

# Function Examples

## Lecture 19

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# The Problem

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Write a program that will

- Compute the equivalent Celsius temperature of each Fahrenheit temperature within a specified range.
- Print the Fahrenheit temperature in that range and its Celsius equivalent.
- Round the Celsius temperature to the nearest 10th of a degree.

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# The Input and Output

- Input: the starting temperature and the ending temperature, in Fahrenheit.
- Output: each Fahrenheit temperature in the range, its Celsius equivalent, rounded to the nearest 0.1.

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- Do the same for the other temperatures.

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- Repeat the previous three steps until *fahr\_temp* exceeds the ending temperature.

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- We will use two functions.
  - `float Fahr2Cels(int fahr_temp);`
  - `float round(float value, int places);`
- The function `Fahr2Cels()` will convert the Fahrenheit temperature and return its Celsius equivalent, rounded to one decimal place.
- The function `round()` will round the first parameter to the number of decimal places specified by the second parameter.

# The Code

- Clearly, we should use a `for` loop to step through the Fahrenheit temperatures.
- For each temperature, we will call on the `Fahr2Cels()` function to get the Celsius equivalent.
- Then output the two temperatures.

# The Code

## The Code – main()

```
int main()
{
    int start;
    int end;
    cin >> start >> end;
    for (int fahr_temp = start; fahr_temp <= end; fahr_temp++)
    {
        float cels_temp = Fahr2Cels(fahr_temp);
        cout << fahr_temp << "    " << cels_temp << endl;
    }
    system("pause");
    return 0;
}
```



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## The Code – Fahr2Cels()

```
float Fahr2Cels(int fahr_temp)
{
    float cels_temp = (fahr_temp - 32)*5.0/9.0;
    return round(cels_temp, 1);
}
```

# The Code

## The Code – round()

```
float round(float value, int places)
{
    float shift = power(10.0, places);
    float temp = value*shift;
    temp = round(temp)/shift;
    return temp;
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- How do we find  $L$  and  $W$ ?

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- In the example, we solved the quadratic equation

$$L^2 - 10L + 24 = 0$$

by factoring it.

- To solve it in a program, we should use the quadratic formula:

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \frac{10 \pm \sqrt{10^2 - 4(1)(24)}}{2(1)} \\ &= \frac{10 \pm \sqrt{4}}{2} \\ &= 5 \pm 1 \\ &= 4 \text{ or } 6. \end{aligned}$$

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  - `void findDims(float area, float perim, float& len, float& wid)`
  - `void solveQuadEq(float a, float b, float c, float& root1, float& root2)`

# The Code

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```
int main()
{
    float area;
    float perim;
    cin >> area >> perim;
    float length;
    float width;
    findDims(area, perim, length, width);
    cout << "Length = " << length;
    cout << ", width = " << width << endl;
    return 0;
}
```

# The Code

## The Code – findDims()

```
void findDims(float area, float perim, float& len, float& wid)
{
    solveQuadEq(1.0, -perim/2.0, area, len, wid);
    return;
}
```

# The Code

## The Code – solveQuadEq()

```
void solveQuadEq(float a, float b, float c, float& root1,  
                float& root2)  
{  
    float discr = sqrt(b*b - 4.0*a*c);  
    root1 = (-b + discr)/(2.0*a);  
    root2 = (-b - discr)/(2.0*a);  
    return;  
}
```