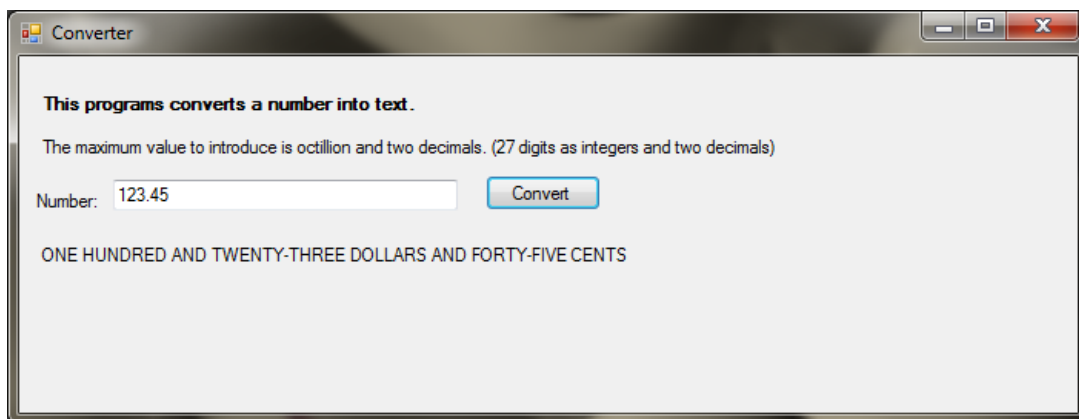
The exceptions are also enlisted in a separate class in order to provide a clear description of the error in the corresponding language.

## ConverterUI Windows Application

The following desktop application is provided to test the cheque converter program in a dynamic way. In order to run the application download the folder “application” and follow these instructions:

1. Run the executable file **ConverterUI.exe**
2. Type a decimal number on the text field.
3. Click the “Convert” button.

**Note:** The ConverterUI.exe needs the following components to work: ConverterResources.dll, Converter.dll

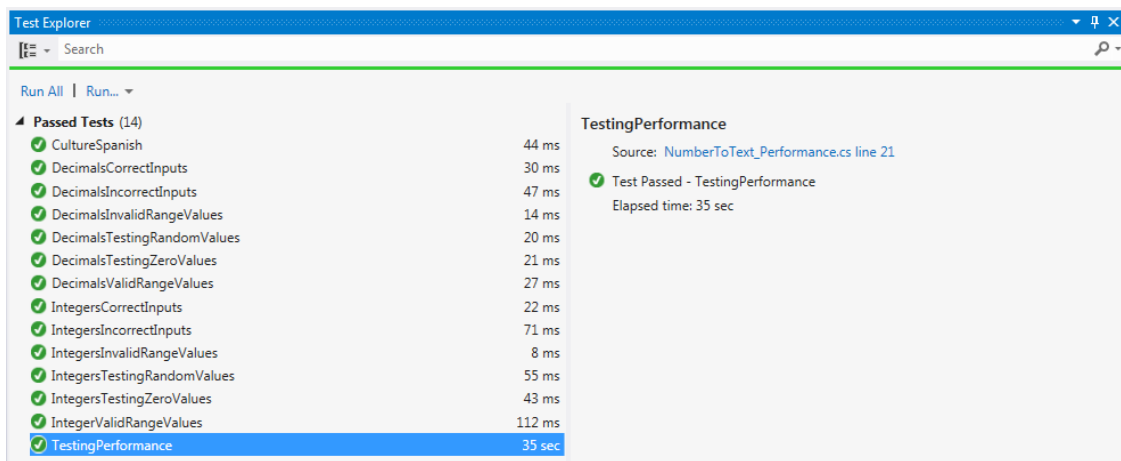


*Converter desktop application*

### 3. ConverterUnitTesting

The test data files that are used in the test methods could be found in the following folder “source code\ConverterUnitTesting\TestData\”, the methods cover the following scenarios (explained in detail on the Test Plan):

- Valid and invalid range values for integers and decimals.
- Valid and invalid input values for integers and decimals.
- Valid values for integers and decimals.
- Input values in other culture configuration (Spanish).

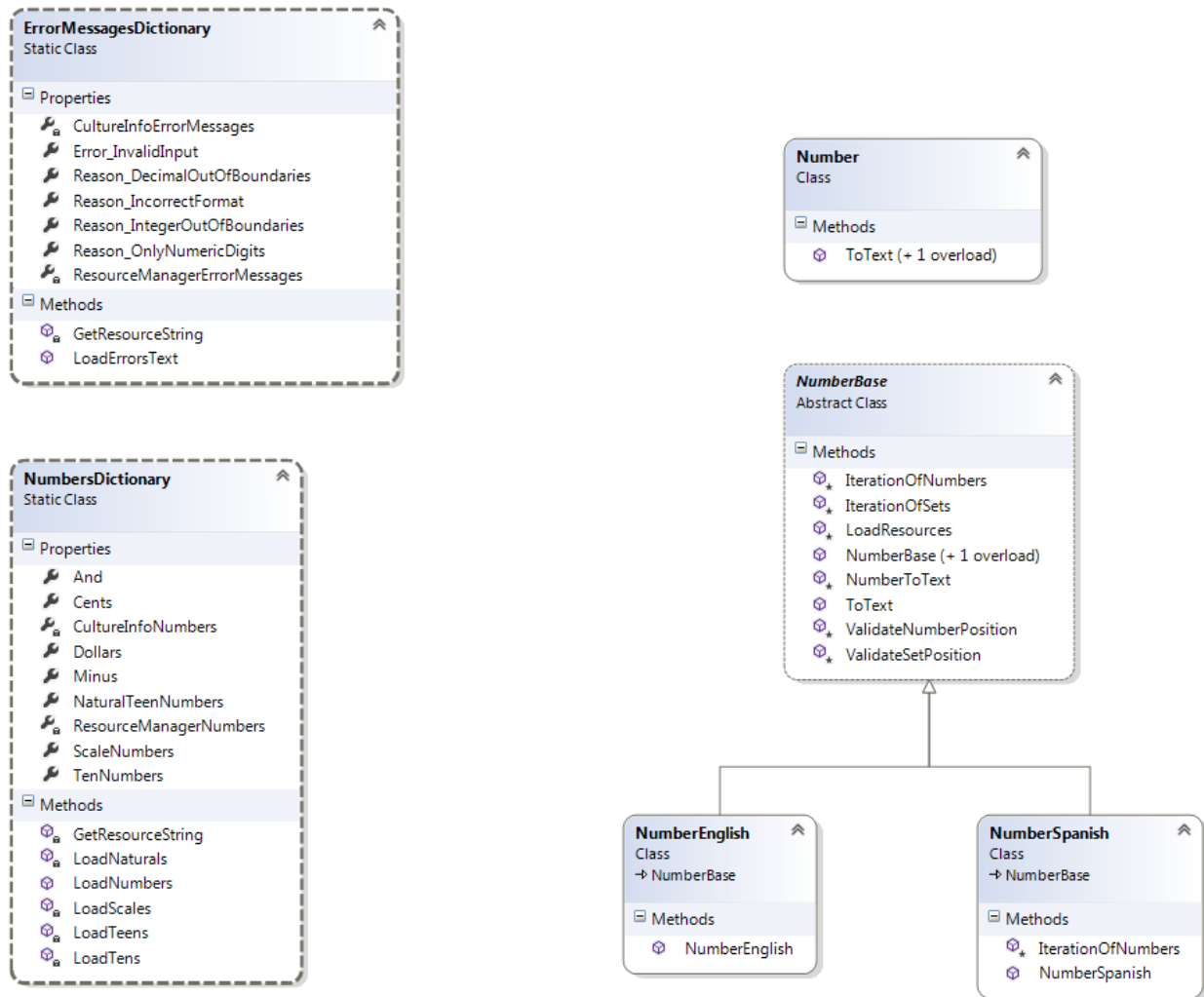


*Unit testing methods*

### 4. Assumptions

- The program just accepts two decimal positions, considering that the maxim value for cents is represented in two digits.
  - 0.1 valid number in terms of money, representing ten cents
  - 0.01 valid number in terms of money, representing one cents
  - 00.001 invalid
- In terms of integers, a valid value should be a positive or negative number with 28 digits as maximum.
- English will be the default language for the cheque converter.

## 4. Class Diagram



Converter Class Diagram