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*HOMEWORK 7 Question 3
*Master program that takes the arguments
/to find x1 and x2 of a quadratic equation
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#include<iostream>
#include<fstream>
#include<math.h>
using namespace std;

// This program returns a concatenated string a+b
// stored in a static buffer hidden inside the program
char *AddStr(char *a, char *b, char *c) // return a+b+c
{
    static char buffer[50];
    char *p = buffer;
    while(*p++ = *a++); // copy
    p--;
    while(*p++ = *b++); // append
    p--;
    while(*p++ = *c++); // append
    return buffer;
}

int main(void)    // MASTER PROGRAM
{
    double x1, x2, a, b, c, rootDelta, delta;
    char *infile   = "EngineInput.dat ", // Input API file
          *outfile  = "EngineOutput.dat ", // Output API file
          *engine   = "16.4.ENGINE2 ";    // Engine program name

    //reads data from the use.
    cout<<"Enter a b and c: "; //componenets of quadratic equation
    cin>>a>>b>>c;

    // Prepare the input file file
    ofstream OS(infile, ios::out);
    OS<<a<<" "<<b<<" "<<c; //store the data to EngineInput.dat
    OS.close();

    // Create command in a
    hidden
    system(AddStr(engine, infile, outfile)); // buffer and execute

    ifstream IS(outfile, ios::in);           // Open file with results
    IS >> x1 >> x2;                          // Read results of quadratic
equation
    IS.close();

    cout << "\nx1      = " << x1           // Show results

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        << "\nx2      = " << x2 << "\n\n";

    system("pause");
    return 0;
}

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#include<fstream>
#include<math.h>
using namespace std;

int main(int argcnt, char *argvec[])//engine program
{
    double x1, x2, a, b, c, rootDelta, delta;//variables of equation

    //=====
    if (argcnt<2) // No commang line arguments.(user prompt)
    {
        //=====
        //reads data from the user
        cout<<"Enter a b and c: ";
        //finds x1 and x2
        //by using quadratic formula
        delta= pow(b, 2.0)-(4*a*c);
        delta = sqrt(delta);
        b *= -1;
        x1 = (b + delta)/(2*a);
        x2 = (b - delta)/(2*a);

        cout << "\nx1      = " << x1
             << "\nx2 = " << x2 << "\n\n";
        system("pause");
        return 0;
    }

    //=====
    else // command line arguments. program displays the results.
    {
        //=====
        ifstream IS(argvec[1], ios::in); // Open the input file
        IS>>a>>b>>c; // Read arguments
        //calculate x1 and x2
        delta= pow(b, 2.0)-(4*a*c);
        delta = sqrt(delta);
        b *= -1;
        x1 = (b + delta)/(2*a);
        x2 = (b - delta)/(2*a);
    }
}

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    ofstream OS(argvec[2], ios::out); // Deliver results
    OS << x1 << " " << x2 << endl;
    OS.close();
    return 0;
}
}
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Enter a b and c: 12

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operable program or batch file.

x1 = 1.6978e-313

x2 = 1.68097e-307

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