# iemisc: Construction Measurement Examples

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## Replicate the R code

Note: If you wish to replicate the R code below, then you will need to copy and paste the following commands in R first (to make sure you have all the packages and their dependencies):

```
# install the packages and their dependencies

# load the required packages
install.load::load_package("iemisc", "units")
# load needed packages using the load_package function from the install.load
# package (it is assumed that you have already installed these packages)
```

install.packages(c("install.load", "iemisc", "units", "knitr"))

```
import::from(fpCompare, "%==%")
```

## Fraction (or Mixed number) to a Decimal (Numeric Vector)

## Example 1

```
trxt <- "1 1/3"
frac_to_numeric(trxt)
## [1] 1.333333
tlrxy <- "4 1/8 inches"
frac_to_numeric(tlrxy)
## [1] 4.125
tmrxy <- "12 13/16 inches"
frac_to_numeric(tmrxy)
## [1] 12.8125</pre>
```

## Construction Decimal

```
t1 <- "34'-3 1/2\""
t2 <- "34-3 1/2\""
t3 <- "34' 3 1/2\""
t4 <- "34'-3 1/2"
t5 <- "34-3 1/2"
t6 <- "34 3 1/2"
t7 <- "34 ft 3 1/2 in"
t8 <- "34 3 1/2"
t9 <- "34 fts 3 1/2 in"
t10 <- "34 foot 3 1/2 in"
t11 <- "34 foot 3 1/2 inch"
t12 <- "34 foot 3 1/2 in"
t13 <- "34 feet 3 1/2 in"
t14 <- "34 feet 3 1/2 inch"
t15 <- "34 feet 3 1/2 in"
t16 <- "34 FEEt 3 1/2 IN"
# a)
```

```
(construction_decimal(t1, result = "traditional", output = "vector") * construction_decimal(t2,
   result = "traditional", output = "vector") * 4)/43560 # acres
## [1] 0.1079815
# b)
(construction_decimal(t1, result = "traditional", output = "vector")^2 * 4)/43560 # acres
## [1] 0.1079815
# a) and b) can be expressed using the following as well:
t1_ft2 <- set_units((construction_decimal(t1, result = "traditional", output = "vector") *</pre>
    construction decimal(t2, result = "traditional", output = "vector") * 4), US survey foot^2)
t1_acres <- t1_ft2
units(t1_acres) <- make_units(acre)</pre>
t1_acres
## 0.1079815 [acre]
t1_ft2s <- set_units((construction_decimal(t1, result = "traditional", output = "vector")^2 *
   4), US survey foot<sup>2</sup>)
t1_acress <- t1_ft2s
units(t1_acress) <- make_units(acre)</pre>
t1_acress
## 0.1079815 [acre]
sum(construction_decimal(t1, result = "traditional", output = "vector"), construction_decimal(t2,
    result = "traditional", output = "vector"), construction_decimal(t3, result = "traditional",
    output = "vector"), construction_decimal(t4, result = "traditional", output = "vector"),
    construction_decimal(t5, result = "traditional", output = "vector"))
## [1] 171.4583
# traditional result for t1 - t16
construction_decimal(t1, result = "traditional", output = "vector")
## [1] 34.29167
construction_decimal(t2, result = "traditional", output = "vector")
## [1] 34.29167
construction_decimal(t3, result = "traditional", output = "vector")
## [1] 34.29167
construction_decimal(t4, result = "traditional", output = "vector")
## [1] 34.29167
construction_decimal(t5, result = "traditional", output = "vector")
```

```
## [1] 34.29167
construction_decimal(t6, result = "traditional", output = "vector")
## [1] 34.29167
construction_decimal(t7, result = "traditional", output = "vector")
## [1] 34.29167
construction_decimal(t8, result = "traditional", output = "vector")
## [1] 34.29167
construction_decimal(t9, result = "traditional", output = "vector")
## [1] 34.29167
construction_decimal(t10, result = "traditional", output = "vector")
## [1] 34.29167
construction_decimal(t11, result = "traditional", output = "vector")
## [1] 34.29167
construction_decimal(t12, result = "traditional", output = "vector")
## [1] 34.29167
construction_decimal(t13, result = "traditional", output = "vector")
## [1] 34.29167
construction_decimal(t14, result = "traditional", output = "vector")
## [1] 34.29167
construction_decimal(t15, result = "traditional", output = "vector")
## [1] 34.29167
construction_decimal(t16, result = "traditional", output = "vector")
## [1] 34.29167
# librecad result result for t1 - t16
construction_decimal(t1, result = "librecad", output = "vector")
## [1] 411.5
construction_decimal(t2, result = "librecad", output = "vector")
## [1] 411.5
construction_decimal(t3, result = "librecad", output = "vector")
## [1] 411.5
construction_decimal(t4, result = "librecad", output = "vector")
## [1] 411.5
```

```
construction_decimal(t5, result = "librecad", output = "vector")
## [1] 411.5
construction_decimal(t6, result = "librecad", output = "vector")
construction_decimal(t7, result = "librecad", output = "vector")
## [1] 411.5
construction_decimal(t8, result = "librecad", output = "vector")
## [1] 411.5
construction_decimal(t9, result = "librecad", output = "vector")
## [1] 411.5
construction_decimal(t10, result = "librecad", output = "vector")
## [1] 411.5
construction_decimal(t11, result = "librecad", output = "vector")
## [1] 411.5
construction_decimal(t12, result = "librecad", output = "vector")
## [1] 411.5
construction_decimal(t13, result = "librecad", output = "vector")
## [1] 411.5
construction_decimal(t14, result = "librecad", output = "vector")
## [1] 411.5
construction_decimal(t15, result = "librecad", output = "vector")
## [1] 411.5
construction_decimal(t16, result = "librecad", output = "vector")
## [1] 411.5
```

```
m1 <- "33'-3 1/2\""

m2 <- "32'-1"

m3 <- "32'-1"

m4 <- "32'-1"

m5 <- "32'-1"

m6 <- "33'-3 1/2\""

msum <- sum(construction_decimal(m1, result = "traditional", output = "vector"),
```

```
# Calculate the square area
sum(construction_decimal("0 3", result = "traditional", output = "vector"), construction_decimal("0 8",
    result = "traditional", output = "vector"), construction_decimal("0 6", result = "traditional",
    output = "vector")) * sum(construction_decimal("0 2 5/8", result = "traditional",
    output = "vector"), 3 * construction_decimal("2 6 3/4", result = "traditional",
    output = "vector"), construction_decimal("0 2 5/8", result = "traditional", output = "vector"))
## [1] 11.51042
```

```
# Calculate the amount of surface area fill, in acres, for riprap placement and
# the volume of fill in yards ^ 3 along a streambank
bank <- set_units(construction_decimal("72 3 1/3", result = "traditional", output = "vector"),
   "US survey foot")
# 72 feet 3 1/3 inches
bank
## 72.27778 [US_survey_foot]
riprap <- set_units(construction_decimal("0 15.0", result = "traditional", output = "vector"),</pre>
    "US_survey_foot")
riprap
## 1.25 [US survey foot]
riprap_yd <- riprap</pre>
units(riprap_yd) <- make_units(yd)</pre>
riprap_yd
## 0.4166675 [yd]
OHWM_width <- set_units(25, "US_survey_foot")</pre>
OHWM width
```

```
## 25 [US_survey_foot]
width <- set_units(47, "US_survey_foot")</pre>
width
## 47 [US_survey_foot]
bank_area1 <- width * bank
bank_area1
## 3397.056 [US_survey_foot^2]
bank_area2 <- bank_area1</pre>
units(bank_area2) <- make_units(yd^2)</pre>
bank_area2
## 377.4521 [yd^2]
bank area3 <- bank area1
units(bank_area3) <- make_units(acres)</pre>
bank_area3
## 0.07798566 [acres]
vol_bank <- riprap_yd * bank_area2</pre>
vol_bank
## 157.272 [yd<sup>3</sup>]
bank_area_OHWM1 <- OHWM_width * bank</pre>
bank_area_OHWM1
## 1806.944 [US_survey_foot^2]
bank_area_OHWM2 <- bank_area1</pre>
units(bank_area_OHWM2) <- make_units(yd^2)</pre>
bank_area_OHWM2
## 377.4521 [yd^2]
bank_area_OHWM3 <- bank_area1</pre>
units(bank_area_OHWM3) <- make_units(acres)</pre>
bank_area_OHWM3
## 0.07798566 [acres]
vol_bank_OHWM <- riprap_yd * bank_area_OHWM2</pre>
vol_bank_OHWM
## 157.272 [yd<sup>3</sup>]
fill_ft2 <- bank_area_OHWM1
fill_ft2
## 1806.944 [US_survey_foot^2]
fill_acres <- bank_area_OHWM3
fill_acres
## 0.07798566 [acres]
fill_yd2 <- bank_area_OHWM2</pre>
fill_yd2
```

```
## 377.4521 [yd^2]
fill_yd3 <- vol_bank_OHWM
fill_yd3
## 157.272 [yd^3]</pre>
```

```
# Examples from the Spike Reference
psst <- "7' 4 5/16\""
pssts <- "0 3 3/8\""
wall1 <- "12' 7\""
wall2 <- "40' 9\""
construction_decimal(psst, result = "traditional", output = "vector")
## [1] 7.359375
construction_decimal(pssts, result = "traditional", output = "vector")
## [1] 0.28125
construction_decimal(wall1, result = "traditional", output = "vector")
## [1] 12.58333
construction_decimal(wall2, result = "traditional", output = "vector")
## [1] 40.75
# Since pssts is a fraction representing 3 3/8 inches, it is better to use the
# frac_to_numeric function instead of the construction_decimal function after
# removing the O representing the feet measurement is removed. The following
# now matches the decimal value from the Spike Reference.
pssts1 <- "3 3/8\""
frac_to_numeric(pssts1)
## [1] 3.375
# or more simply
pssts1b <- "3 3/8 in"
frac_to_numeric(pssts1b)
## [1] 3.375
frac_to_numeric(pssts1) %==% frac_to_numeric(pssts1b)
```

```
librecad1 <- "1 2 7/16\""
construction_decimal(librecad1, result = "traditional", output = "vector")
## [1] 1.203125
knitr::kable(format(construction_decimal(librecad1, result = "traditional", output = "table"),
    digits = 6, nsmall = 0))
                                      Measurement
                                                    Units
                                      14.437500
                                                    in
                                      1.203125
                                                    ft
                                      0.401042
                                                    yd
                                      366.712500
                                                    mm
                                      36.671250
                                                    cm
                                      0.366712
                                                    _{\mathrm{m}}
construction_decimal(librecad1, result = "librecad", output = "vector")
## [1] 14.4375
knitr::kable(format(construction_decimal(librecad1, result = "librecad", output = "table"),
    digits = 4, nsmall = 0))
                                      Measurement
                                                    Units
                                      14.4375
                                                    in
                                      1.2031
                                                    ft
                                      0.4010
                                                    yd
                                      366.7125
                                                    mm
                                      36.6713
                                                    cm
                                      0.3667
                                                    \mathbf{m}
librecad2 <- "6' 8 3/4 in"
construction_decimal(librecad2, result = "traditional", output = "vector")
## [1] 6.729167
knitr::kable(format(construction_decimal(librecad2, result = "traditional", output = "table"),
    digits = 6, nsmall = 6))
                                      Measurement
                                                    Units
                                      80.750000
                                                    in
```

ft

yd

6.729167

2.243056

Measurement	Units
2051.050000	mm
205.105000	$^{\mathrm{cm}}$
2.051050	$\mathbf{m}$

```
construction_decimal(librecad2, result = "librecad", output = "vector")
## [1] 80.75
```

Measurement	Units
80.75	in
6.73	$\operatorname{ft}$
2.24	yd
2051.05	mm
205.10	$\mathrm{cm}$
2.05	$\mathbf{m}$

Measurement	Units
77.011719	in
6.417643	$\operatorname{ft}$
2.139214	yd
1956.097656	mm
195.609766	$\mathrm{cm}$
1.956098	$\mathbf{m}$

```
construction_decimal(librecad3, result = "librecad", output = "vector")
```

#### ## [1] 77.01172

Measurement	Units
77.01172	in
6.41764	$\operatorname{ft}$
2.13921	yd
1956.09766	mm
195.60977	$\mathrm{cm}$
1.95610	m

## **Construction Fraction**

#### Example 1

```
checker <- "6'-5 3/256 in"
checkers <- construction_decimal(checker, result = "traditional", output = "vector")</pre>
checkers
## [1] 6.417643
construction_fraction(checkers, type = "traditional", result = "traditional", fraction = 0)
## [1] "6 ft 5 in"
construction fraction(checkers, type = "traditional", result = "traditional", fraction = 2)
## [1] "6 ft 5 0/2 in"
construction_fraction(checkers, type = "traditional", result = "traditional", fraction = 4)
## [1] "6 ft 5 0/4 in"
construction_fraction(checkers, type = "traditional", result = "traditional", fraction = 8)
## [1] "6 ft 5 0/8 in"
construction_fraction(checkers, type = "traditional", result = "traditional", fraction = 16)
## [1] "6 ft 5 0/16 in"
construction_fraction(checkers, type = "traditional", result = "traditional", fraction = 32)
## [1] "6 ft 5 0/32 in"
construction_fraction(checkers, type = "traditional", result = "traditional", fraction = 64)
## [1] "6 ft 5 1/64 in"
construction_fraction(checkers, type = "traditional", result = "traditional", fraction = 100)
## [1] "6 ft 5 1/100 in"
construction_fraction(checkers, type = "traditional", result = "traditional", fraction = 128)
## [1] "6 ft 5 2/128 in"
construction_fraction(checkers, type = "traditional", result = "traditional", fraction = 256)
## [1] "6 ft 5 3/256 in"
```

```
checkin <- 77.6875

construction_fraction(checkin, type = "librecad", result = "traditional", fraction = 0)</pre>
```

```
## [1] "6 ft 5 in"
construction_fraction(checkin, type = "librecad", result = "traditional", fraction = 2)
## [1] "6 ft 5 1/2 in"
construction_fraction(checkin, type = "librecad", result = "traditional", fraction = 4)
## [1] "6 ft 5 3/4 in"
construction_fraction(checkin, type = "librecad", result = "traditional", fraction = 8)
## [1] "6 ft 5 5/8 in"
construction_fraction(checkin, type = "librecad", result = "traditional", fraction = 16)
## [1] "6 ft 5 11/16 in"
construction_fraction(checkin, type = "librecad", result = "traditional", fraction = 32)
## [1] "6 ft 5 22/32 in"
construction_fraction(checkin, type = "librecad", result = "traditional", fraction = 64)
## [1] "6 ft 5 44/64 in"
construction_fraction(checkin, type = "librecad", result = "traditional", fraction = 100)
## [1] "6 ft 5 69/100 in"
construction_fraction(checkin, type = "librecad", result = "traditional", fraction = 128)
## [1] "6 ft 5 88/128 in"
construction_fraction(checkin, type = "librecad", result = "traditional", fraction = 256)
## [1] "6 ft 5 176/256 in"
```

## Construction Decimal Engineering (LibreCAD Style)

```
librecad1a <- "6' 8 3/4 in"

construction_decimal_eng(librecad1a)

## [1] "6'-8.75\""

librecad2a <- "6'-5 3/256\""

construction_decimal_eng(librecad2a)

## [1] "6'-5.01171875\""</pre>
```

#### Works Cited

Spike, 1 January 2022, "Foot and Inch to Decimal Format Conversion", https://www.spikevm.com/calculators/fraction-decimal-calculators.php.

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