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function [minLength] =
    PS08_fin_length_ehotson(diameter,tConductivity,sourceTemp,ambientTemp)

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% Program Description
% This program's function is to determine the minimum length of heat
% radiating fin that can be used to approximate the heat loss of an
% infinitely long radiator fin.
%
% Function Call
% x = PS08_fin_length_ehotson(a,b,c,d)
%
% Input Arguments
% 1)diameter - the diameter of the fin rod
% 2)tConductivity - The thermal conductivity of the metal
% 3)sourceTemp - The heat source's temperature
% 4)ambientTemp - The ambient air temperature
%
% Output Arguments
% minLength - The minimum length of fin required for an accurate
% approximation at infinite length
%
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%       [ ] understand different ways to think about a solution
%           without helping me plan my solution.
%       [ ] think through the meaning of a specific error or
%           bug present in my code without looking at my code.
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INITIALIZATION

CALCULATIONS

```
%First if statement prints error if some or all input values are zero
if(diameter == 0 || tConductivity == 0 || sourceTemp == 0 ||
    ambientTemp == 0)
    fprintf("Error: Invalid input, one or more inputs is zero.");
    if(diameter == 0 && tConductivity == 0 && sourceTemp == 0 &&
        ambientTemp == 0)
        fprintf("Minimum Fin Length: -1");
    else
    end
else %When all inputs are nonzero, this part of the code is run
t = 373; %t, temp and x are all initialized for the loop here
temp = 373;
x = 0;
m = sqrt((100 * diameter * pi) / (tConductivity * (pi * (diameter / 2)
    ^ 2)));
    while(temp>ambientTemp)
        temp = round(t);
        t = ambientTemp + (sourceTemp - ambientTemp) * exp(-m*x);
        x=x+1;
    end
fprintf("The minimum rod length required to use the infinite fin model
    is:")
minLength = x;
end
```

Not enough input arguments.

```
Error in PS08_fin_length_ehotson (line 42)
if(diameter == 0 || tConductivity == 0 || sourceTemp == 0 ||
    ambientTemp == 0)
```

COMMAND WINDOW OUTPUT

```
%The minimum rod length required to use the infinite fin model is:
%minLength =
%
%      3
%
%The minimum rod length required to use the infinite fin model is:
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```
%minLength =  
%  
%      3  
%  
%  
%  
%  
%  
%  
%  
%
```

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY STATEMENT

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