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Configuring the Default Size of an Application Text Window

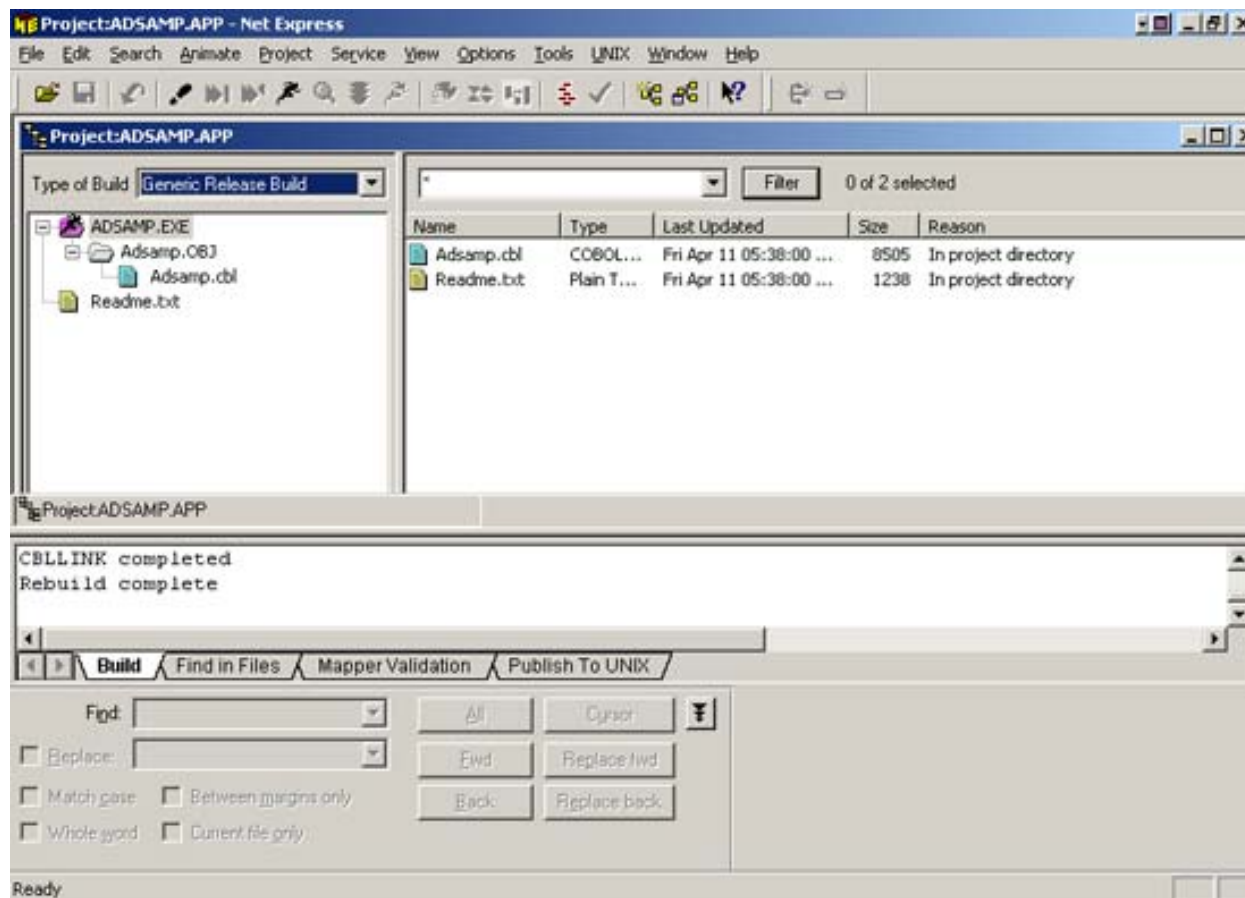
Net Express applications can utilize several forms of screen Input & Output. One form popular with users moving from older legacy applications is to initially use non-graphical text screens run within a Windows graphical window, commonly called a Text Window. There is frequently a need to configure the default size of this Text Window. This article covers how to accomplish this.

Frequently, users desire to change the Text Window size utilized within their application. This change can only be accomplished within an executable (.exe) created under Generic Release Build.

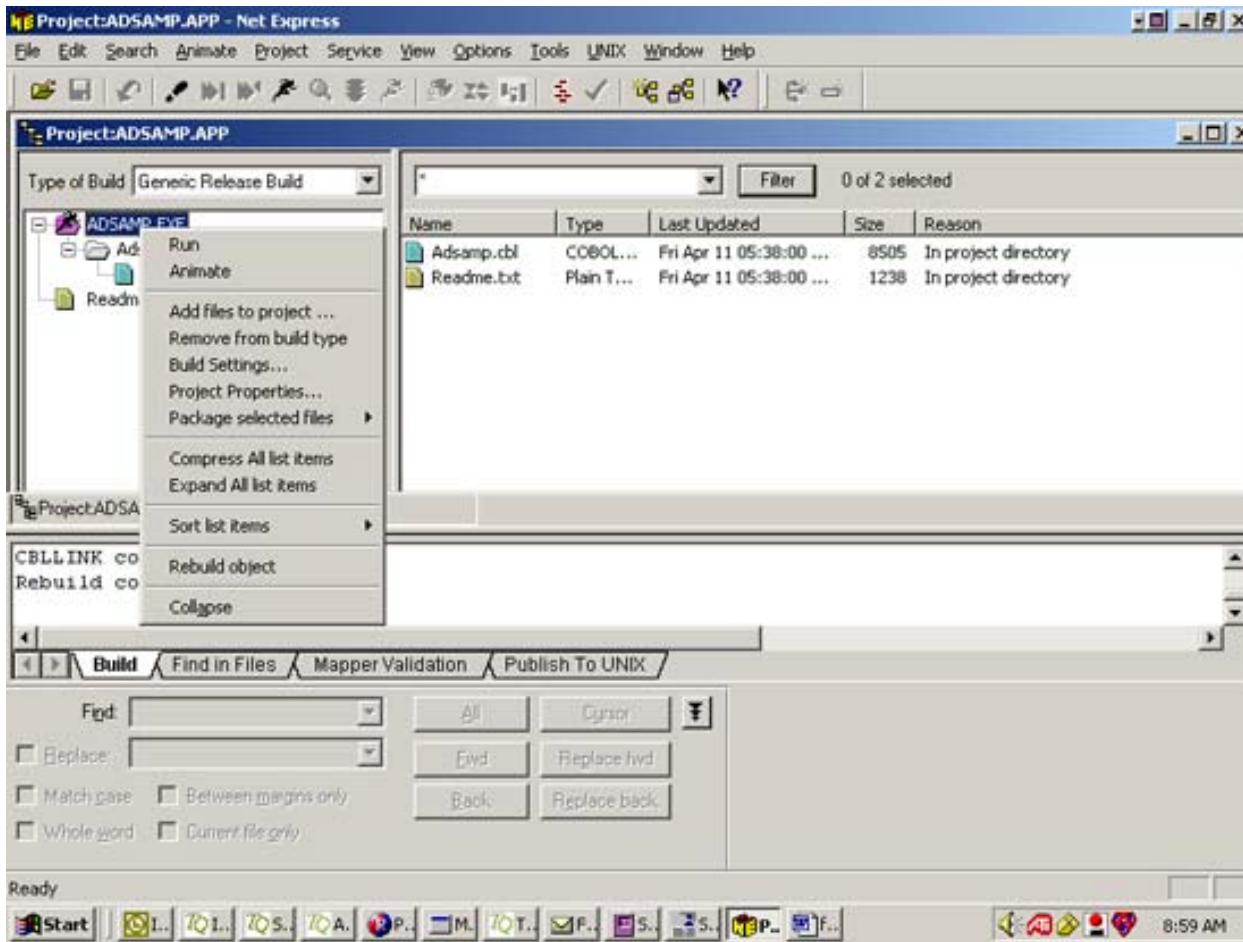
We will demonstrate how to change the default size utilizing the Net Express 4.0 Adsamp demo.

Load the ADSAMP.APP project into Net Express 4.0 integrated development environment (ide).

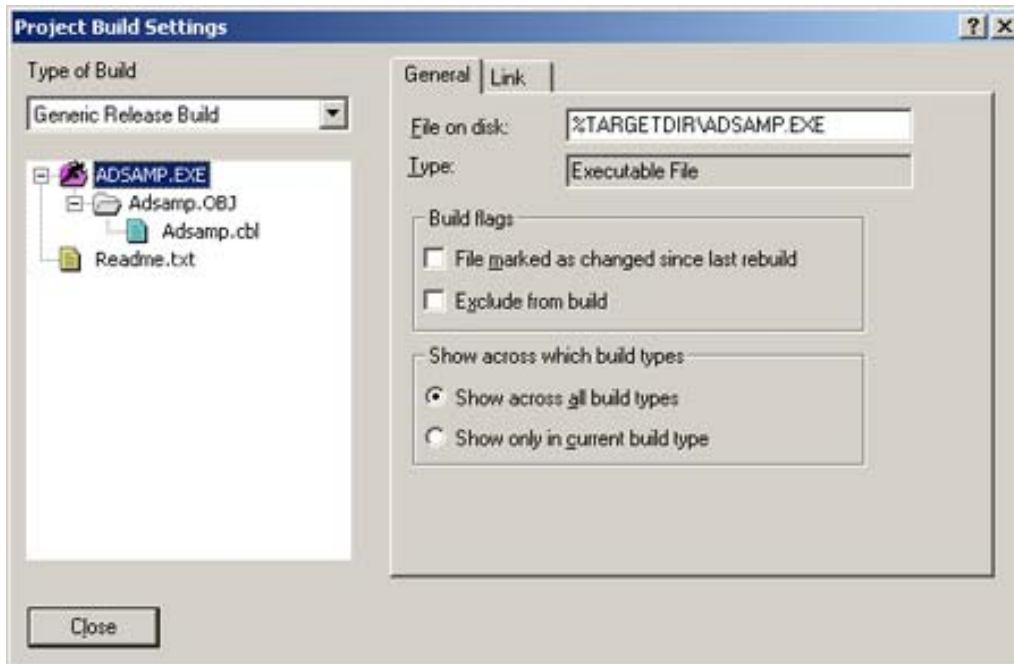
The Type of Build needs to be "Generic Release Build", as you can only change window size in the Generic Release Build.



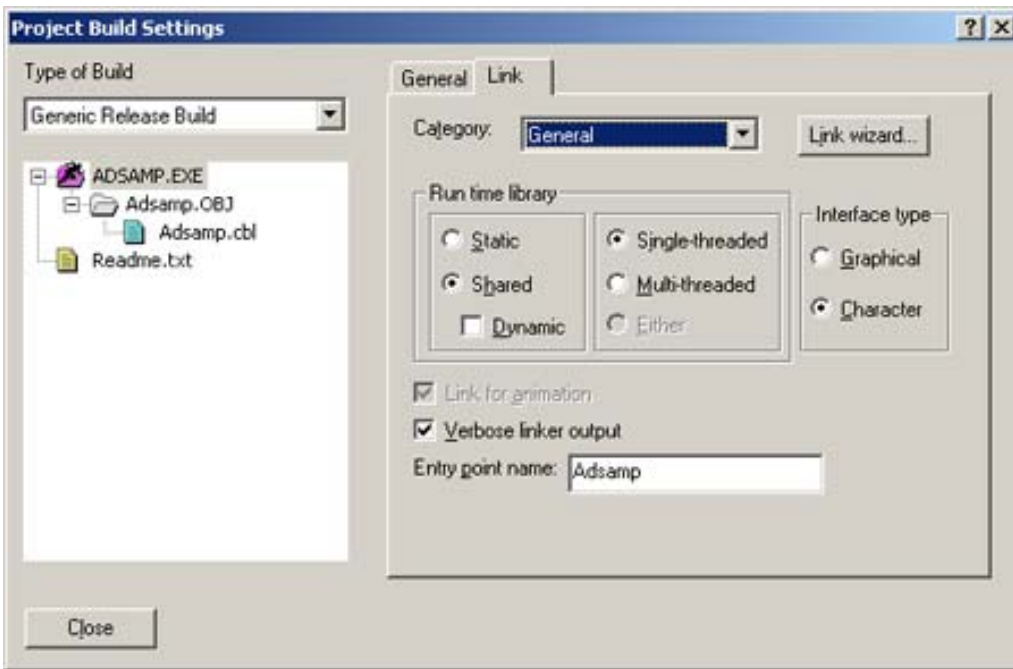
Highlight ADSAMP.EXE and right mouse click, select Build Settings.



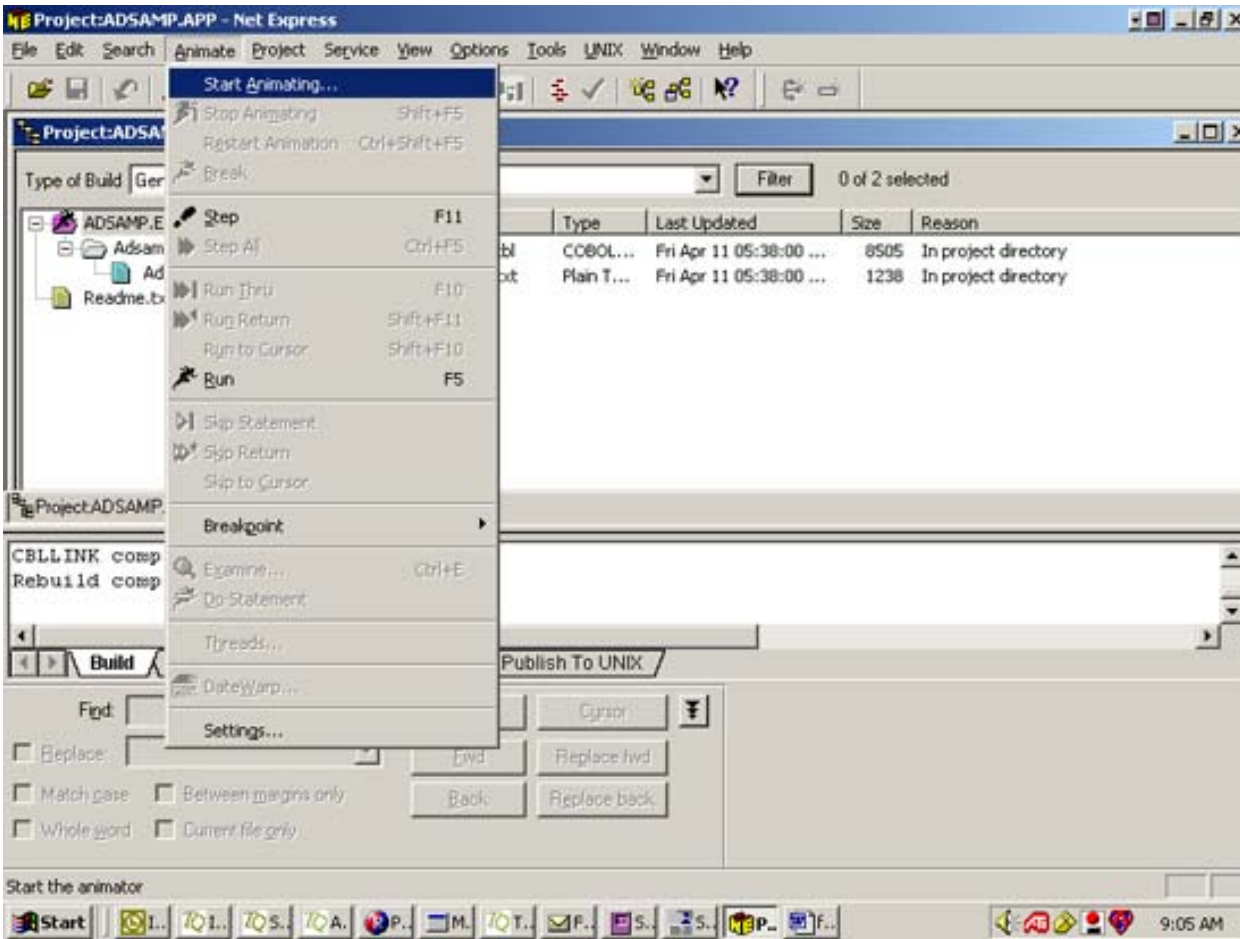
This window will appear for Build Settings...



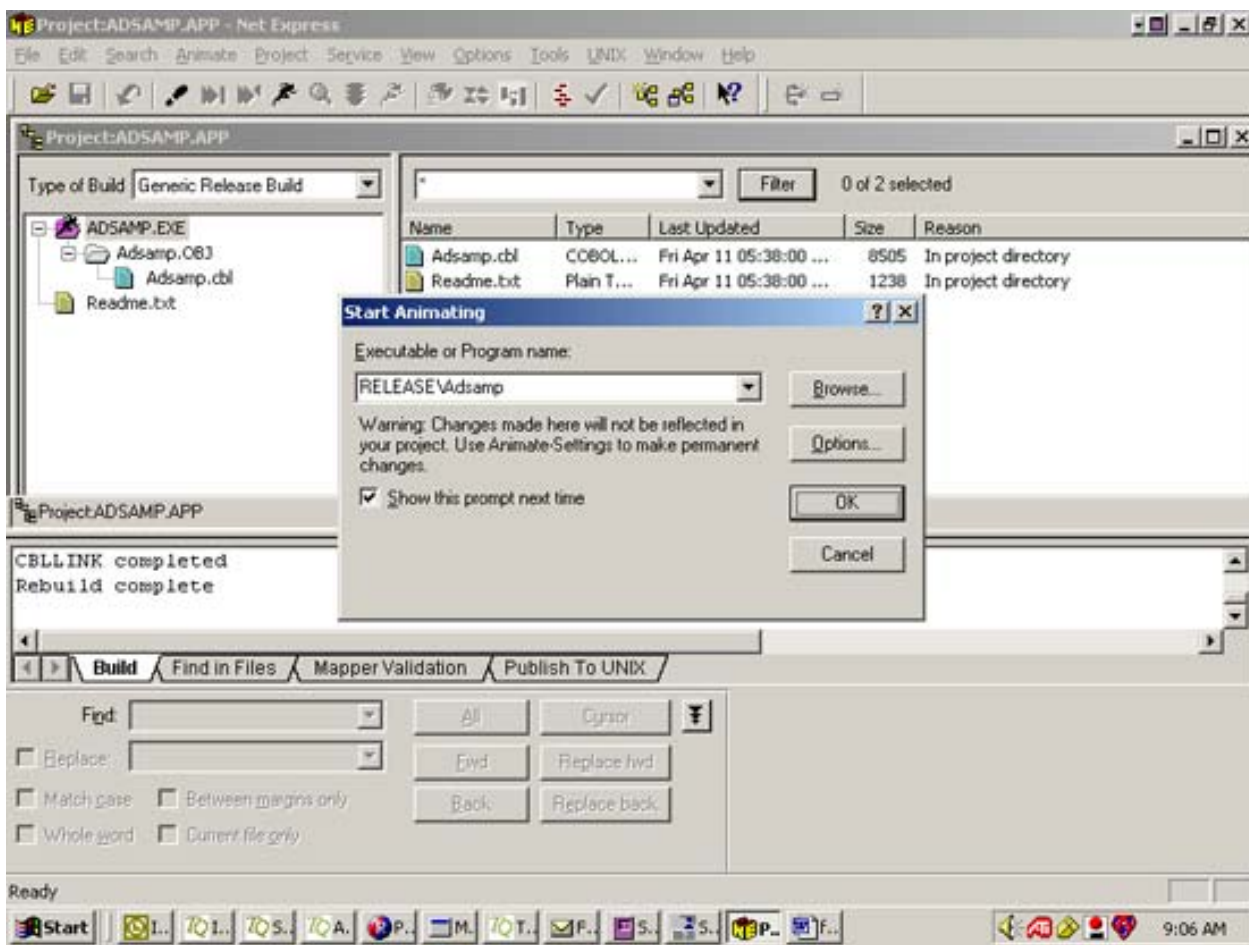
Next, click on Link tab and change Interface type to Character
Close the window



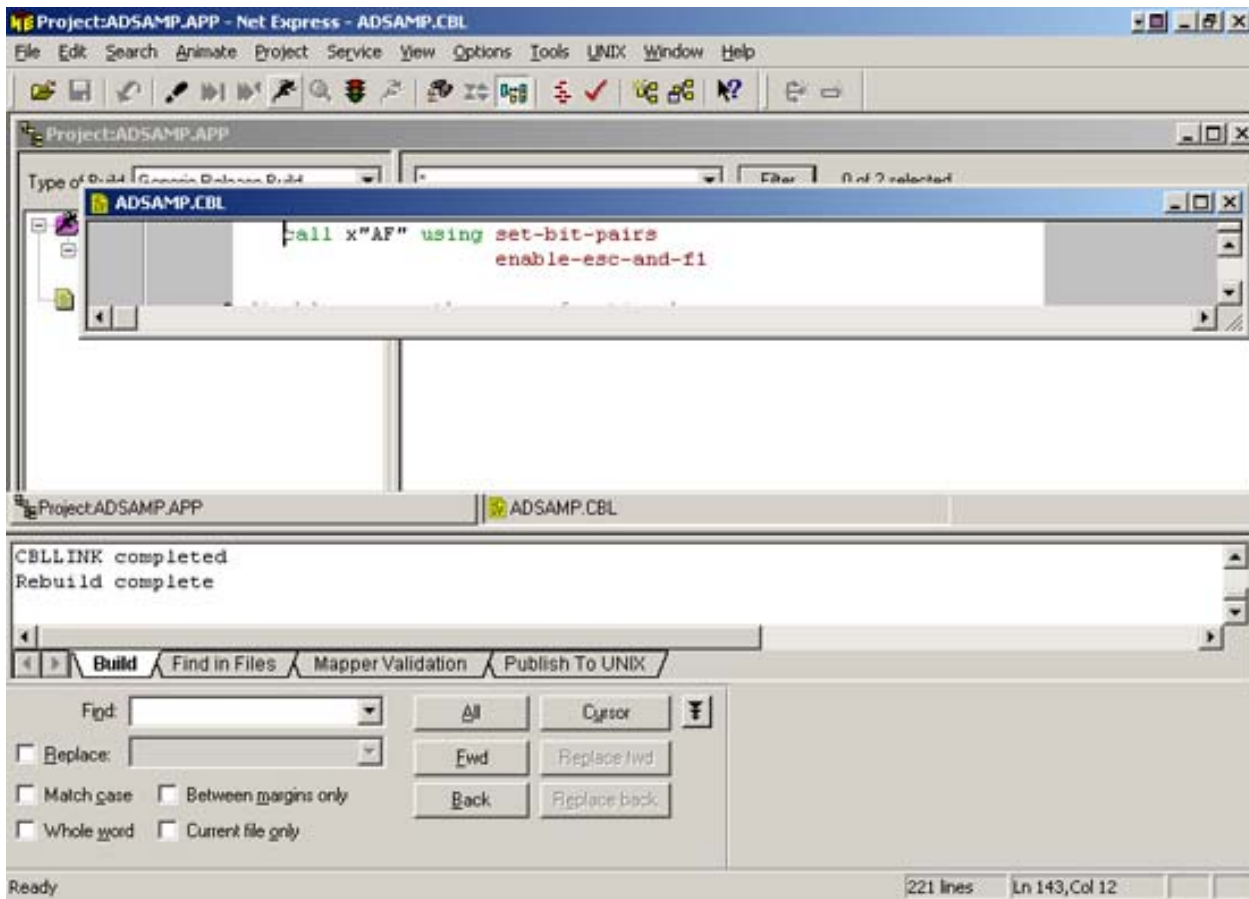
Start Animating



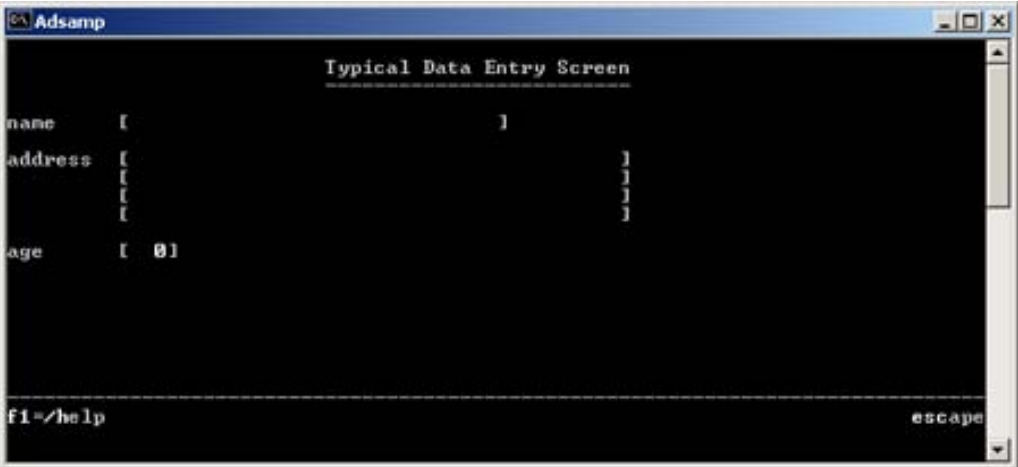
Click ok



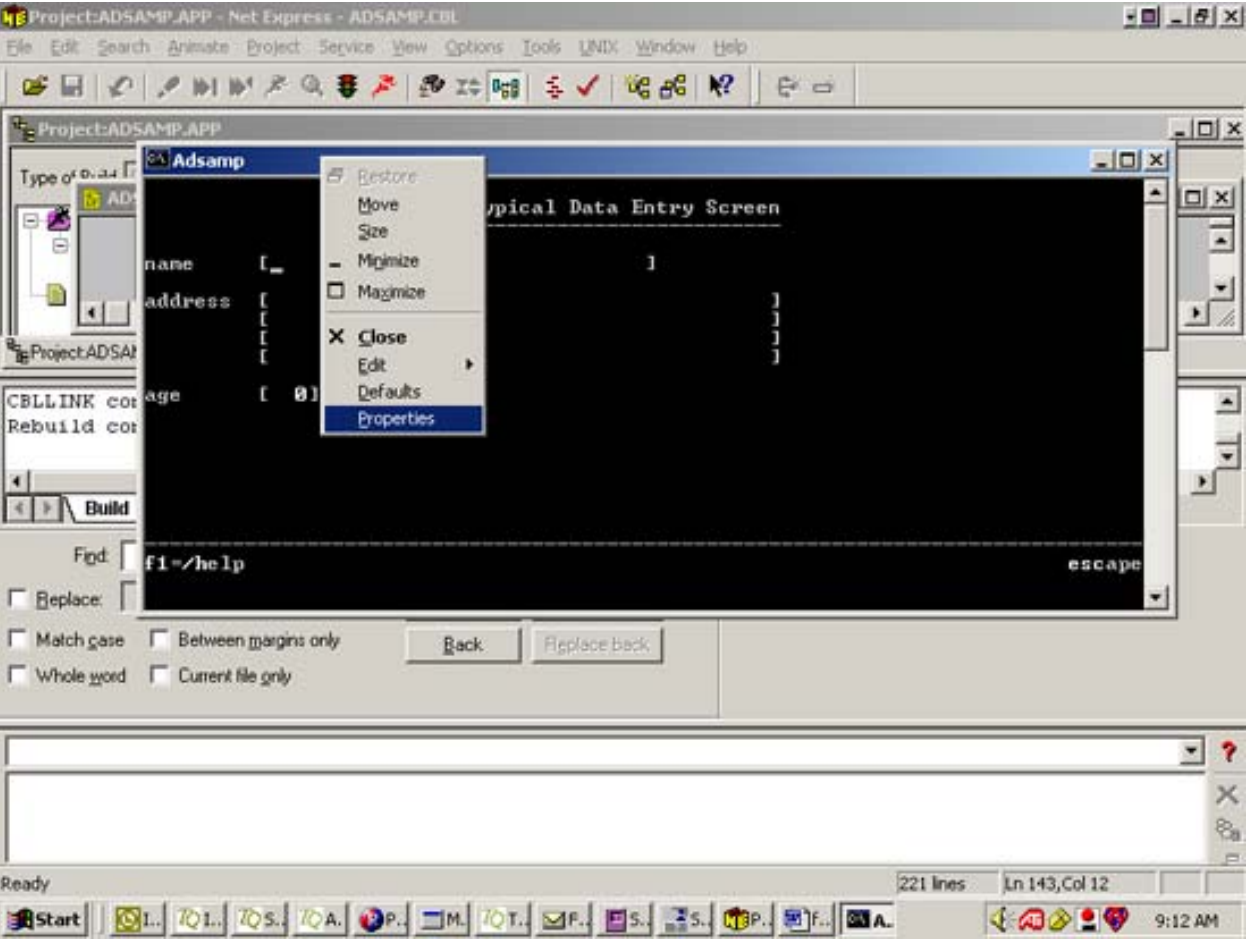
Next, run (F5)



The COBOL text window for Adsamp will appear.

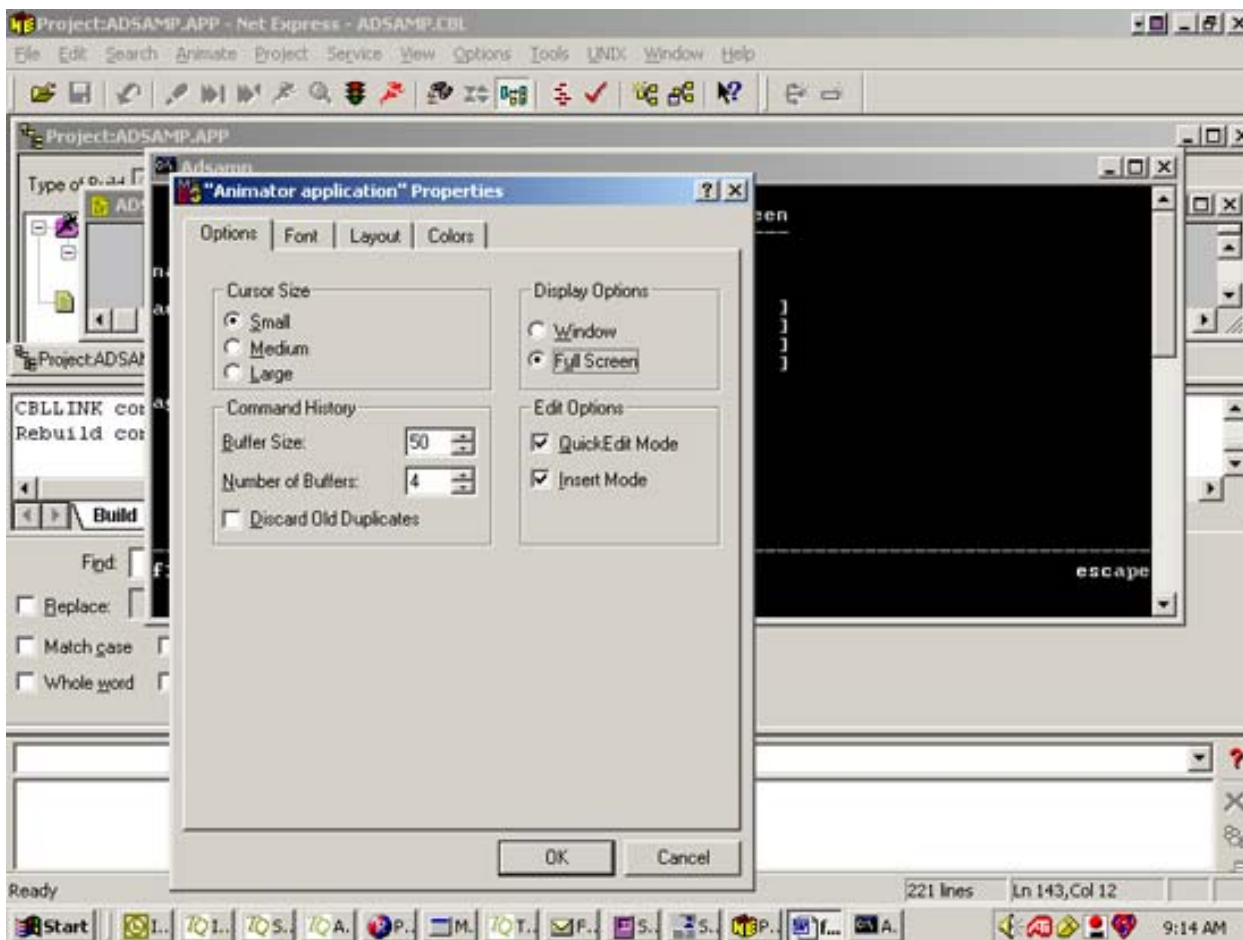
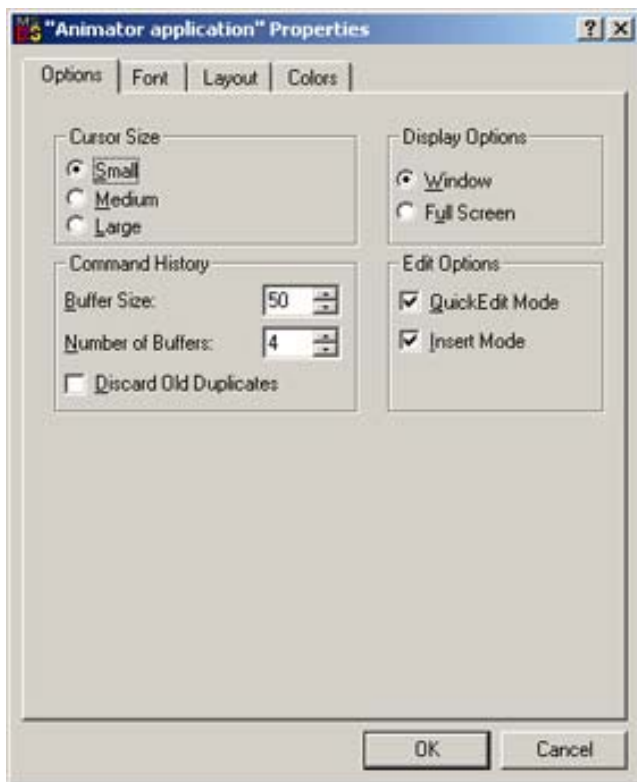


Right mouse click on title bar Adsamp and click on Properties

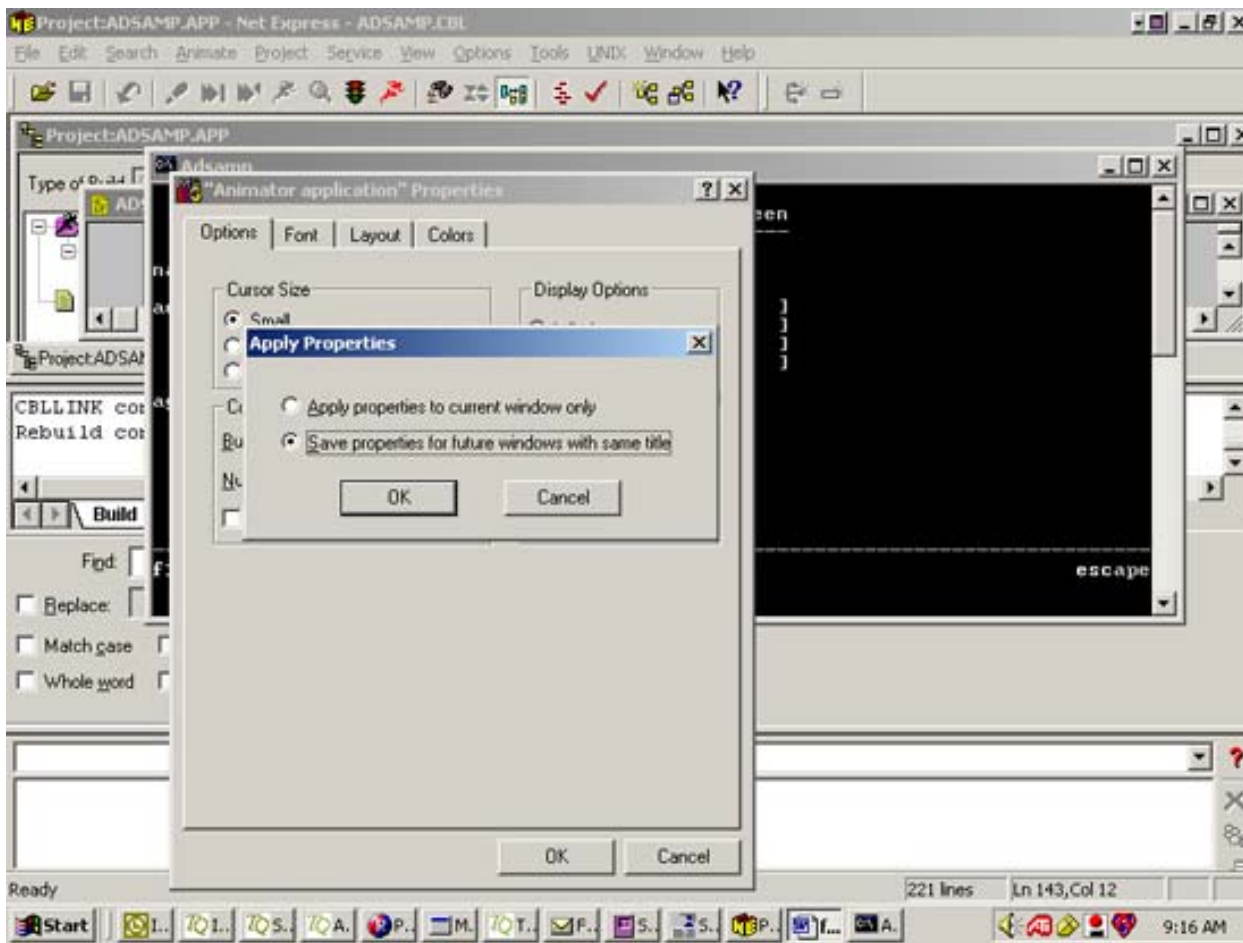


The Animator application Properties window will appear.
Click on the Options tab, Change under Display Options from Window to Full Screen.

Note: If do not want a Full Screen, adjust through the Font and Layout tabs.
The layout tab has a window size section.



Next, click OK and the Apply Properties window will appear, select one of the Apply Properties and click OK. The Adsamp COBOL text window will then become full screen.



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