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/* Name: Neal R. Wagner, Course Instructor
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 * Course: CS 1713 Section 02
 * Subject: Print the equation of a line through
 *           two points on the graph of an equation.
 * Algorithm: Read x-coordinates x1 and x2.
 *            Calculate the corresp. y-coords y1 and y2
 *            on the graph of equation  $y = x^2 - 3x - 2$ .
 *            Calculate the slope m and the y-intercept b.
 *            Use m and b to print the line's equation.
 *            Print integers without a decimal point.
 * Input: Keep reading pairs of x-coords up to zeros.
 * Output: Unless the x-coords are the same, print the
 *          line in as in a calculus book.
 */
#include <stdio.h>
#include <math.h>
double f(double x);
void printnum(double z);
void printline(double x1, double y1, double x2, double y2);

void main(void)
{
    double x1, y1, x2, y2; /* coords of two points */
    printf("Lines through x^2 - 3x - 2.\n");
    for (;;) {
        scanf("%lf %lf", &x1, &x2);
        if (x1 == 0.0 && x2 == 0.0) break;
        y1 = f(x1); y2 = f(x2);
        printline(x1, y1, x2, y2);
        printf("\n\n");
    }
    printf("Other lines:\n");
    printline(2.0, 3.0, 2.0, 4.0); printf("\n");
    printline(1.0, 0.0, 3.0, 0.0); printf("\n");
}
/* f: function on which the points occur. */
double f(double x)
{
    return x*x - 3.0*x - 2;
}
/* print num: Print a double with two decimals unless */
/* it is an exact integer, */
void printnum(double z)
{
    if ( ((int) z) == z)
        printf("%1.0f", z);
    else
        printf("%.2f", z);
}
/* Printline: Print a line as in a calculus book. */
/* x1 and x2 are input x-coordinates of two points, */
/* with y1 and y2 the corresponding y-coordinates. */
void printline(double x1, double y1, double x2, double y2)
{
    double m, b;
    printf("Line through points: ");
    printf("%.3f,%.3f), (%3.2f,%.3.2f)\n", x1, y1, x2, y2);
    if (x1 == x2) {
        if (y1 == y2)
            printf("Identical points. There is no line.");
        else {
            printf("Equation of line: X = ");
            printnum(x1);
        }
        return;
    }
    m = (y1 - y2)/(x1 - x2); b = -m*x1 + y1;
    printf("Equation of line: Y = ");
    /* handle case of no X term here, i.e., m == 0. */
    /* This includes the case m == 0 && b == 0. */
    if (m == 0.0) {
        printnum(b);
        return;
    }
    /* Print the X term, assuming m != 0. */
    if (m == 1.0)
        printf("X ");
    else if (m == -1.0)
        printf("-X ");
    else {
        printnum(m); printf("X ");
    }
    /* Print constant term. Note: if b == 0, print */
    /* nothing (works because m != 0 here). */
    if (b < 0.0) {
        printf("- "); printnum(fabs(b));
    }
    else if (b > 0.0) {
        printf("+ "); printnum(b);
    }
}

}
Lines through x^2 - 3x - 2.
Line through points: (2.10, -3.89), (-2.10, 8.71)
Equation of line: Y = -3X + 2.41
Line through points: (0.50, -3.25), (3.75, 0.81)
Equation of line: Y = 1.25X - 3.88
Line through points: (1.00, -4.00), (3.00, -2.00)
Equation of line: Y = X - 5
Line through points: (1.00, -4.00), (-2.00, 8.00)
Equation of line: Y = -4X
Line through points: (-2.00, 8.00), (4.00, 2.00)
Equation of line: Y = -X + 6
Line through points: (2.00, -4.00), (2.00, -4.00)
Identical points. There is no line.
Line through points: (0.00, -2.00), (4.00, 2.00)
Equation of line: Y = X - 2
Line through points: (-1.00, 2.00), (2.00, -4.00)
Equation of line: Y = -2X
Line through points: (-1.00, 2.00), (4.00, 2.00)
Equation of line: Y = 2
Line through points: (-0.50, -0.25), (3.50, -0.25)
Equation of line: Y = -0.25
Other lines:
Line through points: (2.00, 3.00), (2.00, 4.00)
Equation of line: X = 2
Line through points: (1.00, 0.00), (3.00, 0.00)
Equation of line: Y = 0

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