

FEEG6002 Advanced Computational Methods 1:

Laboratory-Assignment 2

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Prerequisites: C program skeleton, printf, int, float, for-loop

1 Training: Fahrenheit/Celsius table

1. Write a C program (saved in celsius.c) that prints a table showing in the left hand column integer numbers starting from -30, increasing in steps of 2 and going up to (and including) +30. These represent temperature values in degree Celsius. For each value, compute and print the same temperature expressed in degree Fahrenheit.

Use $T_{\text{Fahrenheit}} = T_{\text{Celsius}} * 9/5 + 32$.

2. Format the output exactly as shown below for the first ten lines, including the alignment of numbers in different rows.

We also provide sample programs in Python and Matlab:

Python:

```
for Celsius in range(-30, 31, 2):
    Fahrenheit = Celsius * 9 / 5. + 32
    print "%3d = %5.1f" % (Celsius, Fahrenheit)
```

Matlab:

```
for Celsius=-30:30:2
    Fahrenheit = Celsius*9/5+32;
    fprintf('%3d = %5.1f\n', Celsius, Fahrenheit);
end
```

First 10 lines of output (Matlab and Python identical)

```
-30 = -22.0
-28 = -18.4
-26 = -14.8
-24 = -11.2
-22 = -7.6
-20 = -4.0
-18 = -0.4
```

-16 = 3.2

-14 = 6.8

When your program works, ask yourself:

- Have you used appropriate variable names? Well chosen variable names can reduce the amount of required documentation. Is your function document appropriately?

Submit your file celsius.c by email to feeg6002@soton.ac.uk with subject line training 2. This is a training exercise. You can submit repeatedly, until your code passes all tests.

2 Laboratory: Computing interest

Assume we borrow $s=1000$ pounds (the currency does not matter but we might as well imagine we are dealing with pound sterling) and that we are charged interest at 3% per month. We like to know how exactly our debt grows from initially $s=1000$ pounds over 24 months.

1. Translate the Matlab/Python programs shown below to a C program interest.c to produce the same output.

Matlab:

```
s = 1000;          % sum borrowed, in GBP
debt = s;          % actual debt
rate = 0.03;       % interest rate, i.e. 3%
for month = 1:24   % loop over 24 months
    interest = debt * rate; % interest in this month
    debt = debt + interest;
    fprintf('month %2d: debt=%7.2f\n', month, debt);
```

Python:

```
s = 1000          # sum borrowed, in GBP
debt = s          # actual debt
rate = 0.03       # interest rate, i.e. 3%
for month in range(1, 25): # loop over 24 months
    interest = debt * rate # interest in this months
    debt = debt + interest
    print("month %2d: debt=%7.2f" % (month,debt))
```

First 10 lines of output (Matlab and Python identical):

```
month 1: debt=1030.00
month 2: debt=1060.90
month 3: debt=1092.73
month 4: debt=1125.51
```

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month 5: debt=1159.27
month 6: debt=1194.05
month 7: debt=1229.87
month 8: debt=1266.77
month 9: debt=1304.77
```

2. Extend the program to also print (for every month)
 - the amount of interest to be paid for this month (interest) and
 - the total amount of interest up to and including this month (total_interest).

Add a another column that shows for every month

- the ratio of the total interest we have paid up to this month (i.e. total_interest) to the amount we have borrowed initially (i.e. s) and call it frac. Express this number in percentage (i.e. multiply with 100 and add the % sign in the output). To output the % character with printf, you need to put %% into your C-code, i.e. printf("%%%").

The first few lines of the output should look like this:

```
month 1: debt=1030.00, interest=30.00, total_interest= 30.00, frac= 3.00%
month 2: debt=1060.90, interest=30.90, total_interest= 60.90, frac= 6.09%
month 3: debt=1092.73, interest=31.83, total_interest= 92.73, frac= 9.27%
```

and the last line:

```
month 24: debt=2032.79, interest=59.21, total_interest=1032.79, frac=103.28%
```

Choose width and precision specifiers appropriately to produce the output shown above.

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