

# Converter+UI+Comments

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## 1 Unit Converter

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### 1.2 Project Overview

Unit converter built using IPython widgets that allows conversion between different units (Temperature, Length, Weight).

## 2 Code

### 2.1 Initial UI Setup

```
[1]: import ipywidgets as widgets
from IPython.display import display

# Dropdown menu for the UI box with options for conversion.
conversion_type = widgets.Dropdown(
    options=['Temperature', 'Length', 'Weight'],
    description='Type:',
    disabled=False,
)

from_unit = widgets.Dropdown(description='From:')
to_unit = widgets.Dropdown(description='To:')

value_input = widgets.FloatText(
    value=0,
    description='Value:',
    disabled=False
)
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convert_button = widgets.Button(description="Convert")
clear_button = widgets.Button(description="Clear")
result_output = widgets.Output()

# The UI size and type.
box_layout = widgets.Layout(display='flex', flex_flow='column',
    ↪align_items='stretch', width='50%')

```

## 2.2 Layout Setup

This function ensures the unit dropdowns always show appropriate options based on the selected conversion type.

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[2]: # Also set unit conversion type based on selections.
def update_units(change):
    if change['new'] == 'Temperature':
        from_unit.options = ['Fahrenheit', 'Celsius']
        to_unit.options = ['Fahrenheit', 'Celsius']
    elif change['new'] == 'Length':
        from_unit.options = ['Miles', 'Kilometers']
        to_unit.options = ['Miles', 'Kilometers']
    elif change['new'] == 'Weight':
        from_unit.options = ['Pounds', 'Kilograms']
        to_unit.options = ['Pounds', 'Kilograms']

    from_unit.value = None
    to_unit.value = None

# Look for any updates to the units and update accordingly
conversion_type.observe(update_units, names='value')
update_units({'new': conversion_type.value})

```

## 2.3 Core Conversion

Handles all conversion calculations with proper error checking and validation.

### 2.3.1 Conversion Formulas

- **Temperature:**
  - Fahrenheit to Celsius:  $(^{\circ}\text{F} - 32) * 5/9$
  - Celsius to Fahrenheit:  $(^{\circ}\text{C} * 9/5) + 32$
- **Length:**
  - Miles to Kilometers:  $\text{miles} * 1.60934$
  - Kilometers to Miles:  $\text{km} / 1.60934$
- **Weight:**
  - Pounds to Kilograms:  $\text{lbs} * 0.453592$
  - Kilograms to Pounds:  $\text{kg} / 0.453592$

```

[3]: # Main conversion function
def convert_units(b):
    result_output.clear_output()
    with result_output: # Temporarily use the following code.
        try: # Attempt to do a conversion.
            value = value_input.value
            con_type = conversion_type.value
            f_unit = from_unit.value
            t_unit = to_unit.value

            if not all([con_type, f_unit, t_unit]): #if not all of the inputs/
↳options are filled.
                print(" Please select all options")
                return

            if f_unit == t_unit: #making sure you don't try to convert
↳fahrenheit to fahrenheit for example.
                print(" Please select different units")
                return

            # Conversion calculations
            if con_type == 'Temperature':
                if f_unit == 'Fahrenheit' and t_unit == 'Celsius':
                    result = (value - 32) * 5/9
                else:
                    result = (value * 9/5) + 32
            elif con_type == 'Length':
                if f_unit == 'Miles' and t_unit == 'Kilometers':
                    result = value * 1.60934
                else:
                    result = value / 1.60934
            elif con_type == 'Weight':
                if f_unit == 'Pounds' and t_unit == 'Kilograms':
                    result = value * 0.453592
                else:
                    result = value / 0.453592

            print(f" Result: {result:.4f} {t_unit}")

        except Exception as e: #if maybe we gave invalid inputs or text throw
↳an error.
            print(f" Error: {str(e)}")

# Clear out the function, to let fresh inputs be made for the next conversion
def clear_inputs(b):
    value_input.value = 0
    result_output.clear_output()

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# Bind buttons
convert_button.on_click(convert_units)
clear_button.on_click(clear_inputs)
```

## 2.4 Drawing the Display

Connect all widgets and create the complete converter interface

```
[4]: # Setup the UI elements for display
print(" Unit Converter ")
display(conversion_type)
display(from_unit)
display(to_unit)
display(value_input)
display(widgets.HBox([convert_button, clear_button]))
display(result_output)
```

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```
Dropdown(description='Type:', options=('Temperature', 'Length', 'Weight'),
        value='Temperature')
```

```
Dropdown(description='From:', options=('Fahrenheit', 'Celsius'), value=None)
```

```
Dropdown(description='To:', options=('Fahrenheit', 'Celsius'), value=None)
```

```
FloatText(value=0.0, description='Value:')
```

```
HBox(children=(Button(description='Convert', style=ButtonStyle()),
        Button(description='Clear', style=ButtonStyle...))
```

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Output()
```