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Subject: Middle-ground between CONSOLE\_APP\_MAIN and GUI\_APP\_MAIN

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I was wondering how could I achieve a middle ground between these two modes, basically a CONSOLE\_APP\_MAIN that expands to WinMain or alternatively a GUI application with a GUI\_APP\_MAIN that does not create any windows and does not use CtrlCore. I do not want to have a console window.

How does TheIDE control the option for creating a console app or not based on the absence or presence of the GUI flag.

A week ago I hacked this together and it works fine except for the acquisition of arguments, but I would like to apply a proper solution:

```
#ifdef PLATFORM_WIN32
```

```
void AppInit__(int argc, const char **argv);  
void AppInitEnvironment__();
```

```
#define CONSOLE_APP_MAIN2 \  
void ConsoleMainFn_(); \  
\  
int APIENTRY WinMain(HINSTANCE hInstance, HINSTANCE, LPTSTR lpCmdLine, int  
nCmdShow) \  
{ \  
    UPP::AppInitEnvironment__(); \  
    ConsoleMainFn_(); \  
    UPP::DeleteUsrLog(); \  
    UPP::AppExit__(); \  
    return UPP::GetExitCode(); \  
} \  
\  
void ConsoleMainFn_()
```

```
#endif
```

```
#ifdef PLATFORM_POSIX
```

```
void AppInit__(int argc, const char **argv, const char **envp);
```

```
#define CONSOLE_APP_MAIN2 \  
void ConsoleMainFn_(); \  
\  
int main(int argc, const char **argv, const char **envp) { \  
    UPP::AppInit__(argc, argv, envp); \  
    ConsoleMainFn_(); \  
    UPP::DeleteUsrLog(); \  
}
```

```
UPP::AppExit__(); \
return UPP::GetExitCode(); \
} \
\
void ConsoleMainFn_()

#endif
```

Ideally, is there a way to have you application not open o console, but when it is opened from a console it still writes to it. If I compile it with GUI, i get no output, even if opened from cmd. If I compile it without, I get the output, but when opening it from the shell I get a new console window.

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