



Web Site (www.coin-or.org)

Getting around the Web Site to
Build and Use COIN-OR

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Objective

- Familiarity with web site
 - Projects
 - Faqs, documentation, help
 - Source code
 - Building, running
- Build & run a COIN-OR project

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COIN-OR

Computational Infrastructure for Operations Research

- open source for the operations research community -

The [logo contest](#) has begun! Submissions deadline July 7, 2006.
(32 entries so far.)

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The Computational Infrastructure for Operations Research (COIN-OR**, or simply COIN) project is an initiative to spur the development of open-source software for the operations research community.

Why open source? The [Open Source Initiative](#) explains it well. When

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Corporate Members

This page gives links to the web pages for all COIN-OR projects. An alphabetical list follows the categorical list below.

Projects by category:

Deterministic optimization - linear

Continuous/general

- [CLP](#): COIN-OR LP, a simplex solver
- [dylp](#): Dynamic LP
- [FLOPC++](#): FLOPC++, an algebraic modeling language embedded in C++
- [OSI](#): Open Solver Interface
- [VOL](#): Volume Algorithm

Discrete

- [ALPS](#): Abstract Library for Parallel Search
- [BCP](#): Branch-Cut-Price

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Welcome to the Clp home page

Note that these project webpages are based on Wiki, which allows webusers to modify the content to correct typos, add information, or share their experience and tips with other users. You are welcome to contribute to these project webpages. To edit these pages or submit a ticket you must first [register and login](#).

Introduction

Clp (**C**oin-or **l**inear **p**rogramming) is an open-source linear programming solver written in C++. It is primarily meant to be used as a callable library, but a basic, stand-alone executable version is also available.. It is designed to find solutions of mathematical optimization problems of the form

$$\min c^t x$$

such that:

$$\text{row}_{\text{lower_bound}} \leq A x \leq \text{row}_{\text{upper_bound}}$$
$$\text{column}_{\text{lower_bound}} \leq x \leq \text{column}_{\text{upper_bound}}$$

Clp Build Instructions on Trac Page

recommended method is to use subversion because it makes it easier to obtain updates. The following commands may be used to obtain and build Clp from the source code using subversion:

1. `svn co https://projects.coin-or.org/svn/Clp/trunk coin-Clp`
2. `cd coin-Clp`
3. `./configure -C`
4. `make`
5. `make test`
6. `make install`

Step 1 issues the subversion command to obtain the source code. Alternatively one can obtain the source code from the [tarball directory](#), and downloading a file of the form `Clp_YYYYMMDD.tgz`.

Step 3 runs a configure script that generates the make file.

Step 4 builds the Clp library and executable program.

Step 5 builds and runs the Clp unit test program.

Step 6 Installs libraries, executables and header files in directories `coin-Clp/lib`, `coin-Clp/bin` and `coin-Clp/include`.

The [BuildTools](#) project has additional details on downloading, building, and installing.

The [MSVisualStudio](#) project has information about building on Windows in the Microsoft Development Studio.

The [Binary](#) project provides a downloadable binary distribution of Clp.

Clp Documentation on Trac Page

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https://projects.coin-or.org/Clp

coin-Clp/doxydoc/doxygen.conf to exclude directories (using the EXCLUDE variable, for example).
If Doxygen is not available, you can use the link to the Clp html documentation listed below.

Documentation

- [User's Guide \(single page format\)](#)
- [Clp html documentation](#)
- [FAQ \(Frequently Asked Questions\)](#)
- [Source code examples](#)

Project Links

- [COIN-OR Initiative](#)
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Build Clp

Unix

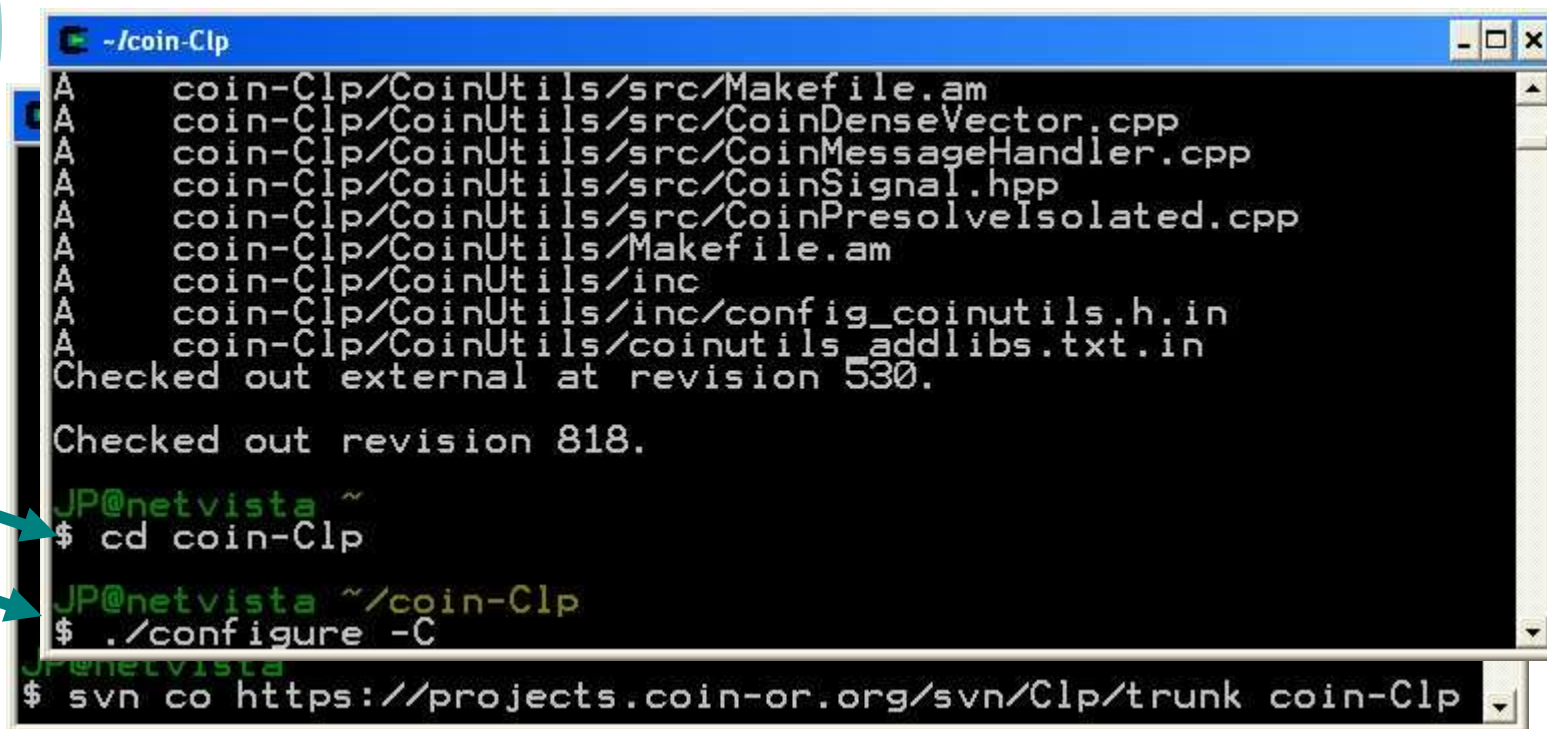
Build Clp on Unix



A terminal window with a blue title bar and standard window controls. The terminal text shows a user prompt and a command to checkout a repository. A teal arrow points to the command.

```
JP@netvista ~  
$ svn co https://projects.coin-or.org/svn/Clp/trunk coin-Clp
```

Build Clp on Unix



```
coin-Clp/CoinUtils/src/Makefile.am
coin-Clp/CoinUtils/src/CoinDenseVector.cpp
coin-Clp/CoinUtils/src/CoinMessageHandler.cpp
coin-Clp/CoinUtils/src/CoinSignal.hpp
coin-Clp/CoinUtils/src/CoinPresolveIsolated.cpp
coin-Clp/CoinUtils/Makefile.am
coin-Clp/CoinUtils/inc
coin-Clp/CoinUtils/inc/config_coinutils.h.in
coin-Clp/CoinUtils/coinutils_addlibs.txt.in
Checked out external at revision 530.

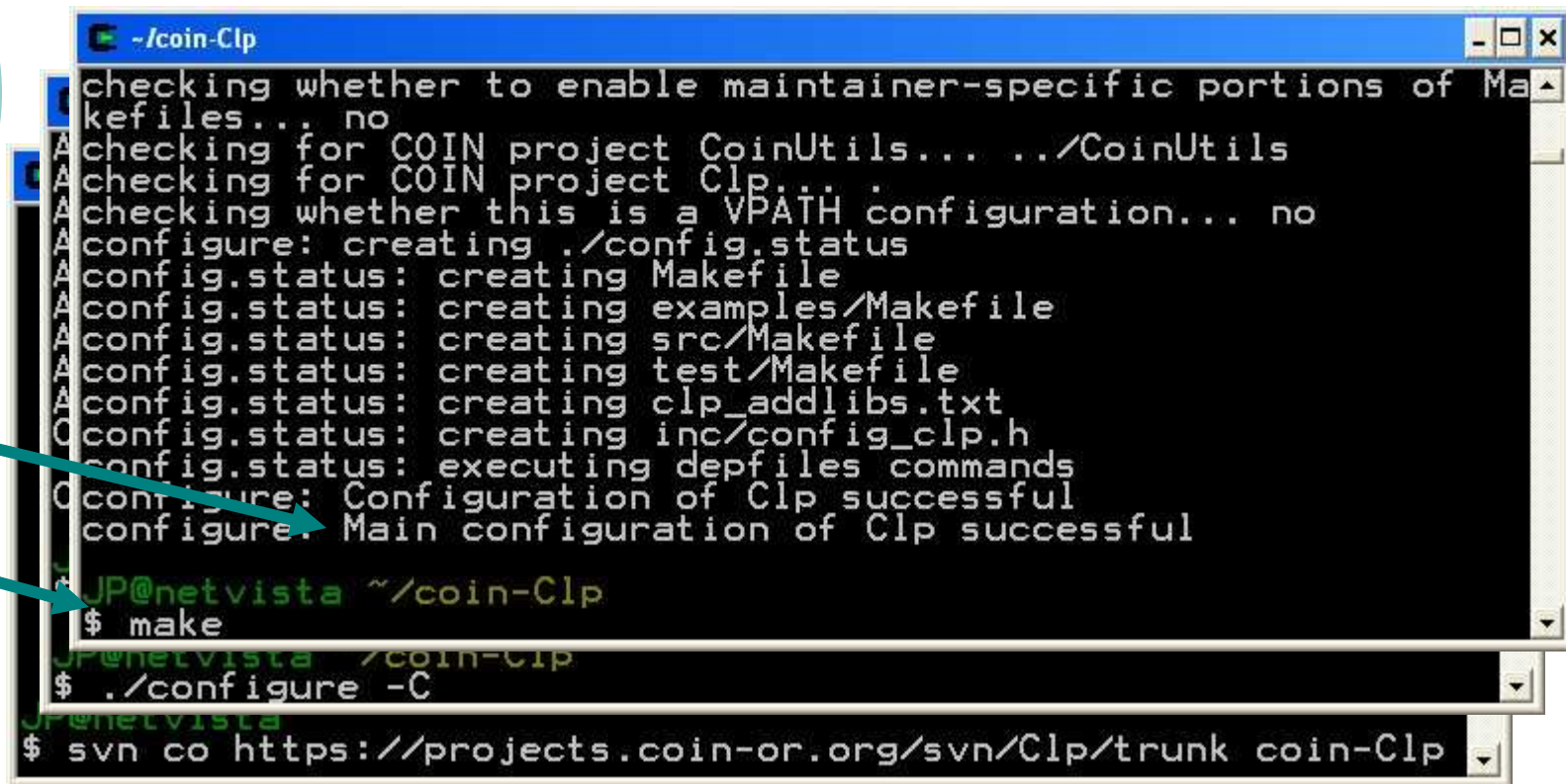
Checked out revision 818.

JP@netvista ~
$ cd coin-Clp

JP@netvista ~/coin-Clp
$ ./configure -C

JP@netvista
$ svn co https://projects.coin-or.org/svn/Clp/trunk coin-Clp
```

Build Clp on Unix



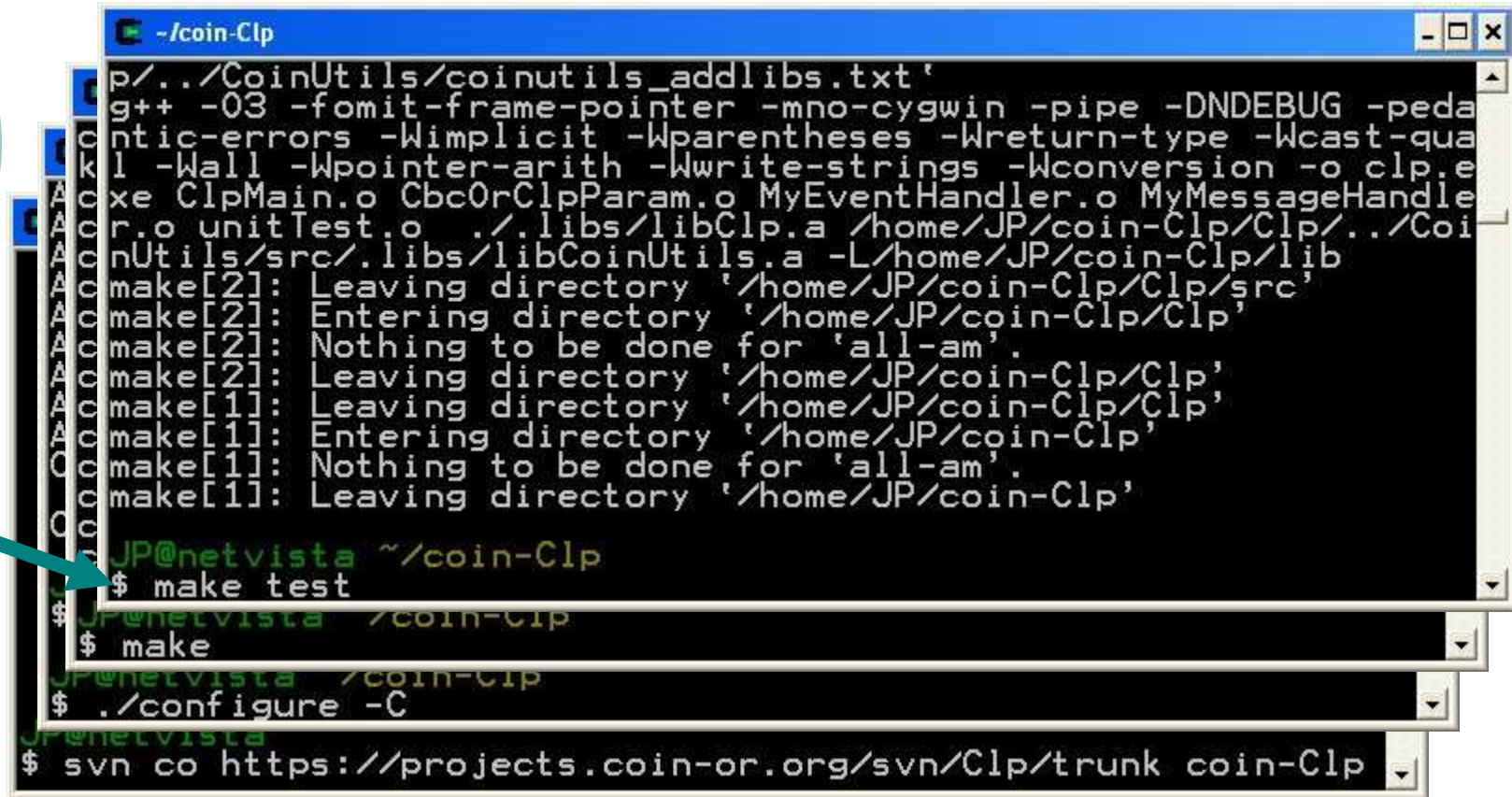
```
~/coin-Clp
checking whether to enable maintainer-specific portions of Makefiles... no
checking for COIN project CoinUtils... ../CoinUtils
checking for COIN project Clp...
checking whether this is a VPATH configuration... no
configure: creating ./config.status
config.status: creating Makefile
config.status: creating examples/Makefile
config.status: creating src/Makefile
config.status: creating test/Makefile
config.status: creating clp_addlibs.txt
config.status: creating inc/config_clp.h
config.status: executing depfiles commands
configure: Configuration of Clp successful
configure: Main configuration of Clp successful

JP@netvista ~/coin-Clp
$ make

JP@netvista ~/coin-Clp
$ ./configure -C

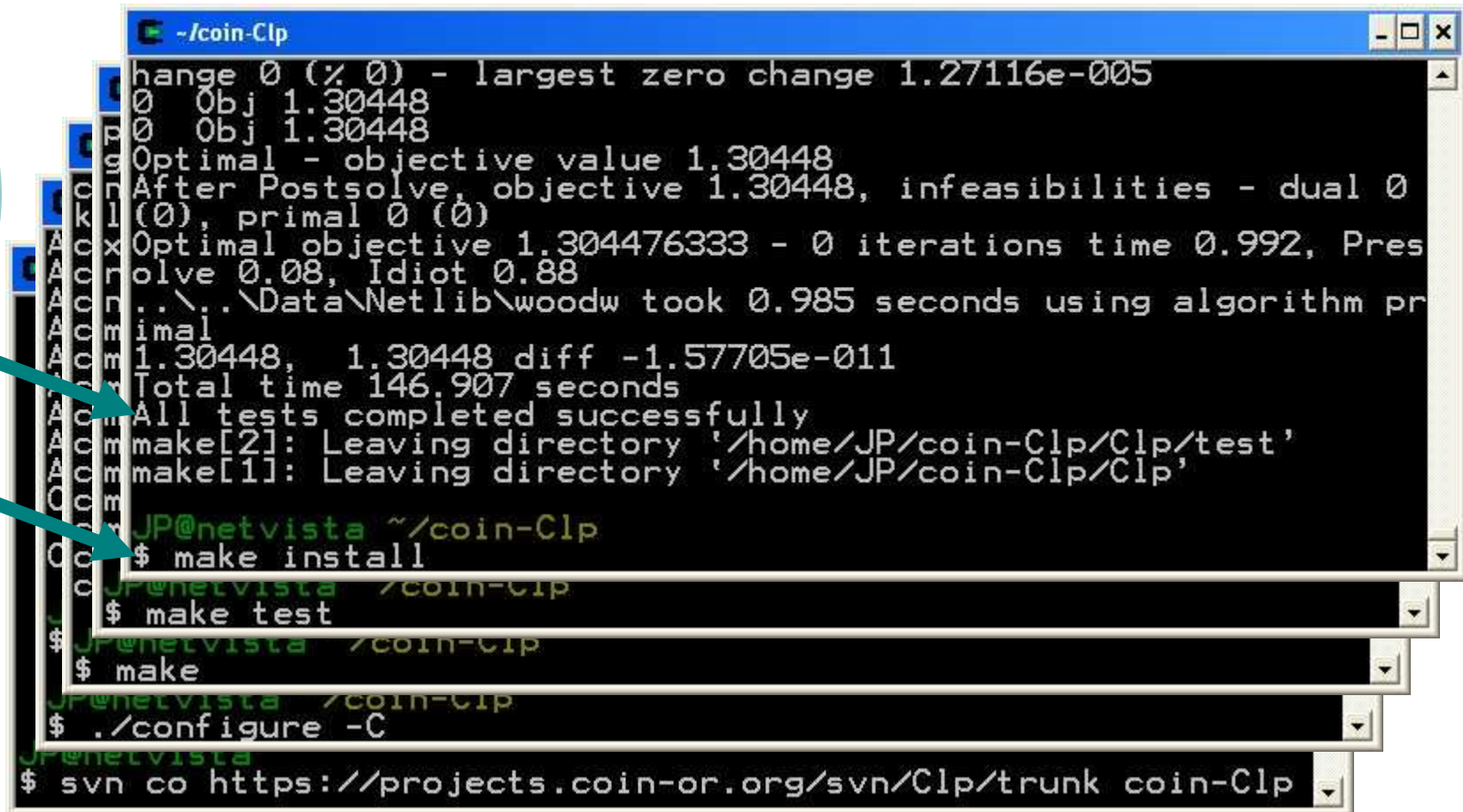
JP@netvista
$ svn co https://projects.coin-or.org/svn/Clp/trunk coin-Clp
```

Build Clp on Unix



```
~/../CoinUtils/coinutils_addlibs.txt'  
g++ -O3 -fomit-frame-pointer -mno-cygwin -pipe -DNDEBUG -peda  
antic-errors -Wimplicit -Wparentheses -Wreturn-type -Wcast-qua  
kl -Wall -Wpointer-arith -Wwrite-strings -Wconversion -o clp.e  
xe ClpMain.o CbcOrClpParam.o MyEventHandler.o MyMessageHandle  
r.o unitTest.o ../libs/libClp.a /home/JP/coin-Clp/Clp/./Coi  
nUtils/src/./libs/libCoinUtils.a -L/home/JP/coin-Clp/lib  
make[2]: Leaving directory '/home/JP/coin-Clp/Clp/src'  
make[2]: Entering directory '/home/JP/coin-Clp/Clp'  
make[2]: Nothing to be done for 'all-am'.  
make[2]: Leaving directory '/home/JP/coin-Clp/Clp'  
make[1]: Leaving directory '/home/JP/coin-Clp/Clp'  
make[1]: Entering directory '/home/JP/coin-Clp'  
make[1]: Nothing to be done for 'all-am'.  
make[1]: Leaving directory '/home/JP/coin-Clp'  
JP@netvista ~/coin-Clp  
$ make test  
$ make  
$ ./configure -C  
$ svn co https://projects.coin-or.org/svn/Clp/trunk coin-Clp
```

Build Clp on Unix



```
change 0 (% 0) - largest zero change 1.27116e-005
0 Obj 1.30448
0 Obj 1.30448
Optimal - objective value 1.30448
After Postsolve, objective 1.30448, infeasibilities - dual 0
(0), primal 0 (0)
Optimal objective 1.304476333 - 0 iterations time 0.992, Pres
olve 0.08, Idiot 0.88
..\..\Data\Netlib\woodw took 0.985 seconds using algorithm pr
imal
1.30448, 1.30448 diff -1.57705e-011
Total time 146.907 seconds
All tests completed successfully
make[2]: Leaving directory '/home/JP/coin-Clp/Clp/test'
make[1]: Leaving directory '/home/JP/coin-Clp/Clp'

JP@netvista ~/coin-Clp
$ make install

JP@netvista ~/coin-Clp
$ make test

JP@netvista ~/coin-Clp
$ make

JP@netvista ~/coin-Clp
$ ./configure -C

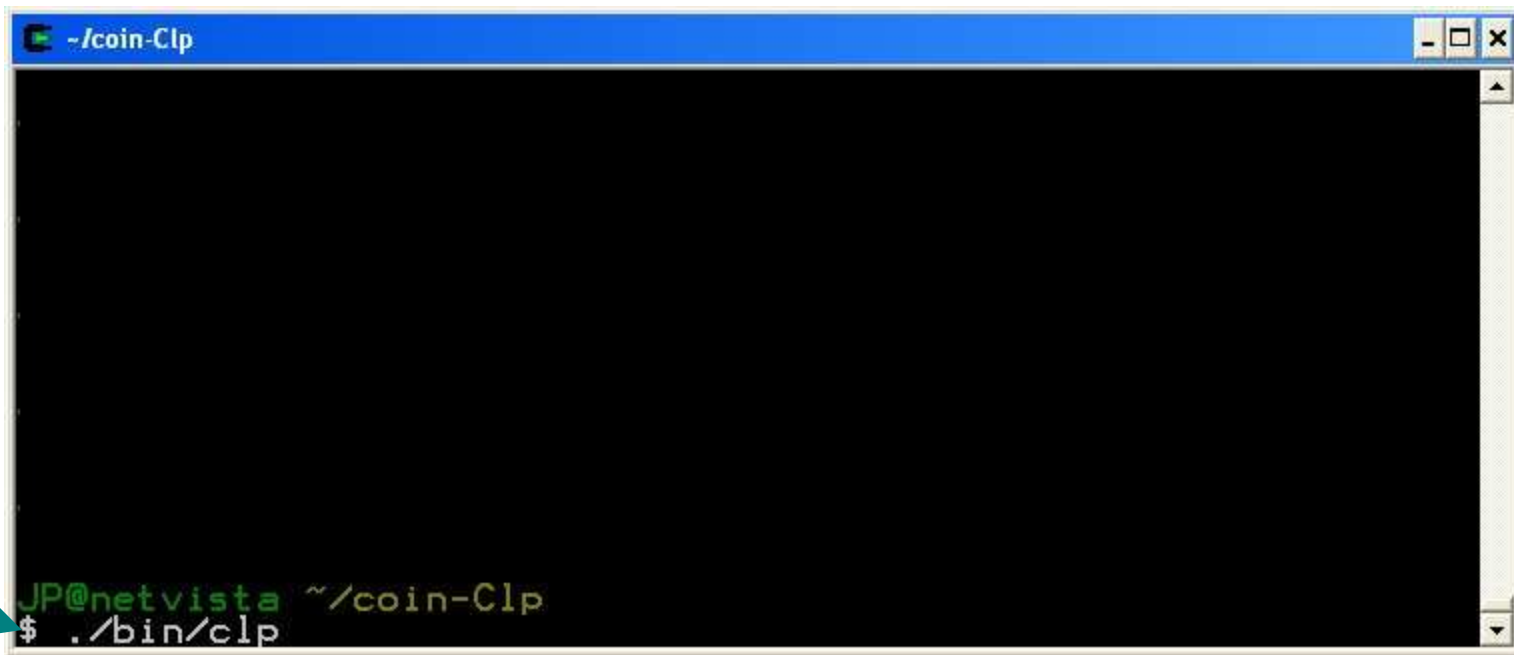
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$ svn co https://projects.coin-or.org/svn/Clp/trunk coin-Clp
```



Run Clp executable

Experiment with Clp options

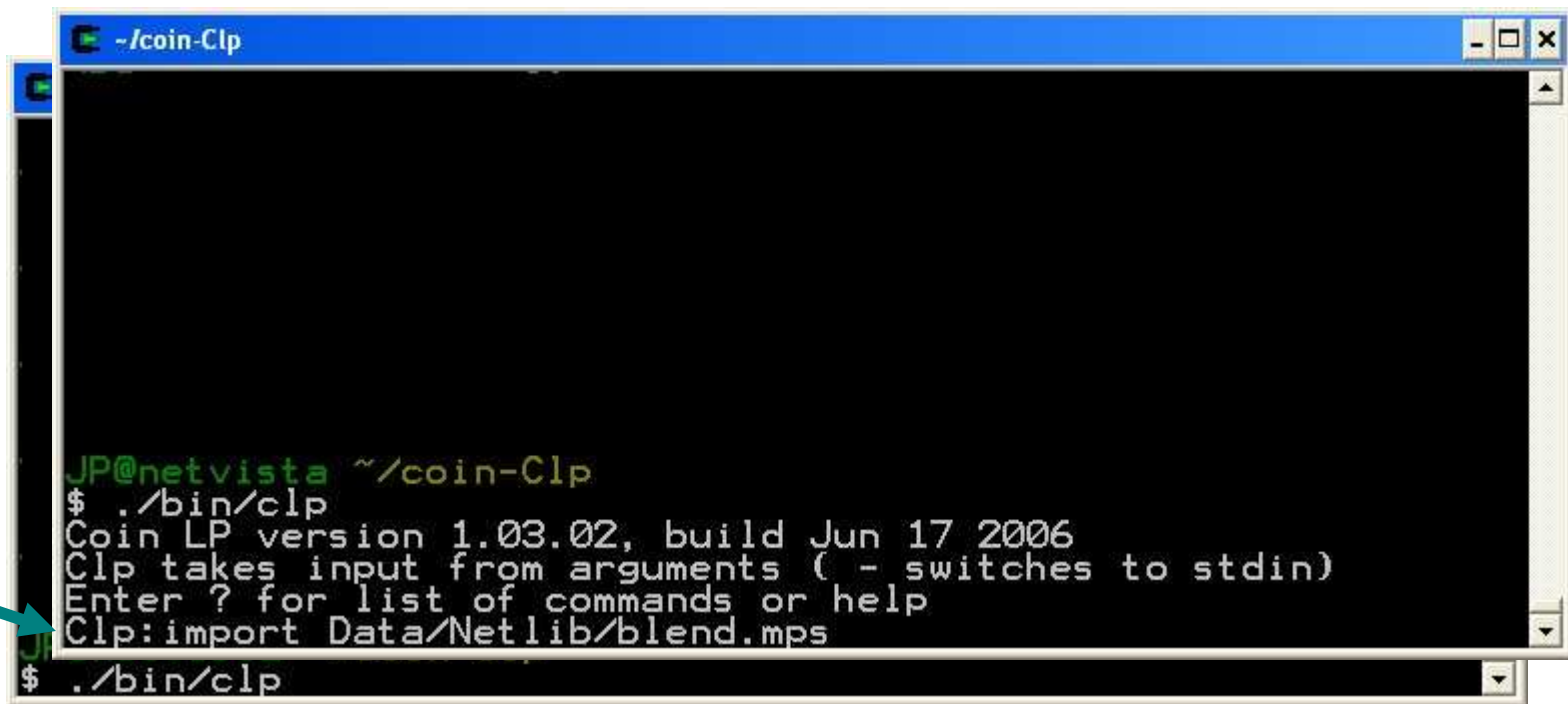
Experimenting with clp executable



A terminal window titled `~/coin-Clp` is shown. The prompt is `JP@netvista ~/coin-Clp` and the command `./bin/clp` has been entered. A teal arrow points to the command line.

```
JP@netvista ~/coin-Clp  
$ ./bin/clp
```

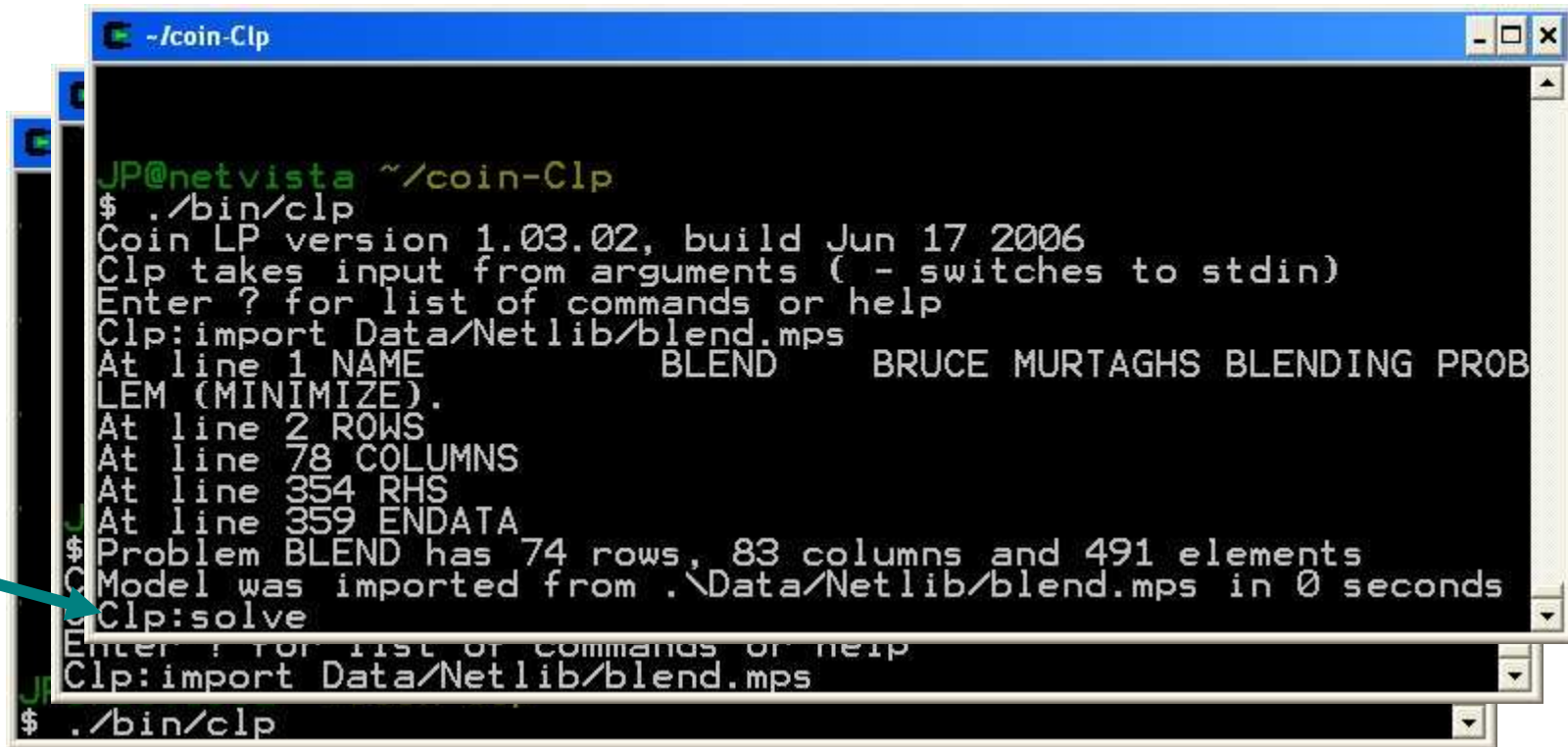
Experimenting with clp executable



A terminal window titled `~/coin-Clp` showing the execution of the `clp` executable. The prompt is `JP@netvista ~/coin-Clp`. The user enters `./bin/clp`, which outputs: `Coin LP version 1.03.02, build Jun 17 2006`, `Clp takes input from arguments (- switches to stdin)`, and `Enter ? for list of commands or help`. The user then enters `Clp:import Data/Netlib/blend.mps`. A teal arrow points to the `Clp:` prefix of this command. The prompt returns to `JP@netvista ~/coin-Clp`. Below the terminal window, the command `./bin/clp` is shown again.

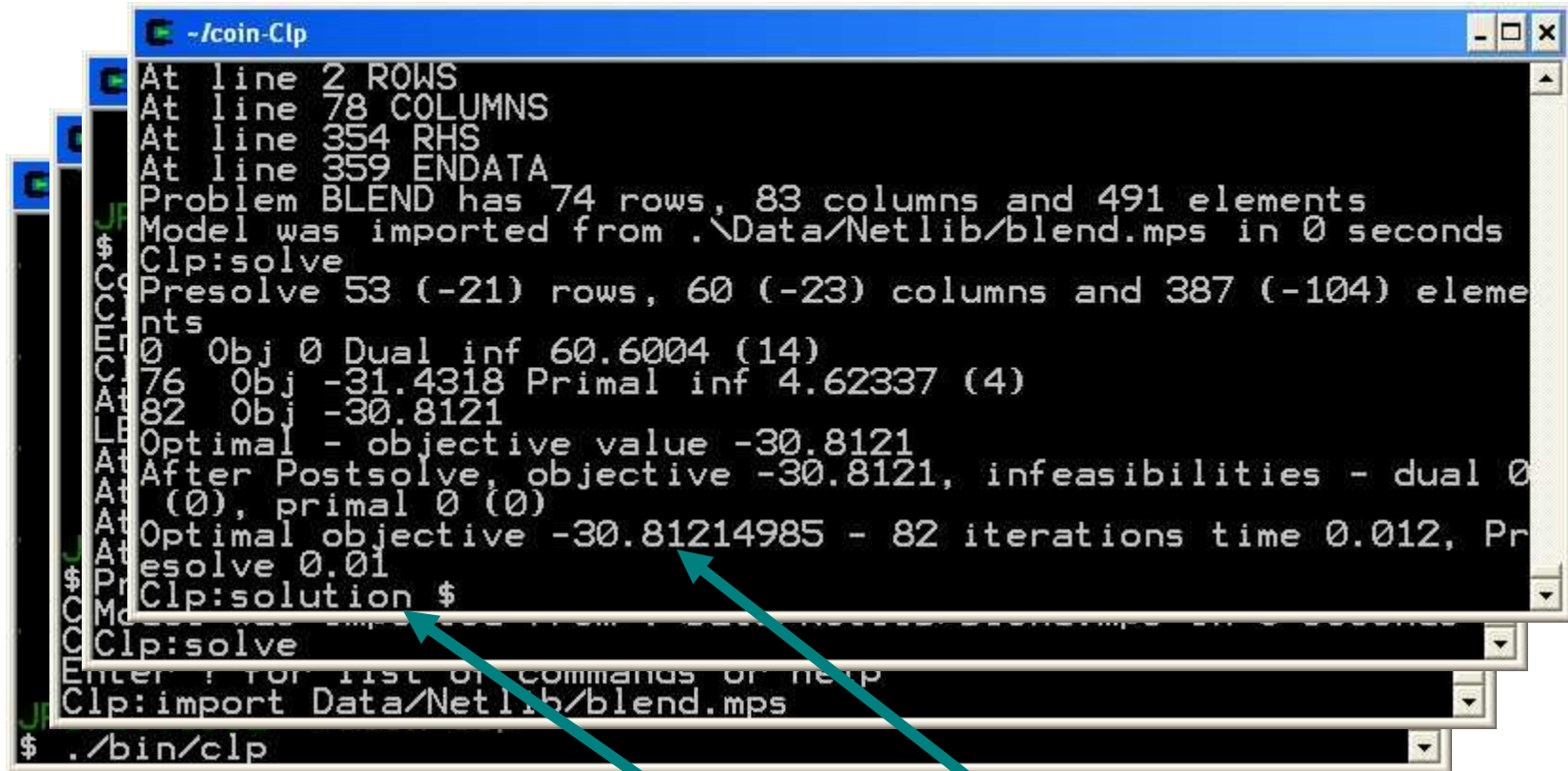
```
JP@netvista ~/coin-Clp
$ ./bin/clp
Coin LP version 1.03.02, build Jun 17 2006
Clp takes input from arguments ( - switches to stdin)
Enter ? for list of commands or help
Clp:import Data/Netlib/blend.mps
JP@netvista ~/coin-Clp
$ ./bin/clp
```


Experimenting with clp executable

A screenshot of a terminal window titled "/coin-Clp" on a netvista machine. The terminal shows the execution of the clp executable. The user runs './bin/clp', which displays the version (1.03.02, build Jun 17 2006) and instructions. The user then imports a model from 'Data/Netlib/blend.mps'. The terminal shows the model details: 74 rows, 83 columns, and 491 elements. The user then enters 'Clp:solve'. A teal arrow points to the 'Clp:solve' command. The terminal also shows the user repeating the import command and starting a new session.

```
JP@netvista ~/coin-Clp
$ ./bin/clp
Coin LP version 1.03.02, build Jun 17 2006
Clp takes input from arguments ( - switches to stdin)
Enter ? for list of commands or help
Clp:import Data/Netlib/blend.mps
At line 1 NAME          BLEND          BRUCE MURTAGHS BLENDING PROB
LEM (MINIMIZE).
At line 2 ROWS
At line 78 COLUMNS
At line 354 RHS
At line 359 ENDDATA
$ Problem BLEND has 74 rows, 83 columns and 491 elements
Clp:import Data/Netlib/blend.mps
Clp:solve
Enter ? for list of commands or help
Clp:import Data/Netlib/blend.mps
JP@netvista ~/coin-Clp
$ ./bin/clp
```

Experimenting with clp executable



The image shows a terminal window titled `~/coin-Clp` with the following output:

```
At line 2 ROWS
At line 78 COLUMNS
At line 354 RHS
At line 359 ENDDATA
Problem BLEND has 74 rows, 83 columns and 491 elements
Model was imported from .\Data\Netlib\blend.mps in 0 seconds
Clp:solve
Presolve 53 (-21) rows, 60 (-23) columns and 387 (-104) elements
0 Obj 0 Dual inf 60.6004 (14)
76 Obj -31.4318 Primal inf 4.62337 (4)
82 Obj -30.8121
Optimal - objective value -30.8121
After Postsolve, objective -30.8121, infeasibilities - dual 0
(0), primal 0 (0)
Optimal objective -30.81214985 - 82 iterations time 0.012, Pr
esolve 0.01
Clp:solution $
Clp:solve
Enter ? for list of commands or help
Clp:import Data/Netlib/blend.mps
$ ./bin/clp
```


Two teal arrows point from the bottom of the slide to the terminal output. One arrow points to the line `Clp:solution $`, and the other points to the line `Optimal objective -30.81214985 - 82 iterations time 0.012, Pr`.



Building Examples

`coin-Clp/Clp/examples/minimum.cpp`
Unix

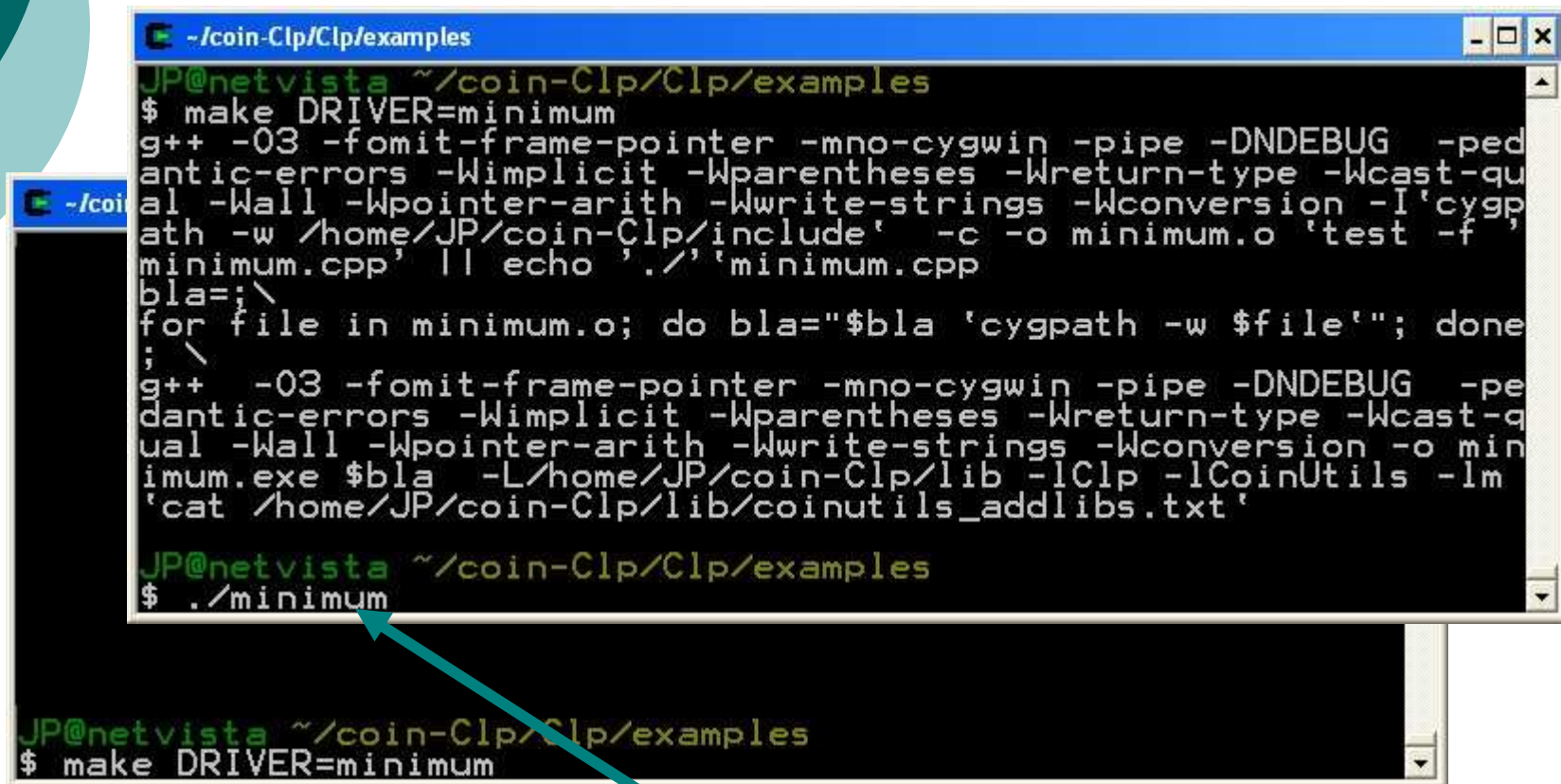
Build and run coin-Clp/Clp/examples/minimum.cpp



A terminal window with a blue title bar containing the text `~/coin-Clp/Clp/examples`. The terminal content shows the prompt `JP@netvista ~/coin-Clp/Clp/examples` followed by the command `$ make DRIVER=minimum`. A teal arrow points from the text below to the command line.

```
~/coin-Clp/Clp/examples
JP@netvista ~/coin-Clp/Clp/examples
$ make DRIVER=minimum
```

Build and run coin-Clp/Clp/examples/minimum.cpp



```
JP@netvista ~/coin-Clp/Clp/examples
$ make DRIVER=minimum
g++ -O3 -fomit-frame-pointer -mno-cygwin -pipe -DNDEBUG -pedantic-errors -Wimplicit -Wparentheses -Wreturn-type -Wcast-qual -Wall -Wpointer-arith -Wwrite-strings -Wconversion -I'cygpath -w /home/JP/coin-Clp/include' -c -o minimum.o 'test -f 'minimum.cpp' || echo './'minimum.cpp
bla=;\
for file in minimum.o; do bla="$bla 'cygpath -w $file'"; done
; \
g++ -O3 -fomit-frame-pointer -mno-cygwin -pipe -DNDEBUG -pedantic-errors -Wimplicit -Wparentheses -Wreturn-type -Wcast-qual -Wall -Wpointer-arith -Wwrite-strings -Wconversion -o minimum.exe $bla -L/home/JP/coin-Clp/lib -lClp -lCoinUtils -lm 'cat /home/JP/coin-Clp/lib/coinutils_addlibs.txt'

JP@netvista ~/coin-Clp/Clp/examples
$ ./minimum

JP@netvista ~/coin-Clp/Clp/examples
$ make DRIVER=minimum
```

Build and run coin-Clp/Clp/examples/minimum.cpp

```
JP@netvista ~/coin-Clp/Clp/examples
$ ./minimum
Coin0001I At line 15 NAME P0033
Coin0001I At line 16 ROWS
Coin0001I At line 34 COLUMNS
Coin0001I At line 109 RHS
Coin0001I At line 118 BOUNDS
Coin0001I At line 152 ENDDATA
Coin0002I Problem P0033 has 16 rows, 33 columns and 98 elements
Clp0027I Model was imported from ../../Data/Sample/p0033.mps
in 0.016 seconds
Clp0006I 0 Obj 0 Primal inf 18.4925 (10) Dual inf 5.59875e+0
11 (32)
Clp0006I 29 Obj 2520.57
Clp0000I Optimal - objective value 2520.57

JP@netvista ~/coin-Clp/Clp/examples
$

JP@netvista ~/coin-Clp/Clp/examples
$ make DRIVER=minimum
g++ -O3 -std=c++11 -Wall -Wpointer-arith -Wwrite-strings -Wconversion -o minimum.exe $bla -L/home/JP/coin-Clp/lib -lClp -lCoinUtils -lm 'cat /home/JP/coin-Clp/lib/coinutils_addlibs.txt'

JP@netvista ~/coin-Clp/Clp/examples
$ ./minimum
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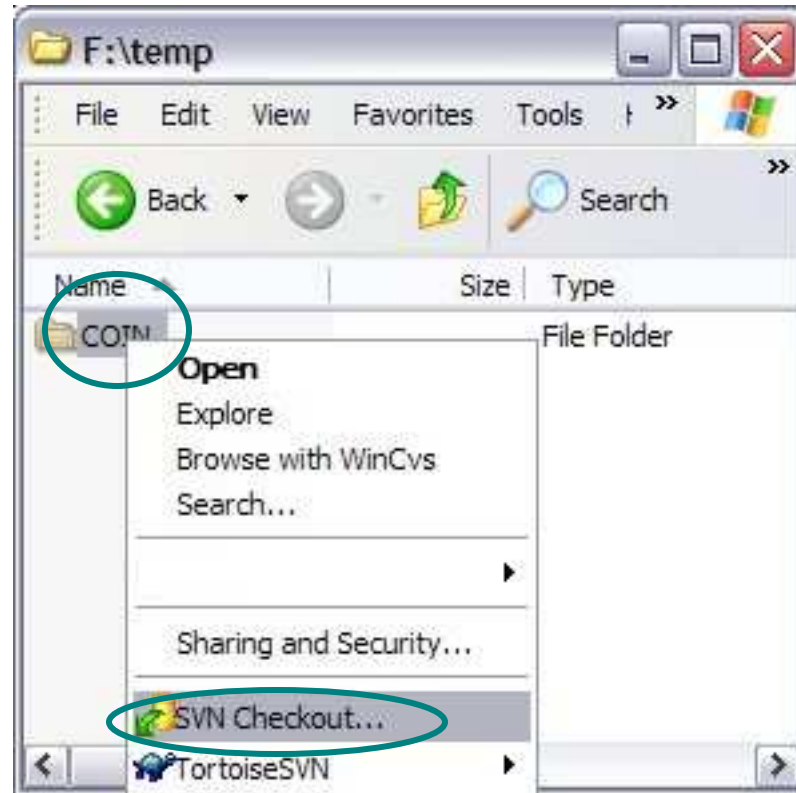
Windows: Obtaining Source

Using TortoiseSVN Client

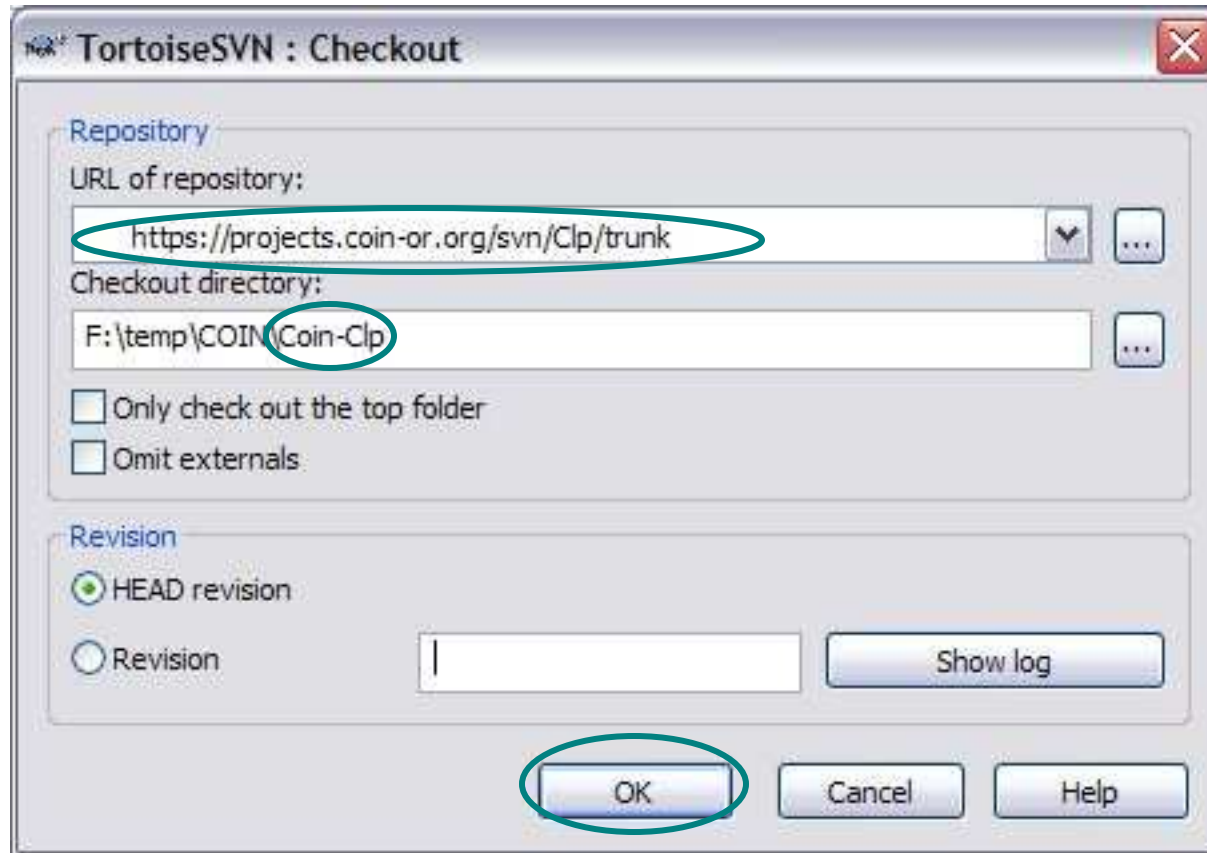
A Subversion Windows Client



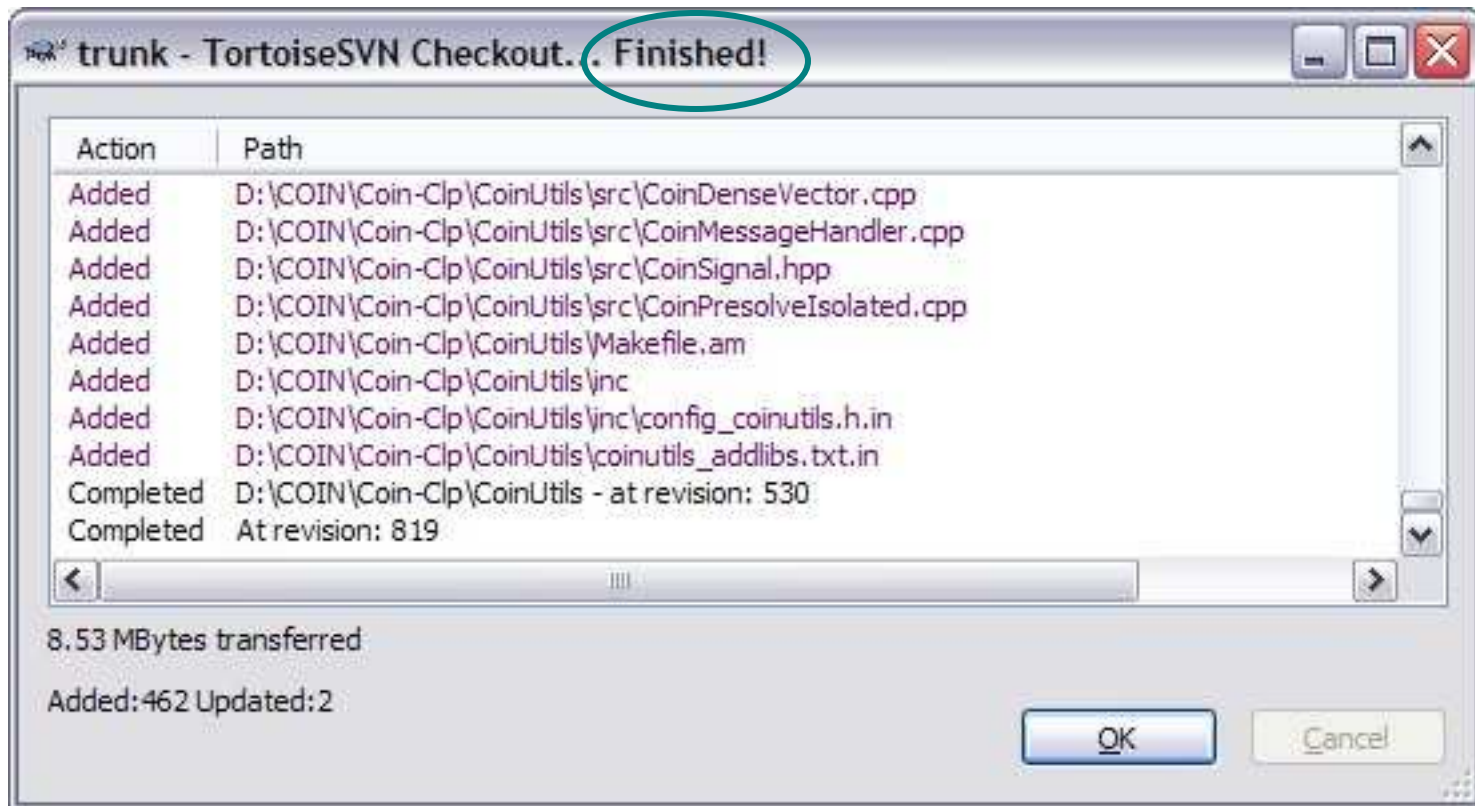
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TortoiseSVN: Checkout





Build Clp

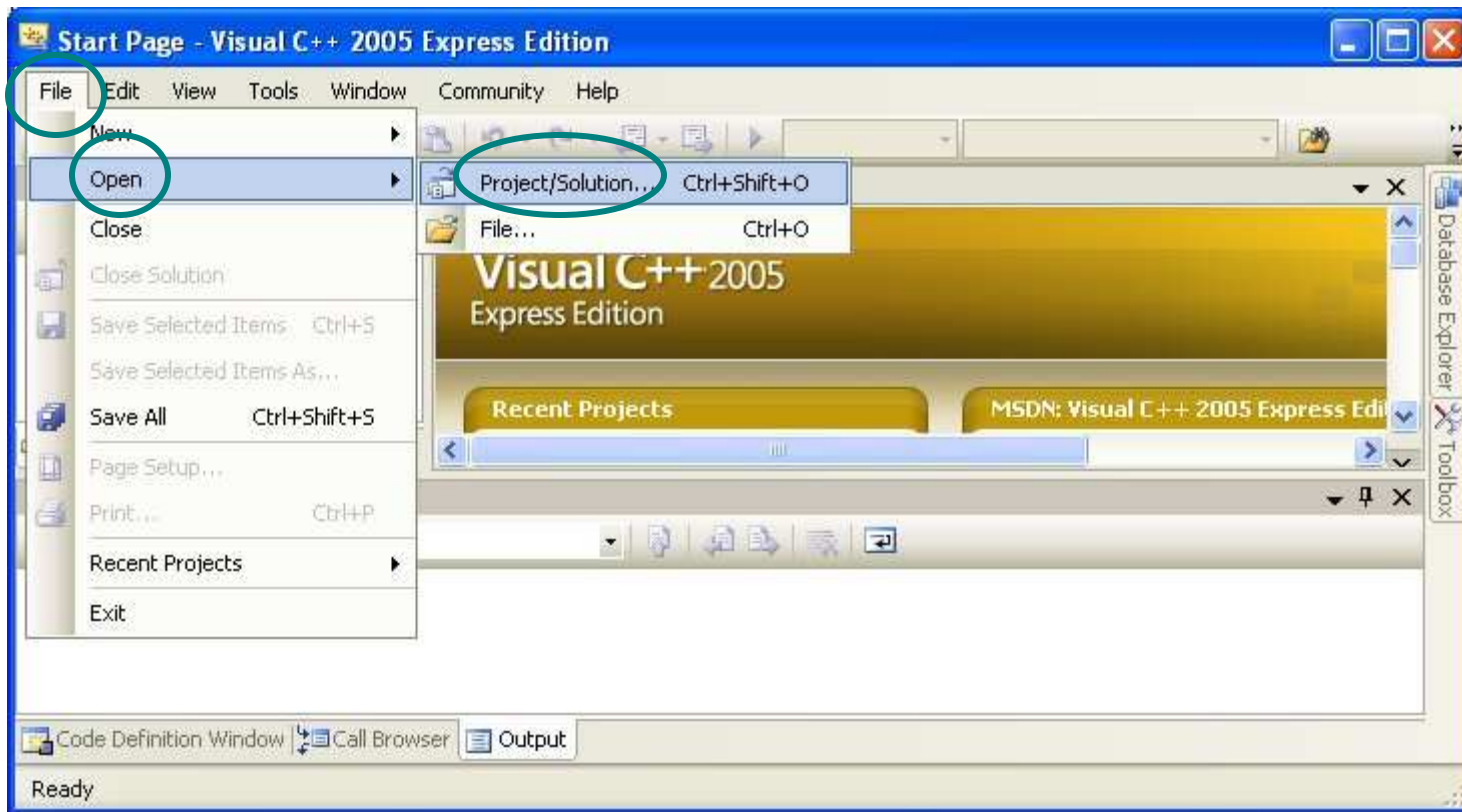
Windows



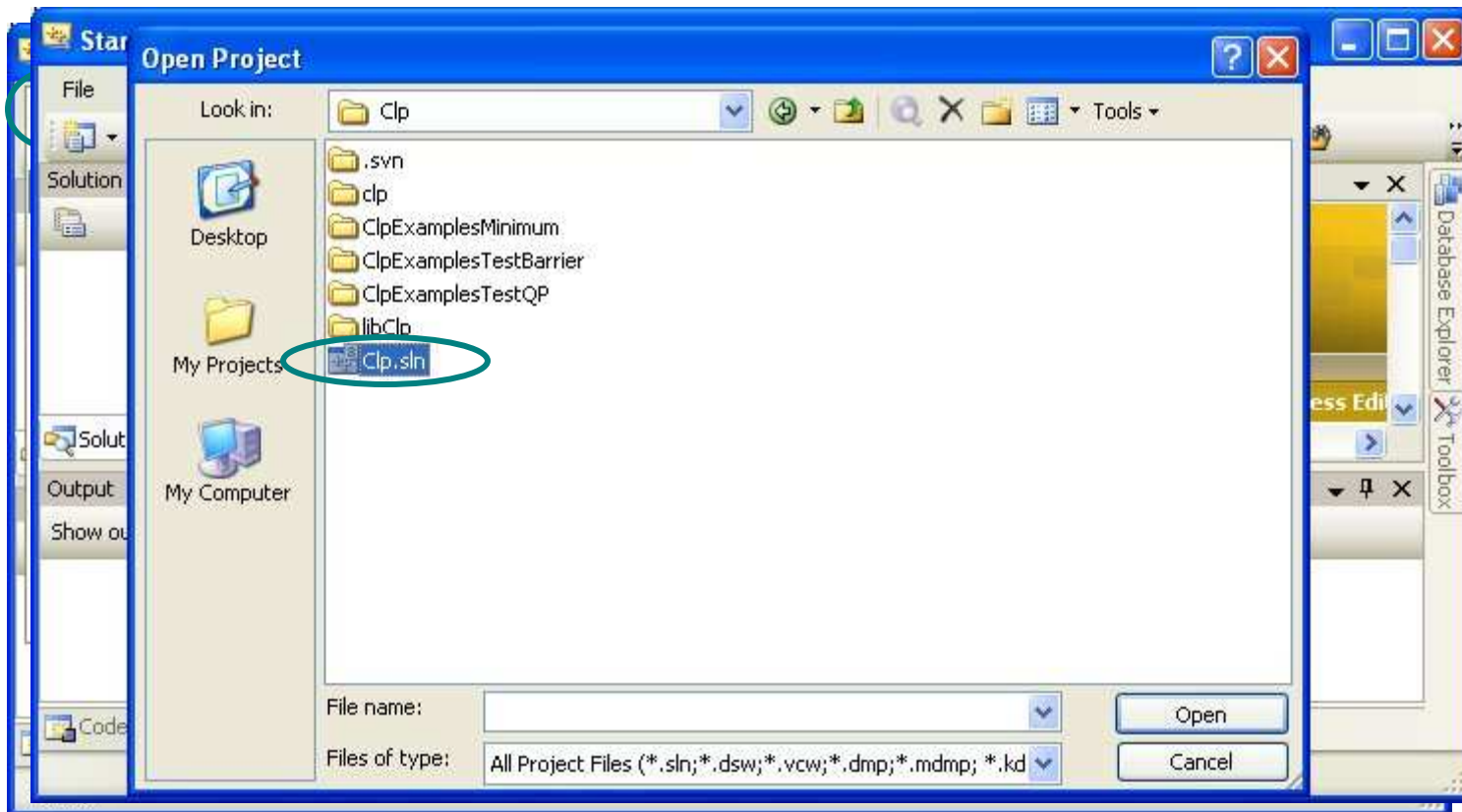
Microsoft Visual Studio 2005

- Visual C++ 2005 Express Edition
- “Free, lightweight, easy-to-use, and easy-to-learn tools for the hobbyist, novice, and student developer.”
- <http://msdn.microsoft.com/vstudio/express>
- <http://msdn.microsoft.com/vstudio/express/visualc>
- Must register to activate

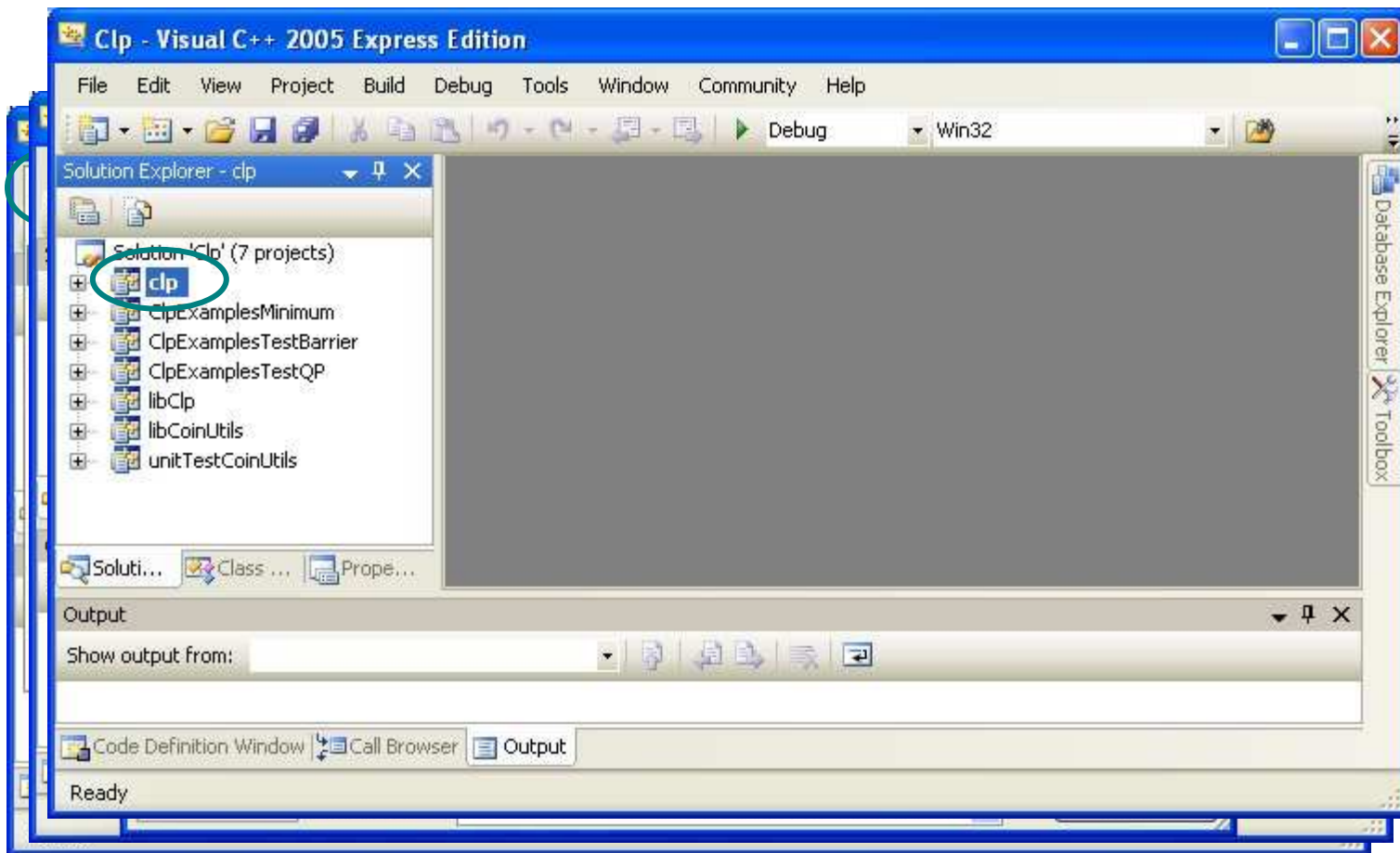
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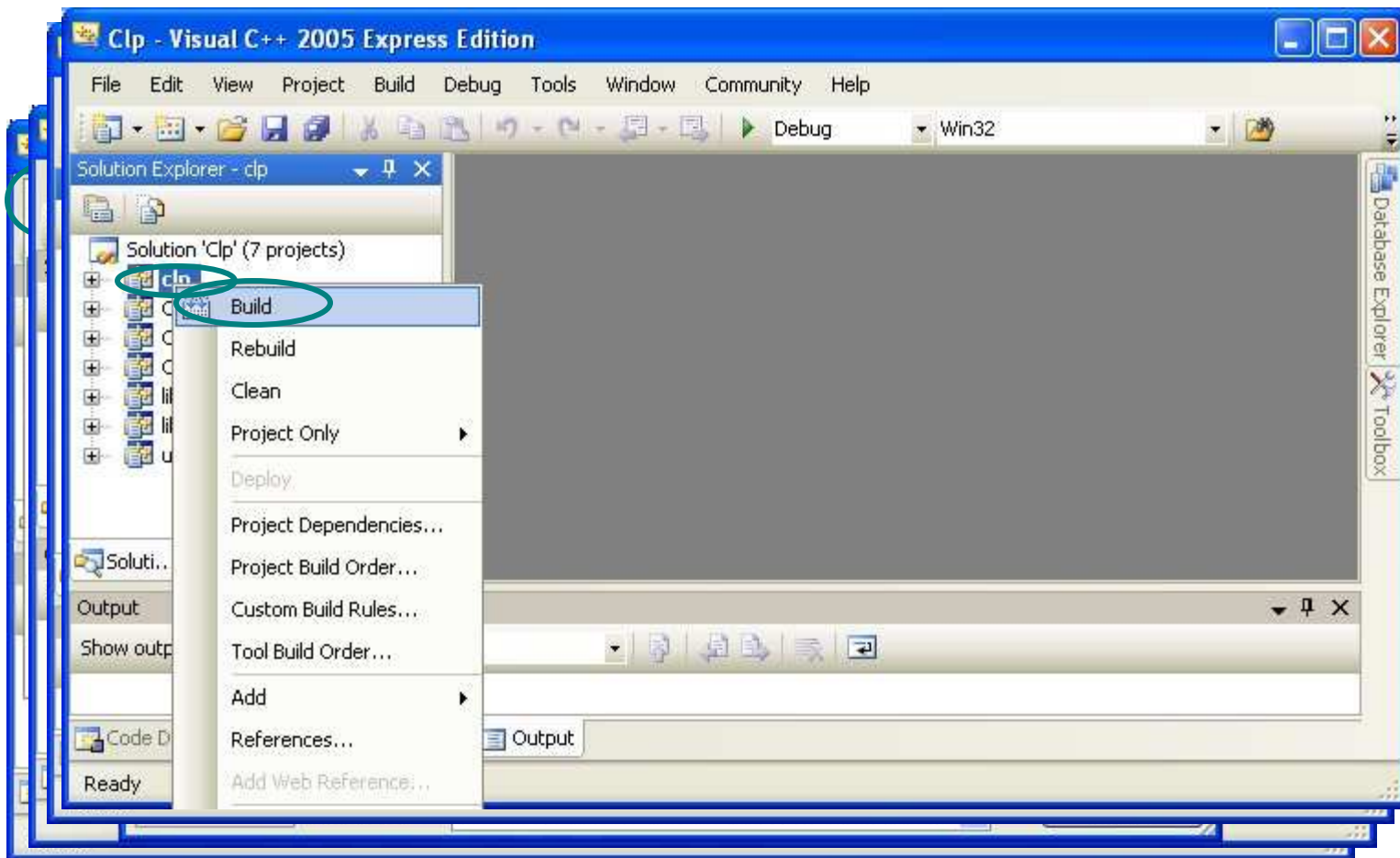
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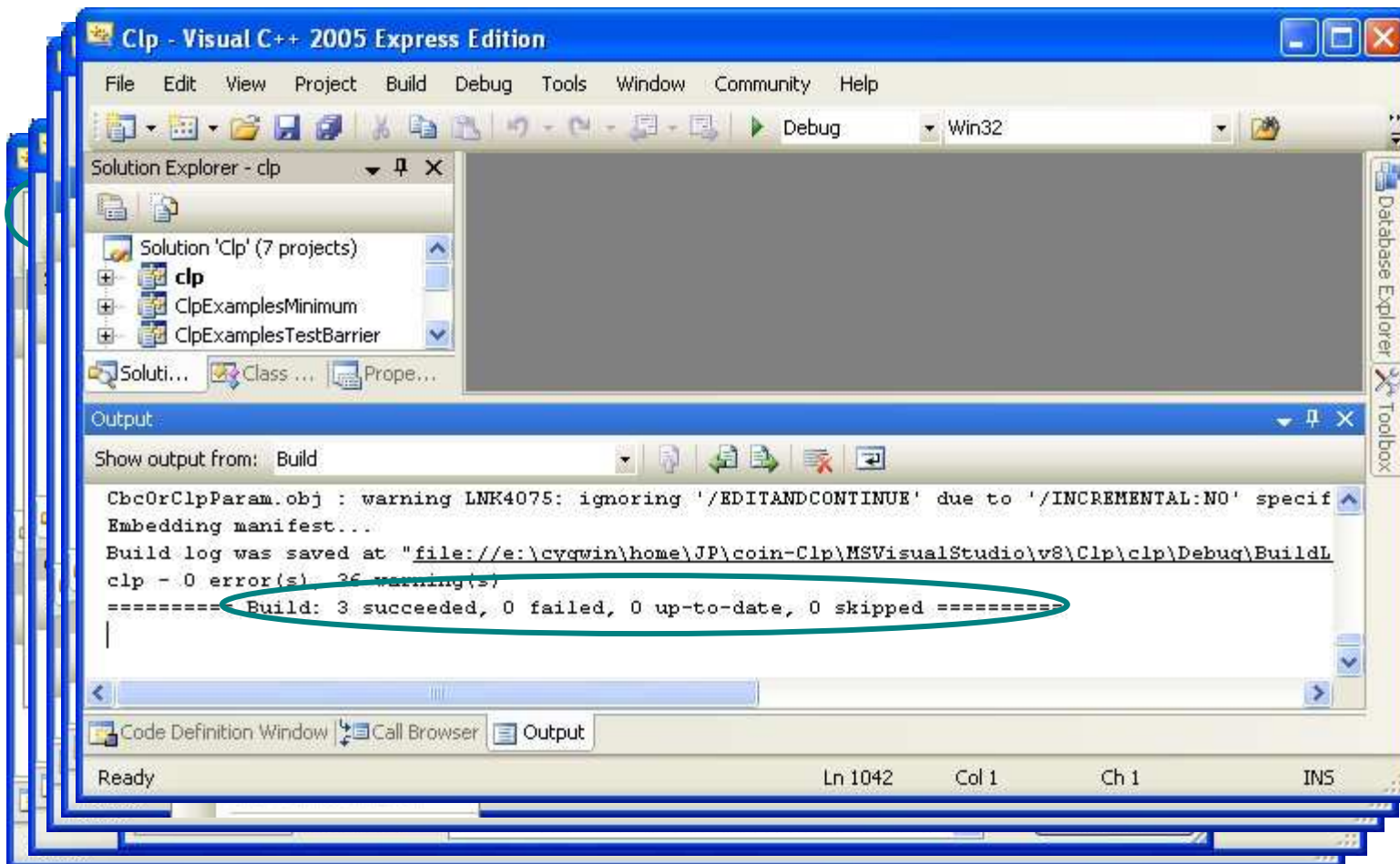
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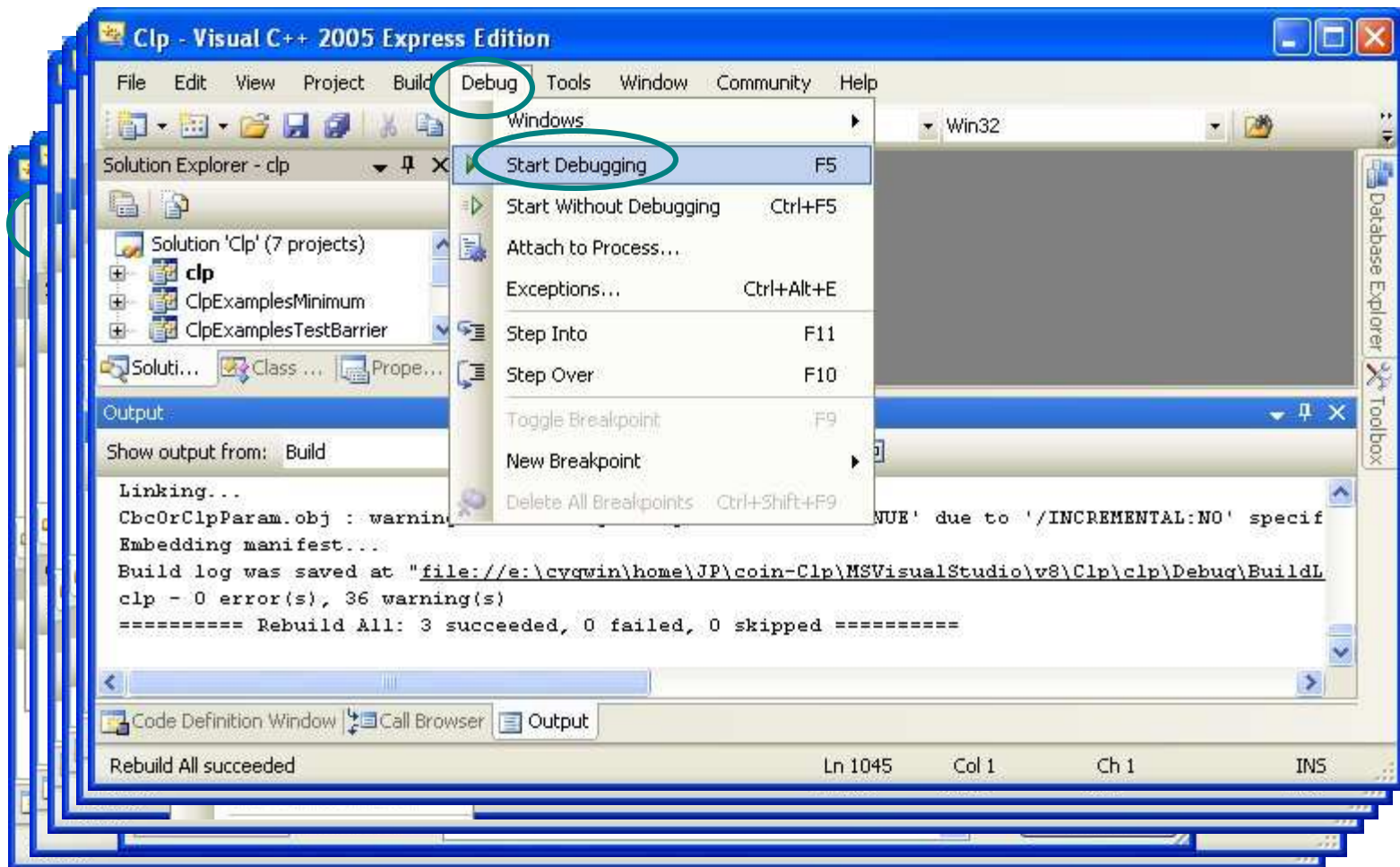
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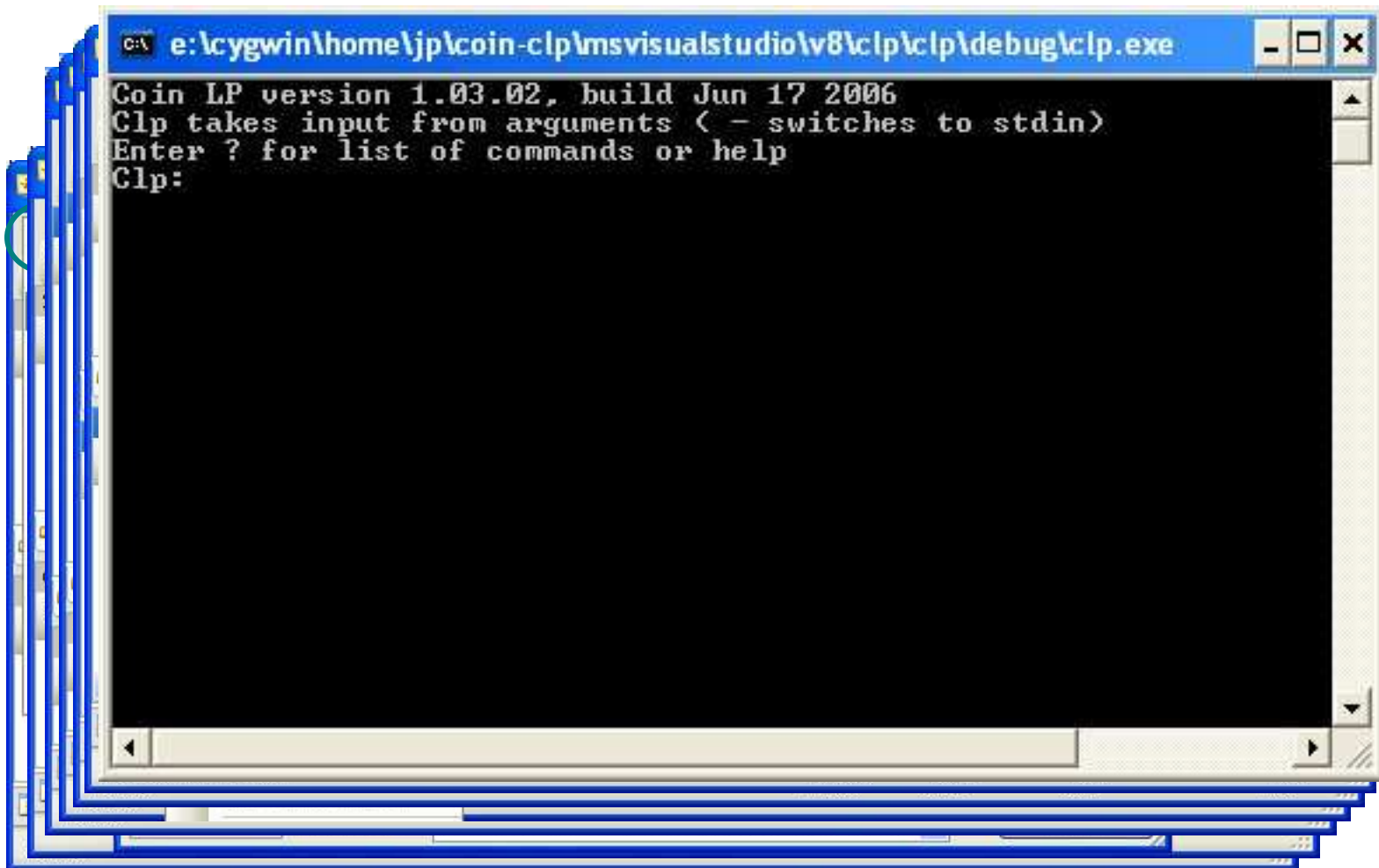
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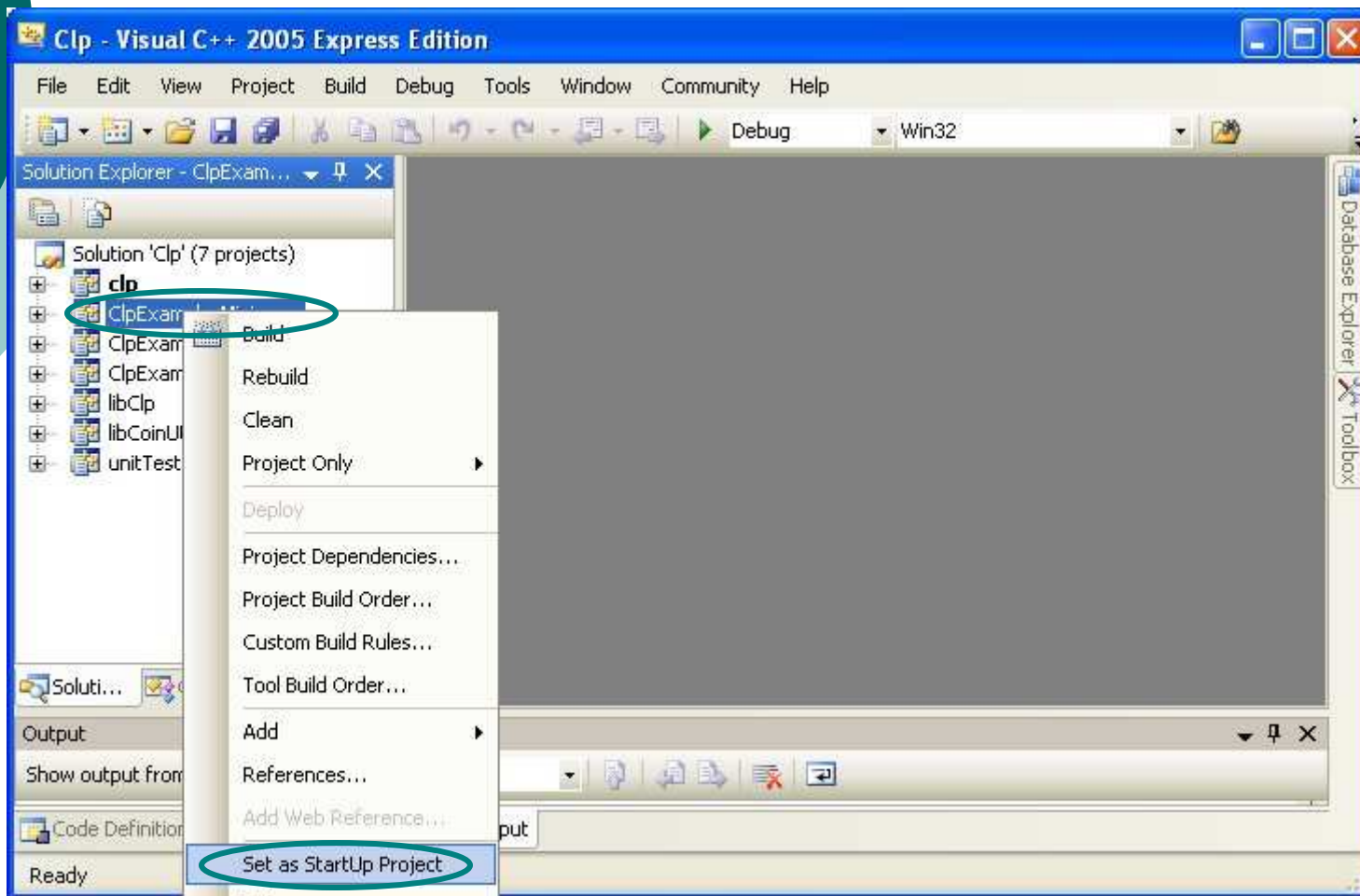
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Enter ? for list of commands or help
Clp:
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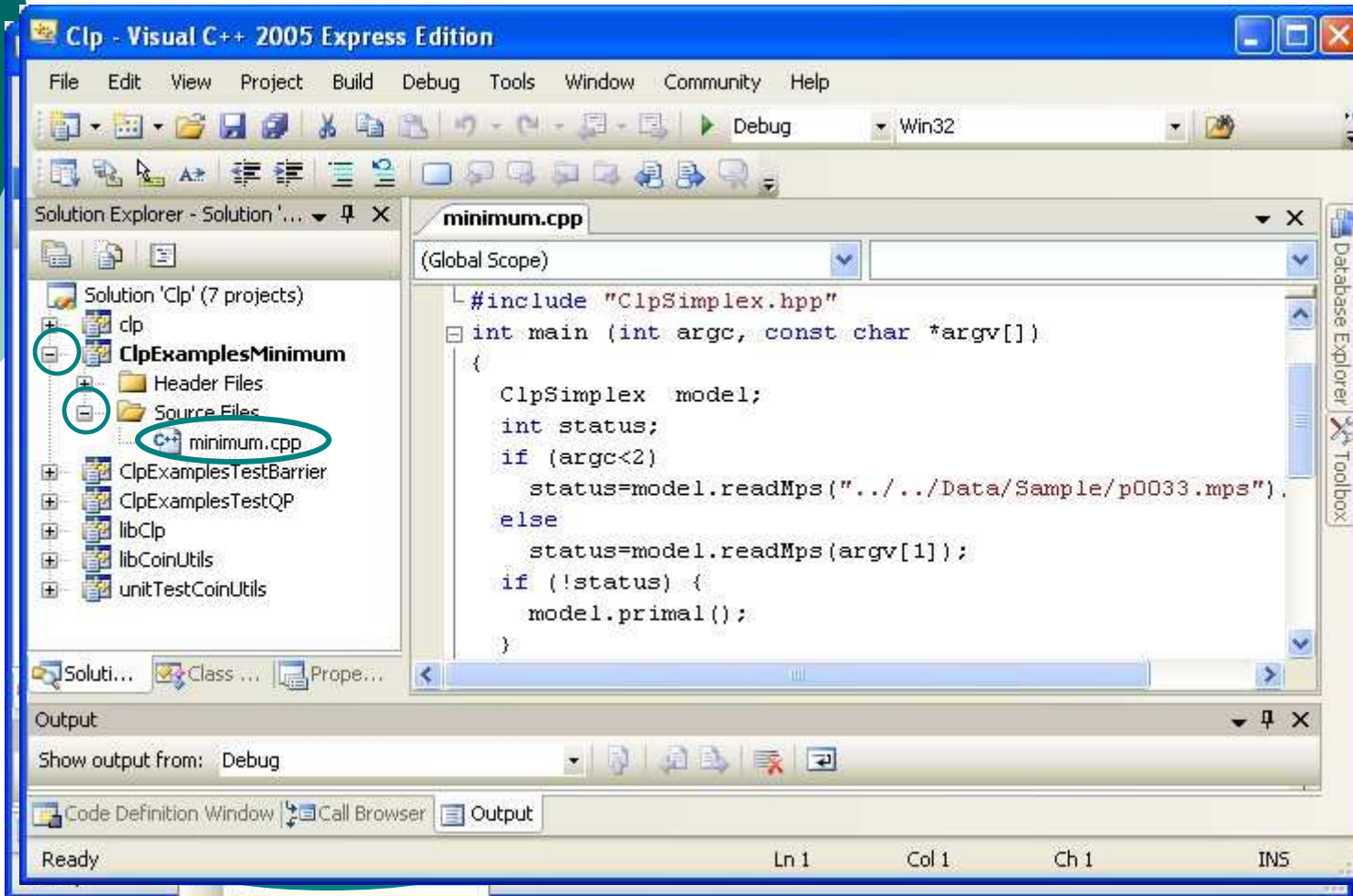
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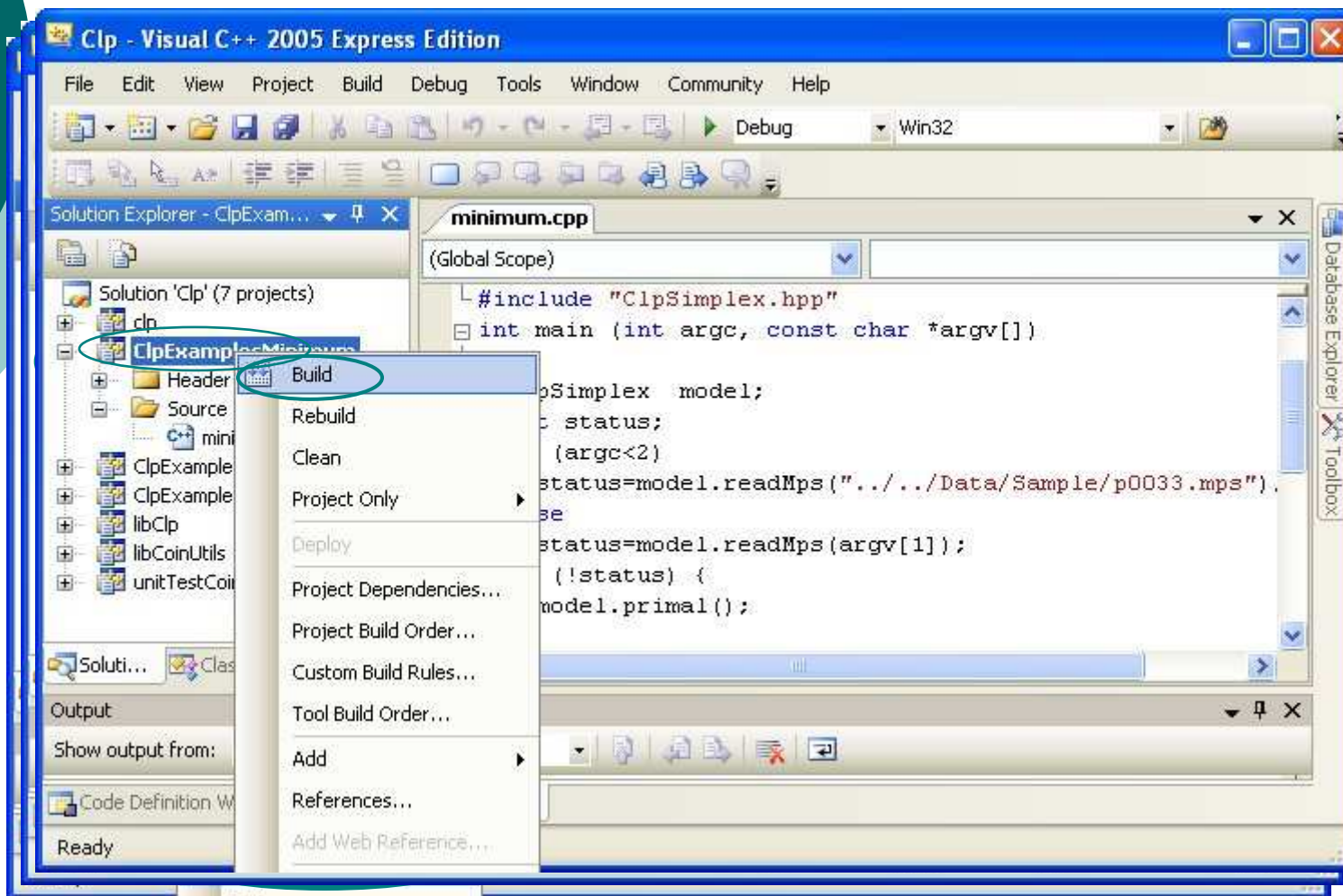
Build and run coin-Clp/Clp/examples/minimum.cpp



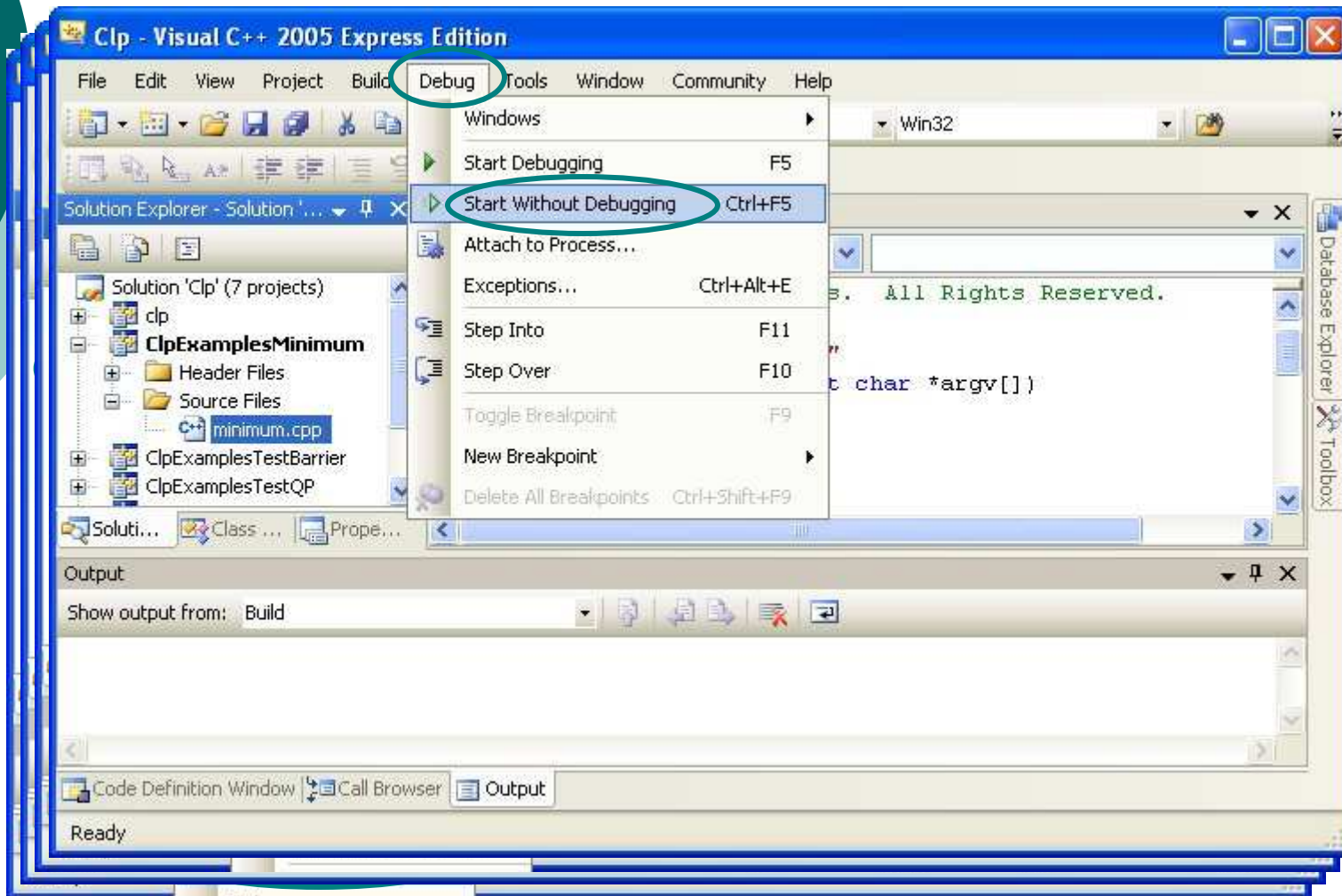
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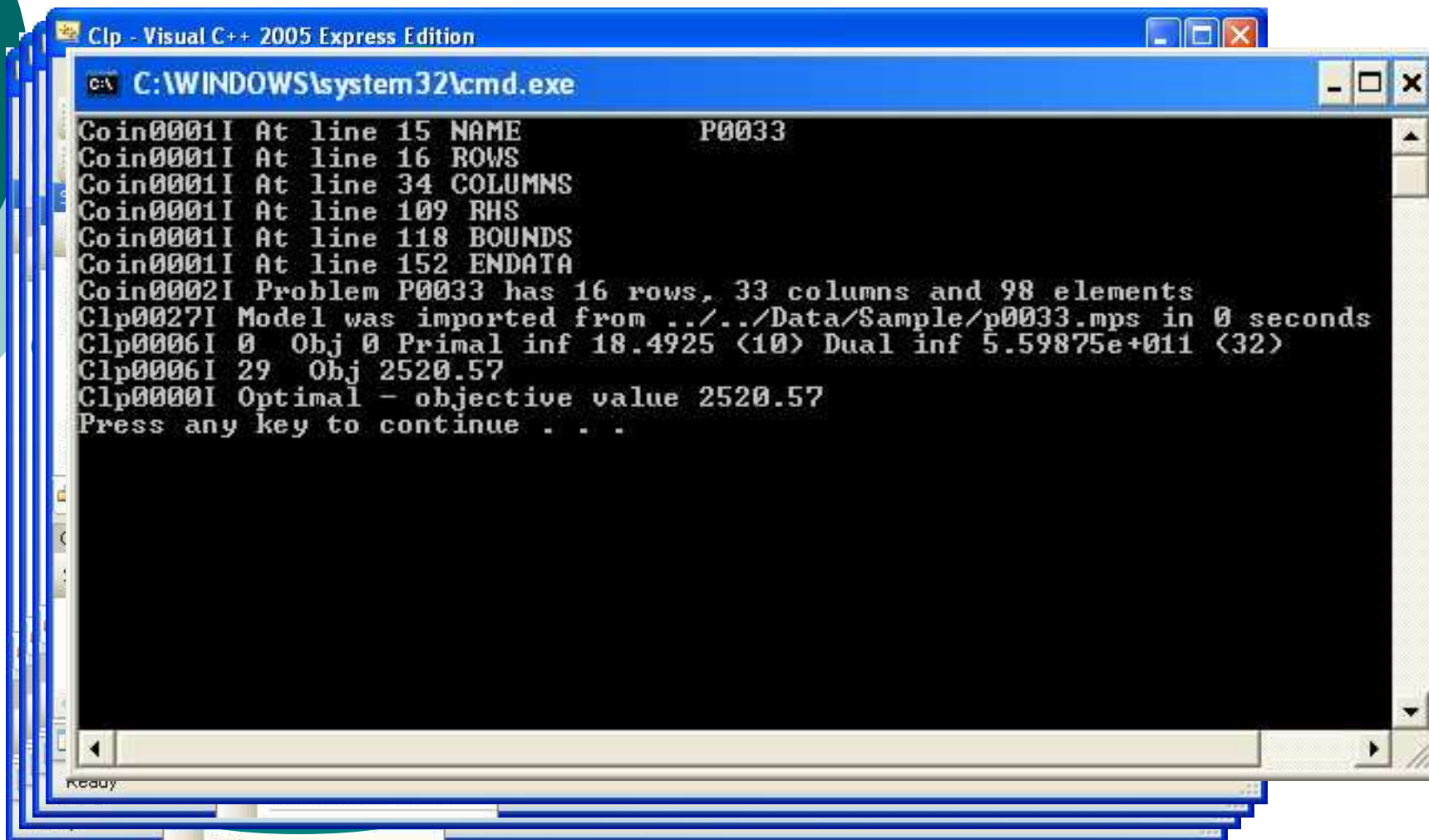
Build and run coin-Clp/Clp/examples/minimum.cpp



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```
Clp - Visual C++ 2005 Express Edition
C:\WINDOWS\system32\cmd.exe
Coin0001I At line 15 NAME          P0033
Coin0001I At line 16 ROWS
Coin0001I At line 34 COLUMNS
Coin0001I At line 109 RHS
Coin0001I At line 118 BOUNDS
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Clp0006I 29 Obj 2520.57
Clp0000I Optimal - objective value 2520.57
Press any key to continue . . .
```



Windows: Alternatives to using Visual Studio IDE

- On Windows the Unix build process can be used with Cygwin or MinGW.
 - www.cygwin.com
 - www.mingw.org
- The gcc or Microsoft cl compiler can be used.



Summary: www.coin-or.org

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- Go to projects trac page
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 - Build source