

# Working with Gradle Projects


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IntelliJ IDEA lets you link a Gradle project to an existing IntelliJ IDEA project.


When a project is created by [importing from Gradle model](#), this link is established automatically.

It is also possible to open, detach or refresh a linked Gradle project. This is done in the [Gradle tool window](#).



## To link a Gradle project to IntelliJ IDEA project

1. [Open](#) Gradle tool window. If an IntelliJ IDEA project is not linked to a Gradle project, then the Gradle tool window is disabled.  
IntelliJ IDEA displays a message with a link that quickly lets you import your gradle project and enable the Gradle tool window.  
If the Gradle tool window is active then you have at least one Gradle project linked.
2. In the Gradle tool window, click  to attach a gradle project.
3. In the file choose dialog box that opens, select the desired `build.gradle` file, and click **OK**.  
Now as there is a linked Gradle project, the Gradle tool window shows the toolbar and tree view of Gradle entities.


## To open a linked Gradle project

1. In the [Gradle tool window](#), right-click on the linked project.
2. From the context menu select .  
IntelliJ IDEA navigates to the appropriate Gradle configuration file and the related `build.gradle` file opens in the editor.

## To detach a linked Gradle project

1. In the [Gradle tool window](#), under **All tasks** right-click on the linked project.
2. From the context menu, select . Alternatively, you can select the linked project and click  on the Gradle tool bar.
3. In the **Import Gradle Project** pop-up window, clear the check box if you do not want to delete the IntelliJ IDEA project as well.
4. Click **OK**.  
The Gradle project is detached from the IntelliJ IDEA project and is not synchronized any more.

## To refresh a linked Gradle project

1. In the [Gradle tool window](#), right-click on the linked project.
2. From the context menu, select .  
The IntelliJ IDEA synchronizes all linked projects.

## See Also

Reference:

- [Gradle Tool Window](#)

Getting Started:

- [Manipulating the Tool Windows](#)

Web Resources:

- [Developer Community](#) 

